



# **METUNG PRIMARY SCHOOL**

## **"THE VILLAGE SCHOOL"**

*"It takes a Village to educate a child"*  
*Hillary Clinton 1994*

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**MONDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2018.**

<b>MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Homework club</b>
<b>TUESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Homework club.</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 28<sup>th</sup>. February</b>	<b>No Preps at school today Homework club.</b>
<b>THURSDAY 1<sup>st</sup> MARCH</b>	<b>Marc Van. Library bags required.</b>
<b>FRIDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH</b>	<b>Lunch orders from the Nautica Fish and Chips and Metung Bakery</b>

### **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

We are asking all parents to consider being a part of the School Council.

School Council nominations are now being called. Nomination forms are available from the school office.

Nominations close on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018. A ballot (if required) will be held on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

New school council members for 2018 will take their positions at the first school council meeting in term 2.

### **SWIMMING**

Congratulations to the 6 students who attended the Swimming carnival at Orbost last week.

The students swam really well with lots of enthusiasm in participating in their events and interacting with other students from other schools.

A great day out for all involved.

### **BBQ**

Thank you all for attending our school barbeque. It was a really nice night chatting to all our families. Thank you to Shane from Nautica Restaurant who cooked our sausages for us.

### **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

A reminder that the school photos will take place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. School uniform for all students please. Envelopes can be dropped at the school or passed to the photographer on the day.

### **SPECIAL FRIENDS' DAY**

Special Friends day will take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March. Please let us know if you or family members are attending to enable us to plan our classrooms.

### **ESSENTIAL ITEMS**

Council has set the Essential item fee for 2018 at \$240.00 per student. We would appreciate prompt payment as the school has outlaid a considerable amount of money to buy equipment for students to begin the school year.

### **ABSENCES**

A reminder that student absences must be notified to the school office, either by phone, a note passed to the office or through the school website.

Thank you to all for your cooperation in this matter.

### **CSEF FUND**

Information regarding financial assistance from the Camps, Sports and Excursion fund (CSEF) is attached to the newsletter.

For new applications, forms can be obtained from the school office.

### **Prep/1/2 Classroom**

## Prep/1/2 Classroom

We are all looking forward to our 'rock painting' session with Jacki Walker tomorrow. Please remember to bring a special rock to school to be painted.

In the area of reading the Grade 2 students will be focusing on locating the main idea in texts for the next three weeks. This will involve recognising what a text or paragraph is about. Main ideas are the most important ideas and are usually written at the beginning or end of a paragraph. The main idea of the whole text is usually found in the first or last sentence of a page.

The Grade 1 students will be working in a guided reading group with an emphasis on developing their comprehension skills. We also be focusing on fluency, decoding and accuracy when reading aloud.

The Prep students are being introduced to 'Concepts about Print' in reading sessions. They are enjoying reading a selection of familiar and repetitive texts.

Congratulations to those students who are now regularly reading 5 times a week. They are very excited to be recognised for their achievements and look forward to receiving a tick on the chart each morning. If anyone has any 'prizes' they would like to donate to our treasure box they would be gratefully received.

## **3/4 Report**

We have a quiet week ahead in the 3/4 room so we will be putting our heads down to get plenty of work done! We are continuing our study on dinosaurs, learning about specific dinosaurs, how Pangaea formed and became the continents we know today and about the Mesozoic time periods. We will also begin a narrative story using our theme of dinosaurs.

We are continuing our unit on Addition, learning new strategies to solve addition sums using two or more digit numbers. Our sound this week is 'e' as in egg. Homework is as usual, spelling practise to be completed each day, spelling activity to be completed by Thursday and the homework contract to be handed in by Friday which is Contract 4. Any questions about the homework please come and see me and students can receive help in the mornings before 9am. Reading still needs to be completed each day with at least 5 separate entries into their reading diaries over the week. I have seen an improvement in the amount of home reading but I would like to see all students achieving at least 5 reads a week.

## **Awards**

Tom Callaghan for writing a wonderful story about 'The Enchanted Wood' and for excellent progress in the area of handwriting.

Tessa Coles for making pleasing progress in the areas of spelling and reading.

Khale Schulz for reading and spelling the most common 200 words.

Cassidy Blundell for reading and spelling the most common 300 words.

Blake Smith for demonstrating a good understanding of the split strategy to solve addition problems.

Arlo Britten for his ability in using the compensation strategies when solving addition problems.



### **SWAN REACH HOCKEY CLUB HOOK in2 HOCKEY**

Swan Reach Hockey Club is a family club with an emphasis on good sportsmanship and fun!  
The Hook in2 Hockey Program is a great way to encourage younger players to learn a new sport, meet new people and have some fun! We encourage everyone to have a go! Regardless of skill ability!  
(Kids over 5 years old).

**We will be running a 5 week programme starting on the 24<sup>th</sup> February at 9am at the Swan Reach Recreation Reserve.**

Hook in2 Hockey will be ran by our accredited coaches and senior committee members.  
For more information please go to <http://hookin2hockey.com.au>

**To register please go to**

**<https://membership.sportstg.com/regofrm.cgi?formID=61750&programID=39507>** and follow the prompts.  
If you are going to participate we advise to register prior to the program starting so your starter kit arrives on time (but don't panic the club will be able to supply sticks etc. until the starter kit arrives). We will also be available to help people register on the first day so please bring a credit or debit card with you.

**Please note the cost is \$55 this price includes everything the kids will need to start hockey.**