MOUNT CLEAR PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Fiona Kerton
Assistant Principal: Kerry Murrell

Principal's News

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

School Sports Day
What an amazing day was had by all at our School Athletics Day. Congratulations to Chris Banwell, whose organisation for the day was simply superb! The students had a wonderful day, participating in the many events and striving to achieve their personal best. Thanks must also go to all staff, volunteers and our wonderful parent community who worked together to make the day such a success. Congratulations Red House for you win this year!

Cross Country
Our next school sporting event is our annual whole school Cross Country run which will be held on Friday 29th March. Students are invited to wear their HOUSE Colours on this day as well as wearing runners for the event. Our Cross Country run will kick off at 9.15am. The table below shows starting times and distance for all year levels/age groups. All parents/carers are welcome!

Start Time	Grade	Distance
9.15am	Foundies	600 metres (1 lap)
9.25am	Grade 1	800 metres (1 ½ laps)
9.35am	Grade 2	800 metres (1 ½ laps)
9.45am	8/9-Year-Old Boys & Girls	1.6 km (2 ½ laps)
10.00am	10-Year-Old Boys & Girls	1.6 km (2 ½ laps)
10.15am	11yo Boys & Girls	2.3 km (3 ½ laps)
10.30am	12/13yo Boys & Girls	2.3km (3 ½ laps)
10.45am	PRESENTATION	

Parent/Teacher/Student meetings
Thank you to all families who made appointments to see the classroom teachers at our Parent/Teacher/Student meetings. If you were unable to attend, feel free to contact your child/ren's teacher/s to make an appointment.

School Council Election 2019
Our school council Annual General meeting will take place on Monday 25th March commencing at 6.30pm. Our new school councillors will attend this meeting, we will also farewell our retiring councillors.

School Engagement & Wellbeing
At Mount Clear Primary School we have four core values (Care, Respect, Honesty and Personal Best) that underpin all our practices. These values are displayed around the school, explicitly taught in classrooms and regularly referred to.
We place high importance on our values and believe they help to make our school an excellent environment for learning and safe, happy and welcoming place for all members of our school community.
The purpose of our Student Engagement and Wellbeing Policy is to provide:

- Students and staff with a secure environment to work in and
- Parents with the confidence that their children will be educated in a safe and purposeful environment.

The policy sets out student behaviour expectations and procedures. It provides the school with systematic strategies for fostering and maintaining student behaviour. The overall intention of the policy is to highlight and promote positive student behaviour.

Newsletter Date
19/03/19
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Upcoming Events

25th March
Hot Food Day

26th March
Hot Cross Buns Orders due

29th March
Cross Country

29th March
Final assembly for Term 1

1st April
District Athletics

2nd April
Hot Cross Buns Collection

4th April
Easter raffle drawn

5th April
Last day Term 1
Finish at 2.30pm

Tuesday 23rd April
First Day of Term 2

25th April
ANZAC Day

ASSEMBLY TIME

FRIDAYS AT 2.30

Everyone has rights

At **Mount Clear Primary School**

Students have the right to:

- be treated with respect and be valued.
- have other students not interfere with their learning, their games, their safety or their possessions
- be cared for by their teachers
- be taught effectively and to learn
- feel safe and happy

Parents have the right to:

- be treated with respect and be valued
- be respected by school staff as an important influence in a child's development
- the opportunity to have input into school policy and procedures
- feel welcome and have access to school personnel at a mutually arranged time
- know their children are safe

Teachers have the right to:

- be treated with respect and valued
- have the right to teach
- feel happy and secure at school
- have adequate resources to enable effective teaching
- have full encouragement and support from Administration, parents and the school community

Everyone has responsibilities

Students are:

- to be responsible for their work and actions
- to follow the agreed school code of behaviour
- to care about our school and its equipment
- to care for each other and for the teachers and other school staff
- to give of their personal best in all situations

Parents are:

- to encourage students to develop a positive attitude towards school, learning and relationships
- to nurture positive behaviour habits in children
- to encourage children to accept and abide by the school rules
- to provide good role models for our students in behaviour, appearance and conduct

Staff are:

- to promote maximum learning in all situations
- to provide stimulating learning environments
- to provide good role models for our students in behaviour, appearance and conduct
- to manage classes effectively and justly
- to care for the children of the school

Expectations and Consequences

The school has clear expectations and consequences for behaviours. The expectations and consequences apply equally to **all** students.

