

MAHOGANY RISE **N**ewsletter

Primary School



What we are learning this fortnight

Happy Birthday

Laywah (3/4E)
Ariel (FB)
Dalonta (3/4E)
Paityn (FA)
Sonia (3/4E)
Lily (FB)
Xavier (5/6H)
Tummy (FA)
Tiane (5/6G)
Oliver H (5/6G)
Eliza (3/4E)
Isaac (1/2C)
Tori (3/4F)
Demetri (FB)
Alyssa (5/6G)
Dathan (1/2D)
Phoenix (1/2D)
Brock (3/4F)

Junior Jabba (Foundation and 1/2s)

What an exciting couple of weeks we have had in the Junior school. Last week students loved the surprise visit from Frankston Police Officers. They thought Mr Murphey getting handcuffed was HILARIOUS. We went on our community walk on Friday. Students enjoyed playing on a new playground and eating some hot chippies! This week the Foundation students began their new Inquiry unit "What do living things need to thrive?" with a trip to Chesterfield Farm. Students got to pat baby animals and go on a tractor ride. The 1/2 students finished their footy clinic during PE.

Middle Majoil (3/4s) and Senior Spiel (5/6s)

In the senior space students have continued to work hard as we come towards the school holidays. Our differentiated groups in Phonics, Literacy and Numeracy have been humming along beautifully thanks to the students' ability to stick to routine. We continue to develop our Narrative writing skills in these groups with many students writing vivid descriptions of the settings and characters of their stories. In maths we have continued to solidify our number skills by learning addition and subtraction strategies for quicker mental computation. Our inquiry unit is also drawing to a close with students completing their 'Game of Life' game boards. We are so proud of the way all students in the senior space have worked this term! What a fantastic start to our year!

Digital Technology

This week in Digital Technology our Foundation students have been doing a fantastic job at using a variety of features on iPads to display their skills on various apps. They have been communicating their learning with both peers and staff so well! Year 1/2 students continue to display their learning using the iPads through Seesaw. They have continued to develop their knowledge of basic coding on scratch. The senior students have been practising their typing skills and using their knowledge of using hyperlinks. Keep up the great work!

Physical Education

Over the next fortnight in Physical Education, students will have the opportunity to learn new skills in a variety of sports. Junior students have had a wonderful time participating in the AFL clinics and practising their under arm throws. Our senior students have been playing kickball and other cooperative games. We had an amazing day at our whole school Cross Country today at Monterey Community Park. We loved seeing so many parents, carers, family and friends there cheering them all on!

Art

We have had some very creative weeks in Art! Last week the junior school students painted their air dry clay birds that they created, as well as their birds nests. They turned out amazing! The senior school painted their initial plaques that they created. This week students painted egg cups using water colour paints. They will be glazed and returned to students next week ready for Easter! Next week in Art we will be creating pattern bunnies with funky glasses.



From the Principal

Can you believe it's April already?! That means nearly the end of term 1 and Easter holidays! I'm so proud of all of our students and staff this term. Absences due to illness and 7-day isolations haven't got in the way of the fabulous mindset to learning for 2022.

And we finish off the term with a huge celebration this Sunday, with our MRSP Fete! We cannot wait. While there is a chance of a few showers throughout the day, I know it won't dampen our spirits as the school community comes together for the first time in 3 years!

To coincide with the fete, we will also be officially opening the new buildings. There will be some formalities from 10am near the main shade sails, with a number of special guests in attendance. The buildings will be officially open by the State Member of Parliament, Paul Edbrooke. We hope to see you there!



A couple of reminders for Sunday;

- Gold coin entry- open gates will be the pedestrian gates at Forster Avenue and front entrance gate at Jenkens Street. There will be volunteers there to point you in the right direction.
- Stalls will be set up between 8 and 9am, with the fete commencing at 9am.
- MRPS staff will be cooking the barbecue so come and grab a bacon and egg roll for \$5 or a sausage in bread for \$2.50
- Unlimited time on inflatables will require a wrist band, at a cost of \$5. Keep an eye for the signs to where to purchase.
- Monterey SC band will be performing

And so much more!

A huge thankyou, to all of the School Councillors and other volunteers who have helped organise the fete. A more formal recognition will come in my first newsletter for term 2!

In preparation for the Fete and for the artificial turf that's being laid in the coming month, the little garden bed has been removed (see photo). It has made such a difference in the look of the area already, we can't wait for the works to be complete!



You will notice that some temporary fencing has been moved to accommodate the fete preparations. We will trial this small patch of grass to be used by the children in the final week of term, before the whole area will be reseeded and fitted with irrigation to ensure a safe and enjoyable area for all to use.

A reminder that **school finishes at 2.30pm on Friday 8th April**. I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable Easter break, and I look forward to an exciting and productive **term 2 which starts on Tuesday 26th April** (the day after the ANZAC Day public holiday).

Regards

Andrew Schneider
Principal



Hats

Just a reminder that students must wear broad brim hats to play outside during Term 1 and 4.



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