## MOUNT CLEAR PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter Date 06/02/2024 #1

Principal: Cameron Landry
Assistant Principal: Sam Cooper

Mount Clear Primary School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of this land, the Wada-wurrung people.

We pay our respects to their ancestors and elders past, present and emerging.

We acknowledge their histories, connections to the land and continuous living cultures.

As we learn and grow, may we show respect to the knowledge embedded within the Aboriginal custodians of Country.







We strive to create resilient and successful individuals who are empowered to be themselves.

#### **Upcoming Events**

12 February
Leadership Badge
Ceremony

13 February
Welcome Back
Picnic
5pm - 7pm

19 February Year 3/4 Ecolink

20 February Year 3/4 Ecolink

7 March Athletics Carnival

11 March Labour Day Holiday

NAPLAN Year 3 & 5

18 & 19 March NAPLAN Year 3 & 5

#### **PRINCIPALS REPORT**

#### Welcome

We would like to welcome all our families back to the 2024 school year. Sam and I have taken the opportunity to visit all classrooms a number of times and are extremely pleased with how well our students and staff have settled into the rhythm and routine of the classroom. Each classroom starts the day with a Welcome Circle that sets up the day for all students. These circles start at 8:55am and it is important that you are at school on time to participate in them.

A very warm welcome to our new families that are beginning their educational journey with us. It was great to meet a number of you over a coffee and morning tea on our first day.

#### Welcome Picnic - Tuesday 13th February 5:00 - 7:00pm

On Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> of February, we are holding our Welcome Picnic for all our families. Students will have the opportunity to show their families their learning spaces and then join the community near the playgrounds for a picnic dinner (BYO). We have organised for the coffee van to attend. All our staff will be in attendance and this is a good way for our community to come together. The weather is looking excellent at this stage.

#### **Wellbeing Dog**

Winnie our Wellbeing Dog is about to begin here very soon. With Winnie starting, we can no longer have dogs in the school grounds. This is a requirement of the Dogs Connect program and is now a school policy.

You are still welcome to walk your dogs to and from school. Dogs will need to stay at the front of the school and be always on a leash. We really appreciate your understanding with this.

#### **Student Leadership Badge Presentation**

Our 2024 Student Leaders will be presented with their badges at a special assembly on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> of February at 9:00am. Ms Karen Biggelaar will be our special guest to present the badges. Karen is a Senior Educational Improvement Leader with the Education Department and works closely with me and our school. We will then invite our student leaders and their guests to join us for a morning tea after the presentation. All members of our community are welcome to attend.

#### Assembly

We are having our regular assembly every fortnight, starting this Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of February. Our student leaders organise and run our assembly as part of their leadership program. Assemblies start at 2:30pm and are held in the 5/6 Building. All members our school community are welcome to attend.

Term 1 Assembly Dates

- 9<sup>th</sup> February
- 23<sup>rd</sup> February
- 8<sup>th</sup> March
- 22<sup>nd</sup> March

#### **Professional Learning**

All our staff participated in the Day 3 of the Berry Education School Model training that focused on building stamina and engagement. It was an engaging and interesting day. The day focused on how we all can perceive and emotion and how we can react to a variety of emotions. We also learnt, there are good or bad emotions. It is how we behave when feeling an emotion.

We have now participated in 3 days of this training and are consistently reflecting and adjusting our approach as we develop our understanding. This is a long-term approach and we can already see some positive results.

#### **Initialit Training**

We have several staff who are participating in Initialit training on Thursday and Friday this week. Initialit is our approach to teaching literacy in our Foundation to Year 2 classrooms. This is our 4<sup>th</sup> year of implementation and our literacy data is improving every year.

#### Morning

The gates open at 8:30am each morning and staff begin duty at 8:40am. Our first bell goes at 8:45am and this is to let students go into their classrooms to get organised for their Welcome Circle. Our gates close at 8:55am. Any student arriving after this time will need to go through the office and receive their 'Have a Nice Day' card.

#### **Attendance**

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day. Attending and participating in school will help your child develop:

- Important skills and knowledge to help them learn.
- Social and emotional skills such as good communication, resilience and teamwork.

There are no safe number of days for missing school.

If your child is sick, has health appointments, extended family holidays, funeral or cultural absences, it needs to be logged through Compass or by contacting the office. It is really important that the school is notified if your child is absent for any reason.

#### Cameron Landry Principal



## Winnie The Well-Being Dog

### 6/2/24 Winnie Update

#### Dear Mt Clear PS Community

I have been learning and playing all holidays! I had a holiday at Mrs Quach's house and another holiday at Ms C-K's house. I got to meet lots of new dog and human friends. I had the best time!

Some of the things I am learning are: distractions, leave it, lying down and waiting, being calm and not stressed, name response, loose lead walking, playing gently and building connections with lots of humans.

