



NEWSLETTER March 15th 2024 Issue 6

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

"I'd like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land upon which we meet today, the Gunai Kurnai land and pay my respects to elders past, present and emerging as well as any Aboriginal people here with us today"

Dates to Remember				
Term 1 2024 Remember your Hats !				
11 Labour Day Public holiday	12 3/4 HT Room 3 Commencing Swimming	13 3/4 HT Room 3 Swimming Last day to order Hot Cross bun morning tea	14 3/4 HT Room 3 Swimming	15 3/4 HT Room 3 Swimming
18 3/4 KM Room 4 Commencing Swimming	19 Whole School Athletic Sports Joe Carmody Track	20 3/4 KM Room 4 Swimming	21 3/4 KM Room 4 Swimming Hot Cross Bun morning tea	22 3/4 KM Room 4 Swimming Raffle Tickets & monies due back
25	26 Easter raffle drawn	27	28 End Term 1 1.15 finish	29 Good Friday School holidays Have a great break
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 29th April -14th April				
April 15th Term 2 Begins Grade 5/6 Camp	16 April Grade 5/6 Camp	17 April Grade 5/6 Camp	18 April	19 April Splat-tacular 1.15-3.00pm
22 Lowanna open day grades 5/6	23	24	25 ANZAC Day Public Holiday	26
29	30	1 May	2 May	3 May

A word from Mrs Skee...

With only two weeks to go we have lots of exciting things coming up. Our swimming program will continue, with 3/4 KM being the next grade to attend. We also have the "Hot Cross Bun Day" next **Thursday the 21st of March**. These special afternoon teas and lunches are organised and coordinated by Mrs Jen Hutton our Canteen manager, who goes to a lot of effort to ensure that these days are successful. I would also like to acknowledge all of our wonderful volunteers who support Jen and our students.

Next week we also have our whole school athletics carnival that is made possible due to all of the time and organisation of Mr Pullar. This day promises to be a lot of fun for **ALL**, and I would like to thank Mr Pullar and our wonderful staff and school community for their ongoing support with events such as these.

Word From Mrs Skee Continued:

Speaking of sports I would like to recognise the sporting efforts of some of our students. Annie C (shown below here with her soccer medals) as well as Sean S and Finn W who are competing in the upcoming Tennis Tournament in Traralgon and representing NEPS. I know that you will join me in congratulating Annie for her soccer efforts and wish Sean and Finn all the very best with the tournament. (see photos below)

As well as **AMAZING** sporting efforts I am always extremely impressed with the work that is undertaken in our classrooms by our students. On Thursday I had the pleasure of having a visit from Caden M who was extremely proud of his efforts with his procedural writing. (see photo) Whilst Caden was showing me this work he also flicked through his book to showcase some of his other writing. I loved the way he had planned for this work, taken on teacher feedback and improved the final product.

I look forward to visiting more classrooms and talking to other students about their learning.

Have a great weekend everyone and I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Aths sports on Tuesday 19th March

Sean & Finn – Tennis



Caden M – Writing



Annie C - Soccer



Easter Raffle Prizes Update

Just a reminder raffle books & monies are due back by **FRIDAY 22 MARCH**. A big thankyou to all families whom so generously donated to make our raffle so successful each & every year. We appreciate you all for selling tickets with the chance to win some awesome prizes from 1st place to 20th place.



GLaWAC

Fourteen of NEPS First Nations and Torres Strait Islander students, attended the GLaWAC special community open day event on the 7th of March.

Students, staff, and parent helpers travelled by bus, provided by GLaWAC to the Morwell Castle Park, for lunch and celebrations.

There were lots of free activities to do and see. Students, helpers, and staff were given free t-shirts with the five shields of the Gunaikurnai tribes.

Students were able to stamp and sign their handprints on the Southern Cross canvas which will be hung in the GLaWAC office space, symbolising, welcoming and culturally safe space for community members. Students waited patiently in the heat lining up for Mr Whippy, while watching the Boorun Boys preform a cultural dance. NEPS students who attended the day, would like to thank everyone involved behind scenes for all your extra work to get this day up and running, you are greatly appreciated. A hot fun day was had by all.

Gunaikurnai Land and Waters Aboriginal Corporation (GLaWAC) is the Registered Aboriginal Party (RAP) for the Gunaikurnai, the Traditional Owners of our Country. The Gunaikurnai people are recognised by the Federal Court and the State of Victoria as the TOs of a large area of Gippsland, spanning from Warragul in the west to the Snowy River in the east, and from the Great Divide in the north to the coast in the south – approximately 10% of the Victorian state.



Student of the Week



House Cup Winners Yea RED !!!!



