**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**Student Accident and Private Property Insurance**

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD), and government schools, do not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and guardians are generally responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. Reasonable low cost accident insurance policies are available from the commercial insurance sector.

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development also does not hold insurance nor does it accept responsibility for private property brought to school by students, staff and visitors. Students are advised not to bring any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school and are not allowed to bring any electronic toys and games to school.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS**

Thank you to those parents and staff who nominated or re-nominated for School Council this year. The first meeting of the new School Council will be on Monday 24 March following the Annual General Meeting.

As the number of nominations was equal to the number of vacancies there will be no ballot and I declare the following duly elected to School Council:

- **Parent Representative:** Bruce Burns, Michael Seelig, Doug Smith, Caroline Paterson, Kheeran Dharmawarden, Stuart Bateman, Sam Wickramaratna and Marc Laurin
- **Staff representatives:** Mary Azer, Lynn Ordish, Erin Harman, Chris Parker, Leasyl Richards

I look forward to welcoming our new and returning School Council members at the Annual General Meeting and first Council meeting on Monday, 24 March at 7:30pm.

We invite parents to join our Education Committee which meets at 6.30pm for an hour prior to School Council meetings. We discuss educational issues, areas of interest and develop curriculum policies. The next Education Committee meeting is on Monday 24 March in our conference room.

**STUDENT COUNCIL**

Democracy and student voice are important features of Mount Waverley education and we encourage all students to take on roles that support both their own development and the programs of the school. Congratulations to all students nominated by their peers to join the 2014 Student Representative Council. All students will be presented with their badges at assembly on Monday 24 February at 9am.

Have a great week of learning, Mary Azer

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**TWILIGHT SPORTS**

Next Wednesday, 26 February  
EVERYONE WELCOME!  
Don’t forget to come to this wonderful evening—details inside this Newsletter.

**IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES**

- **Fri 21 February**  
  Year 6 Sport commences
- **Wed 26 February**  
  **TWILIGHT SPORTS—WHOLE SCHOOL**
- **Thu 27 February**  
  Division Swimming Competition  
  RFL
- **Fri 28 February**  
  Clean Up MWPS Day  
  Mon 3 March  
  **Second Hand Uniform Sale 9am**
- **Thu 6 March**  
  RFL
- **Fri 7 March**  
  Regional Swimming Competition  
  Mon 10 March  
  **LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
- **Tue 11—Fri 14 March**  
  Year 4 Camp  
  Wed 12 March  
  PCR & P&F Meetings  
  Thu 13 March  
  RFL  
  Thu 20 March  
  RFL  
  Fri 21 March  
  Author Visit  
- **Mon 24 March**  
  School Council AGM  
  Thu 27 March  
  RFL  
- **Wed 2 April**  
  PCR & P&F Meetings  
  Friday 4 April  
  Last day of Term 2  
  —2.30pm EARLY DISMISSAL  
  Free Dress Day / Subway lunch
PAYMENT REMINDERS.....

- 2014 SCHOOL ACCOUNTS due 26/2/14
- EMA APPLICATIONS close 28/2/14
- YEAR 4 & 5 2014 CAMP
- YEAR 6 SUMMER SPORT now overdue

Hi, I’m EARNEST and I care about the environment.
Don’t forget to recycle your old mobile phones at our new Community Recycling Stations located near the Conference room in the Admin Building.

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

SOCIAL SERVICE FUND
I would like to take this opportunity to thank our School Council for approving a Social Service Fund that will cater for students with special circumstances. Some of our fundraising this year will go towards this fund.

PEER MEDIATION PROGRAM
I had the privilege this week in training 45 Year 6 students in Peer Mediation. It was so encouraging to see so many students volunteer. The course taught the students about the many aspects of conflict, communicating effectively, developing skills of empathy, listening and questioning and facilitating the process of Mediation. They will commence in the playground from Monday, 24th February.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP
On Monday, 24 February, our Student Leaders, Mr Rooks and I will be going into the Melbourne Convention Centre for a National Student Leader’s Day. They will be inspired by the author John Marsden, Founder of Thank You Daniel Flynn, Olympian, Silver Medallist London 2012 Jess Fox and Mike Martin the Executive Director of the Halogen Foundation. This will be an exciting day!

Lynn Ordish

2014 CLASSROOM NOTICES

Please ensure you have returned the following notices to the class teacher:
- Emergency Information Forms
- ICT (Computer permission) Forms
- RE (Religious Education) Forms
- please note that if you have not returned your RE form, your child will NOT be able to participate in this program

2015 PREP ENROLMENTS—NOW OPEN

Enrolment forms are now available from the General Office for our 2015 Prep intake. Please note that your child must be 5 years of age by the 30th April, 2015. We would appreciate if you could return your 2015 Prep Enrolment form to the General Office before the end of this term to assist with our 2015 class planning. Thank you.

