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IMPORTANT DATES Term 3

Wednesday 16th August–
Community Group sessions begin

Book Week 2023–
20th to 26th August

Friday 25th August– Wear It
Purple Day: Supporting Safe and
Inclusive environments

Friday 25th August–
WGAC orders due

Tuesday 29th August–
School Council Meeting

MAJOR EVENTS

Wednesday 11th October–
Frog Bog Grand Opening

Saturday December 2nd–
150th Anniversary of Malmsbury
Primary School



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Malmsbury Primary School Newsletter

Term 3 Week 6—Friday 18th August 2023

Womin-dji-ka | Welcome

It was another fantastic week at Malmsbury Primary School. Students were so excited to see the community groups program up and running again for term 3. It was fantastic to wander around the groups and see all the great activities and learning that students were experiencing with our parents and community members.

With this week also being Science Week, it was great to see a number of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) sessions across the rooms.

It was also great to have Mary-Anne Thomas visit the school today to tour the school and chat about education in small school settings and to share all the fantastic work our community does to help support our wonderful school.

Next week we look forward to the second session of our community groups and seeing all the great activities to help celebrate Book Week.

Volunteers for the Library:

We have almost completed the scanning of all the books in the library. There is a small section left to go before we look at cataloguing new books and books that need to be entered into the system correctly. This will continue to be worked on over the remainder of the term to help provide an organised library for use by our students.

We are still looking for people who would like to help out with this important work. If you too are looking for a way to be involved with the school, please let either myself or Jan know when you may be available. Any time you can spare is greatly appreciated.

Malmsbury Market Stall:

The Malmsbury Market is this weekend, Sunday the 20th of August.

Our school stall will once again run from 9am - 1pm. As always is a great fundraiser for our school so we are always looking to find a way to support it.

Currently we are in desperate need of donations for the stall and for volunteers to run the stall at different times throughout the day.

If you are able to provide home made items to sell at the market, you are more than welcome to drop them into school by this Friday, or you can drop them at the stall on Sunday. A reminder that home baked goods must have a list of ingredients with them.

If you are able to spare some time to help run the stall this Sunday, please let either myself or David know. Even if it is for half an hour, your help will be greatly appreciated.

A great big thanks to local community member Grant who once again has donated his time and baked goods to help support our stall. We cannot thank you enough for what you do for us Grant.

Grant has prepared and donated the following goods for our stall:

- Variety of relishes/jams
- Marmalades
- Chutneys
- Flourless Orange Brownies
- Flourless Cherry Brownies
- White & Dark Chocolate Brownies
- Mini Cake Loafs
- Plenty flat breads

Book Week Next Week– 20th to 26th of August:

This year for book week, classrooms will be running a variety of activities to help celebrate all things literature. There will be no dress up day this year, with dress up events occurring every second year.

Chess Club Tournament:

The Chess Club organisers are putting together a Chess Tournament later this term. They have had a couple of students register their interest in the tournament, and would love to have many more join in. If you child enjoys a game of chess and is interested in entering the tournament at the end of the term, they can let Oscar, Parker, Bastian or myself know.

Second Hand Uniform Shop:

Bobby is running the Second-hand Uniform Shop every Wednesday from 3.15pm to 3.45pm. The cost is \$5 per item, so a great bargain is to be had. We also have a number of free pairs of shoes that are still in good condition. They are worth having a look at if a new or back-up pair of shoes are needed. Your donations are greatly appreciated to help supply this essential service for our school. We are running very low on sizes 10, 12, 16 in shirts and jumpers. If you or someone you know has any old or spare uniform that is still in good condition, please feel free to drop this into the office. All donations are most welcome and greatly appreciated.

150th Celebration– Saturday 2nd of December 2023:

Thank you to the community members who have nominated to be part of the 150th Celebration Committee. We are still looking for some more members and I will be touching base with some locals in the next week to discuss their possible involvement in organising the celebration.

If you are keen to be a part of the committee or know of someone who would bring great value to the committee in developing the celebration, please contact me at school to register your interest.

