

Community Newsletter

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Reminder: Keep us updated with any changes by logging into Compass regularly







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A Message from the Principal

Welcome back to term 3 everybody. We have a very busy term ahead of us and are looking forward to implementing more consistent approaches to our teaching practices which will have a positive impact on our student outcomes.

Building Update

I hope you are all as excited as we are to see the steel frames erected on both buildings. We are on target for completion early next year. There have been some tricky management issues with power and water along the way, but we have all managed through with limited impact on student programs. The students are so interested in the building works and staff have been talking them through the changes.

Healthy Schools Policy

As mentioned in last terms newsletter, we are at the beginning phase of implementing the DET Healthy Schools Policy. We have discussed our ideas with staff and school council members and decided that we need to make some changes to the way we redirect some of our students to a healthier option. What also was highlighted in this inquiry, was the time school staff were spending away from teaching time, heating up or preparing food for student lunches. This term we will would like parents and carers to reconsider what is sent for lunches and morning teas. *From next week, staff will not be heating up lunches, making pot noodles and/or making toasted sandwiches.*

Absences and texts

Thank you all for your patience as we implement the DET's new processes for alerting parents when their child is not at school. We have experienced some glitches in the COMPASS attendance system when trying to combine bus attendance and excursion attendance. We apologise if you received an incorrect text message and appreciate your feedback and alerting us when we have made an error.

New staff

We have welcomed some new staff and farewelled some old staff over the past few weeks. Some of our staff are taking well deserved leave and we have some casual staff in the school to replace them. We welcome Lisa, Judy, Lidia and Sibel to the school this term and farewell Sally and Brigitte. Please contact your classroom teacher or the Team Leader if you have any questions about the classroom staffing. If you are unable to make contact with your classes team leader please contact the Assistant Principal of the sub schools. Alice in the Primary School or Tegan in the Secondary School.

Grants and fundraising

Staff have been working hard to generate extra funds for special programs in the school. They have been success in receiving a Kitchen Garden Grant to supplement our Healthy Eating policy. We are also excited to announce we have been chosen as the recipient of the Commonwealth Bank Grant of \$10,000 to supplement our Building works.

Have a great start to the term everybody – we look forward to sharing more progress about our buildings, staff development and of course the most important – Student Outcomes with you as the term progresses.

Best wishes Brooke

School Absences

If your child is sick or not going to be at school for the day, please call the school and leave a message By 9:30AM

- Ring 9743 4966
- Select option to leave a message
- Include your child's name, classroom teacher, date of absence and reason for absence
 Alternatively you can login to Compass and report the student absence via the app/website

If you have not notified the school of the absence an automated text message will be sent out

Upon return to school it is necessary to have a note in the Communication Diary regarding the absence and a medical certificate if appropriate.

Drop Off/Pick Up & Parking Information

NO ENTRY TO SCHOOL CARPARK

In order to maintain a safe and orderly environment, we remind parents that between **8.30 a.m. and 9.20 a.m.**, as well as **2.30 p.m. to 3.20 p.m.** that parent/carer/guardian vehicles are to remain outside the school gates in designated car parks.

DESIGNATED WALKWAYS

When you are walking into the school please use the designated walkways which are highlighted by the yellow painted lines.

PARENT PICK UP/DROP OFF ZONE

Please note that the Parent pick up and Drop off zone is now located behind the BER building, please follow the signs. Please feel free to wait in this area in the morning and afternoons for your child.

Scholastic Book club

The latest Issue of Book club catalogues have been delivered to classrooms. Any orders can you please place them by **August the 6th**.

We no longer accept cash payments for the Scholastic Book club.

Payments will only be accepted via LOOP App or online payment through the Book club website.

Parking

As most of you are aware parking has become limited around the school. Can we please remind staff, parents/carers not to park in disability carparks if you do not have the appropriate sticker. We do have families who need access to these parks to ensure a safe transition in and out of the school.

Melton City Council Local Laws have been frequenting the area booking cars who are not parked correctly. Please follow the road rules and follow parking signage.

There is <u>strictly NO PARKING</u> in the school carpark from 8.30am—9.15am and from 2.20pm to 3.15pm.

State Schools Relief Uniform

State school relief uniforms are available for families who are experiencing extreme hardship.

Part of the application process we need to give a valid reason for the application.

