



**Getting to Know You In-
terviews**
Wednesday 16th February

**District Swimming
(optional)**
Friday February 18th

Labour Day (no school)
Monday 14th March

House Athletics
Thursday 17th March

PLEASE SEE THE WHOLE SCHOOL TERM 1 CALENDAR THAT HAS BEEN SENT HOME FOR OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 1

It has been a busy start to the term already and it is hard to believe that we are starting a fresh school year so soon. Term one is always busy but also a fun time for students and teachers getting to know each other!

So far students have settled into their middle years of primary school well! We have a brand new teaching team and we welcome Mrs Paula Kruger to Mount Evelyn Primary School this year in Level 3/4.

We have a full schedule this term, some of the important dates are listed above and additional dates of note are listed on the term calendar. It is important to ensure you have the School Stream app on your device as this is also a form of communication from the school.

Attendance has been up and down with families rapid testing twice a week and working towards keeping us all well and learning at school. Please ensure you are advising your child's teacher if your child is absent. It is a requirement for teachers to track and log absences.

If your child is feeling unwell, please keep them home. It would also be appreciated if you could send in a box of tissues with your child as there is always a shortage of tissues in classrooms.

Term One Inquiry

Our major focus for this term is Design Technology. Students will:

- Learn about people who work in design and technology jobs.
- Explore sustainability, and solutions to meet community needs
- Investigate food and fibre production used in modern or traditional societies

Students are being challenged to come up with a design idea, plan a sequence of steps then select and use materials to produce a design solution.

We hope students will be able to showcase their learning with an Expo Day. If regulations allow it, we will be in touch with a date later in the term.

Literacy

In literacy lessons this term we will be focusing on planning, drafting and publishing persuasive texts. Alongside this, students will be learning to use letter-sound relationships and exploring how the English language works via word study. They will be exploring a range of quality texts to help them embed their learning in reading and writing.

Numeracy

Our focus in numeracy this term will be revisiting and consolidating their knowledge of place value, rounding and working on their estimation skills.

Joke Corner

How do you get a squirrel to like you?

Act like a nut.



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Design Technology Needs!

To assist with our Design Tech subject focus for Term One we would appreciate you sending some recycled objects to school. Some suggestions may include small boxes, clean plastic bottles, lids, paper towel tubes (no toilet roll tubes), nuts and bolts etc.



Leadership Positions

During term one each class will elect a class captain, an ELF and an SRC representative. These students will be active within the school leadership team and will organise level assemblies, special days and sports events. They will enjoy using their student voice to make the school a better place.

We look forward to electing our term one class captains very soon and announcing the new captains at our next level assembly where they will be invited to read their speech to the level and be the face of their class.

We will advise at a later date if your child has attained a position.



Masks

All students in years 3-6 are required to wear a mask while indoors unless an exemption is in place (authorised by School Leadership). Please send your child with TWO masks each day in case one is broken, lost or torn.

Hand Sanitiser

Hand Sanitiser will be used in all classrooms alongside regular hand washing. If your child requires their own sanitiser please send it along with your child's name on it.

Uniform

No nail polish or jewellery (sleepers and studs accepted)

Shoes predominantly Black or white

Hair accessories—School colours only

Socks must be plain white, navy or black with NO logos.

Headphones

Please send a set of labelled headphones to school with your child if possible as we will be using laptops regularly.

Brain Food

Students are allowed to eat brain food in the mornings at school. Please send them with an item from the attached list only. Students should be able to continue their work while eating—no messy food. It is best to cut up fruit and place it in a small container as placing whole lunch boxes on the desks can distract students.

Principal News

This term at MEPS we have welcomed our Acting Principal **Mr Trevor Vass**. Mr Vass will be with us for Term One and he has been getting to know all of the staff and students at school in this early part of the term.

We have all warmly welcomed Mr Vass to our wonderful school.