

# Mount Evelyn Primary School



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Issue 2

NEWSLETTER

## Principal's Report

Dear students, parents and friends,

It was a privilege to be able to attend our first whole school assembly for the year last Friday. In line with our current COVID Safe practices, the assembly was held outside on the basketball court. Our new 2022 school captains did a magnificent job leading the assembly, demonstrating confidence on the microphone as they welcomed everyone, introduced themselves and shared the acknowledgement of country. During this assembly, I spoke to students about one of our school values: Be your best. I shared the importance of the word "your" in that value. In a school setting there is great value in setting personal goals that are focused on one's individual best rather than trying to compete with others to be "the" best. I encouraged students to constantly think about the little steps they can take to get better every day on their journey to being the best they can be, both academically and personally.

Our assembly also saw our 5/6 senior school leaders acknowledged and presented with captains' badges. Congratulations to the students who have been elected as captains in the following areas: school captains, house captains, sports mentors, PE, library, art, eLearning science, canteen, environmental, and student representative council. I hope you wear your badges with pride and I look forward to the wonderful role models you will be this year. Whilst we acknowledged a select few at the assembly, I had previously spoken to all 5/6s students about the important role they play as leaders in our school, with or without a badge. Starting as a leader of themselves, the senior students are genuine role models for other students who look up to their example. My challenge was for them to do themselves and our school proud in this role.

Today, the state government has announced an extension to their COVID response in schools, based around the 3Vs – ventilation, vaccination and Vital CovidSafe practices. One such strategy is the further provision of free Rapid Antigen Tests for the remainder of this term. Families will once again be able to collect a free pack of RATs per student from the office. We will let you know when they are available. As you would be aware, we have had several students and staff testing positive using these RATs over the past few weeks, and this early detection has meant they have not come to school and potentially passed it on to others. I encourage all families to continue to use these as a tool to keep our community healthy.

In the coming weeks you will see information about school council nominations. There are several parent positions which are due for renomination, with all parents at the school eligible to nominate themselves. If you would like to know more about being on school council, please give myself or any current school councillor a call. More information can be found on the Department's website: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/>



If school council is not your thing, then maybe you'll consider contributing to your child's school by joining the Parents Association. The PA coordinates fundraising events and community building activities. We will be holding an initial introductory meeting in the coming weeks to explain the function of PA and do some initial brainstorming about the year ahead.

Keep your eye on School Stream for more information about both Council and PA.

Thankyou to all parents who attended the get to know you parent-teacher interviews this week. We hope you found them as useful as we did in communicating important information about your children. If you didn't get a chance to meet your child's teacher yet, please contact them to organise a time to catch up.

Finally, a quick reminder that Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February is a student free day. Staff will continue the work with colleagues from other network schools on our common focus on improving teaching and learning in writing. The OSHC program will be running on the day.

Have a great weekend.

*Trevor Vass*

Acting Principal

## **OUR SCHOOL CAPTAINS FOR 2022**

### **School Captains**

Zoe Border  
Jett Priest  
Makayla Coombs-Thirwell  
Teddy Patterson

### **Bareena House Captains**

Oliver Green  
Samantha Hobson

### **Paringa House Captains**

Phoenix Barrett  
Ayden Bridges

### **Myriong House Captains**

Ari Mauldon  
Seth Rivera

### **Kimbarra House Captains**

Celeste Ferreira  
Neo Doran

### **SRC**

Cruz Oakley  
Sofia Cartwright  
Ashton Spratt  
Abi Morris

### **eLearning**

Drake Bartilotto  
Evan Attwood  
Jett Wheelan  
Noah Rasche  
Jacob Tydell

### **Art**

Layla Schijf  
Reuben Whitehead  
Caleb Kroiter

### **Science**

Natalia McCabe  
Jai Cauchi  
Jake Miller

### **PE**

Harper Grice  
Bronte Crunden  
Ella Kempson  
Rachel Taylor

### **Canteen**

Ryder Hall  
Mia Barrett  
Tyson Furness  
Mekayla Borg  
Isla Buddy

### **Junior Sports Mentor**

Austin Hathaway  
Alicia Lavery-Stephens

### **Library**

Archie Stanway  
Grace Lindsay  
Alex Doddrell  
Charlotte Topma

### **Environment & Sustainability Leaders**

Charlie-Jae Watson  
Ben Roberts



# OSHC NEWS & UPDATE

Dear Families,

On behalf of the Mount Evelyn Primary School Combined OSHC, we would like to invite you to join our Vacation Care Program. The booking form for the **April 2022 school holiday program** is available from your school office or on the Mount Evelyn PS web site. Enrolment packs are available from the Mount Evelyn Primary School OSHC office.

Mount Evelyn Primary School OSHC is an accredited childcare provider and eligible families can apply for CCS subsidy. We would be happy to take you for a tour of our service. Please contact us by phone or email.

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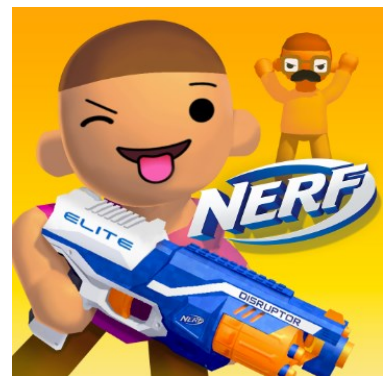
Nominated Supervisor hours, Melissa McDonald - Monday to Friday 6.00am – 2.00pm

Service Hours - Monday to Friday 6.30am – 6.30pm

## April 2022 school holiday program



Day/Date	Program
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> April	Nurf Games <b>Incursion</b>
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> April	Drawing with different mediums
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> April	OZ Tenpin Bowling <b>Excursion</b> Address: 25 Fletcher Rd, Chirside Park Transport: Bus Proposed activities: 2 games bowling plus lunch chicken nuggets and chips Duration: Leave 9.00am and will return to Mt. Evelyn Primary by 1.00pm.
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Activities
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Good Friday Closed</b>
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Easter Monday Closed</b>
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Reading Cinemas <b>Excursion</b> Address: Maroondah Hwy, Chirside Park Transport: Bus Proposed activities: Sonic The Hedgehog 2 Duration: Leave 9.00am and will return to Mt. Evelyn Primary by 1.00pm.
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Farm Animals <b>Incursion</b>
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Circus Skills <b>Incursion</b>
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Multi Media Day





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## **2nd Hand Uniform**

**The 2nd Hand Uniform sale will be held on Thursday 24th February from 9.00am—9.45am In the community building All items will be \$2 each. CASH ONLY**



# Mount Evelyn PS Term 1 Calendar, 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
<b>JAN</b> 31 Term 1 Begins	<b>FEB</b> 1	2	3	4 Level Assembly	5/6
7	8	9	10	11 Whole School Assembly	12/13
14	15	16 3 Way Conferences School Council	17	18 Level Assembly	19/20
21	22	23	24	25 Whole School Assembly	26/27
28 Student Free Day	<b>MAR</b> 1	2	3	4 Level Assembly	5/6
7	8	9	10	11 Whole School Assembly	12/13
14 Labour Day Holiday	15	16	17 House Athletics	18 Level Assembly	19/20
21	22	23 Yr 6 Grip Conference	24	25 Whole School Assembly	26/27
28	29	30	31 5/6 Summer Sports day	<b>APR</b> 1 Level Assembly	2/3
4 Level 2 Excursion Legoland	5	6 School Council AGM	7	8 Whole School Assembly End of Term 1	9/10