



SCHOOL NEWS



31ST JULY 2026

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Positive Classroom Management Strategies (PCMS) Coaching

This semester, our school will be working with a Positive Classroom Management Strategies (PCMS) coach, Jimmy Marnell, to further strengthen our classroom expectations and routines and support student engagement in learning.

The PCMS are a Department of Education resource made up of eight evidence-informed classroom practices designed to create safe and purposeful learning environments.

In classrooms, this means teachers will:

- Make expectations clear and teach them directly so students understand what to do in different situations. Consistent routines help classrooms feel predictable and calm and allow more time for learning.
- Notice and respond to behaviour in supportive ways. Teachers actively move around the classroom, monitor how students are going and give both encouragement and guidance. They reinforce positive behaviour and use a range of strategies to redirect students when needed.
- Design lessons that actively involve students in learning. Students will have many opportunities to participate, respond, make choices and work at the right level of challenge so they stay engaged and included.

When classrooms are predictable and lessons are engaging, students are better able to participate, manage themselves and experience success at school.

The PCMS approach is based on three key ideas about behaviour:

- Appropriate and inappropriate behaviours are related to the environment in which they occur. Environments can encourage appropriate or inappropriate behaviours.
- Behaviour is functional. Individuals learn to use behaviours to get their needs met. Behaviour that works is likely to continue.
- Behaviour can be taught. It is possible to teach alternative replacement behaviours to meet students' needs more appropriately.

Our PCMS coach will work alongside staff through professional learning and coaching to build knowledge, tools and confidence in using these practices. The aim is to maximise time for teaching and learning and further strengthen student engagement across the school.

You can find more information about the PCMS:
<https://www.schools.vic.gov.au/pcms>



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100 Days of Prep Celebration

What an exciting milestone! This week, our Prep students celebrated 100 Days of School, marking 100 days of learning, growth, friendships and fun. Students embraced the occasion with enthusiasm, participating in a range of activities centred around the number 100. From counting collections and creative art projects to literacy and numeracy challenges, the day provided an opportunity for students to reflect on just how much they have learned and achieved since starting school.

A highlight of the celebration was seeing many of our Prep students dressed as 100-year-olds, complete with grey hair, glasses and walking sticks. Their creativity, excitement and sense of humour certainly brought plenty of smiles to everyone's faces throughout the day.

We are incredibly proud of our Prep students and the confidence, resilience and independence they have developed during their first 100 days of school. They have embraced every opportunity to learn, make new friends and become valued members of our school community.

A big thank you to our Miss Tuttleby and families for helping make this special milestone such a memorable celebration. Congratulations to our Prep students on reaching 100 days of learning. We can't wait to see what they achieve over the next 100 days!

Semester 2 Student Leadership Appointments

At last week's assembly, I had the great privilege of presenting leadership badges to our newly appointed Semester 2 Junior School Council Leaders and Green Team Leaders. It was wonderful to recognise these students in front of their peers and celebrate their commitment to making a positive contribution to our school community.

Student leadership provides a valuable opportunity for students to develop confidence, communication skills, teamwork and a strong sense of responsibility. Throughout the application process, students demonstrated enthusiasm, thoughtful ideas and a genuine desire to help make our school an even better place. Our Junior School Council Leaders will play an important role in representing student voice, supporting school events and initiatives, and working collaboratively to bring forward ideas that benefit all students.

Our Green Team Leaders will continue to champion sustainability across the school by promoting environmentally friendly practices and encouraging our community to take positive action in caring for our environment.

We congratulate all of our newly appointed leaders and thank every student who expressed an interest in a leadership role. Putting yourself forward takes courage, and we are proud of the leadership potential shown by so many of our students.

We look forward to working with our Semester 2 leaders as they bring fresh ideas, energy and enthusiasm to their roles. We know they will be wonderful role models for their peers and make a significant contribution to our school throughout the remainder of the year.

Junior School Council

Savannah, Nakoah, Eden, Rohan, Ella, Lily, Henry, Estelle, Benji, Zoe, and Lev

Green Team

Kai A, Savva, Evan, Jamie, Oliver, William, Sia, Chloe, Raph, Kai B, and Adam

Congratulations to all of our Semester 2 Junior School Council and Green Team Leaders. We can't wait to see what you achieve!

