



# METUNG PRIMARY SCHOOL

*... the village school*

**Term 4**

**Week 1**


**Friday 11th October 2024**

*"It takes a village to educate a child"*

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Metung Primary School acknowledges the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the first inhabitants of the nation and the traditional custodians of the lands where we live, learn and work. 

## REGULAR EVENTS

### Mondays

**SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**  
from 9.00am

### Fridays

**LUNCH ORDERS FROM  
AROMA@METUNG**

**FREE ICY POLES**

## CALENDAR

### **October**

- Tue 15th — **Swimming**  
— **E.G. Shire Library**  
(Please return borrowed books)
- Wed 16th — **Swimming**
- Thu 17th — **Swimming**  
— **MARC Library**  
(Please return borrowed books)
- Tue 22nd — **Swimming**
- Wed 23rd — **Swimming**
- Fri 25th — **U Know Cyber Safety Program, Grades 3-6**

### PLAY GROUP NOTICE

Please note Play Group at Metung Primary School will not be operating during term four this year.

### PLEASE NOTE:

As per Department guidelines, supervision is not required at school until 8.45am, therefore students who arrive before this time will be placed into our before school care breakfast club program and charged the relevant fee. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**You can find the full edition of our newsletter in the 'communication' section of uEducateUs.**

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hi Everyone,

The first week has drawn to a close and it is wonderful to see the students back at school all happy with big smiles.

I am pleased to announce that next year MPS will, most likely, be returning to 3 grades. This is not confirmed as we are still yet to appoint a teacher to the position. I am confident that due to the great name the school has in the community and surrounds, we will get a crop of good applicants from which to choose. The position has been advertised and we will go through the process to appoint. This process will take about six weeks. Once we have made the appointment, I am hopeful that the successful applicant will be able to tour the school and meet the parents. We will have a whole school transition day to help the students in 2/3 become acquainted with the new grade. More details on this to come.

On selection of the new teacher, the grade structure will be:

Prep/1- Mrs. Bennett

2/3 – NEW TEACHER

4/5/6 – Mrs. Anketell and Mr. Allen

Art – Ms. Eds

Well-being – Mrs. Young



I am happy to answer questions about this if there is anything more you might want to know.

Term 4 is always busy for both the students and teachers. This term the students will be participating in swimming, tennis, bowls, summer sports, big day out (Year 6s), Remembrance Day ceremony, graduation bbq, reports, parent teacher interviews and lots of other fun activities that pop up, seemingly out of nowhere.

The senior room will be working on Fractions, decimals and percentages in mathematics and we will continue to read *Rowan and the Travellers* as our class novel.

Just a reminder that there will be no Playgroup for the rest of the year. That room is beginning to be transformed back into a classroom and there is a lot of work that needs to be done before that room is suitable.

Have a great weekend.

*Jim Allen*

**SCHOOL IS MADE FOR ADVENTURES**

## JUNIOR GRADES—MRS. BENNETT

Welcome back to another busy term! The students are all very settled and excited to be back at school. They have been working happily in the classroom and playing well together in the playground.

Our class theme this term is **'The Sleepover'**. We are all looking forward to the sleepover on Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. This will be a fun night with dinner at Aroma, games, disco and a movie. More details will follow closer to the event.

We are enjoying the 'The Get Grubby Program' and had lots of fun completing the following activity this week.



## SUMMER SPORTS

Congratulations to Grace and Jake, who played volleyball, and to Jessica, Kaiabelle and Talitha who played cricket at the summer sports today. A great day was had by all. A big thank you to Leah for driving our cricket players to Lakes Entrance!

Our TUBBS team won overall in the volleyball so, Grace and Jake will now go through to the next round.







**The annual Metung Fun Run is a major fundraiser  
for Metung Primary School.**

**Sunday 10th November 2024**

**Please save this date!!**

To register online, or for more information, go to  
[metungfunrun.com.au](http://metungfunrun.com.au)

**10km Run ● 5km Run ● 5km Walk  
Kids Colour Dash**

EFTPOS available on the day for the 5 & 10k Runs only.  
Cash only payments on the day for Walk & Colour Dash.

# HOME READING

## AT-HOME READING

Metung Primary School values the importance of reading and encourages students to read at home each night.

Each time students reach a series of 25 nights reading, they will receive a special award.

The more they read, the more awards they receive!

This has proven to be a very popular reading incentive for the children, with many records broken in the past.

Watch this space.....HAPPY READING EVERYONE!

<b>25 Nights</b>	<b>50 Nights</b>	<b>75 Nights</b> Jhai	<b>100 Nights</b> Henry	<b>125 Nights</b>	<b>150 Nights</b> Jessica
<b>175 Nights</b> Tilly Mikayla Lily	<b>200 Nights</b> Tilly Emily Arnoux	<b>225 Nights</b> Emily Laurel Larkin	<b>250 Nights</b> Elvis Kaiabelle Talitha Daisy	<b>275 Nights</b>	<b>300 Nights</b>



## *Achievement Awards*

To **Lily** for fantastic progress in the areas of reading and spelling.

To **Hazel** for working very well in the area of story writing.



