Drop off and Pick up Zones (Green Zone)

We understand that it can be quite a challenge to find parking outside our school both before and after school. It is not appropriate to double park, park over driveways, or park in a disabled park without a valid permit. The green drop off zones are the most efficient means of ensuring a safe arrival and departure for your family members.

New office in the 1888 (Library) building

We have created a new office space in the 1888 (Library) building opposite the creative arts room. Needless to say, this office provides much appreciated additional space for staff.

Master Planning Working Group

The Master Planning Working Group met last week to commence addressing issues arising from potential strength in the number of students enrolling at Moonee Ponds West Primary.

Lost Property

A reminder that there are numerous items of unnamed clothing, lunch boxes and drink bottles in the gym in need of being reunited with their owners/loved ones. Weather permitting, items of clothing will be displayed out and around the bike shed this Friday afternoon.

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Parent/Carer Tours for students commencing school in 2017

Please visit the school website for further information. Sibling enrolment documents are now available from the office.

Family Maths Night

The biennial Family Maths Night will take place on Wednesday May 18 at 7:00 pm in the gym. This is a night for families to experience a range of problem-solving activities conducted by the Mathematics Association of Victoria. For further details please refer to the article in this newsletter.

Trivia Night - Disco Bingo

The theme of the Trivia Night this year is disco bingo. Please refer to the item in this newsletter. Tickets go on sale in the coming days. Please save the date. All funds raised contribute toward our fundraising endeavours such as the air-conditioning of the gymnasium.

Banking

Please be advised that School Banking has reverted to Thursday.

Late Lunch Orders

Lunch order arrangements with Darling St Café continue to be well received by the school community. However, there are occasions when orders for lunches are being submitted after the 10:00am deadline that is necessary in allowing for the timely preparation of lunches. If and when this occurs, students who have not submitted orders will not be able to have their lunch provided by the café. The student will be provided with a vegemite or cheese sandwich at a cost of $1.00. Could you please discuss these arrangements with your children in order avoid any disappointment.

Bree White

Last week Bree took part in the Australian Championships (held in Melbourne) as Assistant Coach of the Victorian Country team. The team finished third overall in Division One, and had never previously won a game in the Championship’s history.

Bree has also been selected to play for Melbourne against Brisbane Lions on the MCG on Sunday May 22nd at 10:00am.

MPW Monster Book Fair

The Monster Book Fair is coming to Moonee Ponds West! Held in the Library from Monday May 30th to Friday June 3rd it promises to be, yet again, a week that highlights the value of good literature and serves to promote our exceptional school library. Thanks to Claudia and Michelle for all their work in preparing for this week.

Enjoy the week

Jeff & Fiona
SPORTS NEWS

Winter Sport Round 2

MPW Blue v Avondale

Netball A - 13 - 3
Netball B – 4 - 6
Football – 51 - 34
Tee Ball – 13 - 22

MPW Blue v St Mary’s A

Netball A – 3 - 23
Netball B – 6 - 13
Football – 33 - 37
Tee Ball – 22 - 11

This week –
MPW Gold v MPW Blue

District Soccer Carnival
This year our District Soccer Carnival, will be held on Friday May 20th at JJ Holland Park in Kensington. We will be entering one boys team and one girls team. Students interested will participate in trials this week to finalise our teams.

Fun Run
Our annual fun run will take place on Thursday 26th May. More information will be sent out at the end of the week but as always we are asking for helpers to assist on the day. Please return the attached form if you are able to help out in any way.

2016 MPW Fun Run Thursday 26th May

Name: _________________________________________________________

Child’s Name: ____________________________     Room Number: ________

Contact Number:_________________________________________________

I am able to assist from 9:30 – 10:30
  Cutting Fruit
  Supervise Course
  Stamping Hands
  Assist at a Drink Stop

I have a Working With Children Check - Yes / No
Grade 3/4 Camp @ Campaspe Downs
EDUCATION WEEKLY NEWS

WEDNESDAY
18 MAY 2016
FAMILY
MATHS NIGHT

'A FOCUS ON
PROBLEM
SOLVING.'

'The curriculum for mathematics aims to ensure that all pupils.....become fluent.....reason mathematically.....and can solve problems.'

SEE YOU AT
7:00
IN THE GYM

We'll be there!
Number of Mathematicians attending........
MPW FUNDRAISING EVENT

DISCO BINGO

MUSIC TRIVIA WITH A TWIST FOR PARENTS/FRIENDS

Sat June 18th 7pm- school gym

Come dressed in your best music/disco gear – best dressed table wins a prize

Tickets will be available online from Monday 16th May. Tickets will be $35 pp

Make your own table of 10 or join another table

BYO Drinks and snacks

Silent and live auctions throughout the night

Anyone wanting to donate an auction item or prize can leave it in basket located at the school office

Or contact Rebecca.Sanderz@vu.edu.au or rachwals@hotmail.com
COMMUNITY NEWS

LOST PROPERTY

Lost Property
The lost property boxes are OVERFLOWING. Could all parents and students please have a look for anything that may belong to them. There is a large collection of un-named clothing and food containers at the back of the school gym.

Environment alert
Upcoming event
Ethical Investment Forum: Are you investing in your values?

When: 7pm-9pm, Wednesday 18 May.
Where: Council Chambers, Civic Centre, 9 Kellaway Avenue, Moonee Ponds. (entry via Pascoe Vale Rd)

Do you know where your superannuation and other funds are invested?

Increasingly companies and organisations are moving their money out of fossil fuels, taking real action on climate change. Come to our free forum and be inspired by examples of successful grassroots campaigns and learn how you could make a change.

At this forum, Financial Adviser Mike Josephson from Ethical Investment Services will discuss:
- What ethical investments are
- The risks to investors of ignoring ethics and sustainability
- How you can align your investments with your values

This is a FREE event. Refreshments and finger food provided. Bookings here.

Volunteer Host Families Needed!
World Education Program (WEP) is a not-for-profit student exchange organisation approved by the regulatory authorities in VIC. We are urgently looking for volunteer host families for exchange students arriving in July 2016 for a term, semester or year.

Selection criteria: willing to:
- offer asylum to students and their families in the middle of an Australian winter because the climate is equivalent to summer in the student’s home country.
- provide a photo of a host you have prepared to assist entry because it looks so different.
- be assured that we can travel for hours and still be in the same state of one country.

How does it work?
You can choose a student who you think will fit best into your family. WEP host families are responsible for providing the exchange student with a room (can be shared with sibling of same age and similar age), meals and a welcoming family environment. In return, you will gain a new family member and friend for life. All WEP students come with their own spending money and insurance.

Arriving Soon:
Alissa (Italy): “I love reading! I especially love to take Issed, edims and botanic! I am part of a yout group where I help organize weekly activities for the kids. I would like to study mathematics. I am really excited to meet my host family!”

Louis (France): “I’m a very active and open-minded person who loves to travel and see the world! Although I am Belgian I actually live in France. I enjoy skiing, sailing, swimming but especially playing golf.”

Find out more!
Simply jump online or contact WEP today to receive a free information pack including student profiles.
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