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Important Dates

November

28th November Whole School Transition

30th November 2024 Prep Transition

December

30th November – 7th December Book Fair

5th December Whole School Transition & House Swimming Carnival

> **7th December** Prep Transition

11th December Grade 6 Graduation

12th December
Whole School Transition

14th December Christmas Carols Night

20th December Last Day of Term Early Finish 1:30pm

Term Dates

Term 4, 2023: 2 Oct - 20 Dec

Principal Team Report

Staffing and Classes for 2024

As the school continues to grow, we have been involved in a rigorous recruitment process. Congratulations to Mr Jordan Templin, Miss Jaimee Weller, Miss Elicia Garnham, Lorraine Maison and Alyssa Lam who will all be continuing their teaching and





support roles here at MWNPS. We also welcome Miss Isabella Jovanov, Mr Travis Johnston, Mr Ricky Santilli, Miss Catherine Mantarakis, Miss Eleanor Borg, Miss Stephanie Peacock, Miss Imogen Harper and Miss Annie Gardner as the successful candidates for our recently advertised 2023 Classroom Teacher positions. We would also like to welcome Miss Corrine Evans and Miss Emily Choo who were the successful candidates for our recently advertised specialist classroom teacher positions. We also have two new Education Support staff working with us next year, Madhumita Mukherjee and Leanne Steele. We are delighted to welcome our new staff members to our 2024 team – they will be excellent additions to our outstanding staff.

As a result of ongoing growth across the school and the announcement of straight grades we are pleased to be able to offer three Prep classes in 2024, along with four classes in Year 1, three classes in Year 2, three classes in Year 3, three classes in year 4, three classes in Year 5 and three classes in Year 6. This will continue to provide all students with the benefit of smaller class sizes. We anticipate a 2024 schoolwide enrolment of 512 students.

As we approach the end of this school year we say thank you and goodbye to Daniel Huang, Breanna Anderson, Ari Karageorgiou and Vivian Cheng. Their professionalism, dedication and commitment to our school community has been outstanding. We would like to thank these staff members for their many contributions to Mount Waverley North Primary School and wish them each all the best for the future.

We would also like to wish Miss Ellie Campbell good luck as she starts her Family Leave from the end of this term.

We are now past the due date to communicate your child's needs for 2024. Our teachers are familiar with students' learning needs, are able to make wise and informed decisions as to placements for students for 2024 and have been directly involved when class placements are being considered.

All students will find out their 2024 teacher, classroom and classmates at our final School Transition Program session on Tuesday, 12th December.



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| 2024 STAFFING PROFILE | |
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| PRINCIPAL TEAM Principal Assistant Principal | Natalie Grieve Anthony Malelis |
| LEADERSHIP Leading Teacher Learning Specialist Learning Specialist Learning Specialist | Sarah Green Tara King Teresa D'Ambrosio Andrew Aufderheide |
| OFFICE Business Manager Office Manager Administration Assistant | Trish Skafidas Trisha Marshman Lorraine Maison |
| PREP Prep M Prep G Prep W | Georgine Mayer (Team Leader) Annie Gardner Erin Wood |
| YEAR 1 1 J 1 T 1 G 1 M | Isabella Jovanov (Team Leader) Marney Tynan Elicia Garnham Catherine Mantarakis |
| YEAR 2 2 D 2 T 2 B | Teresa D'Ambrosio (Team Leader) Jordan Templin Eleanor Borg |
| YEAR 3 3 T 3 W 3 P | Connie Tsalamandris (Team Leader) Jaimee Weller Stephanie Peacock |
| YEAR 4 4 J 4 A 4 R | Travis Johnstone (Team Leader) Andrew Aufderheide Milli Rae |
| YEAR 5 5 M 5 B 5 H | Naomi Mathews (Team Leader) Liz Baker Imogen Harper |
| <u>Year 6</u> 6 R 6 K 6 S | Courtney Ryan (Team Leader) Kristina Karlsson Ricky Santilli |

