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NEWSLETTER

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MOSSFIEL SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

Brenda Fisher – President	Emma Bartlett	Andrew Graham	Coral Haynes
Simone Mullens – Vice President	Fouad Kerrout	Nick Mullens	Tracie Sigismondi
Maureen Price – Exec Officer	Win Tan	Linda Wareham	Sue Said
Dennis Osborne- Treasurer	Jason Simpson	Jenny Wilkins	Barb Murphy – Minute Sec

DIARY DATES

Mon	2 May		Mossfiel aMAYzing Maths month starts
Tue	3 May		Subway lunch day
Thu – Fri	5-6 May		Mothers' Day stalls
Tue	10 May		1-2s excursion to Eureka Skydeck and Melbourne CBD
Tue – Thu	10 – 12 May		Years 3 & 5 students sit NAPLAN tests
Wed	11 May	7pm	School Council meeting – Review report
Fri	13 May		Last day to submit Year 7 enrolment forms
Mon-Wed	16 – 18 May		Year 5/6 Camp Manyung
Fri	20 May		Walk to School Day
Thu	19 May	9am – 9:45am	Parents Morning Tea
Wed	25 May	6:30–7:30pm	aMAYzing Maths Family evening – year 2 and 4
Wed	1 Jun	7pm	School Council meeting
Thu	26 May		Division Cross Country
Mon	13 Jun		QUEENS BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
Tue	21 Jun		BBQ day
Fri	24 Jun	2:30	Last day term 2 – 1:45 assembly – 2:30 DISMISSAL
Mon	11 Jul	8:45	Start of Term 3
Thu	14 Jul		5/6 Smart Start free incursion
Fri	15 Jul		Student mid year reports sent home

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

NAPLAN – Years 3 & 5 – 10-12 May

Our year 3 & 5 students will be sitting the NAPLAN tests in 2 weeks. The tests are spread over 3 days and children sit 4 tests mostly around 45-50 minutes long in the mornings. The tests are

Tues	Language Conventions [Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation]
Tues	Writing
Wed	Reading
Thur	Numeracy

Exemptions may be granted to students with significant intellectual disabilities and to students who have been learning English for less than one year. The school will send home forms to be signed for these students.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents and carers in consultation with the Principal. If, after consultation, you decide to withdraw your child, you must sign a Student Withdrawal form. These are available from the Principal.

Later in term 3 you will receive your child's personal NAPLAN report which describes your child's particular skills in each of the test areas. It also describes how your child performed in relation to National minimum standards.

For more information, parents can visit the VCAA website at www.vcaa.vic.edu.au or the NAP website at www.nap.edu.au.

YEAR 7 ENROLMENTS FOR 2017

It doesn't seem that long ago that our current year 6 students started school. Yet here they are enrolling in secondary college for next year. Forms were sent home at the start of term and they are due back in 2 weeks' time – **Friday 13th May**. Parents are encouraged to research on the websites and visit the school to get your own idea of what they can offer your child. We encourage parents to enrol their child in their local college; that is the one that is the closest to your home.

ROAD SAFETY

Our children are our most precious members of our school community and I remind all drivers on the streets around our school to make sure that we drive carefully so that we prevent any accidents from occurring. As an adult, driving children to

and from school, we each need to escort them across the streets, teaching them to look right, left, right before crossing. On behalf of our youngsters, thank you for driving with care.

5/6 CAMP MANYUNG

Most of our Year 5 & 6 students will be attending our camp in Mount Eliza in 2½ weeks. Final payments are due on or before Friday 6 May. Remember that parents may be eligible to receive the CSEF money to help pay for the cost of this camp.

ANZAC CEREMONY

Last week our Junior School Councillors lead the whole school in a moving ceremony to acknowledge the immense service to country given by all who served in the Australian forces. They practised often prior to the ceremony and that practice was evident. Congratulations to our Junior School Councillors for such a fine job and to Tino D'Agostino and Jason Simpson for coaching them.

SCHOOL COUNCIL OFFICE BEARERS

At our April meeting, School Council elected its office bearers for the next 12 months. Brenda Fisher was once again voted into the President role with Simone Mullens elected to the Vice President role. Dennis Osborne and Jason Simpson were voted into the Treasurer and Vice Treasurer roles respectively.

Keep Smiling
Maureen Price, Principal

MOTHERS DAY STALL

Children will have the opportunity to purchase items from the Mother's Day Stall on Thursday 5 May and Friday 6 May. Items will range from 50c to \$5.00.

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE
COMING UP

Mothers Day Activities
Making Crafts 2nd -6th May

National Sorry Day
Indigenous Crafts 23rd -26th May

Any questions call Bev 0497 476 186

2016 Enrolment forms available from the school office and must be completed before children attend the program.

Victorian Premiers Reading Challenge

Congratulations to these children who have complete the 2016 PRC.

5/6S	Angelyna
5/6M	Daniel F
5/6A	Fatema
1/2D	Chetna
1/2M	Liana
3/4H	Caelyn
3/4P	Caris

The Library will be open at 2nd half of lunch on Tuesdays for borrowing of PRC books. Remember to add your books to the website and/or the log sheet. Return the sheet to school to have your work verified.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club is on Mondays and Thursdays from 8 – 8:35am with a wide range of foods on offer – cereals, baked beans, fruit, toast, juice and milk. All Mossfiel students are welcome. If you can help run our Breakfast Club, please let our school office know or just come along on the day.

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

The Victorian Government has unveiled a new \$148 million initiative to ensure all Victorian students can take part in school trips and sporting activities. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) commenced in 2015 for four years and will provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions.

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. \$125 per year is paid for eligible primary school students, with \$225 per year paid for eligible secondary school students. A special consideration eligibility category also exists. Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to the student.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
 - on the first day of Term two;
- a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be the holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
- b) Be a temporary foster parent, and
- c) Submit an application to the school by the 3 June.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

1/2F	Naafi	Confidence	Working Confidently
	Marie	Confidence	Working Confidently
	Madiha	Confidence	Working Confidently
	Maliyah-May	Confidence	Working Confidently
1/2G	Chelsea	Persistence	Writing a very good recount
	Bella	Persistence	For reading so much
	Shuny	Getting Along	For helping clean up the room
	Tarik	Getting Along	Getting along with others
1/2D	Rafferty	Persistence	Learning all the letters of his name
	Chethna	Persistence	Always setting a great example in class
1/2M	Ryder	Persistence	For staying on task and following instructions
	Eden	Confidence	For straying on task and doing her best work

