

POSITIVE EDUCATION SCHOOL

Monday 22nd October, 2018 Newsletter No. 32
(There are 2 inserts in this week's Newsletter)

DIARY DATES

Term 4

Mon Oct 22

to Fri Oct 26 Grade 5 & 6 Swimming

Tue Nov 6 Public Holiday (Melbourne Cup Day)

Wed Nov 14 Prep Orientation Day

Wed Nov 28

to Fri Nov 30 Grade 4 Camp

Tue Dec 11 Grade 6 Orientation Day
Prep Orientation Day

Wed Dec 12 Grade 6 Orientation Day
School Concert

Vision for the Mildura Community' to the Mildura Rural City Council Members forum this Wednesday, October 24 at 4.45pm. Thank you to these students, their families and Mr Milani for working together so that this important event can take place.

Celebration of World Teachers' Day

This Friday October 26 our school community will be celebrating World Teachers' Day. This is an opportunity for all of us to show appreciation to our teachers and thank them for their commitment and love of learning.

Our Teachers hold a unique place in this community as the educators of our children. Teachers shape and guide the knowledge and values of our students as they grow into their best selves.

This day is a wonderful opportunity to recognise the important work our Mildura South teachers do and thank them for every day they open up the world a little bit more for our children.

Results from Bendigo Regional Championship

Congratulations to all of the students who travelled to Bendigo for the regional Athletics last Monday. The students achieved the following results.

Name and Age Group	Event	Result
Jacob Price 9-10b	100m	2 nd
Colby Marr 9-10b	Discus	5 th
Flynn		
Bobstchinski 11yb	800m	8 th
Mason Purdue 12-13yb	800m	8 th
Will Norton		
Ronin Moloney		
Sam Cumming		
Flynn		
Bobstchinski 11yb	Relay	4 th



PRINCIPALS NEWS

"We choose to bring our best selves to school and love the work that we do"

Mildura Rural City Council Presentation

The following students: Jack Ough, Sienna Dalla Santa, Harry Walker, Taylah Stephen, Marcus Kelly and Noah Venneri have been invited to present their 'Future

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Name and Age Group	Event	Result
Isaiah Puafisi	11yb Shot Put	4 th
Ronin Moloney	11yb 80m Hurdle	10 th
Jackson Penny	12-13yb High Jump	7 th
Will Norton	11yb High Jump	4 th
Blake Hanstock	9-10yb High Jump	7 th

Preparing your child for high school Sharon Witt

Entering high school can be just as daunting for parents as it is for a child. It is a huge time of change, and coupled with the fact that starting secondary school often coincides with the onset of puberty, it can be quite a roller-coaster ride!

Congratulations to all of our teams that made it through to the division finals

Results from District Interschool Sport

Boys Volleyball team placed 4th
 Boys Tennis team placed 3rd
 Girls tennis team placed 3rd
 Boys basketball placed 2nd
 Girls basketball placed = 3rd

Prep Enrolments

Enrolments for 2019 have begun. If any of our families have Preps starting next year please contact the office for an appointment. If you know families that live in our neighbourhood area and they have a Prep for 2019, please encourage them to make contact with the school.

Positive Education Day

On Friday Nov 2nd we will be celebrating Australia's first ever Positive Education Day. We invite students and staff to wear colourful clothes to make Positive Education visible.

We want to work together to raise awareness and understanding of Positive Education in our schools and communities and to encourage students, teachers, families and the community to learn and talk about how to grow their own wellbeing and support the wellbeing of those around them.

Mondays with Mrs Milani

Please don't forget that I am in the staff room each Monday morning from 9.00-9.30am with a coffee and some biscuits hoping that you will come in and have a chat. Please feel very welcome.

Spend as much time as you can reassuring your child that they do not have to face this change alone and that it will be, for the most part, a positive experience. Avoid sharing any horror stories you may have experienced as a teenager in high school – these will not help your child. Rather, recall any positive experiences you had, especially if you made life-long friends at high school.

Organisation is crucial to helping your child cope well with entering high school. Those students that are well organised have a much better chance of settling in those first few weeks of secondary school.

