

Mornington Park Primary School

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Acting Principal: Kath Lord

Acting Assistant Principal: Stacie McCullough



VISION : Through a sense of connectedness to peers, teachers and the community, Mornington Park Primary School provides a safe and harmonious learning environment which nurtures the whole child for success in a changing world.

VALUES: Honesty, Perseverance, Cooperation, Kindness, Responsibility.



From the Acting Principal Date: 23rd February, 2024

Last Friday saw our first school assembly. The year 6 leaders received their badges and ran the assembly with confidence and enthusiasm. It was lovely seeing so many parents and families at our assembly. It occurs every Friday of the odd weeks of term at 2:30pm in Djambana if you would like to attend.



Education

Year 3 and 5 students have started getting ready for NAPLAN which starts on the 13th March. At MPPS we make these assessments stress free, the children

Building works

Playground opened last week to great excitement. The children are loving the pirate ship, monkey bars and 3 cubby houses.



FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL CONTINUED

We are thrilled to announce that Nathan, has been awarded a grant from Special Olympics Australia to promote and facilitate fun, safe, and engaging activities for students with intellectual disabilities and those with ASD.

At MPPS, we are committed to present inclusive sports, games, and recreational activities, that promote physical fitness, social interaction, and overall well-being among all our students, while also fostering a sense of belonging and camaraderie within our school community.

We look forward to seeing the exciting activities that Nathan will implement with the support of this grant, and we are very much grateful to Special Olympics Australia for their generosity and commitment to promoting inclusion and diversity in education.

Attendance

There are some students having difficulty with separation in the mornings. Please see the class teacher to assist you with strategies. It is amazing how quickly the children settle once in the classroom with their friends!

We have had a lot of children out with illnesses this last fortnight. Please keep an eye out for continuous coughing and fever and let us know at the office if your child is unwell. Remember to teach your child about good hygiene practices such as washing their hands.

Playtime Clubs

Throughout the year playtime clubs will occur during recess and lunch. Children can attend as many of these activities as they want. If your child has a good idea for a playtime club, tell them to come and see me.

At the moment we have:

Chess – **2pm on Wednesday in Frankie's room**

Lego building – 11:40am on Wednesday in library

Board game and cards – 11:40am in library

Cyber safety

On Monday 26th Feb, Victorian Police will be coming to school to do a cyber safety session with grades 3-6. Each newsletter we will also be sending home information tips and tricks for keeping your child safe online. Please see the sheet attached.

See you all around the school.

Kath



Message from Nathan

Promoting healthy swimming

Swimming is a great way to stay fit and active, and an important skill for life. As our school participates in swimming programs, it's important we all take steps to stop the spread of germs at the pool. This summer, the Victorian Department of Health advises there has been an increase in the number of people infected with cryptosporidiosis (crypto) – a type of gastroenteritis. Some people are attending pools while infectious, which spreads the infection to others.

To keep pools safe and clean for everyone, please follow these healthy swimming steps before we dive into the pool:

- do not swim if you have diarrhoea
- shower and wash with soap before swimming
- wash your hands with soap after using the toilet
- avoid swallowing pool water
- change nappies in nappy-change areas only.

Please encourage your child to follow the above steps to support everyone's safety in pools. Please also keep your child absent from swimming lessons at school if they have had gastroenteritis or diarrhoea in the 14 days before the lesson. Families with any health concerns should see their doctor or contact NURSE-ON-CALL by phone: 1300 606 024 (available 24 hours).

Find out more

For more information on protecting against gastroenteritis, families can refer to the following Better Health Channel pages: · [Healthy swimming, including a video with transcript](#) · [Swimming – keeping the water clean](#) · [Gastroenteritis in children](#).

Thank you,
Nathan

5 tips to keep your family safe online



Parents and carers can use a combination of strategies to help young people build their digital technology skills and have safer experiences online.

