



MELALEUCA PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL



Newsletter

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In support of
White Ribbon

COMING EVENTS

WEEK 4

6 November

PUPIL FREE DAY

7 November

Yr 6 GHS tour

Instrumental music performance

8 November

Extra transition to GHS

9 November

Student Leader interviews

Rm 1 Swimming

10 November

SAPSASA Volleyball

WEEK 5

13 November

Extra transition to GHS

14 November

St Mary's Reading

15 November

Extra transition to GHS

17 November

Assembly

2024 Student Leaders to speak at assembly

WEEK 6

20 November

Extra transition to GHS

21 November

St Mary's Reading

22 November

Extra transition to GHS

WEEK 7

27 Nov-1 Dec

Swimming lessons

28 November

Didjeribone performance

1 December

Assembly

From the Principal

Pupil Free Day

Student Free Day, **Monday 6 November**: Staff will be participating in Komichi Training today.

Zooper Doopers

Zooper Doopers will be available from Monday. 50c each.

Governing Council Meeting

Our next Governing Council meeting is Week 8 Term 4, **Monday 04 December 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.

Hats

We will have some lovely weather soon. Just a reminder that in term 4 hats are required for all students when playing outside. If a child doesn't have a hat they will be directed to an undercover area for play. Please make sure your child has a hat every day so that they can choose where they would like to play.

Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons will be held at the Wulanda Recreation and Conversation Centre during week 7 this term. The Education Department provides this instruction free to students and the only cost to you is the pool entry fee and bus transport. Swimming is a valued part of the Health and PE curriculum and we are very keen that all students take part in these lessons

Road Safety

We have a couple of 25km zones around the school. This is to help keep our students safe. At the back of this newsletter is a fact sheet to remind us of our responsibility to help keep the children safe. Please do not park on the solid yellow line near the crossing as it reduces the visibility of approaching cars. As adults we need to teach and model these safe behaviours for our children.

Erica Hurley

Principal

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.

Be Kind – Work Hard – Dream Big

Excellence Awards

Delilah Paterson-Delaney

I love the way you get your work done in all learning areas. You know that help is there although you always have-a-go before seeking assistance if it is needed. Delilah, you always follow the classroom rules with respect. Well done!

Alick Paterson

For using your growth mindset and engaging more in all learning tasks. Keep challenging yourself Alick!

Charlotte Whitfield

For making progress in your handwriting and using your growth mindset more. Keep challenging yourself Charlotte!

Chase Gregory

For your excellent sportsmanship during the School Sport SA Variety Games. You upheld our school values by being kind to others, ensuring everyone had a turn and showing great consideration for the other teams and team mates.

Braxton Schultz-Gunn

For your excellent 'I am' poem. You worked hard and produced quality work. Keep it up!

Jonah King

for being an effective team member during Lego League coding where you help others, share your knowledge while also listening and accepting other ways of thinking.

Summah Spencer

for working extremely hard towards your spelling and for showing great personal growth. Well done!

Brody Allen

Brody it has been wonderful to see your confidence grow in your writing since the beginning of the year. You are having a go at spelling all words in your book making and noticing our new spelling patterns in your reading and other areas of learning. Keep up the amazing work Brody!

Travis Garraway

Travis, you have developed into such a confident and capable reader. You should be very proud of the amazing progress you have made. Keep up the fantastic work!

Cruz Lawn

Your ability to quickly recall friends of 10 facts and subitise is impressive. It's great to see you having fun with math, you are definitively the class subitizing champion. Great work Cruz!

Hamzah Mohamed

For always being a kind and caring classmate, who follows classroom rules. You work hard in all subject areas and have shown improvement in all learning. We love having you as a part of our class.

Mason Axelby-Young

For trying your best and working hard in all learning areas. It has been great to see your confidence grow in writing and InitialLit. Keep up the fantastic work Mason!

Hailee Read

It is an absolute pleasure to have you in our classroom. You always try to do your work to such a high standard. Your learning across all areas has improved. Hailee you are always a much-respected class member. Fantastic work, Hailee!

Nature Play



Melaleuca Park Primary School, Mt Gambier - Friday December 15th

9:00am - 11:00am (Rec - Year 2, 55 students)

11:30am - 1:30pm (Years 3 - 6, 56 students)



Thursday
26th October 2023
Students performed at
the Sir Robert
Helpmann Theatre.

Choir Trainer:
Vanessa Maxwell

Festival of Music 2023



Mount Gambier Show Ag Centre





On Monday the 30th of October, 21 students from MPPS went to enjoy a day of sports. They competed against 7 other schools in both basketball and soccer. The day was successful with all students representing the school values. They were kind, worked hard and tried new things.

Wulanda
Recreational Centre

School Sports SA Variety Games

3 Teams, 4x 12 minute
games of Soccer and
Basketball.



Foot Steps



What's new?

New Enrolments Welcome



Melaleuca Park
PRIMARY SCHOOL



Is your child starting school next year?

