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IMPORTANT DATES Term 3

Science Week– 10th to 16th August–
Open day 13th August

Friday August 16th—District Athletics—
Bendigo

Friday August 16th– OSHC working Bee–
School Veggie Gardens– 3.30pm

Tuesday 20th August– School walking
Inquiry excursion to Malmsbury
Botanical Gardens

Book Week– 17th to 23rd August
Monday 19th– Community school read—
9 to 9.30am

Friday 23rd– Book Week Parade and
morning reading 9.30 to 10.15am

Monday 26th August– Curriculum Day–
No students at school

Wednesday 28th August– State Schools
Spectacular – Melbourne Town Hall
Rehearsal no.2

Friday 30th August– Father's Day
Breakfast and Stall

MAJOR EVENTS 2024

Malmsbury Farmers Markets:
July 21, Sept 15, Nov 17, Dec 15.

Saturday 14th September—
Victorian State Schools Spectacular



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Malmsbury Primary School

Newsletter

Term 3 Week 4—Friday 9th August 2024

Womin-dji-ka | Welcome

What a fantastic week we have had. It was wonderful to see our students performing and sharing with you their Performing Arts talents at our Olympic Opening Ceremony on Tuesday. We also had lots of fun competing at all the different events at our Mini School Olympics today. Next week also brings us some great activities. Tuesday will be our Science Week celebration activities, and on Friday our athletics representatives will compete in Bendigo. I would like to say a huge thanks to all the staff, students and parents for their running and support of these great school events.

Olympic Music Performance Day:

On Tuesday, our students presented their version of the Olympic Opening Ceremony at the Malmsbury Town Hall. The students put on a fantastic show, and our grade 5 and 6 hosts did a superb job at sharing some recent history of the Olympic Games for each performance. It was so wonderful to see the enthusiasm all of our students had towards the opportunity to share their performances with you all.

A huge thanks goes out to our Music teacher, Anna, for all her work in organising and preparing our students to put on a fantastic show for everyone. Thanks also to our staff for their support and organisation of students and to our wonderful students who were all so excited to perform for you all.

Mini School Olympics– Junior School Council:

Today our students had so much fun participating in our Mini School Olympics. There was a lot of running, jumping, throwing and hobby horse riding! It was great to see everyone joining in and having fun across the event. A huge thanks to Kathryn for her organisation of the event and supporting our Junior School Council to run such a fun filled day for our students. Please check out the photos later in the newsletter.

Next Week is Science Week:

The school theme for National Science Week in 2024 is *Species Survival - More than just sustainability*. The theme aims to highlight the importance of science and innovation in ensuring the survival and thriving of different species in an ever-changing world. You can access more information from the following website :

<https://www.scienceweek.net.au/>

Next Tuesday August 13th, students will participate in 4 rotational activities with each teacher based on the theme of sustainability. The activities will be held from 11.30am to 1.30pm. Parents and families are welcome to come and join in any activities alongside your child.

Students will require a plastic bottle each for one of the rotational activities. We are asking each child to come with a plastic bottle each on the day to help make their water filter device. If you have any spare plastic bottles that can also be used, please feel free to drop them at the office.

CDSSA Athletics Bendigo:

The CDSSA Athletics will be held on Friday the 16th of August. Erin has been busy supporting the selected students with training and organising carpools for the event next Friday. Please stay tuned for further information in the next week.

WGAC Toilet Paper Fundraising Orders:

#teammalmsbury have their termly 'Who Gives A Crap' toilet paper order running at the moment. You will find the order form attached to the Sentral newsletter message and email. To place your order, please complete the form and return it to the office with payment no later than Friday 23rd of August. You can pay by cash, EFTPOS, or direct transfer to our school bank account. All details are on the order form.

Andy Griffiths Book Launch Online Event

On Thursday, our students joined in on the State Libraries of Victoria's online book launch of Andy Griffiths new book 'Adventures Unlimited: The Land of the Lost Things.'

We were lucky enough to have two of our students selected to be a part of the session. Charlie G was selected to ask a question of Andy, and Sid's artwork was showcased as part of idea gathering for the drawing activity. Congratulations to both of these students. It was quite a thrill to see our students be a part of the event. You can watch the full event on YouTube at the following link.