1. Start the chat

Get into the habit of talking about online safety as a family, so your child feels comfortable coming to you if they ever need help working out an issue. It's never too early to introduce [good online habits](#) such as respect, empathy, critical thinking, responsible behaviour and resilience. As your child grows older, eSafety's advice about [hard to have conversations](#) will help with some of the tricky topics like sending nudes, online pornography and contact from sexual predators.

2. Create a family technology agreement

Creating a Family Technology Agreement can help you and your kids decide together when and how digital technology will be used at home. As a family, brainstorm easy-to-follow rules and display them where everyone will see them. Your agreement could cover things like: time limits, apps your kids are allowed to use and online behaviour. Families with younger children can [download](#) a template to guide the conversation.

3. Set up parental controls

Parental controls let you monitor and limit what your child sees and does online. It's best to use them in combination with the other online safety strategies listed here. [Taming the technology](#) can help you understand your options. Grab a device and get started with our guides to setting up parental controls on [devices and accounts](#) or in [social media, games and apps](#).

4. Choose games and other apps carefully

Use eSafety's [App checklist for parents](#) to think about the positives and negatives when your child asks to download a new game or other app. The checklist covers things like age ratings, managing privacy settings and reporting abuse in-app. You can also use [The eSafety guide](#) to check and set up safety features with your child.

5. Use digital technology together

Exploring or playing on devices or online with your child can be a positive experience that promotes learning and development. Ask questions, be curious and get involved. To learn more, read our blogpost [How to encourage good screen practices for your child](#).

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ICYPOLE FRIDAYS

Icypoles can be purchased each
Friday — \$2.00 each.



NANDO'S LUNCH ORDER

Students have the opportunity of ordering a Nando's lunch order. Complete order form and return by Wednesday of each week. Lunches are delivered each Friday. Order forms can also be obtained from the office. If your child is away on a Friday, we suggest you ring the Nandos store in Mornington and see if they can hold your order for the next week.

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Nando's lunch Orders Every Friday

Students Name _____

CLASS _____

3 Grilled Tenderloins (Gluten free) plus Please circle Chips / 1 piece of corn	\$8.00
Chicken Wrap or Pita plus (with Mayo, Cos Lettuce, Tomato and Chicken) Please circle Chips / a piece of Corn	\$8.00
Veggie Patty Wrap or Pita plus Please Circle Chips / a piece of corn	\$8.00

Please send correct money in an envelope clearly marked with student's name and grade along with the order form.

Total \$ _____

Forms are due back on Wednesday's.

No late orders will be accepted

Mornington Park Primary School

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Thanks to our partnership with
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5% of what you spend at rebel comes back to us
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to our school **next time you shop at rebel**

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THIS IS AN
ALCOHOL
& DOG
FREE
EVENT

SATURDAY 2ND MARCH 10AM - 5PM

ENTRY BY DONATION • COMMUNITY FESTIVAL • FAMILY FRIENDLY
HONOURING AND CELEBRATING FIRST PEOPLES CULTURES

EMU PLAINS RESERVE, COOLART ROAD BALNARRING

ENTERTAINMENT • FOOD STALLS • CRAFT STALLS • CULTURAL WORKSHOPS
CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES • CARING FOR COUNTRY • LOCAL GATHERING PLACES

WELCOME TO COUNTRY 12 NOON

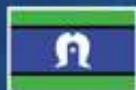
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BUMPY • CHARLIE NEEDS BRACES • ALF THE GREAT
WORKSHOPS STARTING FROM 10AM • YIDAKI MEDITATION
CREATE A DILLY BAG • WAYAPA • OCHRE PAINTING
WEAVING • STORY TELLING • INDIGENOUS GAMES
MAKING BUSH ANIMALS • GRASS AND STRING DOLLS • GUIDED WALKS

ONSITE PARKING \$5 AND ENTRY BY DONATION
FESTIVAL WILL BE RUN IN LINE WITH PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS // ACCESSIBLE EVENT



Balnarring Preschool
Learning & Living with Nature



Community Bank
Balnarring & District
Bendigo Bank



We acknowledge Boon Wurrung peoples as the traditional custodians of the land on which the festival is being held and recognise the continuous relationships they have with the land, waterways, sky, creatures and plants. We recognise the strength of First Peoples in maintaining their cultures over thousands of years.

