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Principal’s Report

**Grade 6 Graduation**

Our graduation lunch will be held next Friday December 16 from 12 at the Italian Australian Club.

For our grade 6 students this is quite an occasion whereby we reflect upon their achievements over not only this year but their Primary School years and formally recognise their transition to Secondary Education.

**Glen Cromie Park Whole School Picnic/Fun Day**

A reminder that on Monday December 19 the whole school will be attending Glen Cromie Park for our end of year school picnic. Parents are also welcome.

There is minimal room on the buses however parents are welcome to drive, but please remember to check in at the gate to register as you enter the park.

It’s a great day out and those parents who have attended in the past have had a very worthwhile day.

**Library Books**

As the year rapidly draws to a close we need to get ready for 2017. There are still significant numbers of library books outstanding from the school library.

Over the next week we would appreciate all borrowed books being returned to the library so that we have a clear picture of book stocks. Thanks in anticipation of your support.

**Breakfast Program**

This year 7433 breakfasts were served in the school breakfast program. A huge thanks to our school staff who attend work early and volunteer their time to support the program, and to LION who not only support with products but support with staff who also volunteer.

**School Council Meeting**

Tonight will be our final school council meeting for 2016. Many thanks to our school councillors for their contributions over the year.

**Parent Helpers Morning Tea**

At recess on Tuesday December 13 we will be holding a morning tea in our staff room as a gesture of thanks for the many parent helpers who have assisted us through the year.

We have many wonderful helpers and I extend an open invitation to our helpers to come along.

**Canteen Thankyou**

Many thanks to all of our canteen helpers through the year with a huge thanks to Deb Minster who has worked tirelessly all year to ensure our canteen remains open.

Our canteen is run to provide a service to our school community, principally through the efforts of our Parent’s Association. If we were required to pay wages the cost of the lunches would increase hugely. Without the work of volunteers and in particular Deb Minster the canteen would close.

**Christmas Dress Up on the last day**

To celebrate the end of the year we will have a Christmas Dress Up on the last day of term.

**1pm End of Year Dismissal**

The school year formally ends at 1pm on Tuesday December 20 following the final school assembly.

During the final day many children will be involved in classroom clean up as children should have taken belongings home on Friday December 16.

Children will not require lunch on the last day

*Chris Joustra, Principal.*
STUDENT AWARDS THIS WEEK

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Preps
Thomas C, Emily L & Kur K

Grade 1
Sage S, Archie S & Izabelle P

Grade 2
Abbie MacD, Layne E & Tonii P

Grade 3
Mysen P, Harley F H & Kainen K E

Grade 4
Seth H, Jorja K & Madison M

Grade 5
Emily S & Toby McE

Grade 6
None available due to One Day Fun Day.

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD
Victoria C, Gr 4

AWARD — Confidence
Jorja S, Gr 1

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Student Yahya A S, Prep
Receives $5.00 Canteen Lunch Voucher.

CLASS Grade 3

TIPS FOR BUSY STUDENTS

Making and keeping friends.
• If your best friend is in a bad mood, give them some space. And don’t take it personally.
• Showing interest in what your friends are doing or saying makes them feel pretty good.
• Learn to smile more. It eases tension in yourself and in others.
• Ask for help only if you really need it.
• Friends are our greatest source of company, support, interest, stimulation, trust and fun.

TIPS FOR BUSY PARENTS

• Becoming a parent does not bring with it a ‘How to’ manual. All the wisdom and skills of parenting have to be learned.
• Your pattern of parenting may be strongly influenced by your experience with your own parents. ‘Dawdling’ is an excellent way children keep their parents busy.
The Value of the Fortnight is: TACT

**YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING**

*Kurnai College*

*Morwell Campus*

**Thursday 8th December**, 7.00-8.00pm, Morwell Campus Hexagon. Parents of new Year 7 students are encouraged to attend.

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**GLEN CROMIE PARK**

**Picnic/Fun Day**

**Monday 19th December**

*Please Note:* Permission Forms and payment must be returned by **Monday 12th December** for your child/children to attend.

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**LOST PROPERTY**

There are a number of items in lost property located outside Mr Joustra's office.

If anyone has misplaced any items of clothing, these need to be collected as soon as possible, otherwise they will be added to our secondhand clothing at the end of the year for re-sale.

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**GRADE 6 GRADUATION**

The final formal function for all grade 6 students will be the Graduation Luncheon on **Friday 16th December** at the **Italian Australian Club** in Morwell. This is an opportunity for children to sit down and have a meal with teachers and special guests.

Parents/guardians are welcome to attend the luncheon with students, staff and guests, commencing at 11.45am (meal served at 12.00) at a cost of $17.00 per head not including soft drinks.

Parents/guardians and other family members are welcome to come along after the luncheon at 1.30pm for the presentation of awards, reports and certificates.

Forms must be returned by **tomorrow Friday 9th December**. **NO BOOKINGS** will be taken after this date.
**JSC Fundraiser**

Junior School Councillors will be selling icy poles every Monday and Friday lunchtime until the end of term.

Icy poles will sell for 50 cents each.

All profits will be donated to the Big Issue who help those less fortunate, and who also donated the street soccer pitch that MPPS students use.

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**2017 PARENT PAYMENT (Booklist) FORM**

There are still a number of forms to be completed and returned.

Books **will not** be packed for children who have not returned a signed form.

Please remember to advise the office if you **will not** be attending Morwell Park next year. Thank you.

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**LEARN JUDO**

Yinnar and District Judo Club.

Wednesday evenings at Yinnar Recreation Reserve. All ages welcome. 6-7.30pm.

For more information please contact Sharon Taylor on 0418 681 245 or Peter Brimblecombe on 0409 402 459.

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**CANTEEN LAST DAY**

Tomorrow Friday 9th December is our last day for lunch orders for 2016.

A big thank you to Debbie Minster and all the special volunteers who have so successfully organized and ran the canteen through 2016.
All the hard work the children had put into the preparation for the 2016 RACV Energy Breakthrough finally paid off.

The team arrived in Maryborough on Wednesday 16th November, set up camp and prepared everything for the start of the event on Thursday morning.

After a very early start going to scrutineering at 8.30am followed by both teams completing their presentations it was off to the pool for the afternoon.

The road trial began at 12.00pm on Friday stopping at 8.00pm for a compulsory break then restarting at 6.00am on Saturday.

Katchmi Jnr finished in 63rd position having completed 303 laps and Speed Demons 68th completing 257 laps.

A big thank you to all the parents who have supported our teams in the preparation before we left and then during the event.
Morwell Park's Katchmi Kids
2016
R.A.C.V. Energy Breakthrough Team

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