## Mount Evelyn 22/6/2023 ISSUE 10 NEWSLETTER Primary School

**Principal's Report** 

Dear parents, students and friends,

It's a little hard to accept that we are already at the end of the term, half way through the year. It doesn't seem that long ago that I turned the page of my calendar to June and here we are almost about to turn it to July.

We are well into winter as evidenced by the large number of students wearing our new school beanies. These have proven to be very popular, so much so, that we only have 9 left of the original 200 we ordered. But don't worry if you haven't got one, we have ordered more!

Last Friday was a fun day for our Foundation students who celebrated the wonderful learning they have been doing by having the Alphabet Day. It was great to see all the Foundation students and their teachers dressed up in their costumes representing their favourite letter. I even joined in the fun dressed up as Trevor the tradie in trackies, a top hat, a tie, and thongs with my Tim Tam and Tiny Teddy snacks! Any guesses what my favourite letter may be?



At the beginning of this term, we expanded our breakfast club from one morning a week to three and each week we have seen more and more students come in for breakfast, especially on Mondays and Wednesdays. As a result of this growth, we are seeking more parent helpers to volunteer their time to support our wellbeing coordinator Mrs Douglas. If you are available either of the three mornings, but particularly Monday and Wednesday, any help would be appreciated. If you can help, please get in touch with Mrs Douglas via the main office or just turn up!

Today, you should receive your child's Semester 1 report. These reports are a celebration of your child's personal, social and academic learning and growth over the year so far. The reports identify where each child is currently performing against the Victorian Curriculum continuum, and indicates the degree to which they demonstrate our school values. We use a range of assessment strategies on an ongoing basis to determine what children can currently do and how they have grown in their learning. This allows us to target future learning more specifically to the needs of each child. In reading the student comments it has been pleasing to see the many examples of student growth and accomplishment of learning goals. It's great to see our students continue to strive towards being their best.

The Semester 1 report is one of many reporting methods we utilise at the school. The upcoming 3-Way Conferences are another important element of reporting students' achievement. We encourage all families to register for a conference next term when the bookings open via Xuno, so they can discuss current learning and plan for future learning goals. Students will be strongly encouraged to actively participate in these. The conferences will be held in week three of Term 3.

I hope all families enjoy the upcoming school term break and can find something warm to do, whilst recharging the batteries for the next term. A highlight next term will be the biennial Art Festival held in September. I have heard much about this and am looking forward to celebrating our students' artistic talents.

I will be taking a week's long service leave at the beginning of Term 3, but will be back week 2. Helen Basham will be in charge whilst I am away.

Have a great holiday period. School returns on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July.

**Trevor Vass** 

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## Dear Families.

On behalf of the Mount Evelyn Primary School Combined OSHC, we would like to invite you to join our Vacation Care Program. Booking forms and enrolment packs for the **June / July 2023 school holiday program** are available from MEPS OSHC service, OSHC and school office or on the Mount Evelyn PS website. We are open to the community for Vacation Care bookings.

Mount Evelyn Primary School OSHC services are an accredited childcare provider and eligible families can apply for **CCS** subsidy. Please contact us by phone or email.

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Nominated Supervisor hours - Melissa McDonald - Monday to Friday 5.30am - 1.30pm

Service Hours - Monday to Friday 6.30am - 6.30pm

## JUNE / JULY 2023 School Holiday Program

































