



Newsletter

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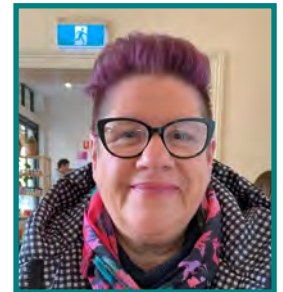
From the Principal

Governing Council Meeting

Our next Governing Council meeting is Week 3 Term 3, **Monday 7 August at 5.30pm**. All interested parents who wish to have a say in their child's education are welcome to join us in the staff room.

Pastoral Support Worker

Hi, my name is Jen and I am the new Pastoral Support Worker for Melaleuca Park Primary School. My favourite food is pasta with garlic bread. I have two dogs, one called Jake and the other one is Amy. They are both kelpies. I love to go for walks, especially around the Blue Lake. I am very excited to get to know all the teachers, students and parents within the Melaleuca Park community. Jen



All parents, care-providers, visitors and volunteers are expected to:

Treat all persons associated with the school with respect and courtesy;

Ensure your child/children are punctual to class;

Sign in at the office when visiting and volunteering at the school other than for school events;

Show respect for students' learning by NOT entering classes or interrupting learning time without prior arrangements, **speak to staff at Front Office** on arrival;

Make appointments to obtain an interview or meeting with members of staff;

Allow staff to supervise, investigate and manage students without interference;

Follow school procedures governing entry and behaviour on school grounds, including any restrictions that may be imposed.

Early Dismissal

Term two finishes on **Friday 7 July at 2.10pm**, after assembly that begins at 1:30.

Term three begins **Monday 24 July**.

Student Free Day

Term 3 week 2, **Monday 31 July** Melaleuca Park Primary school will be holding a student free day for staff to build their capacity to improve literacy outcomes for students.

COMING EVENTS

07 July

Last day of term 2

24 July

First day of term 3

26 July

Room 1 Swimming lessons every Wednesday this term

31 July

STUDENT FREE DAY

04 August

Scott's BMX Trick Bike Show

07 August

Governing Council Meeting

11 August

Assembly

Erica Hurley



LITERACY GUARANTEE
CONFERENCE
Mount Gambier
31 July 2023



The Melaleuca Park Primary School community acknowledges the Boandik people as the traditional custodians of the land that we live, work, learn and play on.

Uniform

Our uniform consist of a navy jumper, navy and teal or navy polo shirt, navy pants/shorts/skirt and a navy and white checksummerdress.

Navy Jumpers, with our school logo, have been ordered and each child will receive 1 free jumper. Additional jumpers can be purchased for \$35.



Available at the Front Office

**NEW
JUMPERS
NOW
AVAILABLE**



School shirts **\$35.00** and school jumpers **\$35.00** available at the front office.

Mobile Phones

Student use of personal devices at school:

All students are required to keep their personal devices 'off and away' between the start and end of each school day and while they are attending authorised school activities off-site, such as camps and excursions.

Students may only access their personal devices during these times if they have received an approved [exemption](#) from their school to use the device for a specific, agreed reason.

Access refers to both physical access, including wearing any wearable technology that fits the definition of personal devices in this policy, and remote access, such as connecting other technology to the personal device's hotspot or using headphones that are paired to the personal device.

Excellence Awards

Scarlett Kennett

Well done Scarlett on using your letter sounds to begin to decode three letter words and spell words using your keypad resource. We are amazed at the growth you have made this year. Keep it up!

Cruz Lawn

For your enthusiasm and creativity during our design and technology.

Taya Ryan

For always persisting and trying your best in your learning even when you may find it challenging.

Cassie Varcoe

For outstanding effort in trying to spell unknown words. You have take great pride and care in your illustrations and words in your book making book. Well done for being a brave speller.

Poppie Stephens

I love your new have-a-go attitude Poppie. Your writing was so neat in your storybook response writing and you have been taking great pride with your work presentation. Super effort Poppie.

