# Mount Evelyn 23/11/2023 Issue 19 Primary School NEWSLETTER

**Principal's Report** 

Dear families, friends and students,

Our teaching team have been busy little bees lately finalising class structures for 2024. Hours of discussion have gone in to placing our more than 380 students into the best learning environment for next year. Many factors come into play and my observation of this process is that our staff have an in-depth understanding of each of the individuals in their class. Their knowledge of the academic, social and emotional needs of students is drawn upon when placing students. There is a genuine desire to see them continue success next year which shows through the many discussions held. In two weeks, on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec, students in years Foundation to 5 will meet their 2024 classes and teachers. The morning session will be an opportunity for students and teachers to begin to get to know each other and have any questions or wonderings about the following year answered. The students will also find out which room they will be in. All children had the chance to identify friends they wish to be with next year and teachers have made sure that this has been accommodated.

Whilst on the topic of classes for 2024, I can announce that their will be a few staffing changes for the year. We will be sad to see a few teachers take up opportunities at other schools in 2024, but at the same time, excited for them and this opportunity for professional growth. Mrs Liz Ford and Ms Bec Stuart have chosen to explore roles at other schools, while Mrs Julianne Woods is taking a year's leave from teaching.

These departures mean we welcome some new additions to our teaching team. Following an extensive recruitment process we will welcome four experienced teachers to our team: Mrs Sarah Jefcott in Foundation, Ms Grace Read in 3/4, Mr Sean Hewitt in 5/6, and Mrs Jessica Tannock part time in 5/6. We are confident they will compliment our school perfectly. The remaining teaching structure will be announced on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> during the meet the teacher session.

Last week, School Council approved next year's Curriculum Day dates. The following dates are pupil free days, with staff working on a range of curriculum or professional development initiatives.

Curriculum Days in 2024: January 29th, January 30th, March 12th & June 7th. The first day for student in years 1-6 will be January 31st. Foundation students will start on Thursday 1st February.



I am looking forward to seeing our school community come together at the upcoming Christmas market and carols on Friday December 1st. We encourage you to bring your family and friends along for a relaxed evening celebrating a wonderful school year, as we begin to wind down heading into Christmas. Students have been busy practicing their class carols and the organising committee has been flat out putting together what will be a fantastic communi-

ty event. With over 40 food and market stalls booked, plus activities for

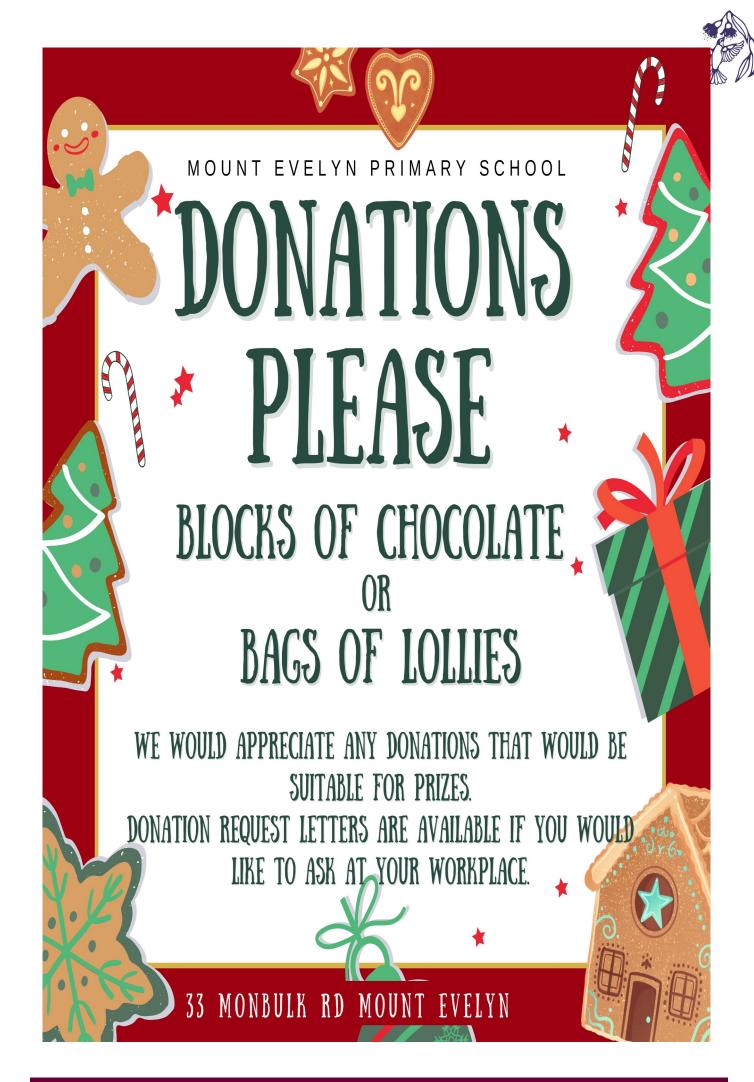
kids to do, it should be a spirited atmosphere. It's never too late to put your hand up to help. There's a sign up sheet at the front of the school or call the office to volunteer.

Have a great weekend,

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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 **January 2024 school holiday program** are available from MEPS OSHC service, OSHC and school office or on the Mount Evelyn PS web site. 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





# January 2024 School Holiday Program





