Some reasons may be:

- Serious Financial hardship
- Health issues
- Homelessness
 - Family Violence

Please contact the office you would like an application form to be sent home.

PCCC News/upcoming events

Jean for genes day will be on Friday 3rd August, if you send your child in jeans we ask for a gold coin donation, thank you in advance

Fathers day stall is scheduled for **Friday 31st August**, please look out closer to the date for more information



A word from P9

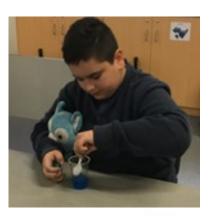
During this term students from P9 have been having fun

working on their Literacy goals. The Literacy theme has been the story "My Teacher is An Alien" by Bruce Covill. Student thoroughly enjoyed the story and participated in sensory activities related to it.

Furthermore we have been experimenting with making jelly as part of our Science curriculum. Students were able to choose the flavour of jelly they would like to make, and with close adult supervision, observed that heat in the form of hot water needs to be added to make the jelly powder turn into liquid. We are having fun learning in our class!







A word from Food Tech

Its been exciting to see the students from Kerry's class really enjoying the opportunity each week to have their experience of helping with the operating of serving customers in the Cafe. It has been rewarding to have watched the student develop and gain their confidence over time. All the students enrolled in the Cert 2 Kitchen Operations course are nearing the end of their 2 year journey and will look forward to receiving their certificate.



Well done to all senior students.

Steve Food Tech Trainer

DATES TO REMEMBER

WED 25th	JUL	UNIFORM SHOP OPEN
WED 1ST	AUG	UNIFORM SHOP OPEN
FRI 3RD	AUG	JEANS FOR GENES DAY—GOLD COIN DONATION
WED 8TH	AUG	UNIFORM SHOP OPEN
WED 15TH	AUG	UNIFORM SHOP OPEN
FRI 17TH	AUG	MID-TERM ASSEMBLY 2.15PM
WED 22ND	AUG	UNIFORM SHOP OPEN
WED 29TH	AUG	UNIFORM SHOP OPEN
WED 5TH	SEPT	UNIFORM SHOP OPEN
WED 12TH	SEPT	UNIFORM SHOP OPEN
WED 19TH	SEPT	UNIFORM SHOP OPEN
THUR 20TH	SEPT	STUDENT FREE DAY—SSG 8.30-4.30
FRI 21ST	SEPT	EARLY DISMISSAL—2PM



FRIDAY 3RD AUGUST

Jeans for Genes was established in 1994 by <u>Children's Medical Research Institute</u> to fund revolutionary research that helps diagnose, understand, and find cures or treatments for conditions affecting kids, including genetic diseases, cancer, and epilepsy.

1 in 20 kids is born with a genetic disease or birth defect. You likely know and care about someone affected. Genetic diseases are one of the leading causes of death in kids under four and the main cause of ongoing hospitalisation. To fight this epidemic, we need more research.

The goal in our 25th year is \$25 million—enough to create a new centre of collaboration, bringing world-leading scientists and doctors together to help Australian kids with <u>genetic disease</u>.

We know you can make a difference, because here's a few of the things Jeans for Genes has helped Children's Medical Research Institute to achieve in the last 25 years:

- Established an ongoing 'vector' engineering program that is designing new ways to cure many genetic diseases using gene therapy
- Discovered a cure for genetic liver disease, with clinical trials about to begin
- Partnered with The Children's Hospital at Westmead on the first-ever gene therapy clinical trial in Australia, which corrected SCIDX1-deficiency (boy in the bubble disease)
- Found a single genetic defect can cause cleft lip and palate

• Discovered dozens of genes causing blindness and introduced genetic testing for these and other conditions, so families can be counselled

- Genetic identification of previously uncharacterised types of aplastic anaemia, which now helps children and teens survive bone marrow transplant to treat the disease
- Discovered a new class of drugs to treat the 1 in 3 epileptics not helped by current medication (now in pre-clinical trials)

Launched a world-first project to revolutionise cancer diagnosis and personalise treatment planning

PLEASE WEAR YOUR JEANS AND BRING A GOLD COIN DONATION ON FRIDAY 3RD AUGUST





ALL ABILITIES. ALL GENDERS. FREE! Reclink Members access to Melton Waves Reclink Melton, delivering an Active Community GYM AND SWIM

CLASS DETAILS:

Wednesday October 17

Hillside Community Centre

Royal Crescent Hillside

meltonlearning.com.au

4.30pm - 6.00pm

WHEN:

TIME:

WHERE:

COST:

TO BOOK:

Find us on Facebook

FREE

Melton Waves 206 Coburns Road, Melton Monday's and Wednesday's 4 hours of fun, 12.00pm to 4.00pm Rebuilding Lives through Sport & Rec.