Zack Close

For using your Lego chart during the day consistently and for having-a-go at your must do activities. Well done on adapting to change.

Cataleia Stephens

Great independent work during our Daily 5 activities. I was so proud of you getting in and doing your work unaided. Well done Cataleia.

Layken Kenny

For challenging yourself and participating in all aspects of your learning. It has been nice to see you participate more in class discussions and setting a good example for others.

Paige Richardson

For challenging yourself during math intervention and looking for strategies to solve multiplication sums. It has also been nice to see you engaging in all of your learning.

Jackson Forster

For being willing to take on feedback and apply it to improve your learning. With a can-do attitude, you will achieve your goals. We are all very proud of you Jack.

Kelsei Taleporos

For pushing yourself to improve in mathematics. You have shown that you are more than capable of achieving set goals. Keep up the fantastic work and you will go far.

Liam Sobey

For always persisting with your learning and showing great growth.

Bailey Pratt

For your enthusiasm during HASS to create a high-quality recount.

'DREAM BIG 'movie experience with the Principal Award

Brody Allen

Brody it has been so amazing to see the growth you have made in your learning this year. You always give any task a go and we love watching how proud you are of yourself. Keep reaching for the stars!

Katie Pratt

For the Leadership qualities you consistently display in the classroom.

Tara Ryan

I love how you see yourself as a learner and your attitude towards giving things a go even when you may find them hard.

Isabelle Mitchell

For always being an interested, engaged and enthusiastic learner.

Jharlen Wingard

I love witnessing your enjoyment in school and how you are always eager to have a go.

Mason Axelby-Young

For always giving everything a go, even when it is hard and having an 'I can' attitude.

Eeva Askew

You are an amazing listener and learner who always strives to do your absolute best!

Charlie Lidster-Price

I love the way you are now giving everything a go and having a try at new learning. Good girl!

Hamzah Mohamed

I love how you now believe in yourself and approach learning with interest and confidence!

Hailee Read

For challenging your self more in your learning. You have demonstrated a willingness to learn and have-a-go. Keep giving everything your best effort.

Aussie Ee

For always being an interested, engaged and enthusiastic learner and the way you share your knowledge and understanding with the class. You are now able to participate more in circle time.

Jenny Tun

For always being willing to learn and do your best in any subject area. You approach all the learning with interest and confidence!

Jaxon Walters-Radford

What a fantastic little learner you are! You are so enthusiastic to join in and learn new things. You have demonstrated a willingness to learn and have-a-go.

Kane Kellett

For challenging yourself more in your learning. You have demonstrated a growth mindset and an interest in learning.

Vivian Heenan

For showing resilience in your learning and always having a can do attitude.

Luka Shaw

For participating more in circle time and other group activities in class.

Hanna Spencer

For challenging yourself more in your learning. You consistently demonstrate a growth mindset.

Chase Gregory

You have really improved in your level of effort this term. You are eagerly solving math challenges, improving in Daily 5 and giving everything your best effort. Keep up the great work!

Evie Denham

Evie, this term you have shown an improvement in your literacy and math. You are pushing yourself more to extend your knowledge in your quick thinking. Keep up the great work!

Sierra Shaw

Sierra, you have shown me that you can push yourself to be better in all learning areas. You try so hard to succeed and demonstrate a willingness to keep on learning. Keep up the great work!

Mason Summers

You have been working hard in math lessons. Showing tremendous growth in some mathematical areas. I look forward to seeing that increase in term3. Keep up the great work!

Duncan Ee

We are so proud of how hard you continue to push yourself with your learning to achieve the best that you can—we know that you will achieve great things with your amazing work effort. So 'Dream Big' there is nothing stopping it from coming true!

Mackenzie Button

We are proud of your hard work towards your learning this year.

Ella Denham

Your hard work and effort towards your learning has not gone unnoticed and we want you to know that your dreams are in reach, no matter how big or crazy they might seem.

