



Newsletter Number 13

13<sup>th</sup> August 2026

### Upcoming Dates

Costume Swap (3.15pm-3.40pm)  
Sovereign Hill Costume School (Yr 5 only)  
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Teeth on Wheels  
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Book Week Celebration

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August  
Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> August/Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August

If your child has come home in clothing from school due to an accident or wet weather, could you kindly return this washed, so that we can reuse them. Currently our cupboard is bare, so if your child requires clothing, you may be called to drop some off.

If by chance you have any navy tracksuit pants, in excellent condition, that you no longer require and would like to donate to the wet weather cupboard, it would be very much appreciated.



### Principal Announcement

Earlier this year I stepped into the role of School Council President and as such had the privilege of being part of the recruitment process for the substantive school principal role here at Mount Pleasant Primary School.

It is my pleasure to let you know that our current acting principal **Louis Franc** has accepted the provisional position of ongoing principal for our school.

I am excited and looking forward to seeing Louis continue to make a positive impact at our school alongside the amazing leadership team, teachers, educational support staff and business services team over the coming years.

Sarah Warner  
School Council President

*I respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Victoria and pay respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.*



## Student Led Conferences

***Bookings open on Sentral from tomorrow!***

- Tuesday September 1st (2:30pm-5:30pm)
- Friday September 4 (2:30pm-3:30pm)

We have reached that time of the term where we are introducing our parent-teacher interviews. Unlike traditional conferences where us adults talk *about* the students- we are putting the kids in the drivers seat and giving them an opportunity to talk through their own learning journey *to* the adults.

### **Why have a student-led conference?**

- It encourages students to take genuine ownership of their learning, celebrate their effort, and take responsibility for their academic and behavioural choices.
- It shows our students that both their parents and teachers value their perspectives, and reflections

### **What to expect during the conference?**

Over the next few weeks our students will be working with their teachers in the classroom to prepare the conference material.

- 1- This will include your child showing off a number of work samples that they have completed and are proud of.
- 2- Your child going through a self-reflection checklist to guide discussion and to provide some data for picking out future learning goals
- 3- You will still have an opportunity to discuss your child's progress through practical examples that your child's completed within the classroom.

We can't wait to show off the amazing work that our kids have been doing. We are very proud of the progress they have shown across the year, and I am sure that once you book in, you will see why!

## Wellbeing & Engagement Section

### Wellbeing News

We have made it to the half way mark of Term 3! Hasn't time flown by. As usual our Term 3 has been full with incredible opportunities for our students here at Mount Pleasant.

I've returned from three weeks of family leave to so many lovely comments from our students, it's such a nice reminder each day what a lovely group of kids we have!

Over the past few weeks our students have had the opportunity to be involved in a late stay event (F/1), we have had a group of students head out to the Division Basketball competition and compete, we have had our senior year level students take part in a historical walk, taking in the sights of our local area, we have had a crew from the responsible pet program come in...plus so much more!

Our students not only loved these experiences, but their behaviour has been incredible. Our students have really thrived in being given the responsibility and trust to make good choices and to live up to the expectations that have been set by their teachers! So proud!

We have quite a few events coming up that the students will no doubt be looking forward to:

### Book Week Celebration (28th August)

We will send out some more communication on Sentral over the next few weeks, but we will have our Book Week Celebration on this date, encouraging students to dress up in their favourite book character and treat themselves to a day at school, where will be running a number of activities and games to foster that 'life long love of reading'.

We will be hosting a special 'Book Week' assembly on this day, with our students getting to join in on a parade and some fun to show off their costumes! I know a lot of our teachers are looking forward to dressing up this year!



## Father's Day & Special Person's Breakfast & Stall

On Friday, September 4th, we are hosting a **Father's Day & Special Person's Breakfast** in the Arts Centre starting at 8:10am.

We know that family looks different for everyone. Whether your child is bringing their dad, stepdad, grandad, uncle, or a trusted family friend, this morning is all about honoring the incredible role models who guide and support our students every day.

We will have a delicious breakfast served, cooked by Mr Franc and myself, with some hot coffee and tea available for our adult guests.

If you were looking to come in and volunteer at the school, and wouldn't mind grabbing a pair of tongs and doing a shift on the BBQ, then please give me a call at school, and we would welcome the help!

Later in the day we will be holding our Father's Day/Special Persons stall. Gifts will be \$5. Students can bring cash on the day.

## Bullying 'No Way' Week



Next week at the school we are recognising 'Bullying No Way Week'. At Mount Pleasant, we understand that bullying is everyone's responsibility and small acts can make a **big** difference.

This year's theme reminds us that actions don't need to be big to change someone's world. Over the course of the week, we will be

teaching some lessons around what 'bullying' is, what we can do as a school to prevent it from occurring, and what we can do to respond to it when we encounter a situation we feel may be bullying.



