### SCHOOL CALENDAR

#### October
- **Thur 22**: Prep Aquarium Excursion
- **Mon 26**: Pink Dress-up Day
- **27-29**: Gr 1/2 Excursions to Mont de Lancy

#### November
- **Tues 3**: Melbourne Cup Day
- **16-20**: Prep - Grade 2 School Swimming
- **Fri 20**: Bike Hike Warburton Trail
- **Wed 25**: Prep Information Night
- **Mon 30**: Grade 3 - 6 School Swimming (begins)

#### December
- **1-4**: Grade 3 - 6 School Swimming (cont)
- **Mon 7**: STUDENT FREE DAY
- **Tues 8**: Orientation Day - Prep & Grade 6
- **Wed 9**: Christmas Carol
- **Tues 15**: Grade 6 Graduation
- **Fri 18**: Last Day of Term - 1.30pm Finish

### Message from the Principal

Hi Everyone,

Thank you to the organisers of the Working Bee held on Sunday, and especially to the Parent Club for providing the refreshments. They were extremely welcome after a morning’s toil. Our aim for Sunday was to 'de-clutter' some of the storerooms and the garage, as well as reclaiming the Maths Resource room which had become a dumping ground for unused furniture and the myriad of 'stuff that might be useful one day'. It was great to see new faces attend and form new bonds. This may be due to some social media invites and challenges that had been shooting around beforehand.

This was the final working bee of four that we schedule for the year. We look forward to making your acquaintance over a pile of mulch in 2016.

**TWILIGHT FAIR - MARCH 2016**

The Parent Club is holding a Fair meeting next week during the evening. This is to allow those who can’t attend day meetings to get involved. It is especially aimed at dads who would like to assist in any one of a thousand different ways. So come along.

**Wednesday October 28, 7.00-8.00pm** in the Early Learning Centre.

There will be a movie and some toys out if the kids are coming with you... we want you there!

### Whoooping Cough

Thanks to all those families responding to our note regarding a whooping cough case within our community. Parents should note that if you have not had a booster since 2009 that you may not be protected and may inadvertently pass it on.

### Junior School Council PINK DAY

Next Monday is it.... PINK DAY!!! Come in pink to support the JSCs charity cause for this term.
Canteen News

Thank you Gemma Heemskerk, Jo Nubley and Ruth Osborne for your help in the canteen on Friday and Annette Murphy for helping on Wednesday.

This week’s helpers are Karen Wheeler for Wednesday 21st October and Fran Speight, Julie-Anne Carlson and Annette Murphy for Friday 23rd.

Please remember to use the updated menu for Wednesday.

Meatball rolls and falafel wraps are back along with the chicken tender and Mexican wraps. You are also able to order sandwiches, rolls and salad boxes now on Wednesdays for the summer terms.

Also extra treats at the counter are jelly grape cups, yogurt with fruit puree and fruit kebabs.

Fresh fruit salad is back on Fridays for this term.

Thanks
Alison

*MPS Pink Dress Up Day*
(Junior School Council Fundraiser)

Monday 26th October 2015
Dress up ‘As Pink As Possible’!

Cost: Purchase of Pink Morning Tea
(No orders accepted after Wednesday 21st October)
Or
Gold Coin Donation

Pink carnations also available for purchase for 50 cents each on the day.

100% of the profits will go directly to BCNA
(Breast Cancer Network Australia)
**Workers of the Week**


**SPORTS STAR:** Saxon P WOW: Ela G, River T, Tyler G

**MUSIC:** Khang Q 1/2G

**OSCAR:** Fraser H 1R

**PANDA:** Bethany S PH

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**Value of the Week**

**Excellence**

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**VALUE OF THE WEEK:**

**PATIENCE**

What is it?

Patience means waiting and trusting that everything will be all right. It is being calm and tolerant, even in difficult situations. It means having self-control.

Patience is sticking with something until you get the results you want. It is like planting seeds in a vegetable garden then tending to them and waiting for the results.
SPORT SHORTS

HOOP TIME REGIONAL FINALS – Congratulations to the Grade 3 and 4 students who participated in the Regional Hoop Time finals. The Montrose Monkeys (Grade 3’s) did a wonderful job making it this far as a bottom age side, while the Montrose Magic (Grade 4’s) won their way through to the State finals. We wish the Montrose Magic the best of luck for the State finals.