We pay our respects to Elders: past and present. We welcome and acknowledge all First Peoples from across Australia.

Please contact us if you require any support to access the festival.

FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT:

womindjeka.balnarring-ngargee@gmail.com

[facebook.com/8undjil2018](https://www.facebook.com/8undjil2018)

[instagram.com/womindjekabalnarring](https://www.instagram.com/womindjekabalnarring)

WOMIN DJEKA FESTIVAL 2024

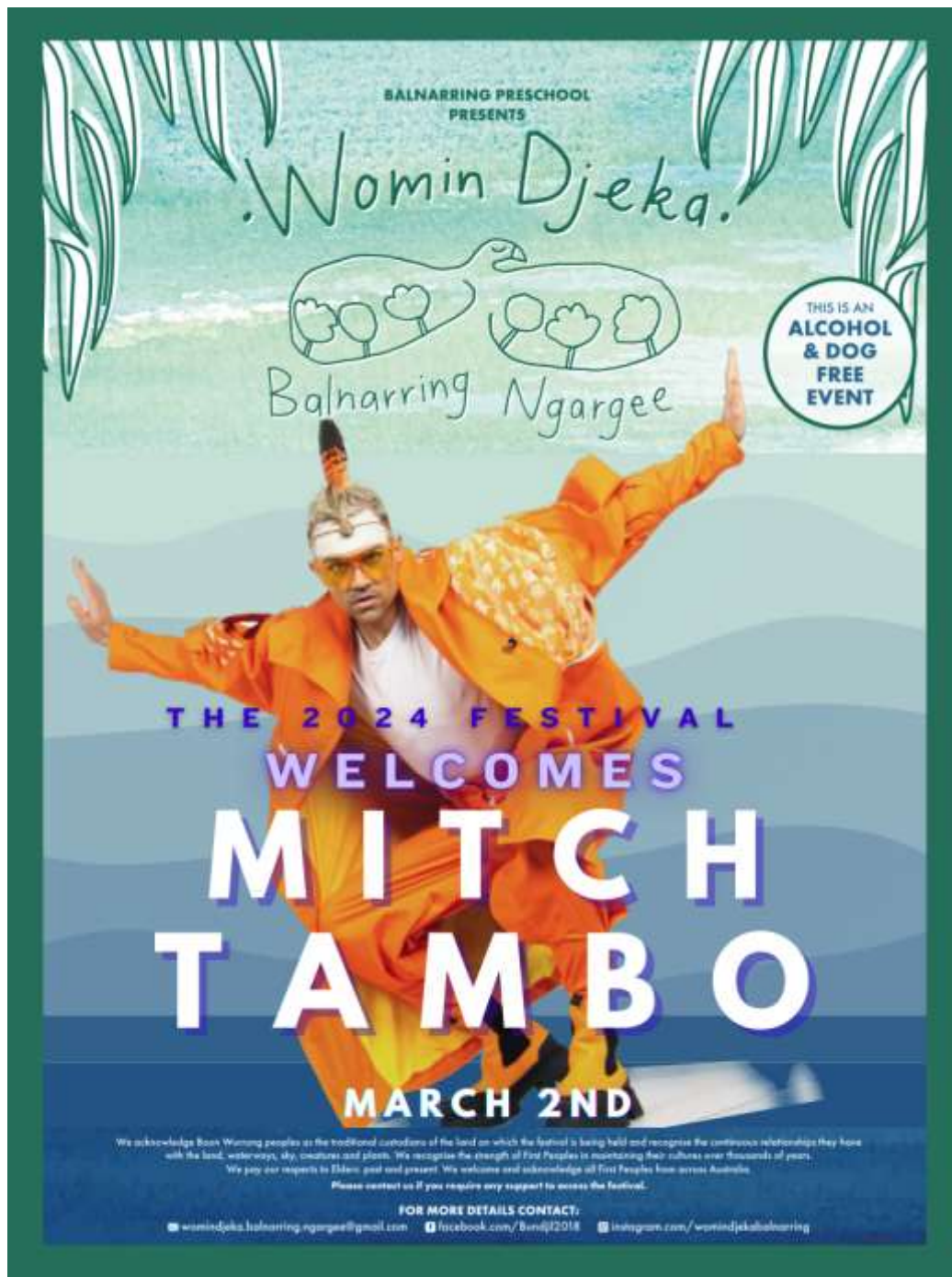
MPPS is excited to be involved in the Womin Djeka Festival again this year. Our theme for 2024 is the story of Barraeemal the Emu. Our students have enjoyed exploring this Dreaming story shared by N'Arweet Carolyn Briggs, a Bunurong/Boon Wurrung elder who has been working closely with the staff and children of Balnarring Preschool. We have explored how the Bunurong/Boon Wurrung people looked to the constellations, seeing the dark spaces between the stars where Barraeemal the celestial emu is connected to the lifecycle of Barraeemal the terrestrial emu.


