

CALENDAR

June

Fri 30 Last day Term 2 - **2.30pm dismissal**

July

Mon 10-Tue 18 . [Singapore International Choral Festival](#)

Mon 17 First day Term 3

Wed 19 Yr 4 Engineers Without Borders incursion

Thur 20 District Cross Country

Thur 20 Yrs 5&6 Engineers Without Borders incursion

Fri 21 Yrs 1 & 2 Swimming Program starts

Mon 24-Thu 27 . Parent Teacher Conferences

Tue 25 Prep Swimming Program starts

Tue 25 Yrs 5&6 Science Discovery Dome incursion

Fri 28 District Girl's Soccer

Fri 28 Yrs 1 & 2 Swimming Program

August

Tue 1 Prep Swimming Program

Tue 1 ICAS English

Tue 1 PFA Meeting 7.30pm

Wed 2 Prep 2018 Parent Evening 7pm

Thu 3 Yrs 5&6 MWSC 'Legally Blonde' excursion

Fri 4 Yrs 1 & 2 Swimming Program

Fri 4 [Kodály Junior Choir Festival](#)

Students do not attend school on public holidays or student-free days.

Whole School Assembly

Every Monday at 2.30pm in School Hall. *All welcome*

School Banking - every Tuesday.

SCHOOL TOURS

Fridays at 9.30am

Bookings essential - please call School Office

ENROLMENTS FOR 2018

are being accepted now—please submit by the end of Term 2.

2017 Term Dates

Term 1: 30 January* to 31 March

Term 2: 18 April to 30 June

Term 3: 17 July to 22 September

Term 4: 9 October to 22 December

** 30 January is a state wide student free day.*

EHPS student free days: 31 January, 29 May and 18 August.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear parents and guardians,

This last week of term has again been very busy with many exciting educational activities for our children. We have had visits from Engineers Without Borders, Fire Fighters and Story Dogs, our JSC raised money for children in Syria and Year 1 went to the Bug Lab exhibition at the Museum. All of these activities have been rich and meaningful. They provide our children with realistic and engaging learning opportunities that they will remember fondly.

Year 2 Science Talent Search

This week I visited 2M as they started their class Science Talent Search (STS) project. Their task was to design a water filtration system and to evaluate how it worked. The children were divided into four groups and they all had to work as a team to design, make and test their filtration system. The children were all involved and so creative with their ideas. The results were excellent! The next stage of the STS project will be to discuss their results as a class and to see what conclusions they can draw from their experiments. The children really enjoyed this practical science activity and I look forward to seeing their results before they submit them.



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Students dismissed at 2.30pm on Friday 30th June.
Term 3 starts on Monday 17th July.

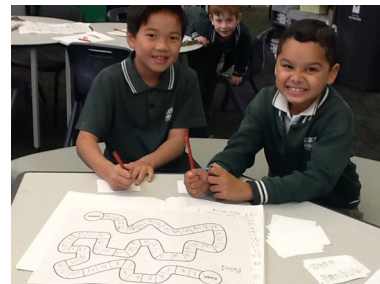


Indonesian Passports

In Indonesian this week, the Prep children were completing a page in their passports. When I visited the Indonesian Room, Bu Sarah was the Captain of the plane and the children were landing on the runway and needed to complete their passports before I could stamp them. The children were so involved and interested in finishing their work. Great work everyone!! BAGUS!!

Year 2 Maths Games

This week all the Year 2 classes have been making maths games. They have created the rules, developed questions to ask on certain spots, and decorated the board so that it was bright and distinctive. Some of the children created very tricky consequences for landing on certain locations or for incorrect answers. I am sure that these games will



Michael M

Brass and Woodwind Concert

On Monday night, I attended the Brass and Woodwind Concert. Once again, it was an entertaining and fantastic evening of music. It was great to see so many parents present supporting their children. For some children it was their first concert whilst others were very experienced. The performances were so professional and all the children must be congratulated on their musicianship. Some children played as soloists, others in ensembles and finally the concert band performed two rousing pieces!! What a great way to end a special night!!!

