2:30pm finish at end of term

This Friday June 24th students will be dismissed from school at 2:30 pm. The end-of-term whole school assembly will be held in the gym at 2:00 pm. Dismissal of students will be from classrooms at 2:30 pm.

Thank you to each and all for their contributions in supporting the education of the both students of Moonee Ponds West and the wellbeing of the whole school community. Thank you especially to all staff for their tireless endeavours in striving to provide an outstanding education for all the students at MPW.

No Lunch Orders this Friday

Due to the shorter school day on Friday there will be no lunch orders available.

Disco Bingo

On Saturday evening the school community came together for our major fundraising event for term 2 – Disco Bingo. Many thanks to the fundraising team led by Rebecca and Rachael for ensuring the evening was a resounding success. Thank you to the whole school community for their support of this event. The $8061.17 raised on the night will go towards providing air-conditioning for the gymnasium.

Expression of Interest – School Council Treasurer

After 5 years of outstanding service to the community of Moonee Ponds West Primary, Rohan Hawker has stepped down as treasurer of the School Council in response to ongoing work commitments. If anyone is interested in taking on the role of school council treasurer could they please forward their expression of interest to the school’s email address – attention Sandra Monaghan by the close of business on 11th April 2016.

Happy Smiles Day

Happy Smiles day is tomorrow (Thursday). For further information please refer the item in this newsletter.

Reporting to Parents

Reports to Parents go home tomorrow Thursday 23rd June.

Principals’ Report continues over page
Principals’ Report continues

Pupil Free Day Thursday July 14

This year Parent Teacher Child interviews will be conducted on Thursday July 14th, which is a pupil free day.

If you are wishing to enquire about the Camp Australia providing their program for Thursday July 14 could you please register your interest with Camp Australia ASAP. The minimum number of students required for the program to go ahead would be 18.

Parent/Carer Tours

Parent/carer tours have taken place throughout term 2. Please visit the school website for further information.

Enrolment for 2017

Enrolment documents are available from the office for siblings of current MPW students who will be commencing school in 2017. All documentation must be submitted to school by Friday August 12 2016.

Lost Property

A significant amount of lost property has accumulated again. Lost property is located on a rack at the back of the school gymnasium. It is the responsibility of parents and students to check the lost property rack on a regular basis to reclaim their belongings. Any lost property that is unclaimed will be collected on the last Friday of every month and donated to charity. Next collection is scheduled for 24th June 2016.

Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable 2 weeks with family and friends and we all look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday July 11th.

Enjoy the week

Jeff & Fiona

School Council

- School Council reviewed the monthly reports from School Council Sub Committees
- Ella and Eamonn from JSC presented the JSC report to school council and raised concerns from JSC that some students aren’t keeping the toilets clean and creating an unpleasant environment for everyone else. The JSC is working with teachers to come up with creative ways to improve the situation.
- The feedback from Disco Bingo Trivia night was very positive. People really enjoyed the different focus, the great energy and vibe in the room. The dress up was a great idea!!
- The BBQ and coffee cart on election day was agreed too. We are looking for volunteers, if interested please contact the Rebecca Sanders on Rebecca.Sanders@vu.edu.au.

Christine Clancy
School Councillor
**EDUCATION WEEKLY NEWS**

**VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS**

Thank you to all our families who have made voluntary contributions to the school in 2016. Could all the families who have yet to let the school know how they would like their voluntary contributions assigned kindly do so as soon as possible by emailing Sandra Monaghan at moonee.ponds.west.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au.

If we do not receive advice from you regarding the allocation, voluntary contributions will be allocated according to the list on the levy form.

If you have any questions please contact Sandra Monaghan in the General Office.

Thank you.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Term 2
Ends – 24 June
***Dismissal 2:30pm***

Term 3
11 July to 16 September

14 July—**Curriculum Day (Student Free Day)**

14 July – **Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews**

Term 4
3 October to 20 December

**LUNCH ORDERS**

Reminder that their will be no lunch-orders this Friday 24th June.
Lunch orders will resume the first day of Term 3 July 11th.
Please ensure that all lunch orders are handed in and placed in the lunch order boxes provided in the classroom no later than 10am with student’s name and class number. Thank you.

**SCHOOL BANKING**

Just a reminder there is no school banking in the last week of term (Thursday 23rd June) School banking will commence Thursday 21st July in Term 3.
Thank you for your co-operation.