Montrose Monkeys – Oliver, Rhyian, Luke, Tyler, Keely, Hannah, Hayley
Montrose Magic – Bailey, Tyler, Jett, Jamie, Alex, Tyana, Grace

Best of luck to the Grade 5 and 6 students who are participating in Regional Hoop Time finals this week!

ATHLETICS REGIONAL FINALS – Congratulations to the 6 students who qualified and participated in the Eastern Region Athletics Carnival. This was a huge accomplishment, progressing through from House, District and Divisional levels to qualify.

Grade 4 – Ela (hurdles), Tyler (high jump), Jett (200m)
Grade 5 – Tayja and Jye (both 800m and 1500m)
Grade 6 – Nicholas (800m)

BOYS SOFTBALL

Congratulations to the Boys Softball team for winning the Divisional final against Bimbadeen Heights Primary School 16-3. The boys will now play in the Eastern Region finals at Jells Park on November 5th.

Teammates – Elliot, Toby, Aiden, Jye, Sheldon, Nicholas, Koby, Dylan, Tristan, Griffin
Jordan (on holidays)

SPORT STAR OF THE WEEK

Name: Saxon P Grade: 2P
Nomination reason: Climbing the rope (with no knots) to the top in 6 seconds!
What’s the most important thing about sport? Giving your best
My favourite sport is: Soccer
My favourite thing about P.E. lessons: Fun games
My favourite football team: Hawks
My sporting hero: Sam Mitchell
At lunchtime I like to: Play with friends
The best thing about school is: Having fun
My favourite food: Chocolate pudding
When I grow up I want to be: ... A soccer player or a runner

SPORT STAR OF THE WEEK

Name: Mia W Grade: 2N
Nomination reason: For doing an outstanding job filling in for Grade 3 Hoop Time
What’s the most important thing about sport? Fun with friends
My favourite sport is: Gymnastics
My favourite thing about P.E. lessons: Playing cool games
My favourite football team: Hawthorn
My sporting hero: Dad
At lunchtime I like to: Play hopscotch and do cool gymnastics moves
The best thing about school is: Making new friends
My favourite food: Carbonara
When I grow up I want to be: ... A police woman
PERSISTENCE is this term’s new YCDI Key for Success. You can demonstrate Persistence by: believing ‘I can do it’; giving 100% effort all the time; and not giving up when something feels like it’s too hard to do.

This week’s award winners are:

Award winner: Jacob C 3KS

Why do you think you got the award?
I got it because I was persistent

My Hero is:
Mum and Dad

My favourite things about school are:
Maths and handwriting

When I grow up I want to be:
A Policeman

Award winner: Grace B Prep S

Why do you think you got the award?
I worked really hard on my writing

My Hero is:
My Mum

My favourite things about school are:
Art

When I grow up I want to be:
A vet
DUE DATE: 
Thursday 29th October by the end of lunchtime.

Good luck!

Mr Storr

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Maths Masterclass- Gr 3, 4, 5 & 6

Question 3: Can you make a Maths movie?

Your Maths mission:
1) Choose a Maths principle from the twenty topics (below)
2) Grab a smartphone or video camera
3) Record yourself explaining the Maths concept in 30 seconds.
4) Email it to the school: montrose.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Winning entries will be entered in the Splash ABC's 'Make a Maths Movie' competition!

Choose from one of these topics:

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Visit: http://splash.abc.net.au/ugc-gallery/-/gal/2038194 for some ideas!
Congratulations to the Prep, Grade 1 & Grade 2 Maths Masterclass Winners:

Hayden (1P) and Annie (2P)

for problem solving ways Lauren could pay for a balloon!

Hayden used BODMAS to work out many different coin combinations and Annie printed her coins and arranged them to show all of the different combinations.
Fiction (chapter) books

Right under the corridor windows, with the funky ottoman to relax on, is the fiction - chapter books for all grade levels & reading levels.