**NEW STUDENT SIGN IN / OUT PROCEDURE**

Please note that Late and Early Departure slips are now generated electronically from the General Office. ALL students that arrive AFTER 9.00am MUST go to the office to collect a late slip. Parents MUST collect an Early Departure slip from the office BEFORE collecting your child from the classroom.

TWILIGHT SPORTS—Next Wednesday Evening

Our annual Twilight Sports will be held next Wednesday 26th February from 6pm-8pm. This is a great night for ALL the family and a chance to meet/catch up with other school families.

Events will take place on the oval. All students will participate in a novelty event, a 50m sprint and a side event. There will also be a parent race towards the end of the night! All activities will earn points towards students’ house totals. Children should wear house colours and come along for a great night of fun and excitement.

Our Parents & Friends group are kindly offering an “easy meal option” by providing a Sausage Sizzle from 5.30pm

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

SPRINTS for girls and boys: 1st—Year 3, 2nd—Year 4, 3rd—Preps, 4th—Year 5, 5th—Year 1, 6th—Year 2, 7th—Year 6

SIDE EVENTS (completed during sprints) Bean Bag Toss in Hoops, Quoits, Hit the Target, Tunnelball, Captain Ball.

NOVELTY EVENTS (Completed after sprints) Egg & Spoon, Bean Bag on head, Sack Race, 3 Legged race, Knee Ball
AusVels

My role as AusVels leader is to promote the Australian Curriculum and assist its delivery across the school. The Australian Curriculum has been progressively rolled out to support teachers to implement it within their classrooms. I assist staff in their knowledge of the content they are teaching as well as being a link between any new curriculum initiatives from the Department of Education and Mount Waverley Primary School. I work closely alongside the Leadership team to ensure we are providing students with the best education they can. In 2013 our team has been developing the 1:1 laptop program design to help curriculum delivery. We are looking forward to implementing 1:1 in 2015, with more information about the program to be distributed to parents and the community throughout this year.

Erin Harman, AusVels Co-ordinator

DISTRICT SWIMMING

Congratulations to all the students who competed at the Mulgrave District Swimming Carnival last week. Mount Waverley came 3rd overall which is a fantastic result. The following children have made it through to Division Swimming to be held on Thursday, 27th February at the Monash Aquatic and Recreation Centre: Chris F, Leon F, Nam P, Yong F, Alanah S, Winnie D, Jiny J, Jeffery P, Sarah G, Vicky T and Makenna P. Congratulations to Kevin L and Vicky T who were selected as School Swimming Captains.

Cassie Kemp, PE/Sport Co-ordinator

2014 CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

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Congratulations to the following students who attained Silver and Gold Certificates in recent weeks!


MWPS ENVIRONMENT UPDATE #2:

Clean Up Australia Day at MWPS

Sunday (2 March) is Clean Up Australia Day. This event is held every year around Australia and tonnes of rubbish is collected and disposed of by volunteers. Mount Waverley PS will participate again this year for the 11th year, in this program as we aim towards being an environmentally friendly, waste-wise school and community. We will be cleaning the school on **FRIDAY 28th FEBRUARY** as part of our contribution towards cleaning up Australia. All of the children will be involved and we ask that the children bring some old kitchen gloves to wear or a small plastic bag to wear over their hands. Children are also asked to bring a plastic bag for collecting the rubbish, which will be disposed of by Monash City Council. Thank you for your support.

If you would like to participate in Clean Up Australia Day in your local community, register your interest and find a clean up site at the flowing web address: [http://www.cleanup.org.au](http://www.cleanup.org.au)

NEW COMMUNITY RECYCLING STATION!!!!!

Help the planet by doing your bit!
Bring your recyclables to us and we will recycle them for you!

We will take:
- light bulbs, batteries, ink cartridges, mobile phones.
- Just pop them into the labeled bins at the office

*(NO RUBBISH IN THE BINS PLEASE!!)*

Thank you on behalf of the children and the environment,
Loretta Leary, Environment Co-ordinator

SUSTAINABLE LIVING FESTIVAL

Environment Team Captains’ Speech at Assembly on Monday 17th February, 2014:

“On Friday, 14th February, the Year 6 Environment Team went to the Sustainable Living Festival in Federation Square. We first listened to *Chris Jordan speak. Chris Jordan is a photographer from Seattle in the U.S.A. He takes data and turns it into photos of waste used over a period of time. He told us that such small things like not buying bottled water can help to save the world. Next we got to do a Mobile Muster workshop, where they told us about all the different parts and how to pull apart a mobile phone by ourselves. There is a container at the Community Recycling Station in the Office where you can place your old mobile phones. Overall, we had a great day learning about how we can make a difference in the world and we got to take home a little veggie seedling as a gift.” **Aaran P and Harry J, Environment Team Captains**

