



Newsletter Number 14

27th August 2026

Upcoming Dates

Book Week Celebration (dress up)
 Student Led Conferences (2.20pm – 5.30pm)
 School Council (4.30pm-6pm)
 Father's Day Breakfast (8.10am – 9am)
 Father's/Special Persons Day Stall
 Student Led Conferences (2.30pm – 3.20pm)
 Year 2/3 Sovereign Hill Excursion
 Footy Colours Day (wear your team colours – gold coin donation)

Friday 28th August
 Tuesday 1st September
 Wednesday 2nd September
 Friday 4th September
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 Wednesday 9th September
 Friday 11th September

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.



Message from the Principal/Assistant Principal

We have had a great last few weeks here at Mount Pleasant. There has been lots happening, and our students have had lots of opportunities to enjoy being part of our school community. Last week, our Grade 5's got to jump back in time and attend the Sovereign Hill School experience. This included dressing up in vintage clothing, and taking part of what schooling looked like in the 1800's. It was such a fun couple of days, and the kids thrived in the environment, learning about what life was really like in the Gold rush.

With the end of term fast approaching (scary!) We have a jam packed schedule. This begins this Friday with our Book Week Celebration. We will have an assembly starting the day at 9.05am where we will be running some of our normal assembly activities and finishing with a Book Week dress up parade.

Please note there will be no regular assembly at 2.40.

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



Next Week - Student Led Conferences

LAST CHANCE TO BOOK IN FOR OUR STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES TODAY

- 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 behavioral 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.

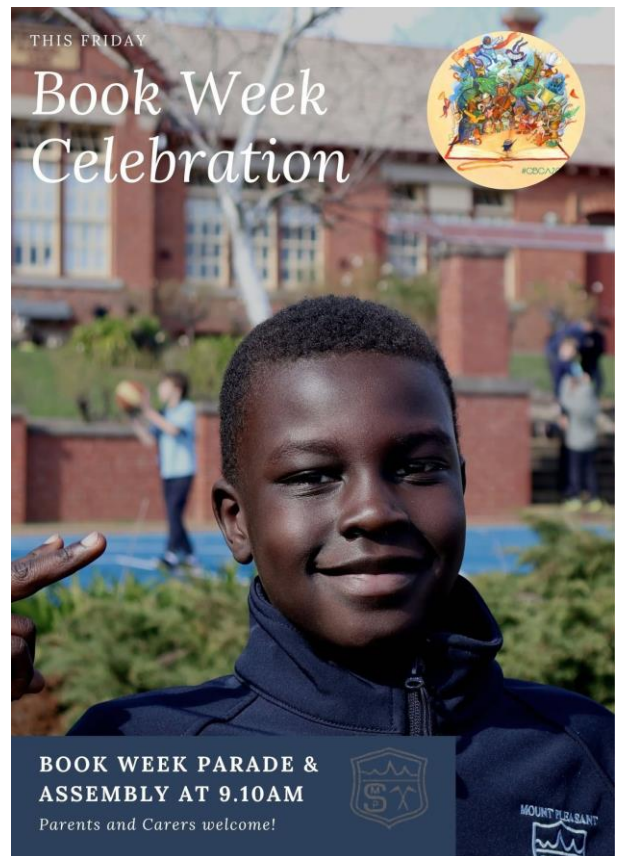
We can't wait to show off the amazing work that our kids have been doing. We are very proud of the progress they have shown across the year, and I am sure that once you book in, you will see why!

Mr Louis Franc – Principal
Mr Jarrod Rodgers – Assistant Principal/Wellbeing

Wellbeing & Engagement Section

Wellbeing News

Book Week Celebration (This Friday)



We can't wait to have our students celebrate Book Week this Friday with our dress up celebration. Students this week have been developing their love for reading in a number of ways! We have had our teachers reading some new award winning books up in the library during each break! The kids have been loving this, and it's been great to celebrate some of these authors.



If your child is missing a school jumper please check our lost property supply.

We urge families to **please name their school uniforms** so that items brought to the office can be returned to students.

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

Just a reminder that next **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 honouring 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!**

poster that we have around our school, showing 4 simple things that we can do when confronted with a situation that could involve bullying. The actions are:

STOP, WALK, TALK, HELP.

This visual will be a great one for us to refer back to help develop the skills of our students in knowing what to do when issues arise.

As always, if you have any concerns about bullying at our school, please reach out to me to chat further.

Jarrod.Rodgers@education.vic.gov.au

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.



Bullying 'No Way' Week

Last week we recognised Bullying No Way Week with our students. Each classroom spent some time during the week to unpack what bullying is, speak about how we can eliminate bullying from our school, and what we can do if we see it happening to others. These lessons, were supported by a visual



Need Support? Reach out to Jarrod Rodgers, Assistant Principal — 03 5332 3646 or 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.

