

Mount Evelyn Primary School

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NEWSLETTER



Principal's Report

Welcome back to Mount Evelyn PS for another semester. We hope you had a restful term break and were able to relax and recharge for the term ahead. It's going to be another busy term with many highlights planned for our students. The year 2 sleep over and the Arts Festival being two of the major ones that help make our school and engaging and vibrant learning community.

By now you would be aware that the holiday period was a busy one here at school with lots of capital works happening. The most obvious has been the internal painting of much of the school with most classrooms, the admin areas, our library and learning street all getting a much needed freshen up with fresh, new colours. The rest of the school will get completed over this term or the next school holidays. Thanks to the teachers and other support staff for their time over the holidays to reset their classes for the start of the term. The landscaping works for the outdoor nature play learning area also commenced over the break with site preparation, leveling and rock placement being important first steps. It will be exciting to see this area evolve over the year into a wonderful learning, play and community space. We have also had a new ramp to the portables built to allow greater all ability access. This was in part made possible through a generous donation from Bowens in Mt Evelyn.



Congratulations to our year 5/6 football and mixed netball teams who both displayed hard work, skill and team work to win their Division championships yesterday. Both teams will now progress through to the regional finals in August; an exceptional achievement for both, but especially for the netball team considering the majority of players had never played netball until recently. Players from both team were very proud to bring home their trophies to share with their classmates. Thanks to our parent and staff coaches who supported each team in the lead up to the competition.

Next week our student led, three way conferences will be held. These collaborative conferences are an opportunity for students to share and celebrate their learning achievements with their parents and teachers and identify goals for the rest of the year. If you haven't yet booked a time, please do so as soon as possible via the Xuno app. They are 10 minutes per student, so please be prompt and adhere to the time allocations so teachers can get through their whole class in a timely manner. Should you need more time to discuss other issues, please speak with your child's teacher.

The term 3 pupil free day will be Monday 31st July. This has changed from a date advertised earlier, so we apologise if this has caused any inconvenience. The purpose of the date change was due to an unexpected clash with additional professional development being undertaken by a large number of staff.



We have had a very positive response following our information nights and personalised school tours, with foundation enrolments for 2024 almost at capacity! Foundation 2024 enrolment applications close next Friday 28th July, so if you are yet to enrol your child for Foundation next year, please do so asap. Tours can still be booked next week if you know of friends still undecided about a school.

Have a great weekend.

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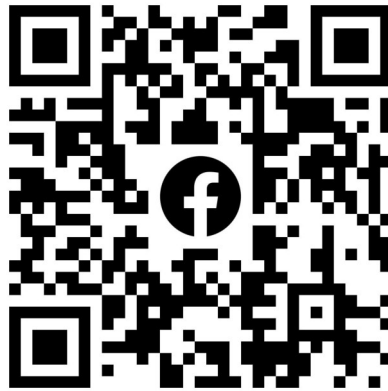
Dear families.

At Mount Evelyn Primary School we value and encourage the positive impact that parent and community contribution can have in our school. At last night's school council meeting, school council endorsed the creation of a new, official parent/carer Facebook group. As the group is set to private, you will need to request to join the group and agree to the group rules.

Communication in the group will include posts from both the school and the Community Engagement Committee about upcoming events, fundraising activities and general school updates. You are encouraged to engage with this group by asking questions, seeking clarification or even just hunting out a lost item of clothing or drink bottle!

This group will operate in conjunction with the Xuno app and the School's Official Facebook page.

You can join by scanning the QR code or search for Mount Evelyn PS Parent Community Engagement Group. The QR code is also available at the school office.





Library News



We are in need of volunteers to assist at our Annual Scholastic Book Fair held from Thursday 17th August -Wednesday 23rd August.

The fair is open before school and after school

Thursday 17th 3:30-4:15pm

Friday 18th 8:30-9:15am / 3:30-4:15pm

Monday 21st 8:30-9:15am / 3:30-4:15pm

Tuesday 22nd 8:30-9:15am / 3:30-4:15pm

Wednesday 8:30- 9:15am

If you are able to spare some time to help out as a cashier or looking after displays, could you please email Tania.orton@education.vic.gov.au with the days and times you are available. Don't stress if you haven't done it before, you will be shown what to do on the day.

We need your help to run a fantastic Book Fair!

Thank you!
Tania Orton



POSITION AVAILABLE

EXECUTIVE OFFICER



for the Victorian Strawberry Growers Association (VSGA)

- Contract – flexible hours. Working from home, with some face to face required. Currently approximately 30 hours per month – but room for growth.
- Remuneration negotiated commensurate with experience
- **Applications close on 23 July 2023 at 11:59pm.**
- This role is responsible for providing Executive Administration and Secretariat support to the VSGA Board. Working within contracted deliverables, with supervision and support from the Board.
- Your key responsibilities will include:
 - Providing secretariat support for the Executive, Board and Board sub-committee
 - Meetings, including meeting coordination, collation of papers, and preparation of timely minutes
 - Scheduling 6-8 Board meetings per year (in-person or via Zoom)
 - Providing administration support, including diary and inbox management, and ensuring professional correspondence and basic database management
 - Developing or contributing to administrative processes for annual projects, and policy administration
 - Developing, submitting and managing grant applications on a needs basis with support from the Board
 - Administering basic financial procedures relating to annual membership subscriptions and activities within MYOB software
 - Coordinating meetings and events (e.g. coordination of calendars, catering and room bookings, travel bookings for internal stakeholders)
 - Developing a quarterly newsletter and delivering regular membership communications via Mailchimp

Further Enquiries

The Strawberry Centre is based in Wandin in the Yarra Valley and we are sure there is a local person who would love to work with us to take the VSGA to the level. For a confidential discussion about the position, please contact Kevin StMart, Executive Officer at 0438 450 541 or victorianstrawberrygrowers@gmail.com

FREE COME & TRY DAY Summer Softball Season

Sunday 10 September 12-2pm

KILSYTH DIAMOND SOFTBALL



All ages welcome. Equipment supplied if required
Gilbert Park Softball Diamonds, Gilbert Park Dr, Knoxfield
Contact Sarah-lee 042 142 4409