Congratulation to all the participants and special thanks to Sarah, Marc and Norm for preparing the children so well.



July

- 1st Alana C
- 2nd Kingston C
Murray H
Sora K
Ryan T
- 3rd Bailey C
- 5th Jordan D
- 6th Hong Jin G
- 8th Derek L
- 9th Jayda C
Ruby H
- 11th Ben T
- 12th Jacob L
- 14th Rowan C
- 15th Clara H
Le Le G
- 17th Rennie T
Lukas F
- 18th Archie H
Akira A
Zian A
Jaslene L
- 19th Zern W



Damien N



Audrey L

Singapore International Choral Festival

During the holidays, 18 children from our Chamber Choir will be travelling to Singapore to compete in the Singapore International Choral Festival. This is an amazing opportunity for the children. Not only will they have the experience to compete in a worldwide singing festival but they will also get the chance to travel to Singapore and learn about this interesting country and to find out so much about the culture.

Ms Dolence and Ina Kuehlich will accompany the students with the assistance of two parents. We wish them all safe travelling, good luck at the festival and look forward to hearing all about this wonderful experience.

School Resumption

The first day of Term 3 is Monday 17th July.

Please make sure that you all have a great holiday and I look forward to seeing you around the school in Term 3.

George Perini
Principal

YEAR 2 CRAFTY CONSTRUCTION - RESUSE AND RECYCLE!

Last week the Year 2s were given a challenge to plan and create a new object out of recycled materials. They were given class time to brainstorm and plan, and they were given two hours of construction time. It was a wonderful learning atmosphere where students used their critical and creative thinking to construct and test their creations as well as overcome any issues they faced. On Friday, the four classrooms were set up into an exhibition where each student's construction creation were on display on their table. We had lots of visitors, including Preps, Years 1, 3, 4 and 5/6 as well as lots of parents. The students had a fantastic time presenting and talking about their construction creations and it was great to be able to share their learning with the school community.



Adele - 2D



Murray - 2O



Jack - 2M



Ariya, Celine and Sienna - 2LB

Students enjoyed this open ended learning task and provided us with some feedback about their thoughts, this feedback included:

"It has prepared us for future projects"

"Learning in a creative way"

"Learning a new skill in a fun way"

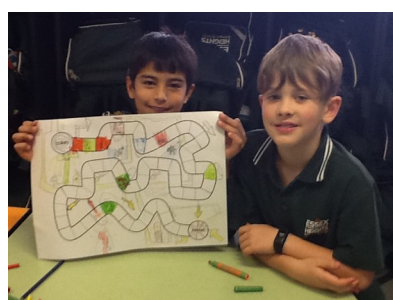
"Thankful for the project and it was fun seeing everyone's creations"

"They were all unique creations and we got to share ideas"

Thank you to all that came and visited our exhibition and the families who donated lots of recycled items to make this challenge possible!

Lauren Davies, Nicole Morton, Kirsten Lightfoot, Nikki Olsen and Verity Bright
(The very proud Year 2 Teachers!)

YEAR 2 MATHS GAMES



ENGINEERS WITHOUT BORDERS - YEAR 3 INCURSION

On Monday 26th June Year Three had a visit from 'Engineers Without Borders'. They learnt about the different types of engineers that there are. In teams, they also created a water filter with everyday materials and were able to test their creations.

Everyone had a fantastic time and hope they will come again next year.



PREP FIREFIGHTERS INCURSION



Year 1 Excursion - Melbourne Museum: Bug Lab



On Tuesday 27th June, the Year 1's had an exciting bug-filled day at the Melbourne Museum. We spent the day exploring different exhibitions and galleries surrounding our Term 2 topic, 'Schoolyard Safari'. These experiences included a trip to the famous 'Bug Lab' where we saw spectacular life-sized creepy crawlies and their habitats. The children also enjoyed a visit to the 'Bugs Alive' gallery where they participated in engaging, hands on explorations. The staff at the Museum also led an educational program, where students extended their learning on

minibeasts and their features. It was a fantastic way to conclude a fascinating unit of work!