School Council –

School councils are groups who make decisions that set the direction of the school. They:

- help create and check the school's budget
- contribute to the school strategic plan
- make decisions on policies like investments, payments by parents, dress code.
- Councils usually have between six and 15 members, which are made up of DEET members and community members
- the principal, who is the executive officer
- parents who are chosen through an election
- a school or Department staff member

Some councils also have community members who are chosen by the council. These members have special knowledge or experience in the local community.

If you are interested in being part of the school council please email me directly at julie.skee@education.vic.gov.au or fill out the attached form and bring it to the office

FORM 3: SELF-NOMINATION FORM FOR PARENT MEMBER CATEGORY

(Formerly Schedule 5A)

I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent member on the

..... council.

Name

Residential address

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Contact phone (mobile or landline)

Email

I am the parent/guardian of who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

Statement

I am an employee of the Department of Education and Training.	Yes / No (please circle)
I am an employee of the school council.	Yes / No (please circle)
I am engaged in work at and for the school.	Yes / No (please circle)

I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that:

- I am not, and have ever been, insolvent under administration
- I am not of unsound mind
- I have not been found guilty of an offence that is, or would if committed in Victoria be, an indictable offence
- I am not a registrable offender within the meaning of the *Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004*.
- I am not suffering from any medical condition that would affect my ability to perform the role of member of a school council.

Signature of candidate..... Date / /

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

The personal information provided in this form is collected as part of the school council election nomination process. The information may be used to determine your eligibility as a candidate. Your personal information may be disclosed as a result of inspection prior to the commencement of voting or at any time up to one year from the declaration of the poll.

Your name will be included in a list of school council candidates and nominators (where applicable) posted in a prominent position at the school and for candidates, on a ballot paper (where applicable). Further, the name, membership category, gender (optional), term of office, office held (if any) of school council members and notification whether the member is an employee of the Department will be forwarded to the Department of Education and Training by the principal by 30 April each year as a record of council membership and may be used for statistical purposes.

You can access your personal information by contacting the principal on:

If you choose not to give some or all of the information requested your nomination may not be accepted.

If you have any queries about the school council nomination process, please contact the principal.

Hop into Mid V for Easter fun!

**WIN
a \$1000
Easter
Shopping
Spree!**
Shop at Mid Valley
and scan the
QR code in stores
to enter.

Meet the Easter Bunny

Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28th & Saturday 30th March, 10am-1pm daily
Hop into the Easter Gardens near ALDI to meet the Easter Bunny and enjoy FREE Easter activities.
Plus... Snap a fun Easter photo and share your pic on social media #midvalleymidv for a chance to WIN 1 of 3 Easter prize packs!

Easter Rhyme Time

Wednesday 27th March, 10.30am-11.30am
Easter story time, dancing, music-making and more!
Plus... A visit from the Easter Bunny with a special Easter treat! No bookings required.

Easter Market

Thursday 28th March from 9am
Indoor market showcasing local produce, crafts and more!

POT & PAINT FREE WORKSHOPS

Saturday 30th March
Grow your imagination by painting a pot and planting a seed to take home.
Hosted by Louise Day, Librarian
Sessions:
10am, 10.30am,
11am & 11.30am
LOCATED NEAR RIVERS

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SHOPPING CENTRE

Latrobe

Priority Primary Care Centre

Latrobe PPCC provides free care to people who need urgent care, but not an emergency response.

No appointment is needed, and treatment will typically be quicker than a hospital emergency department.

Opening hours:
7 days per week, from 8am to 10pm

Address: 42-44 Fowler Street, Moe
Phone number: 5127 9111
Learn more: Google "Latrobe PPCC"

An Australian Government Initiative

Mid V FREE holiday fun!

WEEK ONE

KAISERCRAFT Canvas Painting

Kids can get creative and paint their own canvas art to take home.

Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th April
Workshops at 10am, 11am & 12pm each day
Located in Centre Court, near Cotton On

BOOKINGS ARE REQUIRED.
Parental supervision required. Recommended for Ages 8+.

SCAN THE QR CODE
to book or visit
www.midvalleyshoppingcentre.eventbrite.com

WEEK TWO

The Mad Hatter's Magical Tea Party

MAGIC SHOWS!

You're invited to the most outrageous tea party show with illusions by magician Tim Ellis that will drive you mad!

Monday 8th to Friday 12th April
Two Shows at 11am & 1pm each day
Located in Centre Court, near Cotton On

NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED.
Parental supervision required.



Get your Colour on, NEPS is hosting a Colour Splat-tacular Run 4 Fun!

Friday 19th April from 1.15pm to 3.00pm.

Students will receive a sponsorship book with instructions on setting up their cybersafe, online fundraising profile at www.australianfundraising.com.au. This is primarily an online fundraiser; all cash collected can be converted to online donation. We are happy at the office to collect cash donations OR help you through the process.