## The Importance of Attendance

At Mount Pleasant Primary School, we prioritise regular attendance. We love working with families to ensure students are in class with their peers and teachers, enjoying all the benefits that school brings. Attending every day means experiencing what counts—the learning, friendships, fun, and opportunities that shape your child's future.

**The Impact of Missing School** Sometimes, missing "just a day here or there" doesn't seem like much, but it adds up rapidly:

- **1 day a fortnight** = more than 20 days of missed learning per year.
- **Over the course of primary school**, this equates to 120 days of lost education (nearly three full terms).

We understand that there are times when your child genuinely needs to miss school. However, to ensure minimal disruption to their education, please consider scheduling family holidays or medical/dental appointments outside of school hours wherever possible.



**Need Support?** Reach out to Jarrod Rodgers, Assistant Principal — 03 5332 3646 or [Jarrod.Rodgers@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Jarrod.Rodgers@education.vic.gov.au) — for a confidential chat about wellbeing support for your child or family.

## Lunch Orders

Lunch Orders are every Thursday through the Grant Street Takeaway Shop. If you would like your child to have a lunch order, please write on a brown paper bag the child's name and classroom, what you would like to order, price and if you require any change. **Please note this is cash only.** Your child will then place this into the lunch order box first thing Thursday morning in their classroom to be collected. Price List is attached to the newsletter.

*Kylie Lampard, Office Administration*

## Drop Off & Pick Up Times

Families are reminded that formal school supervision begins each day at 8:40am and concludes at 3:30pm. Before and after these times, teachers plan and prepare learning programs and meet together to discuss school matters.

Please respect this as important time for teachers in their professional practice; and ensure that you drop off your child/children between 8:40-9:00am each morning and collect them before 3:30pm.



## Students of the Week

Congratulations to the following students for being recognised for their achievements in our school with our Student of the Week. Continue being your best!

### Term 3 Week 4 (below)

Makayla, Adara, Flossy, Alayah, Archie, Daniel



## NOW ACCEPTING 2027 ENROLMENTS

- Structured Literacy/Numeracy programs
- Onsite Out of Hours Care
- Arts Intensives for small group collaboration
- Specialist programs; Visual Arts, Performing Arts, PE, Chinese, Music



Don't Miss Out



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form today!



**TeethOnWheels®**  
a positive dental experience

### The Importance of Early Dental Visits

Seeing the dentist every 6 months supports healthy teeth and gums as children grow. These visits help kids feel relaxed in the dental setting, boost confidence, and lower anxiety. Coming in twice a year also means we can catch any issues early, offer tailored care, and guide children toward long-lasting habits. Regular visits are a simple, effective way to look after your child's smile.

With government assistance, your child may qualify for **FREE DENTAL CARE!**

**If your 2026 form is already done, you're all set. Our customer service team will reach out to schedule your child's appointment.**

### Our Dental Services Include:

- ✓ Check up
- ✓ Professional Cleans
- ✓ X-rays
- ✓ Fluoride Treatments
- ✓ Preventative Sealants
- ✓ Fillings



Phone : (03) 93381191 Email: [info@teethonwheels.com.au](mailto:info@teethonwheels.com.au)

## Annual costume swap in preparation for Book Week!

The costume swap is free to participate in, you do not need to donate a costume to take a costume.

**WHEN:** August 18th from 3:15 – 3:40pm

**COSTUME DROP OFF:** There will be a collection box in reception from Monday 10th August and we ask that if you have any outgrown and unwanted costumes that you leave them in the box – clean and undamaged items only please. Items being collected include the following: Onesies, Superhero / book / film costumes, Handmade costumes,

Costume accessories (e.g. hats, masks)

Thank you in anticipation of your kind donations and for your support in helping to create a brighter future for our school community and children. Please note all children must be accompanied by their parent/family member/carer during the Costume Swap.



# Supporting Our Community

## HAVE YOU HEARD?

WE'RE **HALFWAY** THROUGH TERM 3!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO ENROL

**BOOK NOW!**

[EXTEND.LOOKEDAFTER.COM/](https://extend.lookedafter.com/)



The first few weeks of Term 3 at Extend have been full of fun, energy and laughter! But can you believe we're halfway through the term!



The start of term was full of excitement as the children reconnected, shared holiday stories and settled back into routines.

*It's been a fantastic Term 3 so far!*

They've been engaging in a variety of fun, play-based experiences including crafts, cooking and science experiments!

**Make sure you book now and don't miss out on the fun we're having!**



### WE'RE LOOKING FOR OUR NEXT STAR!

If you're ready for a rewarding career in Outside School Hours Care, we want to meet you! Check for local opportunities and apply today: [theextendgroup.com.au/careers/](https://theextendgroup.com.au/careers/)



**BOOK ONLINE TODAY**

[extend.com.au](https://extend.com.au)

**ENROL & BOOK NOW FOR TERM 3!**



**FREE BBQ**

For the love of summer...