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| SPECIALISTS German Visual Arts Physical Education STEAM Performing Arts | Madeleine Sim (Team Leader) Katherine Jackson Bowen Smith Emily Choo Corrine Evans |
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| EAL | Christy Hung (Team Leader) Keyu Zhou Heather Kim Alyssa Lam |
| <u>TLI</u> | Megan Holt Jodie Dalgleish |
| EDUCATION SUPPORT | Marion Mason Dhanu Nawarathna Maxine McKellar Vaishali Jain Tina Ogle Melinda Roberts Leanne Steele Madhumita Mukherjee Natalie Billing |
| GROUNDSKEEPER | Tristan Harper |
| CHAPLAIN/WELLBEING | Carol Knox |
| <u>IT TECHNICIAN</u> | Logan McIntosh |

2023 Semester 2 Reports

Student Reports will be posted to the Compass portal on Monday 4th December. We are proud to present these to you to provide a detailed insight into your child's achievements and growth this Semester. The Report is designed to provide clear information about your child's progress against the Victorian Curriculum. If you would like to discuss your child's report with your teacher, please contact the school office to make an appointment.



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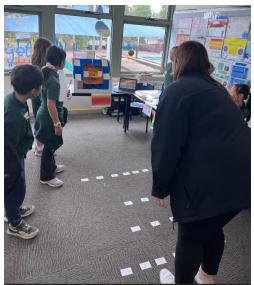
Mount Waverley North Maths Day

On Thursday the 2nd November, we had our Whole School Maths Day.

All students got to explore a range of maths skills and knowledge in the form of fair stalls set up around the school. The year 3-6 students were the business owners, whilst the prep-year 2 students were the consumers. The year 3-4 students designed carnival games and activities, which focused on how to successfully create and run a small business to make a profit. The 5-6 students looked into the maths behind creating a successful pizza business and made a variety of pizzas to sell on the day. The prep-year 2 students were fantastic customers who were given a specific amount of money (MWNPS Dollars) to budget and spend on the stalls that they wanted most. They learnt a lot about saving money and calculating change in the process.

The day was a fantastic success, and it was great to see so much maths learning and enjoyment happening across the whole school! We want to thank all the teachers for helping make the day such a success and big thank you to Mr. Aufderheide for organising the day.















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Remembrance Day

In the lead up to Remembrance Day, Saturday the 11th November, we acknowledged the courage and sacrifices of those who served their country and acknowledge our responsibility to work for the peace they fought hard to achieve.

It was wonderful to see our school community wearing poppies as a symbol of remembrance for those who lost their lives in battle and for hope and peace.







Trivia Night

Thank you to all of our amazing parents and friends that came along to our Trivia Night recently, to raise funds for our wonderful school.

A fantastic time was had by all and we raised approximately \$3600 to support our school. Congratulations to the winners of the Trivia and the many games played on the evening.



Thank you to all of our generous sponsors of the night,

- KX Pilates
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Interschool Chess Tournament

On Wednesday last week, Mount Waverley North Primary school hosted the first Round Robin Interschool Chess tournament between Mount Waverley, Essex Heights and Camelot Rise. The tournament ran two competitions with five Year 3/4 and five Year 5/6 students from each school competing in a round robin format. Students played across the day with the winners from each pool moving on to the finals. We were so impressed with our students and the way they conducted themselves, showing fantastic respect and sportsmanship throughout the day.



Volleyball

On Tuesday, our 5/6 Boys Volleyball team competed at the Regional competition. The boys played three matches in the pool stage, finishing the day with two wins and one loss, finishing second in their pool. This meant they would play off for third place to finish the day. They won the third place convincingly. The teams dedication throughout the year must be noted, training most recess' and lunches to improve their skills. Although, the boys felt disappointed as their expectations of themselves were so high, we are so proud of how far they have gotten. We want to thank Mr Smith for giving up his time to train and coach the team .



State Athletics

On Wednesday the 1st of November it was the Primary School State Athletics Final at Albert Park. We had Olovalu, who qualified for the 9/10 shot put event, qualify after coming second at Regionals. We are so proud of the amazing accomplishment of making it to such a high level. Olovalu finished the competition in 8th position with a throw of 8.57m. Meaning he is ranked 8th in the State for 9/10 Shot Put. It is the first time we have had a student represent the School in this event at the State level. He certainly made everyone at MWNPS very proud! Congratulations Olovalu.