For serious breaches of rules parents will be contacted and appropriate action taken, taking into consideration the rights of all to learning and safety.

Consequences may include:

- verbal or written apology and/or written reflection
- individually negotiated behaviour agreement/contract
- mediation between students if deemed necessary
- time out from given activity, classroom or yard
- withdrawal of privileges
- non-attendance at special events
- referral to Principal/Assistant Principal to support both staff and students
- completion of a Behaviour Reflection Form by student for breaches of rules
- internal suspension/alternate program – student works away from class for the day
- referral to a Wellbeing Consultant or Guidance Officer to support both staff and students
- suspension or expulsion for serious breaches of school rules in accordance with DET Guidelines

Car Parking

A friendly reminder to our parent community that parking for all parents are in the parallel parking bays along the service road. We all need to work together to keep our students safe. Whilst we appreciate it can be very difficult to find a park along the service road, please continue to adhere to the parking signage. Many families park over the road at the shopping centre or at the church when waiting for their children. Students and parents **must not** walk through the staff car parks and parents are asked not to park in the staff car parks at any time.

We understand that the service road is often congested at drop off/pick up time. We ask for your assistance for our children's safety that students enter/exit cars from the parking bays, not from the actual road. Thank you for your assistance.

Fiona Kerton
Principal

Students of the Week Week 1

FYA **Riley Naylor**
For all round, Wow!! You are kind, diligent and display all our school values, all of the time!

Elke Hunter
Since you have begun school Elke, you have become persistent, engaged and give everything a RED HOT GO!

FYB **Ben Baulch**
&
Tasmyn Lotherington
Working so hard to write your name accurately.

12A **Mikala Dickson**
Her "I will give it a RED HOT GO' attitude.

12B **Lukas Bull**
For always doing his Personal Best, thinking creatively and having a wonderful attitude.

12C **Jen Smith**
For being a super star in all aspects of school. A kind friend, hard worker, happy classmate and an enthusiastic learner.

23A **Samantha Lewis-Bedggood & Roxy Romeo**
For putting her best effort into her learning.

34A **Zander Whittle**
Demonstrating a genuine care for his behaviour and determination to improve.

34B **Patrick Meloury**
For being kind, thoughtful and always helpful. Congratulations also for a wonderful Junior School Councillor speech.

34C **Aimee Durrand**
Being an organised and confident student.

56A **Jack Bamford**
For showing outstanding leadership.

56B **Zac Biggin O'Donnell**
Demonstrating outstanding sportsmanship on athletics day

56C **Tyson McGiffert**
All the hard work you have put into your writing.

56D **Chloe Whelan**
A positive attitude to all learning tasks, a valued class member and always gives everything a Red Hot Go!

56E **Samantha Lemm**
For having some open and honest conversations during the parent/teacher/student meetings.

Students of the Week Week 2

FYA **Hunter Delbridge**
For a wonderful week of listening, learning and ALWAYS striving to do your Personal Best.

Aarna Sheth
For being a kind diligent and caring student. You always listen to feedback and try to implement it in our learning.

FYB **Violet Watts**
Putting in 100% effort this week.

12A **Maisie Frawley**
Enhancing her writing with interesting details.

12B **Quinn Thomas**
For showing wonderful determination and resilience throughout the week.

12C **Mikayla Richardson**
For being a wonderful role model in our classroom – caring, helpful, hard working, beautiful manners and always uses her initiative.

23A **Bonnie Naylor & Sophie Brown**
Hard working, enthusiastic, cooperative and caring. Great contributors to our class.

34A **Kieley Delbridge**
For demonstrating all of the school values. Kieley is an amazing friend who always strives to show her personal best in all she does.

34B **Nate Fitzpatrick**
For always "having a go" in all subjects. Top Job.