<https://www.youtube.com/live/52dJzn5j-nw>

OSCH Working Bee– Veggie Gardens

Next Friday 16th of August, De will be holding a mini working bee from 3.30pm as part of the OSHC Program. This Working Bee is focusing on bringing our Veggie Gardens back to life, ready for the warmer weather coming. If you are free straight after assembly to lend a hand, please let either myself or De know. We will also be putting on some pizzas as a snack for everyone who is able to come and lend a hand.

Father's Day Stall Friday the 30th of August :

Our Fundraising Committee will be running our Father's Day Breakfast and Stall on Friday 30th of August. We will be holding a gold coin donation breakfast, serving bacon and egg rolls or veggie burger breakfast (with gluten free options) from 8.15am to 9am. It would be fantastic to see as many Dads, Grandads, Uncles and other caregivers as possible on Friday morning to help celebrate all that you do. During the first session of the day, students will also get an opportunity to purchase from a range of gifts from the Father's Day Stall. There is a flat rate cost of \$5 for gifts.

We are in need of egg donations and some mums to help on the BBQ to prepare breakfast. If you are able to help out on the morning of the 1st of September, please let David or myself know or feel free to lend a hand on the morning.

Second Hand Uniform Stall– Looking for Donations of Uniform:

Thank you to Bobbi for all the work that you do in helping to run the second hand uniform stall for our community.

Currently, our stock is very low in the 10 to 14 sizes. If you have any old uniform that can be donated to the stall, or you know of families that have old uniform that may help replenish our stocks, please feel free to drop in any donations at the office.

All donations of clothing are greatly appreciated.

Fresh Fruit Fridays– Parent/Carer/Guardian/Family Volunteers Needed:

A big thank you to Lou and Gena for collecting some fresh fruit from Foodbank and preparing it again for our students this morning. We are looking to continue this Fresh Fruit Friday and it is a great opportunity for parent/family members to be a bigger part of our school. If you are free on a Friday morning for around 30 minutes to help our Junior School Council prepare the fruit, please let me know.

Have a safe and happy weekend everyone, and thank you for your continued support.

Travis Pool, Principal

Travis.Pool@education.vic.gov.au

WEEKLY STUDENT AWARDS

Congratulations to this weeks winners:
Isaac, Casper, Andrew, and Ivy



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and prohibited areas**
(for dogs and cats)

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CELEBRATING OUR ATTENDANCE RATES

20 or more absent days students in 2023 (%) ⓘ

For students in Prep - 6



31%

Your school

38%

Similar schools

34%

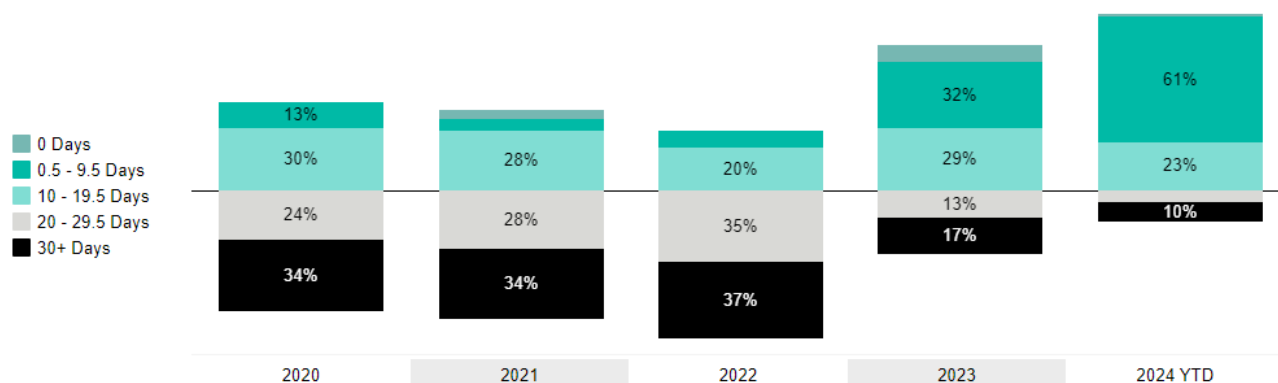
Network

36%

State

Absent day breakdown (5 years) ⓘ

For students in Prep - 6



As you can see from the information above, there has been a fantastic shift in our attendance rates over the past two years. It is an amazing effort to have the shifts that we have seen. This has enabled a great effect on student learning along with the huge positive shifts we have seen in school connectedness, learning confidence, and their sense of belonging at school. All of these factors have also had a positive growth effect on student learning.