*Check out his exhibited and published works on his website at: [www.chrisjordan.com](http://www.chrisjordan.com)*

[Images of students at an assembly and the Sustainable Living Festival]

At Flinders Street Station

With Chris Jordan

All the food came on reusable plates

Pulling apart mobile phones to find suitable recycling parts

We sponsor Orang-utans through this organisation

A veggie seedling souvenir from the day
**SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE**
The next sale for second hand uniforms will be **Monday 3rd March, 9:00-9:30am.** Prices range from $1-$8 so please bring small denominations as we are unable to change large notes. The shop is located in the foyer of the hall and volunteers are always welcome. *Mechelle G, Co-ordinator*

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### 2014 BICYCLE / SCOOTER PERMISSION TO RIDE TO SCHOOL
All students that ride a bicycle or scooter to school, MUST complete a PERMISSION TO RIDE to school form EACH YEAR. These forms are available from the table outside the General Office or can be downloaded from the school website.

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### PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

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<td>Jaimi A for being very helpful in the classroom</td>
<td>Christopher F for trying his best and making it through to Division Swimming</td>
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<td>Oliver W for being a good citizen. He always demonstrates the MWPS school values and is willing to help others. Great work Ollie!</td>
<td>Michelle W for the time and effort she consistently puts into her work. She is always working hard and trying her best. Keep up the great effort!</td>
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<td>3B</td>
<td>Se-Ah for always using lovely manners towards her teacher and her class peers. Well done Se-Ah!!</td>
<td>Chloe B for assisting our new class member to settle in and feel welcomed within our school. Keep up the great work Chloe!</td>
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<td>3D</td>
<td>Ruby E for a wonderful start to Year 3. Ruby has been working hard to do her best in all activities.</td>
<td>Charles Z for the excellent Personal Cube he created about himself.</td>
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<td>4A</td>
<td>Liam K for showing consideration for the needs of others by sharing resources with and supporting his peers.</td>
<td>Maddie T for writing an excellent post card, recounting her holiday experiences.</td>
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<td>4B</td>
<td>Billy J for being a terrific friend and role model to others, keep it up Billy.</td>
<td>Zarara H for using her initiative and researching and preparing material for her stop motion movie.</td>
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<td>4C</td>
<td>Laura W for being a kind and caring member of our class and for being a great help to her good friend who has a broken arm. Keep it up!</td>
<td>Isabella M for the amazing effort and result at the District Swimming Carnival. Congratulations!</td>
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<td>4D</td>
<td>Rachael L for being a supportive and cooperative student who is always willing to help out her peers when required! It’s lovely having you in the class!</td>
<td>Jeremy D for being an organised and proactive learner which sees him finishing work on time and producing high quality work. Well done!</td>
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<td>Morgan B for showing an excellent attitude towards his learning and a great work ethic.</td>
<td>Alex T for producing some excellent line design drawings.</td>
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<td>Georgia D for being a wonderful and friendly student who is always willing to assist other students. Well done Georgia!</td>
<td>Kallista A for displaying a very strong work ethic and always producing work of a very high standard. Great job!</td>
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<td>Jazmine Z for kindly volunteering to move seats in order to help out a fellow classmate</td>
<td>Jaquelyn G for a wonderful effort in writing a &quot;Tom Gates&quot; style letter, incorporating both Liz Pichon’s humorous writing style and illustrations</td>
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<td>Alex P for getting on well with all his new class members and having wonderful manners.</td>
<td>Sophia A for a fabulous holiday recount with excellent word choices to assist the reader to visualize.</td>
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<td>Joshua M for always being willing to take on various responsibilities both in and outside of the classroom to assist staff and his peers.</td>
<td>Elizabeth K for displaying a positive attitude towards her learning and consistently producing high-quality work. Keep it up!</td>
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<td>Emma L for always using lovely manners and being respectful towards others, and showing initiative in her learning.</td>
<td>Stuart P for showing enthusiasm and persistence in open ended Maths investigations in class, and striving for accuracy in mathematical operations.</td>
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<td>Yujie S for making an excellent transition to Mount Waverley P.S., trying her best with her work and interacting with her peers. Well done!</td>
<td>Kevin E for displaying an excellent work ethic, concentrating well and completing all tasks to the best of his ability. Keep it up!</td>
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<td>Vasili D for taking ownership of his learning and social relationships in and outside the classroom</td>
<td>Cadmus W For starting the year off with superb effort and concentration on the new tasks he has faced.</td>
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<td>Sarah G for displaying her kind and friendly nature and making a great start to the year.</td>
<td>Derek Z for his excellent start to the year and for putting in a great effort in all areas of the curriculum.</td>
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