**SCHOOL CALENDAR**

**November**
- Wed 19: Project Rockit Incursion, Grade 5/6
- Fri 21: Grade 5 Warburton Trail Bike Ride
- Tue 25: Grade 5/6 Responsibility Day

**December**
- 1-5: Swimming, Grades 3 to 5
- Fri 5: Final payment due, Grade 6 Camp
- Mon 8: Christmas Carols, 6pm
- Tue 9: Orientation Day Grade 6
- Tue 16: Grade 6 Graduation
- Thu 18: Grade 6 to MSAC
- Thu 18: Prep/Grade 5 Buddies Party
- Fri 19: Last day of Term, 1.30pm finish

**January 2015**
- Thu 29: Start of Term 1 (Grade 1 to 6)
- 28-29: Prep 2015 Interviews

**February 2015**
- 2-6: Grade 6 Camp, Anglesea
- Mon 2: Start of Term 1 (Prep) 1pm finish
- Tue 3: Prep, 1pm finish

**Other**
- Recess: 11.00am to 11.30am
- Lunch hour: 1.30pm to 2.30pm
- Uniform Shop: Wednesdays, 2.45pm to 3.30pm

Canteen Lunch orders to be in by 9am Wednesday and Friday

**2014 Term Dates**
- Term 1: 4 - 6 October to 19 December

**2015 Term Dates**
- Term 1: 29 January to 27 March
- Term 2: 14 April to 26 June
- Term 3: 13 July to 18 September
- Term 4: 5 October to 18 December

**Message from the Principal**

Hi Everybody,

**Pupil Free Day**
Staff enjoyed an inspirational and challenging day with maths guru Michael Ymer last Thursday. As well as spending time sharing great maths based games and activities, Michael spent a sizeable part of the day at looking at the strategic planning of maths on a number of levels. We will continue our working relationship with Michael next year. There is a high chance that Michael will also set time to speak with parents which would be absolutely a night to remember!

**Bike Hike**
Our grade 5s have had their final bike-ed session today before getting ready to take on the Warburton Bike Hike this Friday. The hike travels along the Warburton Trail and includes many challenges. Apart from the road crossings, continuous concentration and riding amongst large numbers of other riders, the sheer distance itself will challenge. It will however be a major highlight for the year.... not soon forgotten.

**Responsibility Day**
Next Monday will be a grand day at Montrose when our year six students step up to take on a fantastic challenge... **Responsibility Day!** Come Monday each of the classes at Montrose will be taught by small teams of grade 6 students. Each team is now meeting with the class teachers to plan an exciting program. As well as teaching all the grades, the year 6s will also be in charge of the Art room, PE program, Music lessons and Drama sessions.

**A Cry of Despair!**
This week I heard a cry of despair from our volunteer who manages our ‘Lost Property’. Though she manages to return all NAMED items of clothing, it seems that the percentage of unnamed clothing is on the increase... hence the cry of despair.

*Neil Pollard*
Thank you so much to Cath Smirk for filling in for me on Friday and for doing such a great job with the help and support of Leanne Peacock, Paula Maki and Julia Griffin. Thank you also to Ruth Osborne for helping out on Wednesday.

This week’s helpers are Kylie Sheperd for Wednesday 19 November and Julie-Anne Carlson and Phillipa Commins for Friday 21 November.

Thanks,

Alison

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**VALUE OF THE WEEK:**

**FLEXIBILITY**

Flexibility is being open to change. It means not always having to have your own way. Many unexpected things happen to us that we cannot control. When things happen that upset us, it can mean that we need to do things differently or improve in some way. Flexibility means you see difficult things as a challenge and that you are willing to make changes to become a better person.

**REMEMBER**

All raffle tickets and money for the Cubby House Raffle must be returned to the office by Wednesday 19 November.

Thank you.
LIBRARY LINKS

COMING SOON!

Library Amnesty

Return your overdue library books

NOW...

Oh no – you’ve got overdue library books! Has someone else been reading them? Are they lost on your bookshelf?

What can you do?

NO QUESTIONS ASKED,

NO FINES CHARGED
Persistence means trying hard and not giving up when something feels like it’s too hard to do.

This week’s winners are...

This boy has come along in leaps and bounds with his writing this semester. He has gone from someone who took rather lengthy breaks while writing, to someone who persisted to keep himself on task and on track. All of a sudden, he found he was writing more and more. Even a whole page or more! He likes this and he kept it up the effort. If he found himself getting distracted, he pulled himself up, and kept telling himself to concentrate. That was his self talk. He also persisted with his handwriting. It used to be pretty messy but because he worked tough and tried his best, he is now writing a LOT neater.
Well done Max C from 1A.

The persistence award goes to a member of 5N who has shown determination towards improving his work. He has applied himself both in class and at home to improve his knowledge of fractions, decimals and percentages. Sheldon has asked questions when unsure of how to do something and continued to try his very best. Well done to Sheldon Js from 5N.