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



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 5 (below)

Goanar, Nyajuok, Brynn, TJ, Willow, Brittany,
Bayley, Oscar



Term 3 Week 6 (above)

Alayah, Tilly, Jaxon A, Dotty, Isabelle, Parker,
Makayla, Willow

Father's Day/Special Person's Stall

Friday 4th September

\$5 gift packs will be available to purchase.

Students will visit the Father's/Special Person's Day stall during the day with their teacher. Please bring money on the day if you wish to participate.

Hello Mount Pleasant families!

This week we have been lucky to have Kobi from AFL Victoria visit our school and participate in some AFL kick2kick sessions with our students at recess.

Beginning next week, our students will also have the opportunity to participate in after-school AFL sessions, where the aim is to provide a fun, engaging and accessible football program that gives students the chance to build their skills, connect with friends and enjoy being active.

The sessions will run for 4 weeks (Term 3 – Weeks 8 & 9 and Term 4 – Weeks 1 & 2) and will be scheduled on Wednesday's from 3:15pm – 4:15pm.

Please see the attached flyer and scan the QR code for more information and to sign up!

Mrs Kayla Bond - PE



ALL GIRLS GROUPS AVAILABLE



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GOOD CLEAN FUN

PLAY.AFL/AUSKICK

MT PLEASANT PS
COBDEN STREET, BALLARAT

STARTING SEPTEMBER 2

WEDNESDAYS 3:15 - 4:15PM

For further information contact:
jono.box@afl.com.au or Mt Pleasant PS



Supporting Our Community

**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

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 Ballan | Ballarat Lawn | Buninyong | Dunnstown | Elaine | Gordon | Grenville | Haddon | Mount Helen | Meredith | Napoleons | Navigators | Rokewood | Ross Creek | Smythesdale | Warrenheip.

QR FOR MORE



FREE COME AND TRY

SOVEREIGN KNIGHTS BASKETBALL CLUB

Basketball
come & try
day for
all ages!!
Bring your
friends along.



Held at
Phoenix
Community
College.

- Thursday
27/08,
03/09,
10/09

SCAN QR CODE
TO SIGN UP OR
EMAIL US!

- 8 yo - 11 yo 4:30-5:30
- 12 yo - 16 yo 5:30-6:30



EMAIL:
admin@skbc.org.au

Sovereign Knights Basketball
Intention to play form



BALLARAT HOLIDAY CAMP



**21-23 SEPT
BOOK NOW**





VRI DELACOMBE JUNIOR CRICKET PROGRAM

PLAY. LEARN. GROW. BELONG.

JUNIORS FREE!
REGISTER NOW!

JUNIOR COMPETITIONS

 UNDER 11s WEDNESDAY EVENINGS	 UNDER 13s FRIDAY EVENINGS	 UNDER 15s SATURDAY MORNINGS
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ALL JUNIOR TRAINING MONDAY NIGHTS **6-7PM**

JUNIORS START IN OCTOBER

6 WEEK BLASTER PROGRAM

 Woolworths CRICKET BLAST	STARTS MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER TIME 5:00PM - 6:00PM WHERE DOUG DEAN RESERVE	GIRLS \$25 REGISTER HERE https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/00c8a6 BOYS \$76 REGISTER HERE https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/00c8b4
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REGISTER NOW! JOIN THE VRI FAMILY!

JUNIOR REGISTRATION (FREE)
REGISTER HERE
<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/00c8a6>

TEAMWORK RESPECT FUN DEVELOPMENT

WEAR THE BLUE & GOLD WITH PRIDE!



EXTEND IS PROVIDING OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE AT MOUNT PLEASANT PRIMARY SCHOOL, BALLARAT

Session Type	Fee Before CCS (Early Bird Rate)	Out of Pocket*
Before School Care	\$31.65	Pay from \$7.71 after CCS
After School Care	\$39.95	Pay from \$7.03 after CCS

*The above "Out of Pocket" is based on the maximum entitlement for CCS calculated on Early Bird Rate.

Think You Don't Qualify for Child Care Subsidy? **Think again.**

If your family earns a combined income **less than \$538,520**, and you or your partner are an Australian citizen or permanent resident, there's a very good chance you're eligible for Child Care Subsidy (CCS).

Yes, you read that right. Almost **every** Australian family qualifies for government childcare savings.

Why pay full price when you could be saving up to 90% on Extend Before & After School Care?