Not only are we hosting an awesome Colour Splat-tacular Run 4 Fun, students can order up to a total of 5 prizes based on their donations received. They can even mix and match!

- Please make sure students wear a WHITE shirt and closed in shoes.
- Students will be given free sunglasses and a rainbow headband for the event.
- Students will be covered in non-toxic, biodegradable colour powder and slime from head to toe.
- Colour Powder is made of high-quality corn starch and permitted food colours. Safety data sheet is available upon request.
- Slime is water-based, biodegradable and non-toxic!

Extra Incentives to Fundraise!

- ★ Online Golden Coins – complete fun online tasks to redeem an extra \$75 towards your prize credit.
- ★ Monty the Monstar's Bonus Prizes – achieve milestones to unlock Monty's bonus prizes.
- ★ \$10,000 Budget Booster Bonanza Spending Spree for one organisation's highest fundraising student
- ★ Our school will win an extra \$5,000 if we have the highest average fundraised amount per student in 2024.
- ★ A Play Station 5 Gaming Bundle – see your child's sponsorship booklet for more!

We will be updating you along the way for the most colourful splatty funnest day EVER !!!!!

For more information, please contact NEPS office

Happy fundraising!

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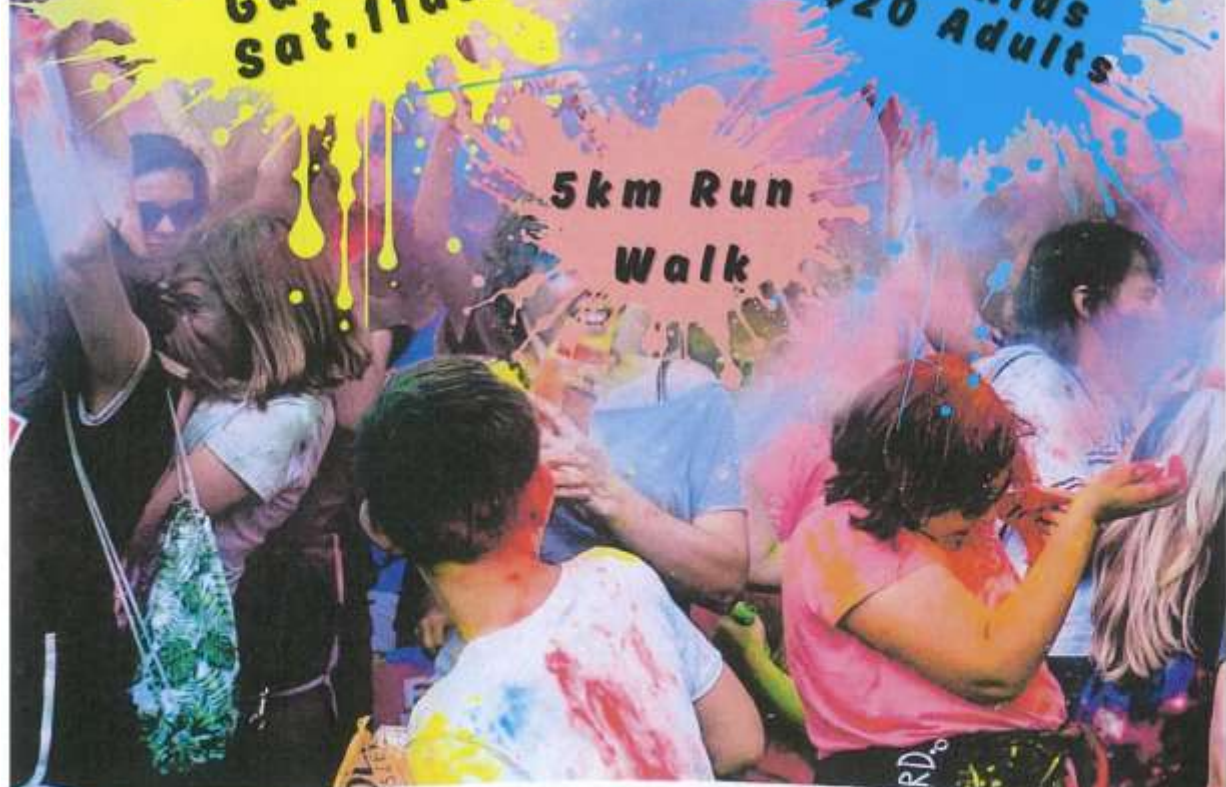
16th MARCH, MOE


COLOUR FUN RUN

Moe
Botanical
Gardens
Sat. 11am

Tickets
\$15 Kids
\$20 Adults

5km Run
Walk



Register at  show me some art festival fun run
humanitix.com



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