Here are 6 tips for preparing your child for high school:

1. Ensure your child has everything they need for high school well before school starts for the year

Having items missing at the beginning of the year will frustrate not only your child but the teachers. Ensure they have enough books to write in for each subject and always have spares on hand at home.

2. Practise using public transport if your child is using it for the first time

For many students, changing schools means they may now have to travel on buses or trains for the first time. Help them to familiarise themselves with the bus/train timetable and offer a contingency if they miss their transport. If possible, practise the trip during the holidays.

3. Set up a designated study space in the home

This tip is so important as so many children don't have a specific area set up to allow them to quietly



complete their homework. The bedroom is not recommended as this is purely a space for sleeping and relaxing. Use any area that is reasonably quiet and well lit. Set up a desk with a computer, if possible, along with stationery items.

4. Set up a high school parent folder

This will be a place to file all correspondence so that you can know exactly what is happening for your child at high school, including important dates. If you know what is going on at school, you will be able to help your child feel in control and stay organised. I cannot recommend this highly enough. As a parent you really need to stay on top of school information, at least until your child has established their own routine and systems for staying organised at school.

5. Encourage healthy sleeping patterns at least one week before starting high school

If your child has got into a holiday habit of staying up late and waking up at lunch time, they will get a rude shock come first day of school when their sleeping patterns are all out of whack! Get your child into 'school routine' for sleeping during the final week of the holidays.

6. Keep your child's high school in the loop

Inform your child's new school if they have special needs or learning difficulties. Teachers will benefit from being made aware of any particular needs or special circumstances that will help them in working with your child. If there are any specific family issues that might affect your child's ability to settle into high school, communicate these to your child's class or home-room teacher as soon as you know who they are. Never underestimate the importance of keeping the lines of communication open with your child's school.

Marie-Therese Milani
Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS NEWS

Problem Solving in Maths

In order to encourage further problem solving at home, I will include a weekly problem in the newsletter. Each week a correct entry will win a fantastic prize.

Just write the answer on a piece of paper with your name and grade and drop it into Mr Kent's office each Wednesday.

Today's problem:- **Mr K's Problem No 21**

Three numbers are added together, then divided by 5. The answer is 5. What could the 3 numbers be?

Name:

Grade:

Answer to **Problem No 20**

Using plus and times, what three numbers total 30?

$(5+5) \times 3 = 30$

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Maths Awards

MathsOnline Awards are presented at Assembly each week.

The winners this week are **Jaidyn Shrestha 3/4R** and **Cameron Blake 6B**.

MathsOnline provides over 1400 tutorials that last around 4-9 minutes. The tutorials present maths concepts, step-by-step, with synchronised audio and animation. This **harnesses both audio and visual learning styles**. MathsOnline lessons can be studied at home or at school, on all devices.

Students from Grade 1 to Grade 6 have their own unique password for access at home. Please see your child's teacher. Go to-

<https://mathsonline.com.au/>

NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE

We are currently in the process of updating our school website. The new website is up and running with a few features currently being modified. You will find that some information/content may be removed or reorganised under drop down boxes. If there is any information that you cannot find, please ring the school office. Please go to <http://www.msps.vic.edu.au/>

STRONGER SMARTER/POSITIVE EDUCATION

Each week a Stronger Smarter/Positive Education message will be in the newsletter. Students and teachers will be focusing on the quote in their classrooms. It will be based on positive learning and building high expectation relationships.

This week's Message is:



BEBRAS CHALLENGE

Last Term students in grades 3-6 participated in the Bebras Computational Thinking Challenge. Students were required to work through several problems, using their maths and coding skills. Congratulations to the following students who received awards for outstanding results. Certificates will be presented at assembly on Wednesday.

