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Values: Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful & Be a Learner

From the Principals desk... Welcome Back Everyone!

There was a real buzz around the school on Monday as we settled back in after the holidays and started getting back to our routines incredibly well.

Over the holidays we have had new storage cupboards installed in the open area and shelving installed in the library.



This term we look forward to our 100 Days of School celebrations, Premiers Reading Challenge, School Photos, House and District Athletic Sports. We will be celebrating Book Week and our State Schools Spectacular team will be heading off to Melbourne later in the term to perform. Plus much more!

NAIDOC Week

This week we are celebrating NAIDOC Week. NAIDOC Week Celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support your local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

100 Days Smarter

Next Tuesday our F/1/2 students will be celebrating 100 days at school!! A very special occasion, especially for our Foundation students. They will be participating in games, counting & morning tea.

School Photos

MSP photography will be taking our school photos on **WEDNESDAY JULY 27**. All students have received their envelopes. Please use the Shootkey when ordering. Remember to complete your orders online or return forms to Shelly in the office.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is on from 8:00am - 8:30am every morning. This is a FREE service for all students.

Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) & Masks

The ongoing supply of RATs will be available in our school in Terms 3 & 4. RATs continue to be required by students who are household contacts or who have symptoms to attend school. Families must continue to notify Department of Health if their children returns a positive RAT result. Additionally, you should inform the school if any of your children are household contacts.

Wearing a face mask can help protect you, your child/ren and those around you. It is highly recommended by the Department people wear a face mask in indoor settings. If you wish your child to wear a mask at school, and/or they themselves wish to wear a mask, we will ensure they are fully supported.

School Crossing – Keeping our Students Safe

Please ensure that you only use designated parking areas when dropping off or picking up students. To ensure that our students are safe when crossing the road. We remind parents that it is illegal to park or stop near the school crossing.

Winter Chills - Please ensure your child(ren) are wearing appropriate clothes for the winter months. Children are encouraged to wear long pants and windcheater/jacket as per our Uniform Policy. We have various items in lost property, if your child is missing any clothing please ask Shelly. We do have second-hand uniforms available for students.

Have a great week everyone

AROUND THE SCHOOL: Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful & Be a Learner TERM 3 PLANNER

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	July 11 NAIDOC WEEK		13	14	15 Mother Goose NAIDOC X age activities	16	17
2	18	19 100 Days Smarter F-2	20 "Talk about it" 5-6	21 "Talk about it" 5-6	Mother Goose Bee Shop	23	24
3	25	26	27 School Photos School Council	28 Playgroup Book Club Orders due	29 Mother Goose	30	31
4	August 1	2	3	4 Playgroup	5 Mother Goose Bee Shop	6	7
5	8	9	10	11 Playgroup	12 Mother Goose	13	14
6	15	16	17	18 Playgroup	19 Mother Goose Bee Shop	20	21
7	22 BOOK WEEK	23	24	25 Playgroup	26 Mother Goose	27	28
8	29	30 House Athletic Sports	31 Father's Day Breakfast School Council	September 1 Playgroup F-2 DITTO 10:30am	2 Mother Goose Bee Shop Father's Day Stall	3	4 Father's Day
9	5 District Athletic Sports	6	7	8 Playgroup SSS Rehearsal	9 Mother Goose SSS Rehearsal	10 SSS Performance	11
10	12	13	14	15 Playgroup	16 Mother Goose Bee Shop Colour Run Last Day Term 3 2:20 finish	17	18



The Parent-Child Mother Goose Program is a free dropin for parents, caregivers, and young children, birth to 6 years old to focus on the pleasure and power of sharing rhymes and songs. Please join us for Singing, Rhymes and Snacks.

Murchison Primary School
Fridays during the school term from 9:15am.
Call the school on 58 262 391 for more details.
Everyone is Welcome



Saturday July 16 Stella B



BEE FOCUS: - Being a Learner – Think before you act.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB-

Issue 5 is due back:

Thursday July 28

A great big thank-you to the families that have supported us so far this year. The Library received a number of new books last term thanks to the credit you have

raised for MPS. We really appreciate your support.

Issue 5 has arrived. This is the first of two issues for Term 3.

There are over 50 books for \$5 or less. If you would like to place an order please follow the L.O.O.P. directions on the bottom of the club brochure or return the completed paperwork to Shelly in the office.

* Keep an eye out for the free book offer in this edition! Thanks

STUDENT ABSENCES: Please phone the school or send a message via Skool Loop if your child is going to be away. Children are expected to be at school every day unless unwell. Please support your child's learning and ensure they are at school by 8.45am <u>every day.</u>

Name: ______ Date: ______ Parent's Signature: _____

Don't forget to bring a water bottle to school everyday Pie Warmers Tuesday & Thursday Lunch Orders Mon, Wed & Fri Headphones Everyday

Program Overview

Talk About It is an age-appropriate personal development program for students in Years 5-6 covering identity, puberty, healthy relationships and reproduction.

