



MIRBOO NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Upcoming Events

30th July:

Regional Girls Netball

1st August:

No canteen

Preps 100 Days of school celebration

MNSC Sausage Sizzle

12th August:

Parent Teacher Interviews

22nd August:

Stormbirds Celebration

29th August - 19th

September:

Jump Rope for Heart

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome back to a cold start to Term 3! Mr Snell has been lucky to escape the recent chilly weather while he enjoys some well-deserved leave for the first three weeks of the term. We also extend our best wishes to Mr Collins, who will be fulfilling the role of Acting Principal at Meenyan Primary School this term.

Despite the absence of our school leaders, our students have transitioned smoothly back into school routines following what we hope was a relaxing break.

Term 3 is a nine-week term and will conclude on Friday, 19th September. With the colder and wetter weather upon us, we'd like to remind families of two important points:

Uniforms: Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather in a *named* school uniform. We frequently find ourselves unable to return unnamed items of clothing.

Road safety: Wet roads and children can be a risky mix. Please drive carefully around the school, especially during drop-off and pick-up times. Although children are reminded to use crossings and show care near driveways, they can still be unpredictable. We ask all drivers to take extra caution.

NAIDOC Week

This week, our school celebrated NAIDOC Week, which was officially observed during the first week of the school holidays. This year's theme, "*The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy*," marks the 50th anniversary of NAIDOC and highlights the strength of young Indigenous leaders, the vision of their communities, and the legacy of their ancestors.

We would like to thank Mr McDonald, our school's *Marrung Lead*, and Anne-Maree Stever, our *Koorie Engagement Support Officer*, for organising a fantastic range of well-attended activities. These included sand drawing, hand-painting earrings and rocks, beading bracelets and cooking.

We would also like to extend our appreciation to Mirboo North Secondary College and their students for supporting this celebration. Throughout the week, they taught our students *Yulunga Games* (traditional Indigenous games) during P.E. sessions and shared Dreamtime Stories with our junior classes. We encourage Families to participate in conversations at home to reflect on the cultural significance of these activities.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN results were sent home today with our Grade 3 and Grade 5 students. These individual student reports provide a snapshot of your child's progress in literacy and numeracy and are just one component of our school's overall assessment and reporting process. While they offer useful insights, it's important to remember they reflect performance on a single day and should be considered alongside regular classroom learning and teacher assessments.

Overall, our students performed above the average of our network schools in all but one category and exceeded the average for similar schools in more than half of the categories.

This is a terrific result for our dedicated teachers and the broader school community and is a reflection of the improvements we have made in literacy and numeracy instruction over recent years.

If you have any questions about your child's report or would like to discuss their progress further, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher- please also take note of the details below regarding our upcoming Parent-Teacher Interviews.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

Appointments for Parent-Teacher Interviews will open via Compass on Monday, 4th August, with interviews taking place on Tuesday, 12th August. A reminder will be sent out via a Compass message on the day that appointments are made available.

As in previous years, students will attend school until 12:00pm on this day. We understand that some families, particularly those with children who travel by bus, may not be able to collect their child early. Supervision will be provided for those who remain at school, and buses will operate as normal. Please notify the office if your child will need to stay until the end of the regular school day.

Canteen Closure Day

Next week on Friday 1st August, our school canteen will be closed. Although you will not be able to order a lunch order for this day, the secondary college's VOS (student representative group) will be holding a sausage sizzle. Primary school students who wish to make a purchase will be invited to do so during our eating time.

Child Safe Schools

As part of Victoria's Child Safe Standards, all parents and volunteers working in the school must hold a current Working with Children Check (WWCC). This is free to apply for as a volunteer and can be completed online at the following website:

<https://service.vic.gov.au/find-services/work-and-volunteering/working-with-children-check>

Once received, please bring your card to the office so we can take a copy to keep on file.

A valid WWCC is required to assist in classrooms, attend excursions, and volunteer at camps. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in meeting this important obligation.

Thank you to all staff, students, and families for a wonderful start to the term.

Warm regards,
Ross Grinham
Acting Principal

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5th September:

Fathers Day Stall

11th September:

Division Athletics

19th September:

Last day of Term 3

Footy Colours Day

Term 4**6th October:**

First day of term 4

15th October:

Regional Athletics

20th - 22nd October:Grade 3/4 Coonawarra
Camp**4th November:**Melbourne Cup Public
Holiday
Student free day**10th December:**Prep Zoo Excursion
Grade 1 Aquarium
Excursion**19th December:**

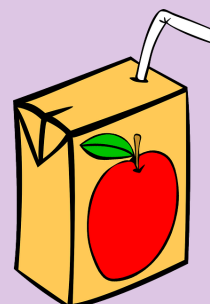
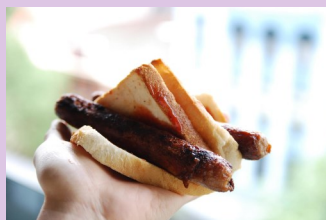
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Sausage Sizzle**Friday 1st August**

Mirboo North Secondary College VOS students will be holding a sausage sizzle on Friday 1st August. Primary school students are invited to purchase a sausage and /or drink if they would like one on the day.

Sausages - \$3**Fruit Box - \$2****Cash only**

Please click on the following link to indicate if your child/ren would like to purchase on the day

[CompassTix](#)**WORKING TOGETHER AWARDS****Presented 4th July**

Oscar, Riley, Patrick, Jonah, Cassidy, Archie, Aleeah, Sam, Beau

100 DAYS SMARTER

THE PREPS (ALONG WITH THEIR
GRADE 1 AND 2 FRIENDS) WILL
CELEBRATING THEIR 100TH DAY OF
LEARNING!