Within the fiction collection, there are many different stories to entice you:

- Shorter stories for easy reading (like Pearlie, Tashi and Zac Power)
- Fantastical stories to inspire your imagination (like the Spiderwick Chronicles)
- Edge-of-your-seat stories (like Conspiracy 365 and The last thirteen)
- Stories based on real-life stories (like the My Australian story diaries & Once)
- Great series for you to follow a character through book after book (like Harry Potter, Andy Roid & Geronimo Stilton)
- Funny stories to make you laugh out loud (like How to eat fried worms, & anything written by Andy Griffiths, Roald Dahl & David Walliams)
- Collections of short stories, for short, sharp, quick reading (like Give peas a chance, Short & scary, Just three, & 30 Australian ghost stories for children)
- And lots of other terrific chapter books to take you to new places in your own head!
Inappropriate Content

Young people have access to a virtually limitless world so parents should be aware of the risks.

What is inappropriate content?

The internet offers the chance to explore a virtually limitless world without the constraints of the "real" world. Content on the internet is not broken into age or developmentally appropriate areas. Without supervision and guidance, a young child can either unintentionally or purposely find content that is disturbing, explicit or inappropriate.

Just as you would ensure that the books you read to your child are age appropriate and the TV shows they watch are suitably rated, you should monitor what your child is doing, and where they are going, online.

Most internet users will at some stage come across confronting content online and in the majority of cases this will not cause long-term harm. Problems can arise when this exposure is constant and is not discussed with a parent who can provide a balanced view.

Some specific examples of potentially damaging content for children and teenagers include sites which encourage eating disorders or self-harm. For young people with mental health issues such as depression or an eating disorder, these sites can be damaging as they create an environment where users may normalise behaviour which is harmful (for example encouraging self-harm, or extreme calorie restrictions). Be aware that young people looking for these websites will find them.

Many disturbing websites are not 'illegal' which means that it is up to a parent to monitor and manage. You would not feel safe allowing your child to wander aimlessly through a large city, alone and in the middle of the night. The internet is like a large city, full of good and bad and a place that a child needs to be supervised.

The issues of curiosity and exploration are the same for every generation, but the internet means there is far more information which is far more easily accessible. Parents may once have looked up a 'rude' word in a dictionary—children today will Google the word instead. Rather than looking up pictures of nude bodies in a biology textbook at the library, today kids can get videos rolling online very quickly.

What can I do to protect my child online?

The most important thing you can do is engage in open and honest communication. Use the internet together and make it part of your family's activities. You do many other activities with your child: walking the dog, going to the movies, and playing in the park—so spend some time online as well. The more you explore together, the more you will learn about their online behaviours and interests.
Inappropriate Content

More options include:

- **Have a home-based 'Acceptable Use Agreement'.** You have rules in the real world about what your expectations are, you can have similar rules and consequences for the internet.

- **Use an internet filter.** These can be downloaded for free, or purchased from an IT retailer. Remember that sometimes filters fail, and they can be bypassed—for example, by using the neighbour’s unsecured Wi-Fi.

- **Use parental controls.** You may not be aware that most computers, net browsers, tablets, smartphones and gaming consoles have some level of parental control—for example, the ability to block access to certain categories of websites. These are not the default settings, so you must activate them yourself.

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**Talk with your child**

Ensure that you regularly talk with your children about their online experiences. Ask them what they have seen or done, and if they have had any problems. If you hear about a site which concerns you, have a look for yourself.

Make sure that you continually reinforce to your children that nothing is so bad that they can't talk to you about it. Let them know that they should come and tell you when they have any problems online, see something that they know is wrong, or anything that upsets them.

Children often fear telling a parent about an online issue as they think this will result in blocking their access to the computer and internet. Don’t threaten to disconnect your child—this will only cause them to keep online problems hidden from you.
Working Bee “Thanks so much”!!

Pat yourselves on the back, Montrose Primary! What an amazing turnout of families to help us at the final Working Bee of 2015! It was so lovely to see some new faces in the mix, along with our “regulars”!