34C **Cooper Jew**
&
Skye Sheard
Brainstorming, sharing and modelling our fantastic thinking.

56A **Chloe Chequer**
For always tackling any challenge that comes your way.

56B **Tyler Cavanagh**
Her amazing start to the year in 5/6B.

56C **Ned Mills**
Your mature attitude to your learning.

56D **Harry Carroll**
Demonstrating a positive attitude to your learning and being a good friend.

56E **Peyton O'Donnell & Micah Wright**
Working towards their personal best during difficult activities. For always showing respect to their friends and teachers at our school.

WADA

Abbey Kidney
Being a kind, caring and respectful member of the MCPS community.
Well Done!

ACACIA

Ella Cameron
For her kindness towards others, respectful nature and beautiful manners.

THE WINNERS

WEEK 1

Josh Skinner
1/2A
&
Eva Finley
1/2A

WEEK 2

Brody Norris
3/4B
&
Charlotte Bull
3/4B

Parents' Fundraising News

Follow our Facebook page for reminders and more

Upcoming PF events

Easter Raffle Donations	Now – Mon 1 April
Hot Food Day orders due	Wed 20 March
Hot Food Day	Mon 25 Mar
Hot Cross Bun orders due	Tues 26 March
Hot Cross Bun collection	Tues 2 April
Easter Raffle drawn	Thurs 4 April

Contact Us
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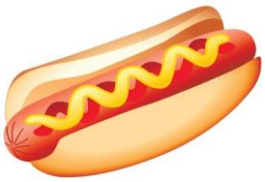
SMS: 0422146384 Hilary



Hot Food Day – helpers needed: Get your hotdog and juice orders in by 9am this WEDNESDAY. Spare forms available at the office and on our Facebook page. We'd love if you can help on the day; please ensure you have a *Working With Children Check* by Mon 25th, and add your number to the bottom of the form and visit the office to give them a copy.

Easter Raffle: During March we're **asking all families to donate an Easter gift per child** towards an Easter Raffle. Tickets to enter the raffle are 50c each or 3 for $1. We'd love anything from a chocolate egg to a fluffy bunny. Easter donations can be left at the office for Parents Fundraising Group collection. To be in the running to win our Easter raffle, cut tickets and return in an envelope/Ziplock bag with **money by Mon 1st April**. Drawn Thurs 4th April.

Hot Cross Bun drive: Get your order forms in by **9am Tues 26th March (next week)**. Your buns will be ready for you to collect from school on Tuesday 2nd April between 3:00-3:30pm. For every six-pack ordered, Baker's Delight Sebastopol will give our school $2. Flavour choices: Traditional Fruit, Chocolate Chip, Mocha, Fruitless, Apple & Cinnamon.

Bakers Delight

Second hand uniform: Browse every Friday between assembly and the bell or contact us via **Facebook**. All items are $5 or less. We currently have LOTS of shorts/skorts/pants and 3 x Mt Clear school bags. We'd love donations of dresses and tops in size 8 and above please.

Parents' Fundraising Group:
If you are available to help from 1:00-3:00pm on **Tues 2nd April** to sort the Hot Cross buns into individual orders, please SMS Hilary on 0422146384.
**For a WWC check apply online for free at www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au and lodge at the Post Office.*

SPECIALISTS

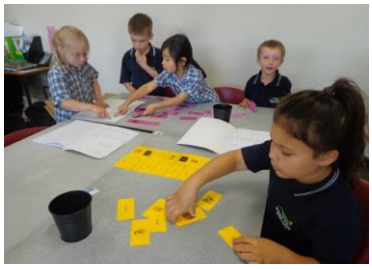
The 2019 Mount Clear Primary Athletics Day was held on the 7th March in magnificent conditions. All students involved throughout the carnival were committed to having a 'Red-Hot-Go!' and competed with outstanding sportsmanship and school spirit.

The Foundation, Year Ones and Year Twos were also in on the action with the junior program running on the 'BOFI' Block and basketball courts. Their activities included the sack race, long jump, egg and spoon race, bean bag toss, hurdles 50m and 70m sprints. All students involved had an excellent afternoon and looked great in their house colours!

