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DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE 13th	QUEENS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
JUNE 23rd	LAST DAY TERM 2
JUNE 24th	SSG MEETING DAY



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Dear Parents/Carers

Reconciliation Week

Every year between 27th May and 3rd June Melton SS focus on coming together to support reconciliation with Australia's First Nations people. This year's theme of 'Be Brave, Make Change', follows on from last year's theme to 'Take Action'. It prompts us to take steps to help bridge the gap and further develop our understanding.

At Melton SS we recognise that embedding Aboriginal perspectives is different from celebrating cultural diversity. It is a conscious decision to acknowledge Aboriginal peoples as the first peoples of Australia, and ensure that their stories are told in our school.

To make this vision a reality it is our intention to regularly consult with our local First Nations Peoples to truly understand how we can work together to create opportunities to celebrate and include our indigenous community and make them feel welcome and safe within our school.

We are encouraging all of our students and staff this year to be brave and make a change, and to reach out and connect with our First Nations Peoples.

Student Voice

The AtoSS is an annual student survey offered by the DET to assist our school in gaining a better understanding of your child's perceptions and experience of school. It acknowledges that students have a unique perspective on learning, teaching, and schooling, and should have the opportunity to actively shape their own education.

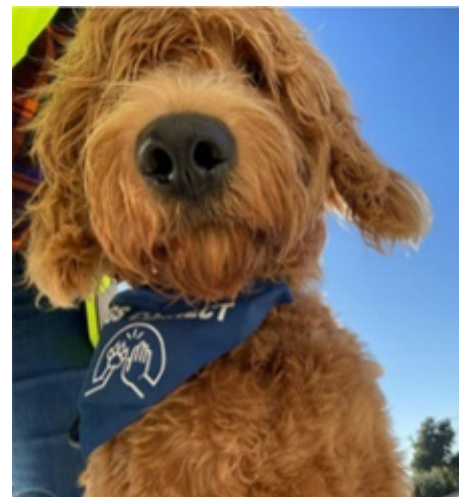
Student voice involves students actively participating in their schools, communities and the education system, contributing to decision making processes and collectively influencing outcomes by putting forward.

We will endeavour to share with you the feedback over the coming weeks. However, if you have any questions about this survey, please feel free to reach out.

Bunji - School Wellbeing Dog

As Bunji begins to find his 'paws' in his new role within our school, we have already observed the positivity that he brings to our students, our staff and even to our parent/carer community. He has been more than happy to pose for selfies at student drop off and we are all enjoying the beaming smiles that suddenly appear when he is around.

You may notice that Bunji wears a coloured bandana, the colours represent his role during different parts of the day. The red bandana means that he cannot be approached as he is in training and the green bandana means that he can be approached for a pat/cuddle providing the expectations are followed, by staff and students.



Our intention is to increase his presence over a the next few months and allow him and our school community to gradually get used to his role within our school.



Don't forget you can follow Bunji on Instagram #bunjithewonderdog

Increased Police Presence – Coburns Road & Slip lane

Once again, I would ask you to please remember not to line up and double park outside Gate 1. We understand that at times this is frustrating and you may have to do a loop – this is why we ask that parents and carers do not arrive before 8.55a.m.

Police have been present and parents have been fined for double parking. If you miss the school bus please drop your child off through the loop in Gate 1 after 9.00 a.m.

Please can you also ensure that your children are correctly secured in their booster seats or with a seatbelt as we have observed cars being stopped.

Brooke Briody
Principal

READY, STEADY, COOK!

WITH S4



This has been a busy week for S4. The students have been doing art activities for reconciliation week. The students went bowling and everyone got a turn to knock the pins down.



The class had fun in the Food Technology room making cupcakes and then decorating them with icing. Everyone helped to measure the ingredients and took turns helping to mix them.



Learning with P6

Literacy



It has been a busy start to the year for P6.

We love the Jolly Phonics program.

Numeracy



We have been learning about fair sharing.

Community Access



P6 has enjoyed our community access program. We have visited a variety of parks developing our personal, social and travel training skills.



Zoo Variety Day

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

Parent/carer details

Surname _____

First name _____

Address _____

Town/suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Contact number _____

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

- - - **OR**

☐ Foster parent under a temporary care order* **OR** ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner (Gold Card)**

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH).

**Applicants must provide a copy of the Veteran Affairs Gold card

Is this an application for special consideration (no CRN needed)? Yes ☐ No ☐

Student details

Student's surname	Student's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DFFH will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DFFH and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the DFFH and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant _____ Date ____/____/____



A DAY IN THE LIFE...



ROLE: **ENROLMENTS & FAMILY SERVICES**

8:00am	Start work
8:00am - 8:30am	Read and action my emails
8:30am - 9:00am	Bus duty
9:00am - 12:30pm	Work through ongoing enrolments; booking assessments, liaising with kindergartens and other schools, Work through incoming enrolments and enquiries Handle appointments and scheduling for Brooke
12:30pm - 1:00pm	Lunch break
1:00pm - 2:30pm	Organise applications for student funding Co-ordinate plans and catering for upcoming school events Handle any new incoming enrolment enquiries
2:30pm - 3:00pm	Bus duty
3:00pm - 4:00pm	Make notes for upcoming consultative committee
4:00pm	Go home to my husband and dog Sadie



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COMMUNICATION

CSEF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

MSS families who already claimed CSEF in the past year do not need to complete an application form this year. If you are a new family to our school, or have not claimed before please find further information in previous newsletters. The form to complete is on page 6. If you are unsure, please contact Tori in the Admin Office. We will be in contact with any families that apply who do not meet required criteria.

UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform orders can be placed at any time by returning a completed form to the office. Going forward **ALL uniform orders will be filled on a Thursday**. Please keep this in mind when requesting uniform.

Students are unable to try on uniform items, however feel free to bring in a personal clothing item to help compare sizes. We are **unable to exchange items for different sizes** after purchase. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Preferred payment is Bank Transfer or we can accept **correct Cash** - we do not have change.

A copy of the uniform order form is available on our website for you to calculate your total. Go to our website> Enrolment> Uniform Order Form

DISABILITY EXPO 2022

Source Kids - Australia's leading disability expo for kids, youth + young adults, is coming back to Melbourne!

Source Kids will host this event on 18-19 June 2022 at the Melbourne Convention Exhibition Centre (MCEC). We'll be bringing over 150 disability product and service providers together under one roof for you to connect with and see all the latest and greatest options available. And of course in Source Kids style we'll have a huge range of performers, activity zones, chill zones and fun for everyone! Registrations have opened, so grab your free ticket on the link below!
<https://bit.ly/SKDEMelb2022>



CHECK OUT OUR SCHOOL FACEBOOK PAGE!

Remember to "like" Melton Specialist School on Facebook to stay up to date on the latest news and activities. You can also download the school newsletter to see what is coming up on the school calendar.