Thank you so much to the following families for coming to help us:

- The Rowe Family
- The Lockhart Family
- The McBain Family
- The Bouwhuis Family
- The Stevenson Family
- The Craig Family
- The Kuffer Family
- The Wilson Family
- The Commins Family
- The Carland Family
- The Fitzgerald/Williams/McKenzie Family
- The Walles Family
- The Johanson Family
- The Silcox Family
- The Alexander Family
- The McDonald Family
- The Barker Family
- The Brown Family
- The Smith Family

The following staff members also get huge kudos for coming and getting their hands dirty. We really appreciate you giving up part of your weekend to help us. A big “thanks very much” to these awesome folks:

- Miss Knell
- Mr & Mrs Pedder
- Mr Pollard
- Mrs Paps & Mr James

A special mention must go to Nicki Thomas and Miss Knell for running every type of ball game under the sun to keep the kids occupied!

Thanks so much everyone – with all those hands on deck, we made great progress with sorting, stacking and mulching!
To put together an exciting and fun Twilight Fair (18th March 2016) for your family and friends each year requires a lot of planning. This year, to allow those who work during the day or have other day-time commitments to participate, an evening meeting will be held on

**Wednesday 28th of October from 7-8pm**
in the Early Learning Centre (children welcome).

As the saying goes “many hands make light work”. Twilight Fair Coordinator Melanie Barley has put together a comprehensive list of roles for the Fair. **We need each and every one of these roles filled or the Fair for 2016 will not proceed.** The Twilight Fair raised over $12,000 in 2015 and funds many of the large projects around the school that all the students benefit from. The roles have been broken down into jobs/tasks that are as simple as possible, so as not to be onerous on any one person.

**WE NEED YOU TO PUT YOUR HAND UP & HELP US PUT ON A FABULOUS TWILIGHT FAIR IN 2016!**

Your commitment to help organise the Twilight Fair does not mean you are committed to any on-going role with the Parents Club! Unless you wish to do so, then we’d love to have you!

If you cannot make the evening meeting, we will have a daytime version on **Thursday 29th of October at 9:15am in the Parents Club Room** also.

If you cannot make either of these meetings but would really like to be involved in any way with the Twilight Fair, please contact Mel on 0438 522 453 or melaniebarley@y7mail.com
What a fabulous effort. The final tally is **43,200** stickers.

Stay tuned for an update on what new purchases are made.

Thank you again to everyone who was involved.

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Commonwealth Bank School Banking Update – Please Read

Following the decision last month to recall the Cosmic Light Beam Torch due to potential safety issue, a decision has been made to also withdraw the upcoming Lunar Light Band reward from the School Banking Rewards Program.

To avoid disappointment there is a new rewards item available for redemption in Term 4 while stocks last. Students can now test their skills with a game of Frisbee with the new Galaxy Glider!

Once students have collected 10 tokens, they can simply include the below note, along with their 10 tokens in their deposit wallet on banking day.

Don’t forget the Outer Space Savers Money Box is also available in Term 4.

Just a reminder that supply of rewards is only guaranteed for the term they are released.

Some popular items are limited in supply and cannot be guaranteed the following term.

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A note from School Banking
Please choose one of the following reward items:

- Galaxy Glider
- Outer Space Savers Money Box
- Invisible Ink Martian Pens
- Intergalactic Rocket
- ET DVD

There is limited stock available of some of the 2014 reward items:

- Shark Key Ring
- Scented Pencils
- Swimming Bag

All reward items are available while stocks last

Name: ______________________
Class ________

I would like to redeem 10 tokens for a:

- [ ] Galaxy Glider
- [ ] Outer Space Savers Money Box
- [ ] Invisible Ink Martian Pens
- [ ] Intergalactic Rocket
- [ ] ET DVD
- [ ] Shark Key Ring
- [ ] Scented Pencils
- [ ] Swimming Bag
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Montrose Junior Football Club
2016 Registration Day
BOYS - U8 through to U17
GIRLS - U12, U15 & U18
Sunday 8th November 2015
10am till 12 noon
Montrose Recreation Reserve
Mount Dandenong Tourist Road, Montrose

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