Here's what Max and Sheldon had to say about receiving their awards:

**Junior YCDI Student of the Week:**
*Max from 1A*

Why do you think you got the award?
*For concentrating, doing more writing and writing one page or more.*
What could you change?
*That people could fly.*
My hero?
*Superman.*
When we grow up we want to:
*A policeman.*

**Senior YCDI Student of the Week:**
*Sheldon from 5N*

Why do you think you got the award?
*For improving on my work and practising.*
What could you change?
*I’d get rid of cancer and all those bad diseases.*
My hero?
*My Dad.*
When we grow up we want to:
*An electrician.*

From Your YCDI Leaders
Montrose Primary School is a voting venue for the upcoming election on 29 November.

The Montrose Primary School Parent’s Club will be running a fundraising BBQ & home-baked goods stall during the voting hours.

This will be a fantastic fundraiser!
We will be selling Bacon & Egg Rolls, Sausages in Bread & home-baked goods.

* Help Wanted *

1. We are seeking egg donations for our Bacon & Egg rolls
   If you can help, please contact either Jo Garland 0408 534 650 or Mel Barley 0438 522 453 with approx quantities by Friday 21 November.

2. Volunteers needed to help on the day
   We need some fabulous volunteers to help cook, take orders & sell home-baked goods at our stall.
   If you can help, please complete the volunteer form below.

3. We need our school families to make some home-baked goods
   Paper plates will be coming home a week before the election for families to make something delicious that we can sell.

NAME: ___________________________ CHILD’S CLASS: ___________________________

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER: ___________________________

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Please tick your preferred time

Please RETURN this form to your child’s teacher or PARENTS CLUB BOX at the office by Fri 21 November
Save the date
because
It’s beginning to look
(and sound)
a lot like
Christmas

Preparations are underway for the Annual Montrose Carols Night. It’s set to be a great night full of community carols, performances from all of the Montrose Primary students, plenty of Christmas cheer, and a very special visitor. Bring your picnic and join us for dinner beforehand then join in the Christmas spirit with carols and performances from the talented students. Get your family to start practicing so you can join the singing on the night.

Date: Monday 8 December
When: 6:00 for picnic dinner; 6:30 for carols and performances
Where: Montrose Primary School Basketball Courts
Bring: Picnic dinner; All your Christmas cheer

JUMP Rope for Heart

Just a final reminder that, due to the implementation of a new system, we require all paid sponsorship forms to be returned to school so we can process payment and have prizes allocated.

Sponsorship forms will be returned so that families may use them for tax purposes.

If you are unable to find your sponsorship form, please provide your receipt or alternatively a note to the office with your child’s name and total money raised.

Thank you for your understanding.
LEARNING MUSIC INCREASES MEMORY, Reasoning Capacity, Time Management Skills and Eloquence

YOUR CHILD DESERVES THIS CHANCE

Enrol NOW in ............
PIANO ON KEYBOARD LESSONS
16:00 per half hour lesson

* Convenient – in school time
* Inexpensive
* Learn with Friends (max 3 per group)
* All equipment provided
* INDIVIDUAL tuition

ONE FREE LESSON IF YOU ENROL NOW
Phone 9761 9058
Hello School community!

We're excited that our new shop, The Storehouse Mt Evelyn, is now open!
In our local family owned store you will find friendly faces, a beautiful coffee bar, bulk organic wholefoods, organic grocery items, and more. Oohh, and our healthy smoothie menu is a hit!
Have you tried our coffee yet?! We're getting consistent 5 star ratings from our customers, and we love our rapidly growing group of regulars! Grab a coffee card in store for every 7th coffee free!
Mention this newsletter article for 10% any grocery/bulk food items.

Like us on Facebook to see what we're up to and what's new!
* Wonderful locally roasted coffee from Capillus Roastery, and a few light & seasonal dining options.
* A wide range of self-serve bulk wholefoods, including flours, seeds, nuts, dried fruits, etc.
* A good collection of health foods and sustainable living personal and household products.

*Local artisan wares from our dear friends and family.

We're all about community, healthy living, and caring for the Earth God gave us. Come and say hello! Graeme & Jadyn Knoll

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**FOSTER CARERS NEEDED**

You could help kids achieve their dreams!

Carers come from all walks of life and can be single, married, with or without children, working full time, part time or not at all. Respite, emergency and longer term care opportunities available.

**INFORMATION SESSION**

Thursday 27 November @ 7.30pm
Anglicare Victoria
47-51 Castella St, Lilydale

1300 889 335
www.anglicarevic.org.au/events

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**MONTROSE**

**CHRISTMAS TREES**

OPEN DAILY 9am - 6pm
FROM NOVEMBER 28TH

CNR. MOORE AVE & SWANSEA RD. MONTROSE
Ph. 0419 537 374 OR 0430 359 220

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Advent Workshops 2014

WHAT
The Christmas Story told through story, songs & craft.
Biscuits, cordial & fun shared with others

WHERE
Montrose Uniting Church
Cnr Gratten & Canterbury Rds
Montrose. (Melway 52.B.8.)

