



School Newsletter

7th March 2025

Just Around the Corner	Coming Up	Later on
10th March - Labour Day Public Holiday 12th - 14th March - NAPLAN 20th March - Close the Gap Cultural Gathering (Koorie Students) 26th March - Dream & Lead Conference (School Leaders) 4th April - Last Day of Term 1 2.20pm finish	21st April - Easter Monday Public Holiday 25th April - ANZAC Day Public Holiday 5th May - Glasses for Kids visit (Grades F-3) 12th May - School Photos	9th June - Kings Birthday Public Holiday 21st - 23rd May <u>Grade 3 Camp:</u> Angahook 17th - 19th November <u>Grade 6 Camp:</u> Lady Northcote

Principal Report

School Council

Many thanks to the parents who have nominated for a position. We really appreciate that there are so many within our community who care about our school and want to be part of shaping our direction as we move into the future.

Members for 2025:

Glen Zahra
Kerina Stephens
Simone Edmiston

Chris Rudland
Chiara Di Donato
Fairlie Pritchard

Jessica, Sneiders
Branka Kovcin
Kym Ivory

Olivia Jones
Rochelle Stone
Lachlan Day

Being a member of school council allows parents and community members to have a direct impact on their child/ren's education and the school community. Parents can contribute their perspectives, ideas, and feedback to help shape the school policies, programs, and initiatives. Being a member of council can be a rewarding way to get involved in the school community, build connections with other parents, teachers, and staff and make a difference to the lives of our students. It also allows for you to stay informed and engaged in the education of all students at Meredith Primary School.

I look forward to all that our School Council will accomplish together in 2025 and beyond. Our first council meeting will be on the **24th of March at 5:30-6:30pm.**



RESPECT



RESILIENCE



PRIDE



EXCELLENCE



Grade 5 Camp

Congratulations to all our Grade 5 students who attended the Cave Hill Creek Camp. It was wonderful to visit the students on camp and seeing them enjoying all of the varied activities including canoeing, archery, bush cooking, Possum Glider and much more. As always, the students were demonstrating our school values of Respect, Excellence, Pride and Resilience. They encouraged each other, were inclusive of students from all schools and celebrated many successes. We are lucky again to be joining the Moorabool Valley Association, comprised of 4 schools: Anakie Primary School, Lethbridge Primary School, Shelford Primary School and Meredith Primary School. Thank you to Miss. Pritchard for giving up her personal time to attend a camp, without this support camps would not be possible for our students.



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Long Weekend Reminder

A reminder that this weekend is a long weekend with Monday being the Labour Day Public Holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone back on Tuesday next week.

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy is a literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit each year. It is the only national all Australian assessment students have the opportunity to undertake. This assessment for our Grade 3 and 5 students will take place from Wednesday - Friday next week.

Assessments will be on the following days:

- Wednesday - Writing
- Thursday - Reading and Language Conventions
- Friday - Numeracy

If you have any questions regarding the assessment, please see your student/s classroom teacher or myself. Also, please refer to the NAPLAN information shared on COMPASS with all parents/carers of students in Grade 3 and 5.

Notes/Permissions Reminder

This week we have sent home a large amount of information and permission notes (all required at the beginning of a school year). Can you please be sure to look through the information provided to all students and families and be sure to return these to Jude in the office in a timely manner. Certainly helps make Jude's life much easier if we are not chasing up any unreturned forms. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Allergic Reaction

As a school we have a duty of care to minimise the risk of exposure to known foods that can cause allergic reactions. Students with known allergies should complete an Individual Allergic Reaction Management Plan. All staff have a duty of care for the wellbeing of students with a confirmed allergy and follow management plans to recognise and respond to an allergic reaction.

An allergy occurs when a person's immune system reacts to substances in the environment that are harmless to most people. These substances are known as allergens and are found in foods, insects, some medications, house dust mites, pets and pollen. Allergic reactions that are severe are known as Anaphylaxis.

To minimise such reactions, **we ask families and students not to bring foods to school containing peanuts and tree nuts (of any kind) such as cashews. This also includes products containing nuts in particular Peanut Butter and Nutella.**

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and helping minimise the risk of any allergic reactions for the students at Meredith Primary School.

10 What Questions to Develop a Growth Mindset in Children

1. What did you do today that made you think hard?
2. What happened today that made you keep on going?
3. What can you learn from this?
4. What mistake did you make that taught you something?
5. What did you try hard at today?
6. What strategy are you going to try now?
7. What will you do to challenge yourself today?
8. What will you do to improve your work?
9. What will you do to improve your talent?
10. What will you do to solve this problem?

Questions for our Kids

Does your child get in the car and respond to the question 'How Was your day at school?' - 'Good'. Here are some different ways to ask your child/ren about their day and help develop a growth mindset.

Staff Appreciation

Thank you to the Banks/Measures family and Koa for the very kind giving of their home-grown Sunflowers! Very much appreciated by the staff. If you are interested in the growing journey, refer to the Grubby-Gumboots social media pages.