Curriculum Day Reminder - Monday 10 August

A reminder to families that **Monday 10 August is a Curriculum Day** and students will not be required to attend school on this day.

This Curriculum Day provides an exciting opportunity for our staff to come together and continue important work on shaping the future direction of Malvern Valley Primary School. Throughout the day, staff will be working collaboratively to review and refine our school vision and values, ensuring they reflect who we are as a community and who we aspire to be.

This work directly aligns with our 2026 Annual Implementation Plan, specifically:
Goal 2: Improve the wellbeing of each student
Key Improvement Strategy 2A: Develop and implement a school-wide approach to student engagement and wellbeing.

A strong school vision and set of values are the foundation of a thriving school. They help guide our decision-making, shape our culture, and ensure that every member of our community understands what we stand for and what we want our students to experience during their time at Malvern Valley Primary School. Most importantly, they help create a school where every child feels known, valued, supported and inspired to achieve their personal best.

As part of the principal selection process late last year, I was asked to share with the interview panel where I saw Malvern Valley Primary School in five years' time and how I would lead the school towards that future. Central to that vision was a clear commitment to developing a strong and shared understanding of who we are as a school community and the values that will guide us as we continue to grow and improve.

This important work has already begun. Over recent months, we have sought feedback from our students, listening carefully to what they value most about our school and what they would like Malvern Valley Primary School to represent in the future. Our Curriculum Day will provide staff with the opportunity to build upon these conversations, working together to develop a vision and values framework that reflects the aspirations of our community and supports the continued success and wellbeing of every student.

Following the Curriculum Day, this work will be presented to School Council for further feedback and discussion before being shared more broadly with our community.

This is an exciting stage in our school's journey. By establishing a clear vision and shared values, we are laying the foundation for the next chapter of Malvern Valley Primary School and creating a roadmap that will guide our work for years to come. We look forward to continuing this journey together and sharing our progress with families throughout the process.

Assembly

Our next Assembly will be held on Friday, 7th August at 2:45 pm in The Sherwood Centre. 3/4M will be on stage to present an item to the MVPS community. We look forward to welcoming our parents and friends

Cake Raffle - \$1 per ticket

Our next cake raffle will be held during assembly! This week, our brave bakers are the Marras 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



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Strengthening Our Home–School Partnership

Last week, staff had the pleasure of meeting with so many families during our Parent–Teacher Conferences. Thank you to everyone who took the time to attend and engage in meaningful conversations about your child's learning, wellbeing and growth.

These conferences are a valuable opportunity to celebrate each student's achievements, reflect on their progress, and identify the next steps in their learning journey. When schools and families work together, students benefit from consistent support, shared expectations, and a strong network of encouragement that helps them thrive both academically and socially.

At Malvern Valley Primary School, we believe that education is a partnership. The insights parents and carers provide about their child are invaluable, and when combined with teacher knowledge and evidence of learning, they help us better understand and support every learner. Open communication and ongoing collaboration enable us to respond to each student's individual strengths, needs and aspirations.

Thank you for your continued trust, support and commitment to your child's education. Together, we are creating a learning community where every student feels known, valued and empowered to achieve their personal best.

We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with our families throughout the remainder of the year as we support every child to learn with curiosity, grow with confidence, and experience a strong sense of belonging at MVPS.

Zaim Zeneli
Assistant Principal

CAPTAIN'S CATCH UP

On Wednesday 15 July, the Senior School had Athletics Day at McKinnon Reserve. Students had the chance to earn ribbons in some of their favourite events, including sprints, hurdles, discus and much more.

On the bus ride there, everyone was excited and nervous at the same time. When we arrived, everyone gathered in their year levels and rotated around to each activity. Students gave every event their best shot and achieved more than they imagined.

The winning house was decided by a very close score, but of course the winner was... **ROB ROY!**

On the bus ride back to school, everyone was chatting about the unforgettable memories they had made during the day.

- Henry (3/4D) enjoyed doing the sprints and sharing the fun moment with his friends.
- Patrick (5/6C) loved the high jump because he beat his personal record.
- Zoe (5/6P) enjoyed trying new sports that we had not learned before and earning ribbons.

The day was a big success, and we all had so much fun. On behalf of our school, we would like to say a huge thank you to Mr Brown, the teachers and the parent helpers.

The day would not have been possible without you.

We hope everyone had a great time participating in all of their events!