That means a **\$39.95 session could cost you as little as \$7.03!**

See How Much You Could Be Saving In After School Care As an Example:

Estimated Annual Family Income	Approx Eligible CCS	Session Fee (Before CCS)	Estimated Fee (After CCS)
\$0 to \$88,520	90%	\$39.95	\$7.03
More than \$88,520 to \$188,520	89% to 70%*	\$39.95	\$7.40 - \$14.35
More than \$188,520 to \$288,520	69% to 50%*	\$39.95	\$14.71 - \$21.66
More than \$288,520 to \$388,520	49% to 30%*	\$39.95	\$22.03 - \$28.98
More than \$388,520 to \$538,519	29% to 1%*	\$39.95	\$29.34 - \$39.58
\$538,520 or more	0%	\$39.95	\$39.95

*The percentage goes down by 1% for every \$5,000 of income your family earns above \$88,520

*CCS savings shown are based on the After School Care rate as an example. Eligible Before School Care sessions follow the same CCS calculation framework; however, actual out-of-pocket costs will vary based on the session fee and each family's individual CCS entitlement and circumstances.

Visit my.gov.au or call 136 150 to claim your subsidy!

BOOK ONLINE TODAY

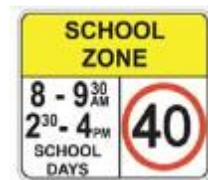
extend.com.au

Enrol & Book Now for Term 3

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
- 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 or phone 1300 366 437 to book.

FOLLOW US ON
INSTAGRAM



@mountpleasantprimaryschool



Attending school every day means experiencing what counts - the learning, friendships, fun and opportunities that can shape their future.



Sentral e-resource

Registering on the Sentral for Parents App for the first time

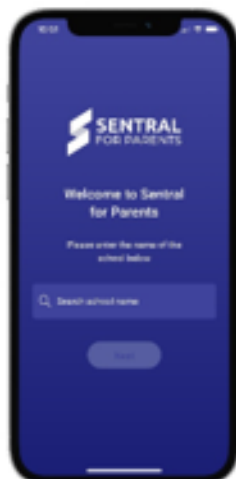


Sentral for Parents App

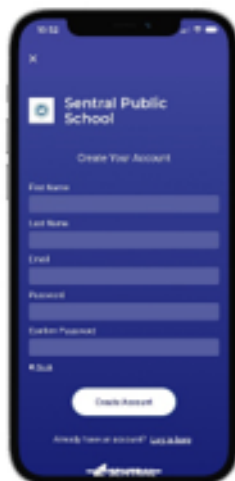
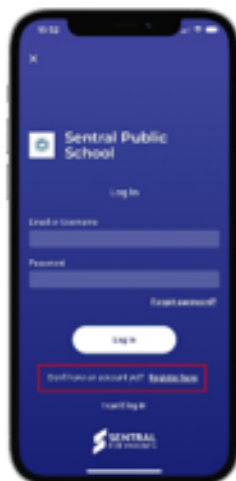
Step One: Download the Sentral for Parents app.



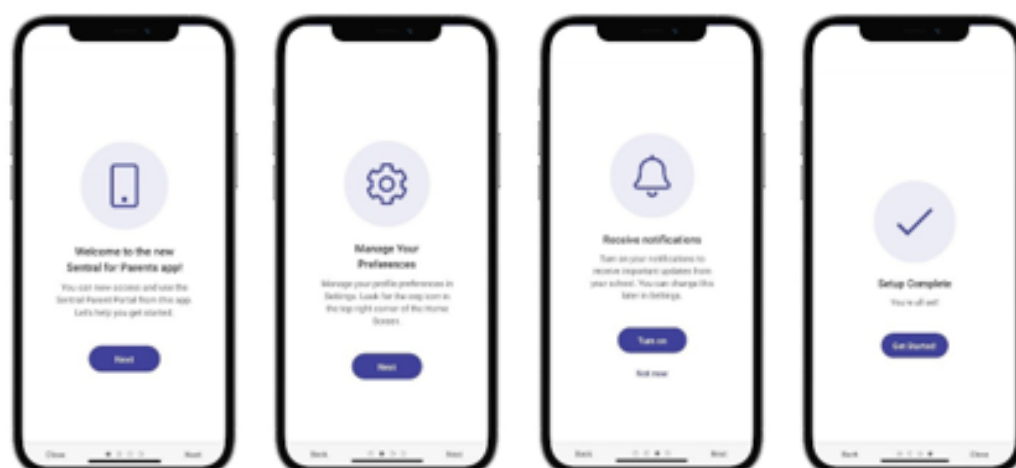
Step Two: Type in the school's name.



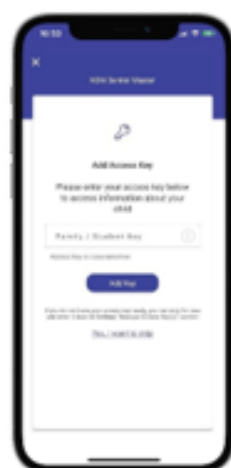
Step Three: Choose 'Register Here' from the bottom of the screen. Complete the details and choose 'Create Account'. You will receive a verification email which **MUST** be verified to continue. When the verification link is clicked it opens the log in screen in browser – close the browser and go back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

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