



SCHOOL NEWS



27TH MARCH 2026

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Open Morning – Thank You!

Thank you to all the families who attended our Open Morning today! It was wonderful to welcome you into classrooms and share the fantastic learning taking place.

We hope you were impressed with the writing lessons and could see our whole-school instructional approach in action. Open mornings like this are a great way to celebrate student learning, strengthen connections between home and school, and showcase the creativity and engagement of our students.

We look forward to welcoming you back for future events and continuing to work together to support your child's learning journey.

School Council and Annual Report 2025

Thank you to those families who attended our Annual Report 2025 meeting last week. It was wonderful to come together as a school community to celebrate the achievements of our students, reflect on our successes, and share our plans for the year ahead.

Our 2026 School Council met for the first time this year, and I wish to congratulate Gurdeesh, who has been appointed as our new School Council President. We also warmly welcome new member Tim and celebrate our returning members: Alison, Cleopatra, Fiona, Vicki, Sam, and Binara. Our staff representatives include Zaim Zeneli, Laura Crothers, and Andrew Brown.

The School Council plays a vital role in supporting the school's strategic direction, contributing to decision-making, and fostering strong links between families, staff, and the wider community. The council's goals include:

- Ensuring excellence in teaching and learning
- Supporting student wellbeing and engagement
- Strengthening community partnerships
- Overseeing school policies and resources
- Contributing to the growth and sustainability of our programs

We are looking forward to a productive year ahead and thank all members for their commitment to our school community.



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Join a School Council Sub-Committee!

Our School Council is supported by a number of sub-committees, and we are inviting parents to get involved! Joining a sub-committee is a fantastic way to contribute to your child's school and make a real impact on our learning community.

The sub-committees for 2026 are:

- **Finance / Curriculum** – Focuses on school budget, funding allocation, and ensuring resources are used effectively to support student learning.
- **Curriculum, Wellbeing and Policy** – Supports student wellbeing initiatives, reviews policies, and provides input on curriculum to ensure teaching and learning meets students' social, emotional, and academic needs.
- **Publicity, Marketing and Community** – Promotes school events, reviews the school website and social media, strengthens Kinder connections, and shares our successes with families and the wider community.
- **Facilities** – Provides input into the management and development of school facilities, grounds, and resources.

If you would like to join any of these sub-committees, please contact the school office. Your involvement helps shape the programs, policies, and experiences that benefit all students and strengthens the school community.

Contributing to your child's school is a meaningful way to make a difference and support the learning journey of every student.

We look forward to welcoming new parent members to our sub-committees in 2026!

Mental Health in Primary Schools (MHIPS) Initiative

We are excited to share that Malvern Valley Primary School is officially part of the Mental Health in Primary Schools (MHIPS) initiative this year! This initiative recognises the important role primary schools play in promoting the mental health and wellbeing of children.

Our school has received funding for 0.5 FTE (2.5 days) to support the role of our Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader (MHWL), Ms Laura Crothers.

Ms Crothers will be leading a whole-school approach to student wellbeing by:

- Building staff capacity and understanding of wellbeing practices
- Coordinating targeted support for students
- Establishing clear referral pathways for additional support

Ms Crothers, Mr Brown, and I have begun professional development through The University of Melbourne's MHIPS training. This year, our focus will be on regulation, ensuring consistent practices across the school to maximise positive outcomes for student wellbeing, resilience, and engagement.

The MHIPS initiative is an exciting step forward in fostering a supportive, safe, and inclusive school environment, where every student can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

Term 1 Recap

We can't believe we are nearly at the end of Term 1! It has been such a fantastic start to the school year, with students settling into their classes and engaging enthusiastically in their learning. Across the school, students have embraced new challenges, explored their curiosity, and demonstrated growth in literacy, numeracy, and creative thinking.



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We are proud of the progress and achievements of all our students and the way they are developing confidence, skills, and independence in their learning.

A reminder that we have an **early finish at 2:30pm on Thursday 2nd April** for the start of the school holidays. We hope all families enjoy a safe, relaxing break and look forward to seeing everyone back for Term 2, ready for more learning, growth, and achievements!

Assembly

Our next Assembly will be held on Friday, 1st May (Term 2) at 2:45 pm in The Sherwood Centre.

Cake Raffle – \$1 per ticket

The first cake raffle for Term 2, our brave bakers are the Main Family — thank you for contributing a delicious cake for our school community.

Tickets are just \$1 each, and the lucky winner will be drawn during assembly. Don't miss out on your chance to win a scrumptious treat!

Amy Tinetti
Principal



END OF TERM 1 FUN SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND CRAZY HAIR DAY

To celebrate the end of Term 1 on Thursday 2nd April, we are excited to be hosting a Sausage Sizzle and Crazy Hair Day!

Sausage Sizzle Lunch

The school will be sizzling up sausages on the last day of term to raise money towards our 2026 fundraising goals.

Sausages are \$4, icy poles \$1, and a limited number of boxed drinks are available for \$1.