Well done to all staff for your assistance during Athletics practice and for the running of each event on the day. It was fantastic to see so many people working together to achieve what was a great day for all involved!

Congratulations to RED HOUSE who are House Athletics Champions for the first time since 2016!

1st	Red	7.68
2nd	Blue	7.42
3rd	Yellow	7.18
4th	Green	7.17



CHINESE

In Term 1, we are learning some basic greetings and songs in Chinese. Students are practising what they have learned through many different types of activities and games.

SPECIALISTS

VISUAL ARTS

Our ‘artists’ were welcomed back into the art room this year with lovely new furniture, including coloured tables and chairs. We began the year with a whole school collaborative project, reading ‘The Dot’, which encourages children to make a mark and see where it takes them. We will continue to adopt this positive mindset throughout the year, developing confidence and positive work habits. The dots have been displayed in the Year 5/6 building and look amazing!

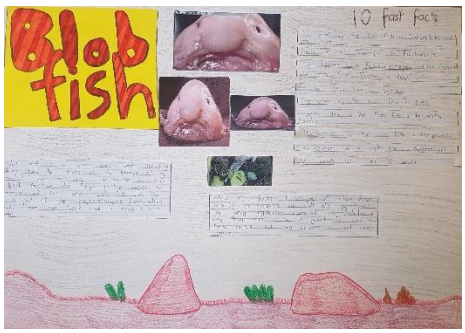
Our artists have been, and will continue to, explore the elements of art and experiment with a variety of techniques and materials across a range of art areas. In the art room there are no right or wrong ideas, and each session aims to give students a chance to experiment and play with creative concepts.

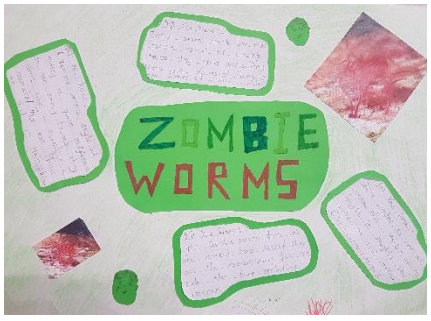
ENVIRO

What a busy term it’s already been in the Enviro room. We have ALL dived Under the Ocean and have loved learning about living things, life cycles and creatures of the deep!

Fun Facts from the Enviro Room: A blue whale’s heart is the size of a small car, an octopus has 3 hearts, starfish have no brains and a turtle’s shell is part of its skeleton! WOW

Be sure to ask your kids about more fun facts, they’ll be happy to share I’m sure!





COMMUNITY NEWS

Sovereign Knights Basketball Club

Join the local family friendly club

The Sovereign Knights Basketball Club is looking for new players for the 2019 Championship season. The Season runs in Term 2 and 3 2019.

https://www.facebook.com/SovereignKnights/

Training is at Damascus College and most games are at the Ballarat Minerdome or Wendouree Netball Centres and are both one hour and less in duration each.

Please contact our coordinators (using email address below) for more information and/or if you are interested in filling a position at our club, we would love to have you!

Boys sboys@skbc.org.au

Girls girls@skbc.org.au

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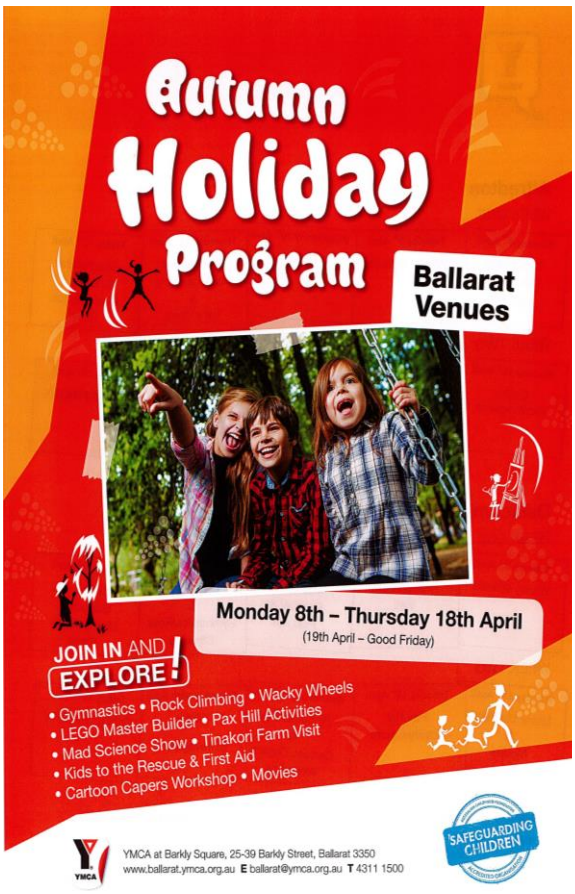