Kind regards

Lachlan Day
Principal



We recognise the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the first custodians of the land. We acknowledge the Wadawurrung people and extend respect to all Indigenous peoples of this continent recognising their cultures as the oldest continuous living cultures in human history.



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Student Achievement Awards

Week 3

Foundation / Grade 1
Phoebe Geddes

For showing enthusiasm towards her learning every day

Grade 1/2
William Zordan

For always working hard and striving for EXCELLENCE

Grade 3/4
Willow Gebbie

For focusing on all learning tasks and always doing her best

Grade 5/6
Piper Gebbie

For always doing her best work and applying herself

The Arts
Charlie Kelly

For taking pride in himself and for focusing and completing his Art task

PE
Jarvis Filmer

For showing EXCELLENCE in PE when throwing and catching

STEM
NA

AUSLAN
Noah Gebbie

For showing confidence when fingerspelling the Auslan Alphabet

SWPBS
Alaric Harvie

For his participation and his 'Have-a-go' attitude at Running Club!

Week 4

Foundation / Grade 1
Alaric Harvie

For listening well in reading and sharing what 'making predictions' means

Grade 1/2
Harriet Geddes

For her enthusiasm and hard work during reading and for reading at home

Grade 3/4
Leighton Bagshaw

For her excellent engagement in maths this week

Grade 5/6
Charlie Thompson

For his excellent writing on the Titanic and willingness to share it with the class

The Arts
Koa Measures

For his EXCELLENCE in Art, always listening to instructions and taking responsibility for his learning

PE
Evangeline Harvie

For Excellent participation in Cricket

STEM
Rusty Perry

For showing enthusiasm whilst explaining the different habitats around the school

AUSLAN
Tobias Wicks

For excellent effort while practicing the Auslan Alphabet

SWPBS
Elijah Lecky

For his amazing effort and engagement in all areas of his learning

congratulations

Student Achievement Awards

Week 5

Foundation / Grade 1

Nikola Mijatovic

For his hard work with his reading this week

Grade 1/2

Jack Edwards

For his persistence and hard work in improving his handwriting and bookwork

Grade 3/4

Ava Jones

For her creativity when making a poster about Hydration

Grade 5/6

Ayla Gebbie

For her continued efforts in all aspects of school

The Arts

Madison Pengelly

For her attention to detail and taking pride in all Art tasks

PE

Nevaeh Measures

For her excellent participation in Athletics and for supporting others

STEM

Leighton Bagshaw

For her research on different frog types found in Victoria

AUSLAN

NA

SWPBS

William Zordan

For always displaying a love for learning and showing our school values in all that he does

Week 6

Foundation / Grade 1

Sonny Evans

For doing a wonderful job in reading all the 'SAT' and 'PIN' sounds and some new words!

Grade 1/2

Jarvis Filmer

For working hard every day to reach his learning goals

Grade 3/4

Reuben Zahra and Nemanja Mijatovic

For the detailed and interesting story they wrote together about a fishing trip

Grade 5/6

Hamish McColl

For always giving his best effort in his work

The Arts

Reuben Zahra

For his focus and effort during Art

PE

Sebeen Wicks

For her excellent participation in PE

STEM

Harrison Thompson

For his involvement and enthusiasm during the Earth Ed Incursion

AUSLAN

Eden Dickers

For great efforts learning the family signs

SWPBS

Stella Zahra

For being an excellent role model of our school values: Respect, Resilience, Pride & Excellence



Outside School
Hours Care

School Holiday program coming
up – More details coming!



OSHC Awards

Damon Scott

For showing RESPECT to others and
taking PRIDE in the room and his
achievements

Koa Measures

For being a very kind respectful friend to
someone new to OSHC

Serenity Imrei

For showing RESPECT and encouraging
resilience in others as they strive for
EXCELLENCE in OSHC activities

Owen Rudland

For showing PRIDE in Cooking Club



School Phone Numbers

School Landline: 03 5286 1313

School Mobile: 0439 611 476

OSHC Mobile: 0436 395 288

Our school landline is now working after a long wait. Please use this number to contact the school between 8.30am – 4.30pm.

The school mobile is usually carried by Lachlan Day (Principal) and should be used for after-hours communication that can't wait until the next school day.

The OSHC mobile is carried by our OSHC Coordinator (Kym). Please remember that Kym works morning and afternoon/evening, so you may need to leave a message if you are calling outside of OSHC hours.

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Bannockburn P-12 College
would like to invite you to our

2026 Year 7 Information Evening

Wednesday, 26 March, 2025

College Tour: 5:15PM – 6:45PM

Information Session: 6:45PM-7:15PM

Where: Bannockburn P-12 College,
139 Milton Street, Bannockburn, 3331

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OPEN EVENING

STEP INTO YOUR FUTURE

BOOK TICKETS



Our Open Evening will showcase our specialty areas and provide an insight into the quality education students are provided at our College. An information session in our Theatre will be followed by guided tours to experience the exceptional and unique opportunities our College offers for Years 7-12. Each tour will have limited numbers, providing a friendly, personal and interactive experience. Starting times: 5:30 pm or 6:30 pm

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