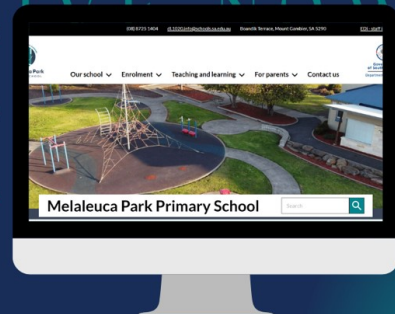
We can't wait to show you around. Mark your calendars for the **14th or 15th of November** for a school tour and information session. Meet us at the school library at **9:15** to learn about our school learning programs, a tour of the learning spaces and facilities followed by a question time and morning tea.

Enrolments are also open for our mid year intake in 2024.

School information packs are also available at the front office.

NEW WEBSITE

LIVE NOW!
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LIVE NOW!



<https://melparkps.sa.edu.au>

School's new mural



Community News

'talk-soon' program



**Monday,
Wednesday
& Friday**
**11.30am –
4.00pm**

**FREE service
for young
people aged
12-25**

The headspace Mount Gambier 'talk-soon' program provides young people access to same-day mental health support. This service delivers a single session therapy (SST) model and is available 3 days per-week.

Keep an eye out for out for appointment times on our facebook page. Call us to secure your spot.

in-person

online

phone



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This service is supported by Country SA PHN.

All 12-25-year-olds welcome, you do not need to be an existing headspace client to use this program.



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What's On? Melaleuca Hub Term 4: 16th Oct - 15th December 2023

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| <p>Hub Shop Low-cost groceries Free clothes, toys etc OPEN 9-12pm</p> | <p>Hub Shop Low-cost groceries Free clothes, toys etc OPEN 9-12pm</p> | <p>Hub Shop Low-cost groceries Free clothes, toys etc OPEN 9-12pm</p> | <p>Hub Shop Low-cost groceries Free clothes, toys etc OPEN 9-12pm</p> | <p>Hub Shop Low-cost groceries Free clothes, toys etc OPEN 9-12pm</p> |
| <p>PlayConnect+ Playgroup</p> <p>FREE 9-11pm</p> <p>A safe and supported playgroup for children with autistic characteristics, developmental delays or behavioural concerns and their families.</p> <p>Diagnosis is not required to attend.</p> <p>Ph: Nicky 0409448691</p>  | <p>CENTACARE Family Connections Playgroup</p> <p>FREE 9-10.30am (0 to 6 years)</p> <p>Pop in or phone: 83036630</p> <p>Held in the Melaleuca Park Primary School gym</p>  | <p>Coffee, Cooking, Craft & Connection</p> <p>FREE 9-11:30am</p>  <p>Drop in coffee, cooking, craft and connection. More info: 0439 569 599</p>   | <p>My Time Parent Support</p> <p>FREE 12.30-2.30pm (0 to 5 years)</p> <p>For parents and carers of children with a disability, developmental delay or chronic medical condition Creche available Ph: Nicky 0409448691</p>  | <p>CaFHS Nurse Visits</p> <p>FREE (0 to 5 years) by appointment only Ph: 1300 733 606</p> |
| | | <p>Cyber Safety</p> <p>A workshop for parents and caregivers about raising children in a digital age.</p> <p>Wednesday 8th November 9:30am-12:00pm</p> <p>Ph: 0439 569 599</p> | <p>Hub Library 9-12, Monday to Friday</p>  <p>A great selection of fiction and non-fiction books for free, also computer use for printing, emails, resumes, job applications etc.</p> | <p>Further enquiries to:</p> <p>Melaleuca Hub Community Coordinator Ph: 0448 016 132</p> |

School zones

School zones apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year.

What do they look like?

White zigzag lines are marked on the road, showing you are approaching a school zone. Signs indicate the start and end of school zones.



How do they work?

School zones have a speed limit of 25 km/h at any time when a child is in the zone, whenever a child is on the road, footpath, median strip, even if they are on a bike. A child is any person less than 18 years of age and includes a student of any age wearing school uniform.

What should pedestrians do?

Whenever pedestrians cross the road in a school zone they should use the STOP LOOK LISTEN THINK procedure.

What must drivers do?

All drivers, bike riders and motorcyclists must travel at no more than 25 km/h between the signs that state WHEN CHILDREN PRESENT.

Signs and restrictions around schools

Drivers must not stop at any time for any reason in an area marked NO STOPPING or NO STANDING.

Drivers must not stop in a NO PARKING zone unless for the immediate purpose of picking up or dropping off passengers. The driver must remain with their vehicle and be in the zone for no more than 2 minutes.

Some schools have drop off and pick up (kiss n drop, kiss and ride, pick up/drop off) zones. Some are situated on roads outside the school and others are within school grounds. Check with your child's school for any rules that apply when using these zones and be mindful that congestion in these zones increases the risk for children.

Drivers, bike riders and motorcyclists travelling in either direction must not exceed 25km/hr when passing a school bus that has stopped for the purpose of setting down or picking up children.

For further information:

Call 8402 1917 - Email dpti.way2go@sa.gov.au – Visit www.dpti.sa.gov.au/Way2Go