KELLY SPORTS
LIFE LONG LOVE OF SPORTS

APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Monday 8th of April to Thursday 18th of April 2019 (excluding weekends & public holidays)
Eastwood Leisure Centre, Ballarat
Pre-School to Grade 6, boys & girls
$40 (+ GST) per day ($35 + GST per day for 5+ days)

Enrol online www.kellysports.com.au
Any queries call or text Paul on
0423 335 616

Mt Clear Primary Easter Raffle ticket Price: 50c ea or $1 for 3 Name:_____ Phone:_____	**Mt Clear Primary Easter Raffle ticket** Price: 50c ea or $1 for 3 Name:_____ Phone:_____	**Mt Clear Primary Easter Raffle ticket** Price: 50c ea or $1 for 3 Name:_____ Phone:_____
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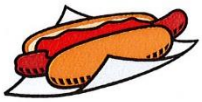
Hot Food Day Order Form
Monday 25th March 2019



Order form & money due back by 9:00AM Wed 20th March 2019

Student Name:	Class:		Options (tick)
Number of hot dogs @ $2.50 each (or 2 Fry's Meat Free Sausage Rolls for $3.50)	x _____	= $ _____	Gluten Free
Number of Apple / Orange juice @ $1.50 each *(please circle choice of juice)*	x _____	= $ _____	Vegetarian
	Total Price	$	

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Total amount enclosed $_____

*Please **DO NOT CUT FORM** as small forms can be easily lost, thank you!*

Hot Food Day Helpers
(Monday 25th March 2019)

Name_____ Contact Number_____

I can help on the day from 12.45pm – 1.30pm

You need to have a Working with Children check to volunteer

Bakers Delight

HOT CROSS BUN DRIVE ORDER FORM – MOUNT CLEAR PRIMARY SCHOOL

BAKERS DELIGHT SEBASTOPOL would like to offer you the opportunity to purchase yummy Hot Cross Buns and make a profit for your School.

For every 6 pack of Hot Cross Buns you order (Traditional Fruit, Chocolate Chip, Mocha, Fruitless or Apple & Cinnamon),
BAKERS DELIGHT SEBASTOPOL will donate **$2.00** to **Mount Clear Primary School**.

Simply fill in the details below and select which **Hot Cross Buns** you would like to order, ask your friends and family if they would like to order some too.
Bring your order form, together with full payment back to **School by Tuesday 26th March, 2019.**
Your Hot Cross Buns will be baked fresh and ready to collect from **School**, on **Tuesday 2nd April, 2019**.
NOTE: Items must be ordered in packets of 6. Each 6 pack of Hot Cross Buns is **$7.50.**

Student's Name: _____ **Contact Phone Number:** _____ **Class:** _____

Full Name	Traditional FRUIT Hot X Buns Qty 6 Pkts Ordered	CHOC CHIP Hot X Buns Qty 6 Pkts Ordered	FRUITLESS Hot X Buns Qty 6 Pkts Ordered	Mocha Hot X Buns Qty 6 Pkts Ordered	Apple & Cinnamon Hot X Buns Qty 6 Pkts Ordered	TOTAL Qty 6 Pkts Ordered	TOTAL $ Qty x $7.50	Paid
Totals								