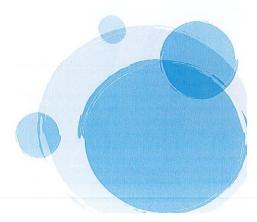
When more of the core group of teachers have completed their "Dogs Connect" training, complete the risk assessments and paperwork together, then we will be applying for accreditation through Dogs Connect. After that, I will be able to start coming to school, beginning with one morning, and building up to 3 days per week.

Thank you so much for being so patient while I learn how to be the best Well-Being dog I can be. Also, thank you to Jack and Wax for my Christmas presents, the rope toys are so cool!

Love from.

Winnie





- Mount Clear Primary School. 1206 Geelong Rd
- 03 5330 1844
- Mount.clear.psDeducatio n.vic.gov.au
- I might appear on the school Instagram Page, keep a look out!

# **BREAKFAST CLUB**

**Breakfast club is on every Tuesday and Thursday** 

In the Kitchen Garden building.

8.30am - 8.55am

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME** 

TERM 1 BREAKFAST CLUB
WILL COMMENCE IN WEEK 4
TUESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY



Book Club Orders due
4:00pm

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> February



# A Taste of Competition Encouragement Meet (\$15/swimmer – includes 2 strokes)

Fun events for any swimmer looking to try competitive swimming and experience racing before their School's Swimming Carnival.

Events to choose from:

- 50m Freestyle
- 50m Backstroke
- 50m Breaststroke
- 50m Butterfly



You can choose to swim any number of strokes from only 1 race to all 4 Events. The entry fee includes your choice of 2 strokes. Additional Events cost \$5.50/event. All participants will be awarded a participation certificate.

No requirement to be registered with a club.

Suitable for "Swim School" and new, inexperienced club swimmers.

All Events will be 50m (1 length of the pool).

Swimmer must be able to swim 50m without stopping.

Events will be split into Age Groups based on swimmer's age on 18th February 2024.

Events with only 1 competitor may be combined with the next nearest age group Entry fees are not refundable.

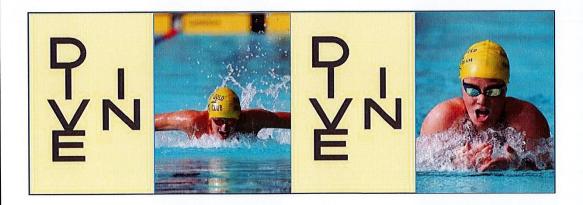
Enter Encouragement Meet Online through TryBooking.

Event name: "2024 BALLARAT GOLD ENCOURAGEMENT SWIM MEET"

Check out our Guide for Swim Meet Newbies

Program, timeline and athlete roster available no later than two days prior to competition from Swim Central and <u>Ballarat Gold Website</u>

Free spectator entry. BYO Chairs & Picnic Blankets.



All enquiries to Jo Peters, entries@ballaratgold.org.au, 0438 823 965

# **Mount Clear Primary School**



	Hot Food	Price
Meat Pie		\$5.00
GF Meat Pie	(GF)	\$5.80
Sausage Roll		\$3.95
Vegetarian Roll	(V)	\$4.50
Meat Pastie		\$5.00
Vegie Pastie	(V)	\$5.00
Party Pie		\$1.30
Party Sausage Roll		\$1.40
Tomato Sauce		\$0.50

Lunches Off the Grill	Price
Chicken Snitzel Burger, Letuce, cheese, mayo	\$6.10
Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap with Lettuce and Cheese	\$5.10
Vegetarian burger with salad	\$5.70

Other Hot Options	
Toasted Focaccia (Ham, cheese, tomato / BBQ chicken and cheese)	\$5.20
Toasties (Cheese/Ham & Cheese/Ham, cheese & Tomato/Chicken Avo)	\$4.70

Choose a Wrap, Sandwich or Roll		Price
Salad	(V)	\$4.80
Egg and Lettuce		\$4.10
Ham and Salad		\$4.70
Chicken and Salad		\$4.90
Chicken and Salad Roll		\$5.80
Note Rolls or Wraps Extra		\$1.00
Garden Salad Tub		\$4.20
Garden Salad Tub with Ham		\$4.80
Garden Salad Tub with Chicken		\$4.80
Garden Salad Tub with Tuna		\$4.80

Fruit		Price
Fruit by the piece, Apple, Banana, Orange	(V) (GF)	\$1.50
Fruit Salad	(V) (GF)	\$3.00
Cheese and Biscuit Packs, with dried fruit	(V)	\$2.95

Drinks	Price
Fruit Box - Apple, Apple&Raspberry, Tropical	\$2.00
Small Flavoured Milk - Chocolate, Strawberry	\$2.90
Bottled water	\$1.20

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