Introduce sport and arts activities to your clients To join up now go to the Reclink website: www.reclink.org/get-involved/become-member



For more details call: Michael Walsh 0401 523 868 michael.walsh@reclink.org



Does your child need help with communication?

Discover Kids Chat 2 you - a free service delivered to you by Scope

What is it?

A package of free specialist advice and tools to help develop your child's communication abilities now and in the future. Attend a free workshop near you, where experienced Speech Pathologists will provide:

- Guidance on selecting the right communication aid for your child
- Advice and support on including communication aids in your child's NDIS plan
- A one-hour consultation on your child's communication needs*
- A free communication aid to take away with you after your consultation Information about local support groups and services for you and your child

Register now for a workshop near you - available for a limited time only Visit scopeaust.org.au/news-event/kids-chat-2-you to learn more and book today.

*Consultations are optional and can be booked when you register for the workshop. The workshops are also suitable for teachers and therapists of children with complex communication needs.

Contact us

Call 1300 4 72673 or email circ@scopeaust.org.au.

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MELTON NDIS INFO SESSION PRE PLANNING

The rollout of the NDIS is one the biggest changes in the lives of people living with disabilities that we've seen in a generation. The transition can be an overwhelming time, and proper preparation can be the difference between being adequately funded or not.

ONCALL has been involved in getting people ready for their transition ever since the Barwon Pilot, the very inception of the NDIS. With the NDIS rolling out in Brimbank, Melton and Western Melbourne soon, we're putting on some free information sessions that will help vou prepare.

This is the first of 3 sessions and will cover pre-planning for your NDIS package. The pre-planning stage is critical in getting a funding package that's suited to your needs. In the sessions we'll be covering:

- The NDIS process
- How to prepare for your meeting
 Guide to wording your goals
- Plan managed vs self managed
- Support coordination

These sessions have been designed based on the needs of 100's of clients that have already transitioned and what they have told us would've helped them through the process. Preparation for your first planning meeting is a key to the size of your funding package. We'll show you how you can prepare.

EVENT DETAILS LOCATION

n Balam Seminar Room Melton Library and Learning Hub

DATE Thursday 2nd August TIME 10:30 - 12:00



UPCOMING **EVENTS**

ONCALL

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CONTACT

Self-Defence workshop for children 8-12 years

Self Defence for Kids

This class will be conducted by Felix Johansson 6th Dan Black Belt Shorin Ryu Shido Kan Karate, over 35 years experience in Martial Arts.

This fun and interactive class will educate and inform participants about self-care, recognize potential problems or dangerous situations, avoid becoming a victim of crime and to provide hands-on self defence training.

Bookings Essential

PROGRAM DETAILS: WHEN:

Tuesday September 25

TIME 6.00pm-8.00pm

WHERE Hillside Community Centre, Recreation Reserve Royal Crescent, Hillside

COST FREE BOOKINGS:

meltonlearning.com.au



NEED A NEW PAIR OF SHOES?

State Schools' Relief now sells STUDENT'S CHOICE school shoes at select outlets.

Quality Shoes At Affordable Prices





STUDENT'S CHOICE

 State Schools' Relief is committed to supporting the needs of Victorian government school students

· Every dollar raised from the sale of our school shoes goes towards providing new school uniforms and footwear to students in need

SSR School Liaison Manager Sharon Sartori 0477 049 708





RELIEF

Confidence



Monday to Friday 8.00am - 5.00



Western VACCA Melton

Time: 11am - 3pm Where: Melton West Primary 4 Westmelton Drive, Melton West VIC 3337 BBQ lunch provided

FREE EVENT INCLUDES

Welcome to Country • Cultural Art Activities Showbags • Traditional Games • Animal Farm & More

> SMOKE AND ALCOHOL FREE EVENT For further information please contact: Taryn Capes on 8746 2776



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