WHEN
Monday - November 24th &
December 1st, 8th & 15th
3:45 to 5:00pm

WHO
Open to all children from 4 year old Kinder up to Grade six.
Also a small group for 3 year olds

COST
$12.00 Per child for 4 weeks of fun.
Paid in full on pre-registration,
(Max $40.00 per family),
or $4- per child per week.
Payment is due by 11th November

CALL
Call Robyn 9728 3739 for a registration form.

Pre-Registration is Recommended
**Wednesday Canteen Menu 2014**
**Term 4**

Please place correct money in a paper bag / lunch wallet with your child’s name, grade and order on the front. Please include 20c if you do not have a lunch bag and we will provide one for you.

Snacks and drinks will also be sold over the counter at play times.

**Wrap 'n' Roll**
- Meatball Roll (homemade meatballs(4) served with tomato, cheese and lettuce in a long white roll) 3.80
- Chicken Tender Wrap (served with grated cheese, carrot, lettuce) 3.20
- Mexican Wrap (chilli chicken tender, cheese, avocado, tomato and lettuce) 3.70
- Falafel Wrap (served with tzatziki dip, tomato and lettuce) 3.20

Please request if you want tomato sauce, sweet chilli sauce or mayonnaise with any of the above 0.20

**Salad Box**
- All salads come with lettuce, tomato, cucumber and carrot
- Choose from: Meatball/Chicken Tender/Falafel/Ham/Egg/Tuna or Cheese 3.50

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**Jaffles**
- Baked Bean 2.80
- Cheese 2.50
- Cheese and Tomato 2.80
- Ham and Cheese 3.20
- Ham, cheese and tomato 3.40
- Tuna (plain/tomato) and cheese 3.20
- Chicken and Cheese 3.20

**Extras for above items: ADD**
- Salad item ‒ 20c, cheese ‒ 40c, avocado ‒ 50c, tortilla chips ‒ 1.00, sauce ‒ 20c

**Hot Food**
- Cruiser Pie 3.50
- Mini Meat Pie 1.50
- Pizza - Hawaiian/Margarita 3.00
- Sausage Roll 2.80
- Macaroni Cheese 3.20
- Fried Rice 3.50
- Corn Cobbett 1.00
- Tomato sauce 0.20

**Frozen Snacks**
- Golden Circle Fruit tube 1.00
- Moosie (all flavours) 1.50
- Bulla Fruit and Yoghurt stick 1.30
- Frozen Fruit Juice cup (apple/or) 1.00
- Frozen Pineapple Ring-counter only 0.40

**Drinks**
- Just Juice – orange or paradise punch 1.50
- Flavoured Milk – chocolate or strawberry 1.80

**Snacks**
- Apple Slinky 0.80
- Apple from home made into slinky 0.20
- Mini Wheats/Wild Berry Bites 0.05
- Dried fruit – apple/apricot 0.10
- Piranha Vegie Chips – (bbq cheese, S&V, honey soy) 1.20
- Popcorn – butter,S&V,cheese 1.20
- Sakatas Rice Crackers – bbq/chicken 0.70
- Homemade Fruit Muffin 1.50
- Choc Chip Go Cookie 1.00
- Raisin Toast, buttered 0.50
- Fruit and Nut Ball 0.50
- Jam Drop/Honey Butterfly (allergy friendly)1.50

**Counter Snacks Only – all $1.00**
- Vanilla Yoghurt cups with Fruit Puree
- Jelly Grape Cups
- Fresh Fruit Kebabs

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What to do when your child is absent from school

Why do I need to contact the school?
- The school has legal obligations to keep up to date data on absences and reasons for absence, for every child.
- Absenteeism has a negative impact on learning and needs monitoring
- Maintaining a close partnership with families allows the school to provide support where needed.

What action is required if your child is going to be absent?
Please make contact with the school either on the morning of the absence or prior to the absence by one of the following methods.

Phone the school on **9728-2203** between 8:15-9:15am

OR

Email the school with the required information on

**montrose.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au**

OR

Stop by the office if you are up at the school and let us know.

(If one of the above actions is taken a note is NOT required.)

What information does the school need to know?
1. Your child’s name  
2. Reason for absence  
3. Date/s of absence

Please place the above contact information in an accessible location at home.

What happens if I forget to make contact?
On most days the school will make phone contact with you on the morning of your child’s absence. The positive feedback from families on this follow up has been appreciated.

Thanks...
We would like to thank our families for their support in making contact, as very few calls are required on a daily basis from the school and our understanding of the reason for your child’s absence is known.  *Any queries contact: Mrs Kylie Fisher*