Grade 3 and 4 Challenge

Credit:

Rylan Asimos – 4D
Sam Casale – 4D
Ethan Thouliss – 4D
Jaymin Archer 4W
Trey Gange – 4W
Georgia Kent – 4W
Katelyn Marks – 4W
William Maynard – 4W
Milla Moloney – 4W
JJ O'Donnell – 4W
Dorc Probert – 4W
Callista Vanek-Gadd – 4W
Max Kemp – 4Z
Daniel Mitchell - 4Z
Rory Pullen – 4Z
Demika Raymond – 4Z
Hadi Sandhu – 4Z

Distinction:

Blake Hanstock – 4W
Keitha King – 4W
Gracie Monaghan – 4W

High Distinction:

Rhory Adams – 4W

Grade 5 and 6 Challenge

Credit:

Joshua Puleio – 5B
Sofia Puerto – 6H

Distinction:

Rory Peterson – 6H
Harry Williams – 6H
Isabella Black – 6R
Addy Davis – 6R

High Distinction:

Coby Martin – 6R
Gabriel Cole -6R

**Positive Emotions Engagement Relationships Meaning
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WORKERS OF THE WEEK

PB Rorie Rose	4D Lachie Nicholl
PH Patrick Murphy	4N Wes Banyard-Coyte
P/1K Lucinda Herbert	4W Jade Phefley
1J Conor O’Rielly	4Z Sebastian Casey
1R Mansirat Kaur	5B Edasu Sengul
1/2O Jaid Bellchambers	5K Nikolas Akkas
2S Harley Ackerley	5W Majerle Hobbs- Wilson
2T Kaan Mehmet-Ali	5/6S Lana Brown
3M Benji Holland-Monsen	6B Noah Venneri
3N Nicholas Coverdale	6H Malakai Williams- Rigby
3T Ashlin Bernaldo-Hannemann	6R Vito Bozzi
3/4R Emerysn Chilly	6W Connor Byrne

Grace Erskine
Lilah White
Ella Kenyon

5W
Koko Johnson
Holly Sutton
Levi Oates
Lindsay Slade
Asya Kocoaglu

5/6S
Roxi Lee Peters
Ava Mattschoss
Dicle Kiran
Allira Saunders
Dash Hopgood

5B
Josh Puleio
Charlie Alderton
Vanessa Englefield
Miracle Sione

PARENTS CLUB

Christmas Raffle Donations

Parents Club have started planning for the Christmas raffles. We will be purchasing some items to go towards the hampers but we are also asking our Southie families to donate more goodies for a successful end of year raffle. Any donations can be left at the office.

Lyn Bozzi

Parents Club President

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS

A reminder that all children attending After School Care require a hat for outdoor play. Please pack a spare hat in your child’s bag for each afternoon session.

We have places available for Before and After School Care each day. Please call in and see us in the gymnasium for more information.

PERFORMING ARTS AWARD

Tyler Stewart 1R

ART AWARD

Caleb Englefield Prep/1K

BAND AWARD

Grace Erskine 5K

SPORT AWARD

Lainey Williams-Rigby 1J



ART AWARDS

Grade 5 Clay Creations

5K
Nikolas Akkas
Flynn Bobstchinski
Allexandra Lanyon

The next vacation care program will be from Wednesday 2nd January until Friday 25th January. The plan and booking form will be available approximately end of November/early December.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Routine

Children thrive on routine. Having a predictable and consistent routine can help your child to feel safe in their environment due to knowing about their day or upcoming events. This can reduce anxiety and behavioural difficulties. It can be helpful to have a displayable routine in your house for your child to look at. Having a routine that is displayed in the house could benefit your child. This could be shown using pictures or a list depending on the age and needs of your child. There are many examples and printable templates online that you can find. If routines need to change (which they often do!) it is a good idea to try to give your child as much notice as possible. This gives your child time to prepare for change and can decrease anxiety and behavioural difficulties.

Let me know if you have any questions or need anything else prior to Thursday,

Ebony Martin

Child and Youth Mental Health Clinician



BRAINTEASER

This week's Brainteaser:

Which members of the Royal Family have been visiting Australia this week?

Your answer:.....

Your Name:.....

Your Grade:.....

Cut out this box with your answer, name and grade and place it in the brainteaser box at the front office. Each week, one lucky entrant will win a prize! ☺

Last Week's Winner:

Phoebe Englefield

Answer: Eight (8)