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

Travis Pool, Principal

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CLASSROOM AWARDS

Congratulations to this week's award winners

Haylee B, Django, Gabby, Indigo P, Gabe, Cooper, Tobias, Audrey, Ami, Solomon and Kaddi



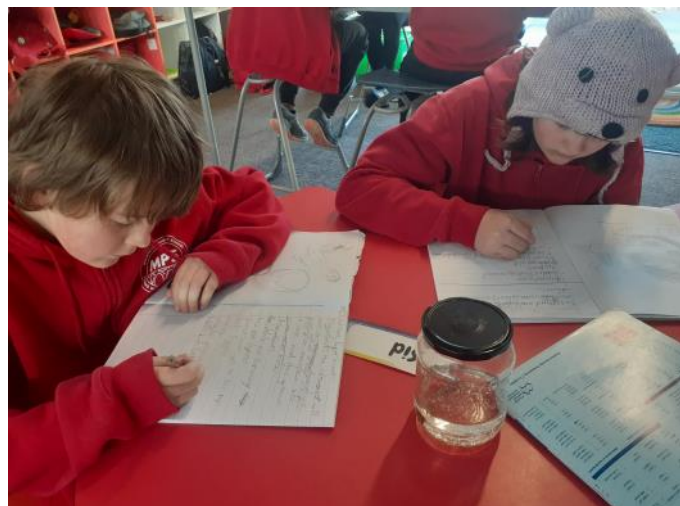
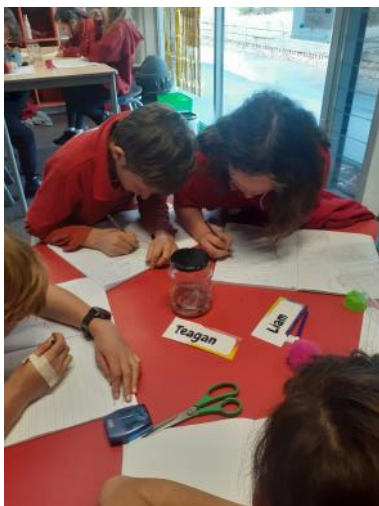
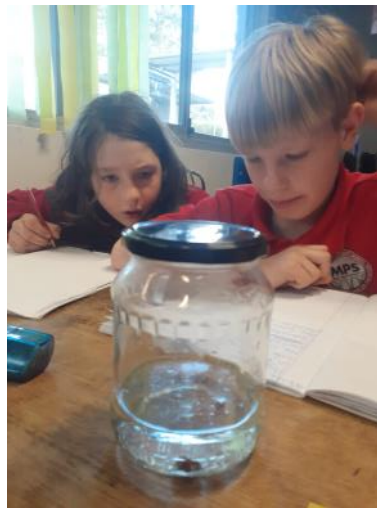
AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

Grade 2/3:

This week for Science week, we explored how innovation can make farming better. We investigated how smart farms use innovation to look after their plants and animals through technology such as automatic irrigation, weather forecasting, and sensors that use satellites to connect the field to the farmhouse. We then imagined that we had our own farm and designed a robot to assist us on our own hypothetical farms. I can foresee a lot of the students in the grade 2/3 classroom, becoming engineers in the future. What creative minds we have!

Grade 5/6:

The 5/6's have been learning about the difference between "hypotheses" and "theories" in science over the last few weeks. Today was all about determining the "variables" within a given experiment. To this end we conducted the "Dancing Sultana" experiment by dropping some sultanas into a jar of soda water. Students initially wrote their hypotheses about what they predicted would happen before conducting the experiment, and then wrote down their observations of what they saw happening in the jar. At the end they could identify the several variables, such as the relative size and colour of the sultanas and quantity of soda water in each different jar. We finally discussed various theories about why the sultanas "danced" based on their observations of the experiment.



2023 Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey:

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

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents / caregivers / guardians think of our school. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that 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 all families to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Once again this year, all families are invited to participate in the survey. Each family will have received an email from me with the survey link and login instructions. Please let me know if you require another copy of this information.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from **Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023**.

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

Please feel free to come and see me if you would like more information.

Travis

Amenities Block Update

It has been absolutely fantastic to see the structural steel for the toilet block installed over the last week. This has now been completed and we should see regular movement on the build, with the cladding and roofing going up in the near future. We are hoping that the build will be mostly completed before the holidays.



Term 3 Community Groups

Community Groups Term 3:

It was great to see the excitement on the students as we began this term's community groups program on Wednesday. Students took part in a range of activities and learnt about healthy eating, veggie gardening, mindfulness, physical health, knitting, and environmental care with river detectives. The program continues for the next 3 weeks



Responsibility- Kota and Zoe

On Thursday, Kota and Zoe took it upon themselves to scout the school grounds and clean up litter that was located around the yard. Thank you so much Kota and Zoe for helping to keep our environment and playground areas in beautiful condition.