**ELECTION DAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

The fundraising team are taking advantage of our school being a polling place on Election Day by holding a Sausage Sizzle to raise funds for our school. For this to be successful we require your assistance.
Can you help cook or sell sausages for an hour or two?
When Saturday 2nd July 8.30 - 2.00
Where: MPWPS
Sign up by following this link: [http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c4fa5ad2ba7fe3-election](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c4fa5ad2ba7fe3-election)

Thanking you in advance.
MPWPS Fundraising Team
EDUCATION WEEKLY NEWS

MVIMP CAMP
The MVIMP Camp is coming up again at Lady Northcote Recreation Camp, from Tuesday 23rd to Friday 26th August, 2016.

Around 60 children have been invited from the four MVIMP schools (15 from each school) across a range of instruments. While we wish we could take every child who wants to participate, the selection is limited due to numbers and the range of instruments required, and we hope children and their families will understand the difficulty of this.

Children are recommended by their instrumental tutor, based on their attendance, effort, evidence of practise and progress etc. They also need to have the stamina required to manage the rehearsals at camp. Many children will obviously meet these criteria!

Invitations are then finalised between the Music Liaison Teachers to ensure a balance of instruments across the schools (e.g. there is a strictly limited number of places for percussion and bass guitar, for instance) amongst other factors such as attitude and experience. We try to provide one opportunity for each child who is ready and able to attend MVIMP camp during their time in the program, though this is not always possible and should not be relied on, especially in the afore mentioned instruments.

Invitations have been finalised and replies need to be returned this week. More information will follow for those who accept the invitation.

JAPANESE NEWS
Last week and this week have been exciting ones in the Japanese classes as we have been video conferencing with our sister school in Japan. The Grade 4, 5 and 6 students of MPW have been chatting to the students from Ryokuen Higashi Shougakkou (PS)! First we talked in Japanese introducing ourselves, asking them what subject they like and then telling them which is our favourite subject. The Japanese students had their turn talking about themselves in English.

Next term we will be hosting 2 Grade 5 students from Ryokuen Higashi Shougakkou for 4 days. Then of course we are planning our own school trip to Japan for 2017! You will soon be hearing more on that.
Happy Smiles Day

Happy smiles day will be held on Thursday 23rd June by JSC. There will be various student led activities around the school. Also we will be having a Bake Sale held in the gym at lunchtime so don’t forget your gold coin donation.
COMMUNITY NEWS

**Do you need to defrag your brain these school holidays?**

“Very pleasantly surprised”
“Deeply relaxing”
“I feel like I’ve been asleep for hours”
“The constant thoughts are gone. I feel really calm”
“I feel really dear and centered”
“Things that used to bother me aren’t so important now. I don’t react the way I used”
“I have less stress and anxiety. I just feel more relaxed, more me”
“Life is easier”
“His focus, attention and behaviour have all improved”
“I have more clarity. It’s easier to make decisions because I’m more in tune with who I am and what I want.”

**GET YOUR BARS RUN!!!**

School holiday special 20% off

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**SCHOOL HOLIDAY**

**Visual Art Workshops**

Presented by Creative Mites

at Robinson Reserve

Neighbourhood House

A whole day of Art based activities designed specifically for primary school aged kids that love Art!

**Thursday 30th June**

9am – 5pm

Art Focus: Collage

- Discover how to paint with scissors! The Henri Matisse
- Have fun creating a photomontage artwork
- Make an artwork using torn pieces of paper.

**Suitable for children age 5 – 12 years**

Enroll in either or both days.

One Day workshop $50 per child or both days $100

Siblings receive a 10% discount

All materials provided

Bring your own lunch (snacks provided)

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: Please call 03 9386 7128 or email discovercreativity@live.com.au to secure your spot!

308a Reynard Street, Coburg 3058

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**Mt. Alexander College Hall**

**First Session Free**

**When:**

- U5’s – Thursday 4pm
- U8’s – Thursday 5pm
- U12’s – Thursday 6pm.

**Where:**

- Mt. Alexander College Hall, 165 – 179 Mt Alexander Rd
  Flemington.

**Duration:**

- 1 hour per session.

**Cost:**

- 16.50 Per session GST Inc.
- Uniform Fee = $80 GST Inc.

(One time fee providing Adidas Soccer Pro Academy Uniform of Socks, Shirts, and Top.)

**Interested?**

Small groups of around 10 players, spots are limited, be Quick!! Contact ex Socceroo & Olyroo Joe Spiteri 0422 087 191 or on the details above to secure your spot.