# TRANSITION PROGRAM



**METUNG PRIMARY SCHOOL NOW TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR 2025**

## **Prep Orientation and Information Days 2024**



<b>SWAN REACH &amp; DISTRICT PRE-SCHOOL VISITING DAYS</b> – all welcome	Join us at Metung Primary School
<b>Wednesday</b> May 29 <sup>th</sup> 2024 – ‘Pirate Day’	9.30 am – 12.30 pm

<b>TRANSITION DAYS 2024</b> – all welcome	Join Mrs. Bennett in the Junior classroom
<b>Thursday</b> August 1 – please bring a drink, fruit and recess	9.00 am – 11.30 am
<b>Thursday</b> August 8 – please bring a drink, fruit and recess	9.00 am – 11.30 am
<b>Thursday</b> September 12 – please bring a drink, fruit and recess	9.00 am – 11.30 am
<b>Thursday</b> November 14 – please bring a drink, fruit, recess, lunch, hat	9.00 am – 2.30 pm
<b>Thursday</b> November 21 – please bring a drink, fruit, recess, lunch, hat	9.00 am – 2.30 pm
<b>Thursday</b> November 28 – please bring a drink, fruit, recess, lunch, hat	9.00 am – 2.30 pm

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## SCHOOL NOTICES

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

OCTOBER

24th—Hazel



### BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE—AVAILABLE DURING SCHOOL TERMS

Before School Care is available from 7.45am-8.45am Mon-Fri.

After School Care is available from 3.20pm-4.20pm Mon-Fri.

\$10.00 will be charged for the first child per session, with each subsequent child charged \$5.00. A concession rate of \$5.00 per child, per session, is available to all valid concession card holders.

Please let us know in advance if your child will be attending.

### PLAY GROUP

Play Group @ Metung Primary is held each THURSDAY of the school term between 9.00am and 11.00am for pre-school aged children.

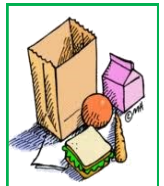
Our program is designed to familiarise children, and parents & carers, with the school environment, staff and routine for an easier transition to primary school.



**PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO PLAY GROUP IN TERM 4, 2024.**

### SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS

**Lunch Orders are available to order from Aroma @ Metung on Fridays. Please place your child's lunch order directly with Aroma.**



### METUNG PRIMARY SCHOOL BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS FOR DIRECT DEPOSITS.

Metung Primary School Official Account:

**Commonwealth Bank**

**BSB - 063 000**

**Account # - 14182698**



Get \$200 to help your child play sport!



[getactive.vic.gov.au](http://getactive.vic.gov.au)



### The Get Active Kids Voucher Program is now open!

Get in quick as applications only remain open until the allocation is exhausted.

If your family or child has a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, you may be eligible for up to \$200 to put towards the cost of your child's participation in sport and active recreation activities.

#### Important Dates:

- Applications open from 9 October 2024 until the allocation is exhausted.
- Reimbursement expenditure dates: from 1 July 2024 until submission of application
- Vouchers expiry date: Tuesday, 29 April 2025.

The Get Active Kids Voucher Program helps eligible families get their kids involved in organised sport and active recreation activities by providing financial support for the cost of membership and registration fees.

Special consideration also applies for children residing in care services, as well as temporary or provisional visa holders, undocumented migrants, or international students.  
[www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers](http://www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers)



**CAMP OUT**

Camp Quality | NRMA Parks + Resorts

*Join us for a night under the stars!*

When: October 26th  
Where: NRMA Eastern Beach  
50% of accommodation donated to Camp Quality

Raffles, Lucky door Prizes, Sausage sizzle, movie night, pancake breakfast & more!

Come and Camp out with us! Bring your tent, swag, or van and join the fun!

Scan this QR code to book your site or Villa

### Metung Bloodhounds Inc Presents:

**Monday, October 21, 2024**

**Arrive 1.00pm – Eyes Down 1.30pm**



Metung Yacht Club, 109 Metung Road, Metung

\$5.00/book

Jackpot

Refreshments

Entry: Gold Coin

Drinks: Bar Prices

Fundraiser to support local community projects.





# Let's get walking this October!

Join the fun for **Walk to School Month** and enjoy all the awesome benefits of staying active! We've got some exciting challenges lined up to make your walk even more fun:

- ★ Walk to School Bingo
- ★ Walk to School Passport

**Students!** Grab your Walk to School Passport from your teacher and start your journey!

Walk to school as often as you can and you could win a sports voucher worth up to \$100!

- ★ Parents and Carers please complete the Walk to School survey by scanning the QR code.



You can find further information and resources at [www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/programs-and-projects/walk-to-school](http://www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/programs-and-projects/walk-to-school)

## Walk to School Bingo

### After You Arrive at School or Home

- 1. Think About Your Walk:** What did you see on your way to school or back home?
- 2. Check It Off:** Put a tick (✓) next to each thing you saw.
- 3. Get Three in a Row:** Try to get three checkmarks lined up!

**Have Fun Watching and Checking!**



Snail



Dog



Bus



Rubbish Bin



Red Car



Bird



School Crossing



Butterfly



Giveaway Sign