

## What's Happening?

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August** –  
School Council 6:30

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August** –  
Book Parade 9:10am  
Book Fair  
Maths Family Night  
6:30pm

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August** –  
Father's Day Stall  
Book Fair

**4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> September** –  
Grade 3/4 Camp

**5<sup>th</sup> September** – Lullabies  
in the Library (Prep)

**6<sup>th</sup> September** – Grade 1  
Breakfast

**9<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>** – Swimming

**13<sup>th</sup> September** – Trivia  
Night

**20<sup>th</sup> September** – Last day  
of term 3. 2:30 finish

**13<sup>th</sup> October** – Bunnings  
BBQ

### Absence SMS

If your child arrives after 9:00am please ensure that your child is signed in at the office. If they are not signed in you will receive an SMS stating that your child is away.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Almost three-quarters of the school year has passed. We are already planning transition for our new Preps, and organising Graduation and Transition for our Grade 6s to move on to High School. With so many events in term 3 the weeks are flying by.

### Chocolate Fundraiser:

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Cadbury Chocolate Drive. We have raised just over \$3300! This money will be spent on some new tables for the Science/Art room. Thank you once again!

### Trivia Night:

We have a Trivia Night organised for you to attend on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September. This is a great opportunity to relax and enjoy a hosted community event whilst raising funds for our school. For more information, please check Compass or contact the office. We hope to see you there!

### Maths Information Night:

Thank you to those parents who attended the maths Information Night last week. We hope you found it informative, and now have a better understanding of how maths is taught at Mickleham.

### Maths Family Night:

Please come and join in the fun and games on our family maths night next Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August. Bring your family along to join in with a variety of maths games and activities. Parents and Friends are providing some snacks, and there will be raffle and door prizes! We hope to see you there!

### Building Works:

On Monday Emma and Jodi met with some architects to try to work through a plan of action with the flooding on our school grounds. There will be some construction fencing erected soon, around the muddiest parts of the school. They will then be investigating our tanks and pipes to ensure there are no extra leaks, before designing an inviting space in our current problem areas. We have also had our staffroom windows re-glazed. Watch this space for more updates...

### Grade 3/4 Camp:

If you haven't done so, please ensure that you have paid for the camp as soon as possible. There are a few families who have yet to pay. There will be more information about what to bring nearer the time.

### Swimming:

Our annual swimming program starts on the 9<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> September. Please ensure you have confirmed attendance through the Compass App. If you need help with this, please do not hesitate to ask our office staff, Jodi, Christine or Julie.

### New enrolments for 2020:

Please remind your family and friends that if they are planning to enrol at Mickleham Primary School for 2020 now is the time to complete your enrolment forms.

**Solar Panels:**

Over the next few weeks some of our new portables are going to have some solar panels installed. The panels may take a few days to install. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

**Attendance:**

Daily school attendance is important for all children to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally. Children who regularly attend school have better health outcomes, better employment outcomes, and higher incomes across their lives. It is important that children develop habits of regular attendance at an early age. Research has shown that the impact of more than 20 days absent in any year during the early years of schooling has a long term impact on their learning. **It is not OK to be away.**

**School Hours:**

Our school hours are between 8:50 am and 3.30 pm. We have staff supervision of students between 8:40pm and 3.45pm. Big Childcare provide an excellent before and after school hours' program for families who have work or other commitments and are unable to drop and off or collect their children between these times. The safety of all our students is very important to us and for these reasons we expect all students arriving early or not being picked up prior to 3.45pm to attend the Out of School Hours Care program. Please make sure you are booking your child in to the program.

**Sun Smart:**

Over the weekend, whilst I was walking my dog, my phone beeped. As I checked my phone I was surprised to see it was a UV rating alerting me to the fact that the UV was a maximum of 3 and sun protection would be required between the times 11:40 am and 1:10pm. On Monday I found myself making an announcement to let the children and staff know that the UV rating was 3 again and sun protection was required. Please ensure your children are bringing their hats and sunscreen to school – **Spring is nearly upon us!**

**Bullying:**

We are in the process of reviewing our Bullying Prevention Policy and will be taking this to school council on Monday for consultation and approval. We are a "Bullying. No Way!" school. You can find more information at <https://bullyingnoway.gov.au/>. There are some very useful videos on here defining the term 'bullying' and some very useful resources. If you would like more information on our bullying policy please speak to me, or alternatively check our policies out on our school website. The bullying policy will be uploaded soon.

**Uniform:**

Please ensure your children are wearing school uniform. School uniform is compulsory at Mickleham and is an expectation that the uniform is worn on a daily basis. If your child is out of uniform, please send a note with them so that their classroom teacher is aware of the reason why. For more information on our school uniform please contact the office.

**Parent Code of Conduct:**

We welcome all parents to be a part of our Mickleham Primary School community, and pride ourselves on being a school where everybody feels welcome. However, there are some behaviours which are not encouraged or accepted at our school. Under no circumstances are parents to address children other than their own about their behaviours or actions. If you have a problem and need some support your first job is to inform the class teacher. Do not approach other students and try to fix the problem yourself. In the same instance, raising your voice at other children goes against our school value of respect, and as such is not condoned at our school. Please refer to our Parent Code of Conduct for more information.

**Enjoy your week!**

**Sue Crispe – Principal and Emma Fuller – Assistant Principal**