Edward and Ivy
2026 Rob Roy House Captains

Term 3 LOTE (Greek)

Prep

This term, Preps will engage with Greek culture through learning about the traditional Greek puppet 'Karagiozis' (we ran out of time for him last term!). They will communicate meaning in Greek and continue to build their English - Greek connection with a focus on the familiar concepts of colours and pets.

Year 1 and Year 2

In Years 1 and 2, students will learn about the cultural symbols of traditional Greek clothing (we ran out of time for this last term too!). They will create simple texts about familiar concepts using known or frequently used words, phrases and modelled language. We will also be having some fun learning to Greek dance! Opa!

Year 3/4

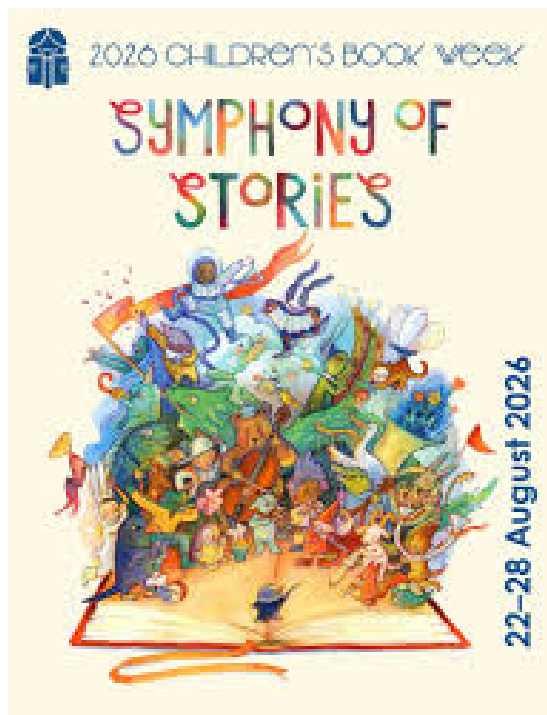
As part of communicating meaning in Greek, Year 3/4 students will be making simple Greek texts such as greeting cards and invitations. They will be getting creative and performing imaginative presentations about Ancient Greece, bringing bilingual stories to life and using tools such as, singing, movement or drama to share their learning.

Year 5/6

Year 5/6 students will be using and creating spoken and written texts, such as recipes, to communicate meaning in Greek, with the focus being Greek food and their own food preferences. They will also have opportunities to practise their Greek speaking whilst they prepare simple recipes and taste-test some traditional Greek foods. (Always very popular!).

Mariana Surenian

BOOK WEEK DRESS UP - FRIDAY AUGUST 28TH



Children's Book Week 2026 will be held from August 22nd to August 28th.

This year's theme is "**Symphony of Stories**".

The Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) will be highlighting the importance of reading and showcasing Australian children's books, authors, and illustrators.

MVPS will celebrate Book Week on Friday 28th August. Students are encouraged to dress as a favourite children's book character.

We will start our day off with a fabulous book character parade on the astroturf at 9:05am, parents and special friends are welcome to come along. Then all students will take part in different activities based around shortlisted books.

We can't wait to see all of the amazing costumes on the day!



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VALLEY PRIDE WINNER



CAKE RAFFLE WINNER



STUDENTS OF THE FORTNIGHT

PREP T	OWEN
1 C	MELODY
1 V	SAVVA
2 G	JAY
2 M	RIVER
3/4 D	RUBY
3/4 M	ILIAS
3/4 P	ZAHRA
5/6 C	LUCIA
5/6 K	LIZ
5/6 P	JAIME



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FAQs can be located on our website: <https://theircare.com.au/how-to-register/>

UPCOMING EVENTS IN AUGUST

5th - 7th	Year 5/6 Camp
10th	Curriculum Day
12th - 14th	Snow Camp
13th	Prep Excursion
20th	ICAS Reading Test
21st	Year 5/6 Excursion
27th	ICAS Maths Test
28th	Book Week Parade



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Carnival Update

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ARE YOU CRAFTY?

We are on the hunt for those that might be crafty and be willing to make some handmade items that could be sold at our MVPS Craft Stall. Please email mvpscarnival2026@gmail.com.

Suggested items: scrunchies, homemade candles and bathbombs, fudge, rocky road and cookie mix jars, jams, preserves and pickles, bookmarks, greeting cards, stationery items.

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