"I liked seeing the giant praying mantis because they are my favourite minibeast!"
– Jordan 1P

"My favourite part was when I made a paper butterfly and put in the fan so it could fly up really high!" – Oscar 1G

"I liked seeing the butterflies because they had very pretty wings!" – Zoe 1J

"There was this special machine that opened and the lights were flashing and it made it look like the frogs were jumping into the water" – Jeremy 1D





Sayembara Lisan Finals: State-wide annual Indonesian Oral Competition

CONGRATULATIONS!!!



Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded prizes in this year's Sayembara Lisan Indonesian Language Competition:

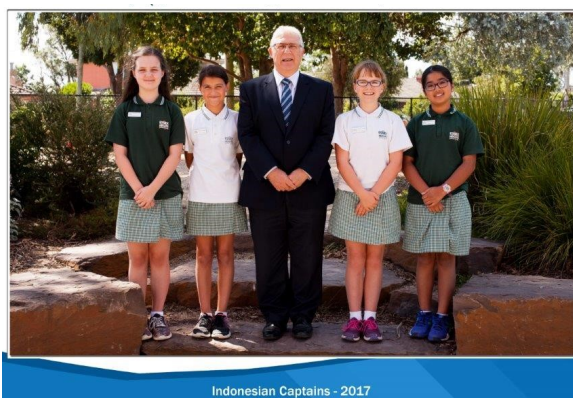
Level 1: Jane L (equal 1st prize) and Aiden D (equal 1st prize)

Level 2: Nandita (1st prize), Bhuvi (2nd prize), and Hannah L (3rd prize)

Level 3: Chika (1st prize)

An amazing effort by all for a state-wide competition!

The children and their families will be attending an official presentation evening on Friday 21st July.



Terima Kasih (Thank You)

Thank you to the semester one Indonesian Captains, **Sophia and Mia**, for their dedication and enthusiasm in their roles as 'Kapten Bahasa Indonesia'. I have appreciated their involvement in presenting the weekly Indonesian award, various classroom jobs and supporting the Prep students in some of their activities. The girls have both given 100% to the program and are to be commended on their willingness to engage within their roles.

We are looking forward to welcoming **Abby and Stephanie** as 'Kapten Bahasa Indonesia' for semester two as they step into the leadership within this role.

Selamat Liburan (Happy Holidays)

Happy holidays! Some families have mentioned that they will be going to Indonesia over the break. Others may just want to use some phrases and continue their child's Indonesian learning at home. Thank you to parents who have requested some more words to use with their children at home. Here are a few words for Indonesian colours that the students from Prep to Year 6 have learnt.

Have a safe and happy holiday - Selamat Liburan!



INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM: BRASS & WOODWIND CONCERT



Beginner Band: Julius Z, Isla F, Aubrey P, Jay Sern C, Michael M, Ellen T, Damien N, Raffi T, Avril T



Evelyn L



Orlando T



Amber R



Concert Band: Hong Jin G, Hannah L, Orlando T, Jake S, Amber R, Audrey L, Emily L, Evelyn L, Hanne W, Shuying J, Huey N, Eshan C, Kayla S, Luka P, Lucia C, Sophia C

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES



Parent Teacher Conferences will be held from **Monday 24th to Thursday 27th July**.

Bookings are to be made on Compass. It is recommended that you log in to Compass on a desktop computer; smart phones and tablets do not always provide the functionality required. If you do not make a booking before the bookings close on Compass, you will need to speak to your child's teacher directly to find out what interview times are still available.

If you are unable to log in to Compass, please request that your access be reset at the Office.