## TENNIS IS CALLING

The outdoor tennis season is coming. Come along and let's play!

- Have a hit and meet local clubs
- Discover tennis for juniors + seniors
- Every age and stage!

Learn more at our Open Day

**Sunday 13 September, 2pm - 4pm**

BDTA Courts, Forest St Buninyong

QR FOR MORE



**PLAY TENNIS. HAVE A BALL.**

More? Visit <https://buncctc.org>

Hosted by Buninyong Community Tennis Club in conjunction with the Buninyong & District Tennis Association. Play tennis for Ballarat | Ballarat Lawn | Buninyong | Dunnstown | Elaine | Gordon | Grenville | Haddon | Mount Helen | Meredith | Napoleons | Navigators | Rokewood | Ross Creek | Smythesdale | Warrenheip.

# BALLARAT HOLIDAY CAMP



**21-23 SEPT  
BOOK NOW**



## VRI DELACOMBE JUNIOR CRICKET PROGRAM

PLAY. LEARN. GROW. BELONG.

**JUNIORS FREE!**  
REGISTER NOW!

**JUNIOR COMPETITIONS**

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| <p>UNDER 11s<br/>WEDNESDAY EVENINGS</p> | <p>UNDER 13s<br/>FRIDAY EVENINGS</p> | <p>UNDER 15s<br/>SATURDAY MORNINGS</p> |
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ALL JUNIOR TRAINING MONDAY NIGHTS 6-7PM  
JUNIORS START IN OCTOBER

### 6 WEEK BLASTER PROGRAM

**woodworth's CRICKET BLAST**

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| <p><b>STARTS</b><br/>MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER</p> | <p><b>TIME</b><br/>5:00PM - 6:00PM</p> | <p><b>WHERE</b><br/>DOUG DEAN RESERVE</p> |
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| <p><b>GIRLS \$25</b><br/>REGISTER HERE<br/><a href="https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/00cfa0">https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/00cfa0</a></p> | <p><b>BOYS \$76</b><br/>REGISTER HERE<br/><a href="https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/00cfa0">https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/00cfa0</a></p> |
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**REGISTER NOW! JOIN THE VRI FAMILY!**

**JUNIOR REGISTRATION (FREE)**  
REGISTER HERE  
<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/00cfa0>

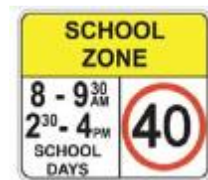
TEAMWORK ★ RESPECT ♥ FUN 🏏 DEVELOPMENT

WEAR THE BLUE & GOLD WITH PRIDE!

## PARKING, TRAFFIC AND SCHOOL CROSSING INSPECTIONS

Please note that the City of Ballarat will be undertaking regular patrols to ensure parking compliance. Any breaches observed, will be enforced. This is to help ensure the safety of students and staff and the broader school community. We implore all road users to ensure that they adhere to the law to maintain the ongoing safety of everyone involved.

*Student and community safety should be our priority.*



Please help our school win the war against **head lice** by checking your child's hair over the holidays. Checking hair on a regularly basis helps us keep this issue under control. Thank you for your support.

### STUDENT ABSENCE – PROCEDURE

To reduce absences, parents are asked to advise the school of impending student absences (between 8.30am and 9.00am) by:

- Telephone – 5332 3646
- Email – [mount.pleasant.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:mount.pleasant.ps@education.vic.gov.au)
- Or use the Parent Portal App



If your child is missing any belongings, please check our lost property at the office. We urge families to **please name their school uniforms/lunch boxes** so that items brought to the office can be returned to students.



**Extend After School Care onsite at Mount Pleasant Primary School**

Log online at [www.extend.com.au](http://www.extend.com.au) or phone 1300 366 437 to book.

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# Sentral e-resource

## Registering on the Sentral for Parents App for the first time



### Sentral for Parents App

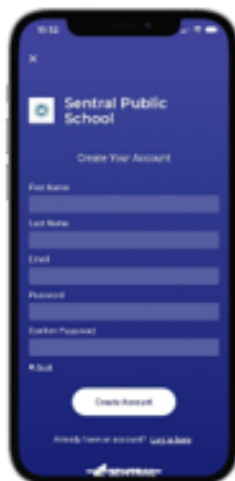
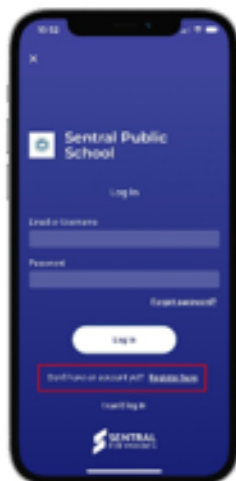
**Step One:** Download the Sentral for Parents app.