Click on the [link](#) to order and pay online by 4:00pm Tuesday 31st March.

Please note, we are not accepting cash on the day or any later orders.

Crazy Hair Day

Students are invited to come to school in full uniform, but with their craziest hair - think spikes, braids, bright colours, glitter, or even hair that stands straight up!

We ask that students bring a gold coin donation to support fundraising efforts for our school.

We can't wait to see all the creative hairstyles and will keep you updated on what the money will go towards. Thank you for your support!



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TERM 1 SPECIALIST AWARDS

LOTE: Greek

Kobe, Charlie C, Estelle, Olivia

Performing Arts

Gigi, Chloe Q, Easton, Evan B

Physical Education

Alexander M, Cooper, Henry S, Mariah

Visual Arts

Kai A, Tahlia, Lily, Phillip

CAKE RAFFLE WINNER



STUDENTS OF THE FORTNIGHT

PREP T	Costa
1 C	Lina
1 V	Sinaaf
2 G	Hazel
2 M	Tino
3/4 D	Nash
3/4 M	Vera
3/4 P	Lachie W
5/6 C	Saba
5/6 P	Asher



RESPECT

RESILIENCE

CONFIDENCE

COOPERATION



2026 MVPS CARNIVAL

The 2026 MVPS Carnival will be held on
Saturday 7th November 2026 1pm-8pm.

Join us for an afternoon and evening of fun,
food, games, and community spirit. More
details coming soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS

30th Parent Teacher Interviews
31st 3:30pm-5:30pm

31st Year 3/4 Incursion

2nd April Last Day of Term 1
Crazy Hair Day*
End of Term Lunch*
Finish at 2:30pm

* Please see separate post

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HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

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OPEN TWILIGHT 2026



What can parents and families look forward to?

- Welcome from our College Principal and Assistant Principals
- An outline of the College vision and plans
- Opportunities to see students and staff working on a range of learning activities across all areas of the college
- Assistance with enrolment enquiries

Monday 27 April
5:30pm - 7:30pm

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HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

2026 Melbourne Cartooning Kids Club



Monday April 13th - Friday April 17th

Bookings
www.illustrating-man.com.au

- Click the Cartoon Workshops button in the middle of our home page
- Select: Melbourne
- Check your junk, spam folders for the confirmation
- If using PayPal - we will write to your PayPal email
- For children aged 4 - 15 years
- Juniors: 4 - 6
- Intermediates: 8 - 10
- Seniors: 11 - 15

\$60 Short Day 9.30^{am} - 3.30^{pm}
 \$65 Long Day 8^{am} - 6^{pm} (part thereof)
 \$30 Thursday night 6^{pm} - 9^{pm}

Early Bird Discounts
School Holiday 5 Day Programs

Book 4 Long Days Monday to Thursday NOT Friday - don't select Friday by 4.30pm Friday March 6th & we'll give you the Friday for FREE.
 Your child will be added to the Friday list

Saving \$65

Note: The Melbourne programs always fill up quickly with limited spots available. Please try to book ASAP!

Melbourne 5 Day Program
 Monday April 13th - Friday April 17th
 1a Birch Street, Caulfield South (Princess Park)

Weekend Victorian Programs

Geelong
 Saturday February 28th - Sunday March 1st
 33b Myers Street, Geelong

Bendigo
 Saturday March 7th - Sunday March 8th
 47 Simpsons Road, English Walk

Ballarat
 Saturday March 14th - Sunday March 15th
 684 Hamfray Street South, Golden Point

Bacchus Marsh - Melton
 Saturday March 28th - Sunday March 29th
 88 Wicks Street, Darley

Enquiries: 8.30am - 4.30pm (EST)
 Calls outside of these times will be returned the following day

02 9343 0833
bookings@cartoonkingdom.com.au
www.illustrating-man.com.au
 Mail: Suite 2, 29 Newland Street
 Bondi Junction NSW 2022



FUN SPORTS - GET KIDS ACTIVE!

JUNIOR FUTSAL COMPETITIONS **JUNIOR CRICKET COMPETITIONS**

FRIDAYS **GRADES 3/4 - MONDAY** **GRADES 5/6 - TUESDAY / FRIDAY**

WEEKDAY AFTER-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS - FORM A TEAM AND NOMINATE NOW!

FUTSAL COACHING PROGRAM **KIDS BIRTHDAY PARTIES**

THURSDAY / SATURDAY **MIDWEEK & WEEKENDS**

Box Hill Action Indoor Sports - 9 Clarice Rd, Box Hill 3128 - 9890 7000
www.boxhillindoorsports.com.au

NETSPORTS



AUTUMN HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Week 1: Apr 7th - Apr 10th
 Week 2: Apr 13th - Apr 17th

Malvern Tennis Centre



PICKLEBALL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

AUTUMN HOLIDAY PROGRAM

- Suitable for ages 8+
- Tuesday to Thursday | 9AM-1PM
- Dates: 07. - 09.04 & 14. - 16.04
- Orrong Park Pickleball Centre

REGISTER NOW



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