Collis Kats

You have worked hard and persisted with your learning and we want you to 'Dream Big' because dreaming big is the first step in achieving your goals.

Dream Big excursion to 'Elemental'



MAD Minute



On the 13th June (Tuesday, Week 7), Mrs Schultz's year 4/5 class had the opportunity to compete in Lions Mad Minute. For weeks students had been practicing pulling a topic out of a box and speaking about it for one minute. The students did not have any time to think or prepare what they were going to speak about. Students were given a set criterion that they needed to follow to achieve the best marks possible. This criterion included staying on topic, speaking clearly with appropriate pitch, pace and volume as well as showing confidence public speaking. Lion Wilf Nitchke, Lion Mike Tuohy OAM and Lion Graeme Miller from the Mount Gambier Lions Club observed the students speaking and were suitably impressed. They then selected three very deserving winners including Sierra Shaw (3rd Place), Evelyn Heenan (2nd Place), and Mason Summers (1st Place). These very lucky students along with a reserve participant Paige Read will get to attend the Grand Challenge at Mount Gambier Highschool in Week 9 to compete against other Mount Gambier Schools for a trophy. There were other awards that were able to be awarded by both the teacher and Kath Blacketer for the best opening, best close and most expressive; these were awarded to Chevy Parsons, Evie Denham and Chase Gregory. Unfortunately, whilst Year 4 students were able to compete in the class challenge, they have to wait until next year to have their opportunity to compete against other schools. Mrs Schultz



When we work hard in Ms Brown's class



Year 6 - Old Gaol Excursion



Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD)



Dear parents, guardians and carers

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:
year of schooling

category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional

level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools

consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools

develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy \(https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy\)](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal \(https://www.nccd.edu.au\)](https://www.nccd.edu.au).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Kind regards

Erica Hurley

Principal

EMIL AND THE DETECTIVES

Theatre Production



ON THURSDAY THE 29TH JUNE 2023, YEAR 3,4,5,6 UPPER PRIMARY CLASSES WALKED TO THE SIR ROBERT HELPMANN THEATRE TO SEE THE PRODUCTION OF EMIL AND THE DETECTIVES.

THIS WAS A STORY BASED ON A YOUNG PERSON WHO IS SENT TO STAY WITH HER GRANDMOTHER IN THE CITY FOR A WHILE; WHILST HER SINGLE MOTHER WORKS TO EARN A LIVING. HER MOTHER GIVES HER SOME MONEY TO GIVE HER GRANDMOTHER AND EMIL WAS TOLD NOT TO SHOW ANYONE OR TO LOSE IT. WHEN EMIL IS ON THE TRAIN SHE MEETS BOWLER HAT MAN; WHO WHEN SHE FALLS ASLEEP STEALS THE MONEY. AS SHE IS TRYING TO CHASE THE BOWLER HAT MAN THROUGH THE CITY SHE MEETS THE DETECTIVES. THEY HELP HER TO RETRIEVE THE MONEY BACK FROM THE BOWLER MAN.



Students were exposed to many elements of theatre including using the audience, light play, narration and building anticipation within the storyline. They also experienced a single actor switching between characters. This helped them develop the understanding of how to construct a play focussed on entertaining an audience.



Year 6 Celebrations



Bike Safety Sessions



Room 1 Celebrations



Thunder Football Carnival



City of Mount Gambier School Holiday Program



MONDAY 10 TO SUNDAY 16: PAPER SCULPTURE MAKING AGES 4+

During opening hours @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
Using coloured card and paper create a wacky and colourful paper sculpture. Free self-sufficient craft. Bookings not required.

MONDAY 17 TO SUNDAY 23: MINI FABRIC AND YARN COLLAGES AGES 4+

During opening hours @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
Choose your colours and patterns of fabric and yarn and layer them on a card to make a collage. Free self-sufficient craft. Bookings not required.

