



# Monash Primary and Preschool

## NEWSLETTER



28th April, 2021 : Term 2, Week 1

“Successful schooling - Our future’s foundation”

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## Dates for your Diary

### May

- 4th—Parents & Friends Meeting @ 7.30pm
- 6th—P&F Fundraiser—Mother’s Day/Carer’s Stall 8.30-9.00am
- 7th—P&F Fundraiser—Mother’s Day/Carer’s Stall 8.30-9.00am
- 11th-14th—NAPLAN
- 11th—Governing Council Meeting
- 17th—NAPLAN
- 19th—SAPSASA Cross Country
- 28th—SAPSASA Soccer
- 30th—Mammoth Monash Market

### June

- 1st—Parents and Friends Meeting @ 7.30pm
- 14th—Public Holiday—Queen’s Birthday

### July

- 2nd—End of Term 2 - Dismissal 2.20pm
- 19th—Term 3 begins

### NAPLAN 2021

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It is a nationally developed program that provides schools, states and territories with information about how education programs are working and what areas need to be prioritised for improvement.

With the exception of Year 3 writing, which will be paper-based, all tests will be completed online. We plan to conduct this year’s tests from Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May - Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May.

NAPLAN tests are one of a number of assessments that students at Monash Primary take part in. Students do not have to learn specific skills in order to participate in NAPLAN tests. Teachers work with students to give them the opportunity to become familiar with the test format and conditions.

Participation in NAPLAN tests is compulsory for all Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students. Parents or carers may withdraw their child from the tests to address issues such as religious beliefs and philosophical objections to testing. This should be done in consultation with the school Principal, and formal notification must be received by the school prior to testing. Furthermore, students with significant intellectual disability or those with significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests may be exempted from the tests. Again, this is in consultation with the Principal. *If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, you must contact Alana Kitson by the Monday of Week 2, Term 2 (3rd May).*

Students who are absent at the time of testing will participate in a catch-up session to complete missed tests.

Questions about your child’s participation in NAPLAN should be directed to Alana Kitson, Principal, via the front office.

### WELCOME BACK

It has been great to welcome back all children, families and staff and hear about different holiday adventures. For some it is difficult to get back into the routine of preschool and school, for others they thrive on the routine and familiarity that term time brings. Regardless of our preference, ensuring we get adequate rest, make healthy food choices and are kind to ourselves as we settle back in is important this week - for children as well as adults!

We welcomed 2 new students to Monash this week - I would like to extend a warm welcome to Jaike R and Zak R, who are in Ms Thompson and Miss McGargill’s classes respectively.

### EASTER RAFFLE/GUESS THE CHOCOLATES IN THE JAR

At the end of last term, the Year 6/7 Camp fundraising Easter Raffle was drawn. Congratulations to all the winners.

A big THANK YOU to everyone who sold and bought tickets in the raffle.

A total of \$878.00 was raised for our camp!!! Thank you to our Parents and Friends Committee who supported the organisation of the raffle.

Alana Kitson  
PRINCIPAL

## FRUIT FLY UPDATE

New colour coded maps for [metropolitan Adelaide](#) and [Riverland](#) residents show the red outbreak areas, yellow suspension areas, and green areas not affected by fruit fly. The map is available at <https://fruitfly.sa.gov.au/outbreak-map>

**Our school and preschool are located in a red outbreak area.**

### If you **live in the red** outbreak area:

Your child must not bring any fresh fruit and vegetables that can be affected by fruit fly to school or preschool. This applies even if it has been cut up.

### If you **live in the yellow suspension area** OR **green not impacted area**:

Your child can bring any type of fresh fruit or vegetable to school or preschool. All fresh fruit or vegetables that can be affected by fruit fly must be eaten or disposed of at our school or preschool. These items cannot return home at the end of the day and will be disposed of safely at our site.

Grated, dried, frozen, cooked or pureed fruit and vegetables of any kind are acceptable from any area.

*We continue to order fresh fruit from Mason's each week. This is funded by our Parents and Friends group and provides fresh fruit for students for the week. As Mason's is in a yellow suspension area, there will not be any restrictions on the fruit they can deliver.*

We have also been advised that uneaten fruit and vegetables as well as scraps/peel/cores at Monash need to be placed in airtight plastic bags which will be collected and disposed of. We are organising specific disposal containers for students to put fruit and vegetable scraps, as well as uneaten fruit at the end of the day, to adhere to this guideline. More information can be found at <https://www.berribarmera.sa.gov.au/our-community/fruit-fly-prevention/red-zone>

## Uniform Item Winter Tunic Orders



Due to increased cost of the Winter Tunic we are no longer stocking this item, however, it will still be part of our uniform. Families will be able to order this item through the front office. Jane and Nicole have sizes available to try-on. The price is \$60.00 and orders will be taken until **FRIDAY 14th of May**. There are a limited number and sizes still available at the old price of \$41.00.



## MAMMOTH MONASH MARKET INFORMATION

**RAFFLE BOOKS**—Today one raffle book per family has been issued with the Newsletter. Extra books are available from Nic & Jane in the front office.



Thank you to all of the wonderful businesses who supported our raffle this year. Please support the businesses that are supporting us.

Monash Club

Prestige Kitchens & Cabinets

BuzBiz

Mapping Services Australia

Monash Store

Leclogix Electrical & Automation

Kuhn Plumbing

Berri Newsagency

Tri State Graphics

Creative Pools & Landscaping

GC Air conditioning

Kregar Building

Mullers Meats

Big River Development

South Australian Cricket Association

Almondco Australia Ltd

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# Mother's Day/ Carer's Stall

VARIETY OF LOVEY GIFTS

PRICED FROM \$1.50 TO \$10

Thursday 6th May - Friday 7th May  
8:30am - 9am  
Under the verandah  
(or until sold out)

Bring in your pocket money and buy  
something special for your Mum / Carer.