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### **IMPORTANT DATES Term 2**

Friday 12th May: Grade 6 to Year 7 transition forms due back at school

Wednesday 17th May: School Photos Day

Friday 19th May: National Walk Safely to School Day

Wednesday 7th June– Report Writing Day– Curriculum Day— Students not required at school

### MAJOR EVENT

December– 150th Anniversary of Malmsbury Primary School





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# Malmsbury Primary School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 3—Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

### Womin-dji-ka | Welcome

It was a very eventful week 4 at Malmsbury Primary School. It was great being able celebrate our Mums on Monday for the bacon and egg breakfast and Mother's Day stall. The grade 3/4 students have had an amazing time on camp, challenging themselves with all the adventure activities. It was also exciting to see the concrete finally getting poured on the Amenities Block development. I can't wait to see how the build moves along from now on.

Next week brings us Education Week, School Photos on Wednesday, and the National Walk to School morning on Friday with more details on these events in the information below.

#### Mother's Day Breakfast and Stall – Monday 8th of May:

It was great to see all the Mums come in for breakfast on Monday for our Mother's Day celebration. I would also like to extend a great big thanks to all the Dads that were able to run the BBQ, and also to our Fundraising Committee for providing support to ensure the Breakfast and Mother's Day Stall was a success. I would love to see the faces on our students as they share their gifts with all our Mums on Sunday.

#### Education Week at Malmsbury Primary School:

Next week brings us to Education Week across the state. I hope you have seen our Education Week spread in the Midland Express this week. During this week if you would like to come in and support the classrooms in any way or join in any classroom activities, please contact your classroom teacher. We also have a number of school tours booked for new enrolments. If you know of any people still considering their options for schools, please let them know to contact me to organise a tour and personalised meeting.

#### School Photos – Wednesday 17th May:

This Wednesday the 17th of May, we will be having our school photos taken for 2023. MSP photography have a new booking/ordering system that will be online this year. MSP are having trouble with their online booking system at the moment. They are trying to rectify this quickly. Due to this, MSP will continue to take orders after the photo day. Please let us know if you are planning on ordering Family Portraits so that we can ensure these are taken on the day. I look forward to seeing all the lovely hair styles on Wednesday, and that's just the staff.

#### Walk to School Day – Friday 19th May:

This coming Friday 19th of May is National Walk to Safely to School Day. This event encourages all primary school children, their parents and carers to walk safely and regularly to school. This event seeks to promote better health, road safety, public transport and the environment.

To support this great event this year, we will meet at the Botanical Gardens just before 8.30 and then all walk up to the school. As mentioned last week, we are also hoping to hold a breakfast of cereal, toast and toasted sandwiches on arrival at school. This can only happen with the support of our community. We are looking for some parents who may be able to help prepare the breakfast for us. So if you are available on the morning of the 19th and would love to help with breakfast, please contact the office to let us know.

#### Grade 3/4 School Camp – Halls Gap:

This week it was the grade 3/4s turn to head off to camp to Halls Gap. It was wonderful to see how excited the students were to head off on their first adventure style camp. I heard that some students were even wanting to pack all their gear on Monday. It was great to hear all about the great activities students took part in along with the growth students experienced in their confidence. Once again, I would like to say a huge thanks to Dylan, Siobhan and Kerryn for all their organisation of the camp and the support provided to students. Again a big thanks to Jan for all her admin work behind the scenes, and to all the Malmsbury staff for taking on extra duties while staff were away.

#### Student Attitudes to School Survey (AtoSS):

The AtoSS is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education to Grade 4,5 and 6 students to assist schools to gain an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Students will be asked about their thoughts and feelings in relation to their school, their learning, peer relationships, resilience, bullying, health and wellbeing, physical activity, and life in general.

This year, the AtoSS will be conducted at school from Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> of May to Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> of May.

Students in grade 4 to 6 were given an information note about the survey today. Please read through this note for more detailed information about the survey. It has also been sent to families via our Sentral Parent Portal. If you wish for your child to not participate in the survey, please let me know via email.

#### **School Lunch Orders:**

School lunch orders will be back in place next Friday after having to cancel this week due to Coliban Water works. Lunch order forms can be found in office. Please ensure all orders are to the bakery or the school by Wednesday mornings.

#### Breakfast Club Roster Term 2:

Thanks again to those parents who have kindly donated their time to help run our breakfast club for term 2. There are still volunteer spots available, so if you are able to provide any support at any time for Breakfast Club on Wednesday and/or Thursday in term 2, even if it is the day before, your time would be greatly appreciated. The following link is to the roster for the term. Please feel free to add your name to one of the days/dates that best suits. Please feel free to make contact if you have any further queries about volunteering for our Breakfast Club.

Term 2 Breakfast Club Volunteer Roster

#### Grade 6 to Year 7 2023 placement forms:

Today was the closing date for returning this years placement forms for Secondary School choices. Thank you to all our grade 6 families for returning their forms. Please stay tuned for the next steps in the transition process over the term.

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

Travis Pool, Principal Travis.Pool@education.vic.gov.au

## **AROUND THE CLASSROOMS**

#### 2/3 Classroom:

This week in the grade 2/3 classroom, we have started our physical science unit on forces and motion. We did experiments on items in the classroom and observed their movement from either a push or pull motion. As we go through this science unit, we will question, explore and experiment, investigating different types of forces, including gravitational force and friction.

#### 3/4 Classroom:

This week in Grade 3/4 we have had a very exciting time on our camp to Halls Gap. We have done a lot of fun activities such as rock climbing, abseiling, mountain biking and hiking to see some beautiful sights around the Grampians. Possibly the most exciting thing was seeing all the amazing animals that the Halls Gap Zoo had to offer.



# GRADE 3/4 CAMP- HALLS GAP

