At Yarning Circle our Koorie Kids have prepared 4 pieces of marine ply, painting them black to show the night sky for each season. These boards will be taken to the Womin djeka Festival on Saturday 2nd March as an interactive display where visitors can add a star to the milky way using white paint. Barraeemal the Dark Emu will be shown in his various positions in the Milky Way as the seasons progress, linking with the lifecycle of the emu. If any parents or friends would like to help out with manning our display at any stage between 9-5pm on Saturday 2nd March please let Lee in Prep 5 know.

Once complete, our Dark Emus will be mounted on the school fence along Robertson Drive.

Come along to the Festival and add your star to the Milky Way!

From the MPPS RAP team





LAMP Learning Assistance
and Mentoring Program



**LIONS CLUB OF
DROMANA**

FREE TUTORING!

YEAR 2 TO YEAR 6

*For **Year 2 to Year 6 children** who have fallen behind
and whose families cannot afford private tutoring.*

All tutoring is performed by retired teachers or teacher aides

One or two sessions per week

One hour per session (or shorter where appropriate)

4:00–5:00pm or 5:00–6:00pm weekdays

Conducted at Dromana Community House or your local library

Literacy, numeracy, science and more

8 session blocks on a need basis, first come first served

All sessions supervised by a Lions Club member in addition to the tutor

*This free service is provided by the generous volunteer support of
retired teachers and funded by The Lions Club of Dromana as part
of our mission to build a stronger community. It is made possible by
Dromana Community House where tutoring takes place.*



**CONTACT US NOW ON:
0433 318 462**

Class 7 Information Session Little Yarra Steiner School

TUESDAY, 5 MARCH 2024 9.15 AM



This special event is an excellent opportunity for parents and guardians to explore the learning journey that awaits their children in Class 7 and beyond.

- School Tour
- Q&A session with John Stewart, Principal, and Bernie Wagg, Assistant Principal.
- Learn about the Middle and Upper School Curriculum
- Discover the rich and varied tertiary pathways available to graduates of our Upper School
- Gain more understanding about the Transition to Class 7
- Explore our beautiful school campus and facilities in the Middle and Upper schools.

Who Should Attend?

- Prospective Families Interested in Enrolling into Class 7



Scan QR to Register

Booking: take a photo of the QR code to book OR register via our website with the "book a tour" link, or phone 03 5967 1953.



Little Yarra Steiner School
Yarra Valley's Independent K-12 Steiner School



Morningsong
Secondary College



OPEN NIGHT SHOWCASE

Why choose Morningsong Secondary
College?