SATURDAY 24 JUNE TO TUESDAY 10 OCTOBER: WINTER WONDER ROOM AGES 3+

During opening hours @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
Mount Gambier's winter months have never seemed brighter for families as The Riddoch re-opens the popular WONDER ROOM! After the amazing success of the summer edition, the Riddoch team have been busy designing a range of activities to keep kids entertained this winter.

Explore a variety of creative stations including: Papercrafts, Musical Storytelling, Interactive Rain Display, Giant Puzzle, Selfie Stations, Cosy Cubby and more!

MONDAY 10 TO SUNDAY 23 JULY: MAKE A SLOTH ALL AGES

During opening hours @ Mount Gambier Library
Families are invited to come in and complete this self-sufficient craft. Celebrating this year's National Simultaneous Storytime book 'The Speedy Sloth'. Free self-sufficient. Bookings not required.

THURSDAY 13 JULY: BUBBLE PAINTING WORKSHOP GOLD COIN AGES 5+

2:30pm @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
Loads of bubbly fun using baby bath bubbles and paint to make an artwork that is dreamy! Bookings essential.

FRIDAY 14 JULY: LIL' CREATORS - DUCK MASKS GOLD COIN UNDER 5'S

10:30am @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
Waddle on down to the Riddoch with your little ones to make a one-of-a-kind duck mask out of cardboard, paper and feathers. Bookings essential.

FRIDAY 14 JULY: STOP MOTION AGES 10+

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library
Get creative with making your own stop-motion movie with plasticine, LEGO and backdrops! **BYO device (smartphone/tablet) with Stop Motion Studio app installed.** Bookings essential.

MONDAY 17 JULY: SLIME AGES 8+

10:30am @ Mount Gambier Library
Who doesn't love ooey gooeey slime ... especially when it's not being made at home! Children can choose to add in a few sparkles to their colourful slime. *BYO plastic container to take home slime. Bookings essential.

MONDAY 17 JULY: MARBLED SHAVING FOAM ART AGES 5+

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library
Making art with chemistry! Your unique design can then be made into a card or framed piece of art. Bookings essential.

TUESDAY 18 JULY: METAL STAMPED JEWELLERY MAKING WORKSHOP \$10 AGES 12+

10:30am @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
Have you ever wanted to know how to make stamped metal jewellery? We will show you how to do basic metal stamping to produce your own unique pieces. These stamped shapes can then be used to make anklets, earrings, bracelets and necklaces. Bookings essential.

TUESDAY 18 JULY: BATH BOMBS AGES 8+

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library
Using a variety of ingredients and colours you can create your own bath bombs - ideal to give as a present or to enjoy for yourself. Bookings essential.

WEDNESDAY 19 JULY: MOVIE SCREENING: ABOMINABLE (PG) ALL AGES

10:30am @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
After discovering a yeti, three friends embark on a quest to reunite the creature with his family. However, they must keep him safe from a wealthy man and a zoologist who want to capture him. Run time - 1 hour and 37 mins. Bookings encouraged.

MONDAY 10 TO SUNDAY 23 JULY: INTRODUCING OUR 'LIBRARY OF THINGS'

During opening hours @ Mount Gambier Library ALL AGES
Create memories at home by borrowing one of our kits to enjoy as a family. Items include: Pasta Making Machine, DVD Projector, Chromecast, LEGO Mindstorm EV3, Cake Decorating Kit, Board Games and MORE! Pop in and see our items on display.

MONDAY 10 JULY: LEADLIGHT LANTERNS ALL AGES

10:30am @ Mount Gambier Library
Decorating your lantern with tissue paper makes it look like stained glass. Wait until twilight when your LED candle is lit up inside! BYO glass jar. Bookings essential.

MONDAY 10 JULY: DANCE VR AGES 12+

2:30pm @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
Bring along your best moves and tear up the dance floor in virtual reality. Drop-in session - bookings not required.

TUESDAY 11 JULY: PIN LIGHT ART WORKSHOP GOLD COIN AGES 8+

10:30am @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
Using Meagan Streader's current exhibition as inspiration we will use card, pins and light to create unique artworks we can project onto the wall! Bookings essential.