Malmsbury Primary School WGAC order form- August 2023



Team Malmsbury is excited to offer Who Gives a Crap products for sale to the community at a discounted rate. The more we order the greater the percentage that goes to our school.



Premium bamboo TP

Sustainably made from 100% bamboo. 3-ply, 370 sheets per roll, cartons of 48 rolls, 6 different black & white patterns.



Classic 100% recycled TP

Made with 100% recycled paper, no inks, dyes or scents. 3-ply, 400 sheets per roll, cartons of 24 & 48 rolls, six different colourful designs.



Bamboo blend paper towels

Super strong, made from a blend of environmentally-sustainable bamboo & sugarcane. 2-ply, no inks, dyes or scents, cartons of 6 rolls.



100% bamboo tissues

Soft on the nose, and strong as an ox! Even the strongest of sneezes don't break through our bamboo tissues. 3-ply, no inks, dyes or scents, cartons of 12 boxes.



Dream Cloth

3 reusable dream cloths, 17 x 20 cm. Made from 70% FSC certified cellulose and 30% repurposed cotton. Biodegradable & compostable. Dishwasher and machine washable.

Please submit this form and payment to the school office by Friday 25th August. You will be notified when they arrive at the school 2-3 weeks later. Payments can be made with cash or EFT: Bank Australia BSB: 313-140 Acc No: 12074523 Reference: Surname-WGAC.

ORDER FORM

Name: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Paid by cash Paid by EFT

Product by the carton	RRP	Discounted price	Qty	Subtotal
Premium 100% Bamboo Toilet Paper (48 rolls)	\$66.00	\$62.00		
Classic 100% Recycled Toilet Paper (48 rolls)	\$60.00	\$57.00		
Classic 100% Recycled Toilet Paper (24 rolls)	\$38.00	\$35.50		
Forest Friendly Tissues (12 boxes)	\$26.00	\$24.00		
Forest Friendly Kitchen Paper Towel (6 rolls)	\$20.00	\$18.50		
Dream Cloths (set of 3 cloths)	\$12.00	\$11.00		
TOTAL				



Chess Tournaments for Schools
Equipment Sale and Hire
Group and individual coaching
Special Chess Events
School Chess Club Assistance

Enquiries: info@northernstarchess.com

Northern Star Chess - Interschool Zonal Chess tournament 28 August

Northern Star Chess is proud to be conducting a full program of face to face zonal tournaments this year for Primary and Secondary School students. We would like to invite your child(ren) to participate in the tournament detailed below. Many of our tournaments do fill up, and we recommend early bookings for this or other events

Our Chess tournaments are individual-based events. If your child is not participating with a team from their school, they can still qualify for the state level events. Emphasis is on participation and the opportunity to experience tournament conditions.

The top 30% of all students at this tournament qualify to represent your school at the NSC Victorian Schools State Final series, which is conducted by Northern Star Chess in term 4.

Monday 28 August at Alice Miller School – Secondary Open Zonal

Address: 110 Bailey Rd, Macedon

Time: 9:30 am – 2:15 pm (approx)

Cost: The cost per student is \$20.

(Payment by cash at sign in on the day)

Please Note: It is up to the parent to liaise with their child's school regarding taking the day off for the event.

Format:

- Individual based tournament
- Every student plays 7 games against players of similar skill, regardless of how many games they win or lose (Swiss pairing method)
- Students experience proper tournament rules
- Gold/Silver/Bronze medals awarded to various grade/year level categories
- "Star of the tournament" trophy for top scorer of the day
- Table prizes/giveaways.
- Northern Star Chess State Final or Semi-final qualifications announced at the end of tournament based on results for the day.

How to register:

Register online for free with Trybooking.com using any of the methods below:

1. Scan QR code for booking page
2. [Click on this link](#) for booking page (if you see a clickable link)
3. Type the URL below in your browser for booking page



<https://www.trybooking.com/CFONG>

Enquiries: info@NorthernStarChess.com

Further information and calendar: www.NorthernStarChess.com/Tourney_Zonal.html

Port Douglas Yoga & Wellness Retreat

August 27th to September 2nd
\$1995 - all inclusive

Contact us at Akari Yoga to book
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Active KIDS Sports

Kids (3-5 years) will learn a variety of ball games, to improve motor skills, technique and interact with other children.

Time and location

Wednesdays 10.00-10.45am
Buffalo Sports Stadium, Woodend

Book now

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