SUSTAINABILITY TEAM



Recycling Bin Roster

Thank you to our volunteers who put the yellow lidded recycling bins out:

Sunday 9th July McKindley family
Sunday 23rd July McKindley family
Sunday 6th August McKindley family

Volunteers for August, September and October are required. If you'd like to put your name on the roster, please call in to the Office.



MUNCH & CRUNCH CANTEEN

Monday, Wednesday and Friday - lunch orders only.
No over the counter sales. 2017 menu available in the Office.



Canteen Roster

Please remember to sign the Visitor's Register in the Office before coming to the Canteen.

Monday 17th July at 11.15am Monica Fulton
Wednesday 19th July at 9.30am Fiona Matera & Samantha Harris
Friday 21st July at 10am Amanda Kelsall, Erica Baddeley & Bee Bee The

If you are unable to do your rostered duty, please contact Maria as soon as possible.

If you have any queries, please call Maria on 0409 934 573.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL - FUNDRAISER



Thank you for your donations on Tuesday - we raised over \$200 for the [Save the Children Syrian Crisis](#) fundraiser.



Save the Children

*Thank you,
Maria Capsalis & Alexandra O'Connor,
on behalf of the Junior School Council*

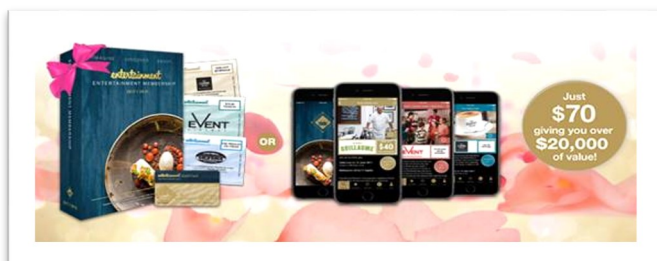


It's been a busy Term 2 and I would like to thank again everyone that has helped with PFA events and fundraisers.

I hope everyone enjoys the school holidays and I look forward to seeing you in Term 3.

Entertainment Books

Purchase the **NEW** 2017/2018 Entertainment Book now and enjoy a year of discounts. \$14 from each book sold goes to the School. Click on the image below to go to our webpage to order:



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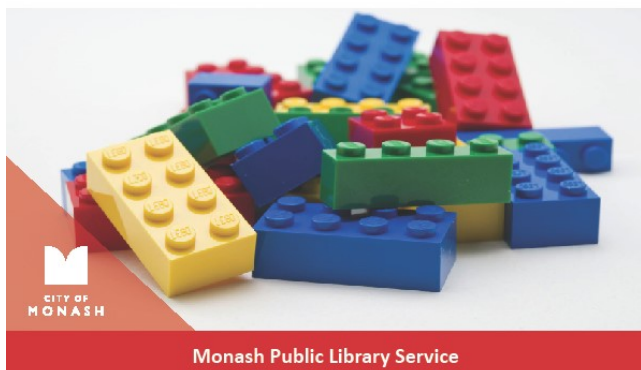
*Happy & safe holidays,
Andrea F*

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Lego Club!



School age children can get creative with
Lego each Tuesday during the
2017 school terms at Lego Club!

4-5pm (excludes public holidays)

Mount Waverley Library

41 Miller Crescent

FREE, no bookings required.

Enquiries: 9807 5022

www.monlib.vic.gov.au



Essex Heights Netball Club is looking for girls and boys in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 who would like to join our club and play netball on Saturday mornings at Ashwood Netball Courts.

Training is on Thursdays from 3.30pm to 4.30pm at the EHPS netball courts.

(Note: Last training for the Winter season was 22nd June; training will recommence on Thursday 20th July for the Spring season).

For further information, please contact Rosemary Gillespie on 0408 070 435.

Earn & Learn
is coming soon

Starts 26 July 2017

 That's why
I pick Woolies