Let our happy students tell you why,
whilst exploring our College

Principal's welcome commences at
5.00pm or 6.00pm followed by a
guided tour of the College

Live Music and Sausage Sizzle



TUESDAY 27TH
FEBRUARY 2024



4.45PM TO 7.00PM



MORNINGTON
SECONDARY COLLEGE





At Padua College we offer an education for life, one that encourages students to utilise their God-given talent, be the best that they can be, and make a positive impact on the world.

Mornington Peninsula families are warmly invited to join one of our campus tours to explore the rich curriculum, sporting, cultural and spiritual life that our College can offer your child.


Meet our staff, see the school in action, and learn more about our new Year 7-8 Centre at Mornington and smaller class sizes.

 **125**
YEARS OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION



YEAR 7 2026 ENROLMENTS

Open: 1 February 2024
Close: 10 May 2024

 Enrol online

www.padua.vic.edu.au

fun activities



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WonderKids

APRIL HOLIDAYS 2024

WEEK 1

Monday 1st Public Holiday

Service Closed

Tuesday 2nd The Big Goose

Excursion

Today we are off to The Big goose to play with baby animals, mini golf, playground fun, tractor ride and much more.

Wednesday 3rd Badge Making

Incursion

Ever wanted to make your very own badge, that's what we are doing today. Draw your picture, use the badge machine and Bam! You have your very own badge, can even make one to go on your bag, one with ribbon. Your choice!

Thursday 4th Luna Park

Excursion

Today we are off to a new excursion. Luna Park! Ever wanted to spend a whole day just trying out all different kind of ride's? Well that's what your are going to do! The choices are unlimited!

Friday 5th Sand Art

Incursion

Today we are going to create lovely art works using different coloured sand and even glitter sand. Come join us for lots of fun with colour.

WEEK 2

Monday 8th Kites & Frisbees

Incursion

Today we are going to create a kite with lots of decorations and a Frisbee. Once complete we will go test them outside.

Tuesday 9th Boneo Discovery park

Excursion

Today we are off to somewhere different. We are going to have lots of fun trying and everything this discovery park has to offer such as Mini golf, Rope course, Sand Sculpting, Rides and Canoes plus more!

Wednesday 10th Chocolate Boss

Incursion

For this incursion we are going to dive into Willy Wonka land and play with Chocolate. Today's incursion is going to be delious and lots of fun.

Thursday 11th Animal Land

Excursion

Today's excursion is another new one. We are off to the land of different farm animals. We are going to pat them, feed them, make and create different things from the farm.

Friday 12st S.T.E.M

Today's the day is to get creative with new and old materials and see what you can come up with.



Little Wonder Kids

Vacation Care Booking Form



Fees Per Day

Service Based
\$75

Excursion
\$97

Incursion
\$85

Bookings (please tick the box each day the child will be attending)

CHILD 1		Family Name:		First Name:		Age:
DOB:		CRN:		School:		
DATE:	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	ALL
01-04-2024	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
08-04-2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

CHILD 2		Family Name:		First Name:		Age:
DOB:		CRN:		School:		
DATE:	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	ALL
01-04-2024	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
08-04-2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

CHILD 3		Family Name:		First Name:		Age:
DOB:		CRN:		School:		
DATE:	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	ALL
01-04-2024	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
08-04-2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

CHILD 4		Family Name:		First Name:		Age:
DOB:		CRN:		School:		
DATE:	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	ALL
01-04-2024	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
08-04-2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



TERMS & CONDITIONS

Location, Hours & Contact Details

Mornington Park Primary School
40-58 Robinson Drive, Mornington VIC 3931
Hours: 7:00am - 6:00pm
Phone: 0448 060 688

Please Note:

The mobile number provided above connects directly to the director of the centre. This number is to be used only for late pick-up and to speak to the director in relation to your child during program hours. For all general enquires please email info@littlewonderkids.com.au

Program Fees

\$75.00 Standard (In-Centre-Days)
\$85.00 Incursion
\$97.00 Excursion

Payment: Fees must be paid weekly to avoid your account being in debt. Please use the payment options below.