DATE: FRIDAY 1ST AUGUST
THEME: "100 DAYS 'BRIGHTER'"

THIS YEARS THEME INSTEAD OF 'OLD
PEOPLE' WILL BE '100 DAYS BRIGHTER' OR
SPECIFICALLY THE NUMBER 100.

THE GRADE 1'S AND 2'S WILL HELP THE
PREPS CELEBRATE, JOINING IN ON BOTH
DRESSING UP & SOME ACTIVITIES.-
CELEBRATING ALL THINGS 'BIG NUMBERS.'

WHEN PLANNING COSTUMES THINK BRIGHT,
SPARKLY OR THE NUMBER 100!

WELLBEING @ MNPS - 25TH JULY

Welcome Back to Term 3



Happy NAIDOC week!

As NAIDOC week falls in our winter holidays, the school celebrates first week back.

MNPS was a buzz of activity and worked beautifully with MNSC every day, celebrating First Nations culture, and people.

Thankyou to all who supported the daily lunchtime clubs, students had the opportunity to make bracelets, paint, (bark/rocks/pictures) and cook with some Indigenous Bush Foods.

There was many multiage activities throughout the week and we would like to THANK our amazing KESO, Anne Marree for all her organising, and Mr. Mac for assisting her.

FOOD PARCELS (& uniforms)

Please feel free to touch base with Norm or Sarah if you would like a food parcel sent home with your child.

Food parcels can contain:

- bread
- milk (UHT full cream &/or lactose free)
- cans of spaghetti / baked beans
- oats / muesli and/or cereal
- honey and vegemite
- tuna and quinoa lunch bowls
- tomato and rice lunch packs
- cans of Two Fruits



Also, don't forget we can make some **winter uniform** orders from **State School's Relief**. All we need is your child's clothing and shoe size. Again, touch base with Sarah, or Julie/Kate in the office.

CARING & CAPABLE in the yard

28- 1ST JULY CAPABLE is...
I play with sticks only in the ARBO.

04- 8 JULY CARING is ...
I can be quiet and calm when I visit the toilets.

Stormbirds - Term 3



Stormbirds starts next week for the students who put their names down last term.

3-4's - Wednesday mornings with Sarah & Norm
P-2 - Thursday (middle session) with Beth & Donna.

Families of the students are invited to a STORMBIRDS celebration on **Friday 22nd August at 8.45am**. In the hub.



MNJBA
2025 Spring Season
Junior Domestic
Expression of Interest Form
to play are now OPEN!

MONDAYS
Under 10 Mixed & Youth Girls

TUESDAYS
Senior Boys & Under 13 Mixed

THURSDAYS
Youth Boys

Further registration information
provided on EOI Form
Link in Comments

mnthjba@gmail.com

 Mirboo North Junior Basketball - Public



REGISTRATIONS ARE
NOW OPEN FOR
SPRING - 2025
PROGRAM
9 sessions
COST: \$75







Mirboo North Junior Basketball
Association - Public

Email: mnthjba@gmail.com



Thursday Afternoons 3.25pm-4.15pm.-Commencing August 21st



1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Parenting Program

Free live ONLINE program for parents of children aged 2 to 12 years

Tired of yelling and nagging?

Resolve difficult
behaviour in children
aged 2 to 12

In 3 sessions parents will learn:

- How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
- How to handle challenging behaviours
- How to use emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour
- Strategies for encouraging good behaviour
- How to sort behaviours and choose correct strategies using "The 3 Choices Model"

We'll also work on strategies so you can:

- Strengthen your relationship with your child
- Strengthen your child's emotional resilience

On completing the program parents will receive:

- A FREE workbook (valued at \$12) to apply the concepts learnt
- A Certificate of Completion

Do this highly
sought-after program
live online
from the comfort of
your own home!

When?

11:00am - 2:00pm
Over 3 Thursdays:
August 21st
August 28th
September 4th, 2025

Cost?

FREE - but bookings are essential!

To book your spot please contact:

Bass Coast Health
Integrated Family Services
Mark Brookes
0484 072 775
or
Jo Choyce
5671 3273

HURRY!
Applications close
Monday 18th August



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MONDAY		THURSDAY	
6:30 AM	BE STRONG +	6:30 AM	CORE & RESTORE
10 AM	★ PILATES ESSENTIALS	9:15 AM	★ STRONG NATION
6 PM	PUNCH & POWER	6 PM	MARTIAL ARTS
6:15 PM	DANCE		

TUESDAY		FRIDAY	
9:15 AM	★ BODY BALANCE	6:30 AM	FUSION (BARRE/PILATES)
4 PM	★ KIDS MARTIAL ARTS	9:15 AM	★ BEATS, BALANCE, BURN
6:15 PM	YOGA	9:30 AM	★ PILATES ESSENTIALS
		10 AM	GENTLE MOVERS

WEDNESDAY		SATURDAY	
6:30 AM	BE STRONG +	9:15 AM	★ PILATES
9:30 AM	★ CORE ESSENTIALS		
9:30 AM	★ PILATES ESSENTIALS		
4:30 PM	★ HIIT STRENGTH TEENS		
6 PM	BEATS, BALANCE, BURN		
6:15 PM	POWER UP PILATES		

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THORPDALE
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★ = Child Friendly Class

TERM THREE 2025

THANK YOU

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