TUESDAY 11 JULY: SAND ART ALL AGES

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library
Using brilliant bright coloured sand and templates we create a mindfulness piece of art. Bookings essential.

WEDNESDAY 12 JULY: BEADED JEWELLERY MAKING WORKSHOP AGES 5+

10:30am @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
Using a rainbow coloured range of resin beads we will make elastic bracelets and string necklaces that are one-of-a-kind! Bookings essential.

WEDNESDAY 12 JULY: WHAT IF... CREATIVE WRITING AGES 10+

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library
Using fun and interactive storytelling tools, children's imaginations will be racing with this fast paced session that will inspire budding young writers. Lead by local published author Jacqui Davies. Bookings essential.

THURSDAY 13 JULY: BOT WARS WITH SPHEROS AGES 8+

10:30am @ Mount Gambier Library
Children will design and build battle shells to go on top of a Sphero robot then enter the arena to find out who is the last standing in 'Battle of the Bot Wars'. **BYO device (smartphone/tablet) with SpheroEDU app installed.**

WEDNESDAY 19 JULY: PAPER BEADS KEYRING AGES 12+

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library
You'll never know they are paper!! Learn how to make beautiful paper beads to turn into a key ring. Bookings essential.

THURSDAY 20 JULY: TALENT SHOW ALL AGES

10:30am @ Mount Gambier Library
Can you juggle? Maybe confidently recite a poem? Or perhaps play the flute? You have 3 minutes tops to wow the judges either solo or a group entry, with great prizes up for grabs in each age category:
Under 6s / 7-11 / 12+ years
Bookings essential.

THURSDAY 20 JULY: PLASTICINE CRITTERS FUN GOLD COIN AGES 4+

2:30pm @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
Let's have some fun making critters. Perhaps a snail, a frog, maybe a birdie? Bookings essential.

FRIDAY 21 JULY: BUTTON BADGE MAKING AGES 4+ GOLD COIN

10:30am @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
Badge making is back! Join us for this fun session using our button badge making machine. Drop-in session, bookings not required.

FRIDAY 21 JULY: UKE CAN DO IT! AGES 12+

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library
Join our challenge in learning a song in an hour! Participants can then continue their learning at home by borrowing one of our Library ukuleles. Bookings essential.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE

- Bookings essential for all sessions (unless stated otherwise).
- Bookings can be made by contacting the individual venue as below.
- Our school holiday sessions are very popular and usually book out. If you can no longer attend please call to cancel so another child can enjoy.
- Parents and guardians must remain with children under the age of 12 during sessions



Mount Gambier Library, bookings open Monday 3 July.
6 Watson Terrace, Mount Gambier | Phone 08 8721 2540
publiclibrary@mountgambier.sa.gov.au | mountgambier.sa.gov.au/library



The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
1 Bay Road, Mount Gambier | Phone 08 8721 2563
riddoch@mountgambier.sa.gov.au | theriddoch.com.au





Family Connection Program

Melaleuca Playgroup

TUESDAYS

All playgroup sessions start at 9:00— 10:30 am and are held at the Melaleuca Park School Gym, Boandik Terrace.

DATE	THEME	
WEEK 1 25th July	The Green Sheep	
WEEK 2 1st August	Exploring our Senses	
WEEK 3 8th August	Under the Sea	
WEEK 4 15th August	Science Week	
WEEK 5 22nd August	Book Week <i>Dress up and bring along your favourite book</i>	
WEEK 6 29th August	Ball Fun	
WEEK 7 5th September	Special Persons Day	
WEEK 8 12th September	All About Colours	
WEEK 9 19th September	Pets	
WEEK 10 26th September	Staying Healthy	

Healthy fruit—Kindly donated by She's Apples

For further information please contact the Family Connections Program on (08) 8303 6630 or Phone/text Di 0419 674 070 & Sandra 0488 946 896