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Maths Olympiad Awards

Congratulations to our students involved in the recent Maths Olympiad competition. From schools all across Australasia, some of our students placed in the top 10% - an outstanding achievement! Thank you to Ms Naomi Matthews who has been involved in the event across the year for her hard work and dedication in supporting our students to achieve their best!



Spotlight on Bullying Art Work

Spotlight on Bullying: Hope for the Future" is the theme our amazing students have chose for art work that is currently displayed in our foyer right now. We are so proud of the creativity and imagination shown in each individual piece, it has become a real feature as you walk through the main entrance to school. Well done to our MWNPS artists and a huge thank you to Miss Jackson for organising the opportunity and supporting the students at recess and lunchtime with their entries.



Icy Pole Day

A reminder that Icy Pole Friday's run every second Friday at lunchtime. Please ensure your child has \$2 if they would like to purchase an icy pole. Sales will take place at the school hall during lunch time.





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Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality Policy

As we prepare for the end of year festivities it is important for parents to remember we must follow the Department of Education and Training Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality Policy. Over the past few years there have been many changes to this policy, this includes the teacher's responsibility to declare gifts of a certain value. Department of Education Staff are encouraged to adopt a 'Thanks is Enough' approach when responding to offers of gifts, benefits or hospitality. Other information to these changes is provided for parent information.

- -Teachers are required to register all Gifts of Appreciation valued at \$100 or more
- -Gift vouchers and cash vouchers offered must be declined or transferred to the Department of Education
- -All other gifts (birthday, wedding, baby, etc) must be declared if valued at \$50 or more

A copy of the Department of Education's Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality Policy can be found at:

https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/gifts-benefits-and-hospitality/policy

Natalie Grieve and Anthony Malelis



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15 - 17 January 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM



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MUSIC CONCERT

Guitar and Keyboard Students Junior and Senior Rock Band

Tuesday 21st November 3:45pm in the Hall

CONTACT:
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About Us

State Schools' Relief is unique. No other Australian state or territory has a similar organisation.

Since 1930, State Schools' Relief has been providing anonymous support so that students receiving our assistance can do so with dignity. It's our belief that every student deserves the opportunity to participate in their education without barriers.

STATE SCHOOLS RELIEF

Who are we?

State Schools' Relief is a Victorian not-for-profit organisation that supports the needs of disadvantaged government school students by providing new school uniforms, school shoes and a host of other essential educational resources, including learning devices.

Our simple and practical service ensures that all students can attend school in warmth and comfort with a greater sense of belonging and improved self-esteem, which in turn assists students to engage in their learning and strengthen their educational outcomes.



How we help

Issues such as poverty, neglect, unemployment, health issues/ illness, financial hardship, bereavement, domestic violence, homelessness, and natural disasters continue to affect many Victorian families. We work side by side with all Victorian primary, secondary, specialist and language schools to ensure that any students facing hardship have the necessary items they require for school.



Do you need assistance?

State Schools' Relief provides support to any Victorian student attending a government school, on the advice of the school.

If you are a parent or carer and you need financial assistance with your child's government education, please make an appointment with the school principal, assistant principal, or welfare/wellbeing coordinator to discuss your situation.





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www.kidsofgold.org.au

Kids of Gold 0415 427 396, 9737 9475 Gary or 0403 271 987 (Melissa)



Cost of \$85 for full weekend camp. Sponsors: Bendigo Bank, Bunnings and Yarra Ranges Council.





Held at Lyrebird Park Beenak Rd, Yellingbo Fri 9th-Sun 11th February 2024





For Primary kids in grades 4-6. This is a Level 2 camp.



low ropes, wall climbing, games, drama and challenging interactive initiative activities

Starting in 2003, we build kids to be much more confident with increased self esteem. Many children are feeling the long term affects of Covid, increasingly important to address.





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