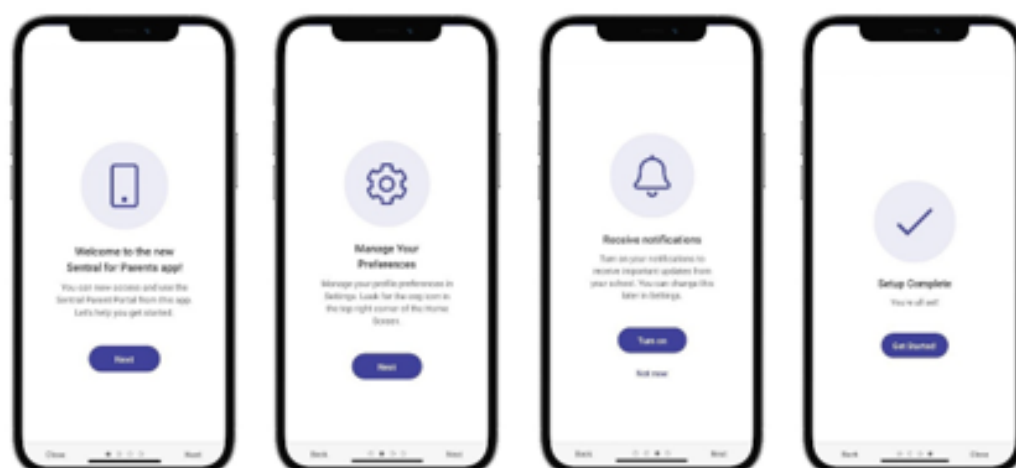
**Step Two:** Type in the school's name.



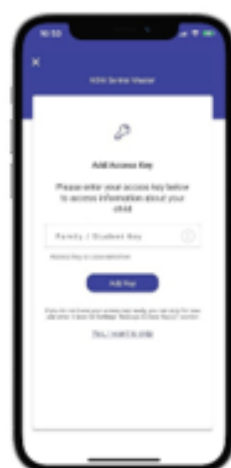
**Step Three:** Choose 'Register Here' from the bottom of the screen. Complete the details and choose 'Create Account'. You will receive a verification email which **MUST** be verified to continue. When the verification link is clicked it opens the log in screen in browser – close the browser and go back to the Sentral for Parents app.



#### Step Four: Choose your preferences



**Step Five:** Connect to your child in this screen 'Add Access Key'. The access key is written on the note/email sent to you from the school. It is case sensitive so type it in exactly as it appears in the note/email.



**Step Five:** You are now connected and can interact with the App.



## New Price List 2026

|                            |        |                               |        |
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| Off the Grill              |        | Cold Food                     |        |
| Chicken Parma Roll         | \$6.00 | BLT Roll                      | \$6.00 |
| Chicken Schnitzel Burger   | \$6.00 | Cheese Roll                   | \$6.00 |
| Vegetarian Burger          | \$6.00 | Chicken & Salad Roll          | \$6.00 |
| Hot dog w/ Cheese & Sauce  | \$6.00 | Ham & Salad Roll              | \$6.00 |
| Cheese burger              | \$6.00 | Salad Roll                    | \$6.00 |
|                            |        | BLT Sandwich                  | \$6.00 |
| Hot Food                   |        | Cheese Sandwich               | \$6.00 |
| Chicken Nuggets(3)         | \$3.00 | Chicken & Salad Sandwich      | \$6.00 |
| Chicken Nuggets(6)         | \$5.00 | Ham & Salad Sandwich          | \$6.00 |
| Dim Sim                    | \$1.50 | Salad Sandwich                | \$6.00 |
| Pie                        | \$6.00 | BLT Wrap                      | \$6.00 |
| Party Pie                  | \$1.80 | Cheese Wrap                   | \$6.00 |
| Party Sausage Roll         | \$1.80 | Chicken & Salad Wrap          | \$6.00 |
| Veggie Pastie              | \$6.00 | Ham & Salad Wrap              | \$6.00 |
| Tomato Sauce               | \$0.50 | Salad Wrap                    | \$6.00 |
| BBQ Sauce                  | \$0.50 | Garden Salad (Chicken or Ham) | \$6.00 |
| Soy Sauce                  | \$0.50 | Chicken Caesar Salad          | \$6.00 |
|                            |        |                               |        |
| Drinks                     |        |                               |        |
| Orange Juice               | \$2.50 |                               |        |
| Apple & Blackcurrant Juice | \$2.50 | Snacks                        |        |
| Strawberry Milk            | \$3.00 | Fruit Salad                   | \$4.00 |
| Chocolate Milk             | \$3.00 | Yoghurt & Muesli              | \$4.00 |