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- Direct Deposit into our Bank account.
- Direct Debt
-

Cancellation & Refunds

Due to planning and staffing, we will not be able to accept cancellation 2 Weeks prior to the program has starting. Once your booking has been confirmed and the program has commenced, then you are obliged to pay for all the days selected, regardless of non-attendance. All bookings are non-refundable under any circumstances.

CCS

Little Wonder Kids is an approved and registered Australian childcare provider. Eligible parents may utilize the federal Governments Child Care Subsidy scheme for your services. In order for us to apply Child Care Subsidy to your account, you must provide us with both of your child's CRN number and the corresponding parent's CRN number. If you are not registered for Child Care Subsidy, please contact the Family Assistance Office on 13 61 50.

Excursions

We will provide specific information to families about all planned excursions (such as destination, mode of transport, departure and return times, contact details and any other requirements).

What Should My Child Bring?

Food | Clothing | Footwear

Please ensure your child brings morning-tea, packed lunch and a refillable water bottle. We provide afternoon snack every day unless stated on the program menu.

Please ensure your child is dressed in comfortable appropriate clothing and shoes.

Health & Special Considerations

To ensure that we provide the best possible care for your child, we will require a copy of your child's immunisation records.

If your child/children suffer from anaphylaxis, asthma, allergies or any medically diagnosed condition you MUST provide a current medical management plan signed by your doctor with a recent colour photo of your child. Written information is required regarding any cultural, religious, dietary requirements or additional needs.

Behaviour

At Little Wonder Kids, we encourage positive behaviour at all times. Should a child's behaviour impact on the safety and well being of others, the parent, guardian or care giver will be contacted to discuss the behaviour and work towards implementing positive strategies to improve the behaviour and/or consider alternative arrangements.

Sun Smart

Little Wonder Kids, Sun Smart policy will be enforced from September through to April. Please ensure your child bring a hat during this period. Remember "No Hat, No Play & Stay In the Shade All Day!"

Children with Additional Needs

At Little Wonder Kids, we support children to participate in our holiday programs. In order to provide quality and responsive care that meets the need of a child with additional needs, we will require at least 4 weeks' notice prior to the start of the program to allow for funding and staffing. We treat each case individually and will make decisions based on the needs of the child, and availability of appropriately qualified staff and resources.

Policies & Procedures

A comprehensive Policy and Procedures Manual will be available at the centre.

Contact Us

For more information please contact us on 0448 060 688 or email info@littlewonderkids.com.au

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WonderKids

Located at Mornington Park Primary School

40 - 58 Robertson Drive Mornington 3913

Email: info@littlewonderkids.com.au

Phone: 0448 060 688



Additional notes / information:

Please return completed forms to:

Kira Ingle / Director

Email: info@littlewonderkids.com.au

or hand in at the school office.

Thank You

February

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1 Preps Start school today	2 Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony	3	4
5	6	7 No Preps today	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 No Preps today	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 No Preps today	22	23 YAWA Swim team try-outs	24	25
26	27	28 No Preps today	29			

March

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	2	3
4 Year 1/2 Main/ Steiner PARC swimming lessons	5 Year 1/2 Main/ Steiner PARC swimming lessons	6 No Preps today Year 1/2 Main/ Steiner PARC swimming Lessons YAWA District Swimming	7 Year 1/2 Main/ Steiner PARC swimming lessons	8 Year 1/2 Main/ Steiner PARC swimming lessons	9	10
11 PUBLIC HOLIDAY LABOUR DAY	12 Division Swimming YR 5/6 Selected students	13	14 NAPLAN test period I Sea, I Care	15 NAPLAN test period Free Dress Day— donate a choc. egg	16	17
18 NAPLAN test period	19 NAPLAN test period	20 NAPLAN test period	21 NAPLAN test period	22 NAPLAN test period	23	24
25 Grade 5/6 Urban Camp	26 Grade 5/6 Urban Camp	27 Grade 5/6 Urban Camp	28 END OF TERM 2.30PM DISMISSAL	29	30	31