As you can see from the data from our 2024 Year To Date, we are well on track to bring our attendance data into line with and to be above our like school, network school, and state data.

The table on the right can help you to see where your child's attendance rate compares with the effect on learning. You can check your individual child's attendance rate on the Sentral Parent Portal or Sentral App. Select your child in the app, from the tab at the top, select student details, then under your child's picture, select attendance. From this area you will be able to see your child's percentage attendance for each term, plus the overall percentage for the year to date.

	Your child's attendance is on or above 95% They are likely to be a "Star Performer" as well as an excellent attendee. They will almost certainly achieve the best grades for their ability and have real opportunity in further education, or in the world of work.
	Your child's attendance is 90-94% "GREEN for GO" for good attendance, they are likely to achieve grades that will give them real opportunities to continuing their studies or in the world of work.
	Your child's attendance is 85-89% "AMBER - Take Care" as students will be missing up to 20 days each year and this will make it very difficult for them to achieve their best.
	Your child's attendance is 80-84% "RED light - Be Alert!" as students are missing so much school that it will be very difficult for them to keep in touch with lessons or with work.
	Your child's attendance is below 80% "AT RISK - Immediate Action Needed" as students are missing so much time from school that it will be almost impossible for them to keep in touch with lessons or with work.

From the following link, you can review our school's attendance policy.

https://malmsburyps.vic.edu.au/?attachment_id=1035

This policy outlines the key information about attendance expectations at Malmsbury Primary School along with important information about how to record any acceptable reasons for student absences.

If you have any questions or queries about student attendance, please don't hesitate to contact me. Once again, thank you for your continued focus on increased school attendance to support the academic and social and wellbeing growth of your children.

Kind regards,
Travis



2024 Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey:

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday 29 July to Friday 30 August 2024**.

All families are invited to participate in the survey.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

You can access the survey at <https://www.orima.com.au/parent>

You can complete the survey using our school pin **913564**

The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese. Resources are also available in additional languages to assist parents / caregivers / guardians who speak a language other than English at home. Please reach out to your child's teacher, or the school directly for survey guides in your language.

Last year we used the survey results to plan for student wellbeing and respectful relationships focus areas, developing student voice opportunities, focusing on developing our physical environment, and building communication practices.

If you would like more information about the survey, please feel free to come and see me.

Kind regards,
Travis Pool

Principal,
Malmsbury Primary School

AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

Grade 2/3:

This week, the Grade 2/3 students transformed into river detectives as they ventured to the Coliban River behind the MCG. Their exploration began with a close examination of the trees along the riverbank, where they observed both living and dead trees, noting their rings and discussing the crucial role trees play in the water cycle by absorbing water to thrive. The students then engaged in hands-on science by testing various aspects of the river's health, including pH levels, electrical conductivity (salinity), turbidity, reactive phosphorus and temperature. Their investigations also extended to identifying the diverse species of bugs residing in the river, offering a deeper understanding of the ecosystem and its delicate balance. The excitement blasted from the students, and their keen interest in the in-depth investigations was truly evident throughout the afternoon. A big thank you to Chris Bromley for generously volunteering his time and expertise, helping our students gain valuable insights into the river and how to effectively advocate for our waterways.



JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL EVENTS

Whole School Community Read/ Malmsbury Munchies	Monday 19th August 9am -9:30am Invite the school community for a whole school read MM: Hot chocolate and marshmallows
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OLYMPIC OPENING CEREMONY PERFORMANCE



MPS MINI SCHOOL OLYMPICS



MT ALEXANDER FALCONS
JUNIOR GIRLS FOOTY
COME and TRY

FUN, SKILLS BASED SESSIONS
NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

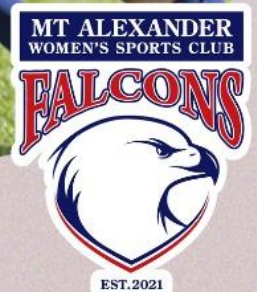
Monday 29 July, 5-6pm
HARCOURT RECREATION RESERVE

Sunday 4 August, 11am-12
HARCOURT RECREATION RESERVE

Monday 12 August, 5-6pm
HARCOURT RECREATION RESERVE

What to bring:
Runners/footy boots, drink
bottle, something warm

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