The program is divided into the following modules:



Years 5 & 6

Stage 1: Year 5

- Who Am I?
- · Welcome to Puberty
- Evolving Friendships

Stage 2: Year 6

- · Discovering Identity
- Surviving Puberty
- · Navigating Relationships
- . The Journey of Human Reproduction



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A personal development program for students in Years 5 - 6

Information for parents and carers



Our Program

Delivered separately to our existing health education modules, this program is facilitated by specialist sexual health educators, working in partnership with the classroom teachers.

Our teaching framework is student-centered, interactive and ensures all content is delivered in a sensitive, factual and age-appropriate manner.

School communities have the opportunity to select the content delivered, and the program is aligned with the Australian Curriculum.

The Talk About It program has been developed in Queensland and adapted in Victoria in consultation with teachers, parents and students and frequently undergoes review to ensure it meets best practice standards.

What is taught during the puberty sessions?

Most children are already curious about puberty and the changes that will or have already started happening to their bodies.

During our puberty sessions, students will learn to:

- Identify reproductive systems in the male and female body.
- Describe the physical, social and emotional changes that occur as an individual gets older.
- Understand that individuals experience puberty changes at different ages and stages.
- Examine products that assist in the management of puberty (eg. menstrual products).
- Discuss strategies that can be used in situations that make them feel uncomfortable or unsafe.

We acknowledge and respect that parents/carers are the primary educators of their children. The Talk About It program is designed to complement and support these discussions at home.









Supporting Your Child

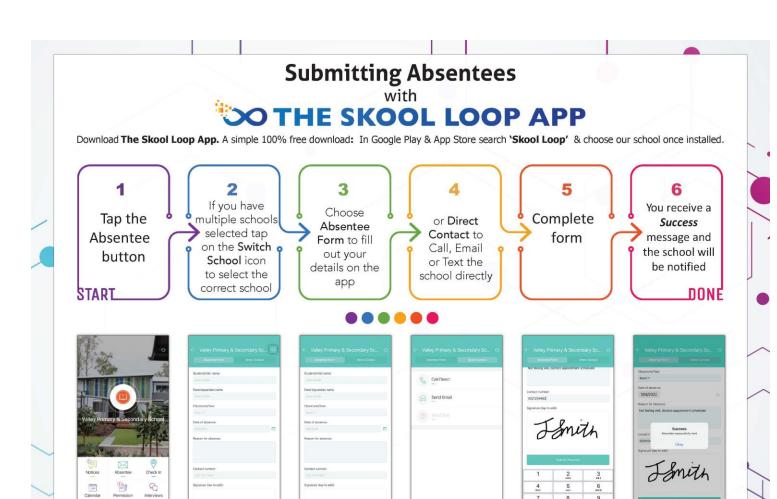
It is normal for children to feel nervous and/or embarrassed when learning about private body parts, especially in a setting with their peers.

We encourage you to speak to your child before and after the session to clarify any questions or concerns.

- Some children may become heightened (e.g. laugh, fidget), withdrawn (reduced eye contact) or upset before attending the program.
- A small number of children may experience physical nausea and light headedness when discussing these topics.
- Please feel welcome to discuss what your child will be learning about before they attend the program so they feel better prepared and you are comfortable and confident with the content.
- A free information session will be offered to you to help prepare you for the kinds of questions children might ask and how to respond.
- During any program that focuses on sexuality, there is a possibility of children disclosing personal issues including harm and/or abuse.
- Life Education's policy is for the educator to use protective interrupting which means interrupting students before they disclose and asking them to talk privately with the teacher after class.

Please feel welcome to contact your local educator if you have any concerns, questions or would like further information.

There will be an Online Parent Information Session on the evening of Tuesday July 19. More information will be sent home with students.





Be The Best We Can Be!



MASK News

Welcome back to Term Three.
Accounts were sent out in the first week of the holidays and I do appreciate those that have paid already. The cameras are back by popular demand. The children have spent some time snapping points of interest around our school. Last night they were introduced to two bigger cameras. This brought about some frustration as they learnt how to use them, but once they overcame some obstacles, they were off and racing! For beginners, these children are great learners!





Chaplain's News

HI all. This weeks Chaplains news is inspired by "lending a hand". Its been a long time since I saw someone giving a dink on the bike. Here they were, cruising along without a care in the world. The lending the hand part was evident due to the rider doing all the work while the passenger enjoying the lift. In my teenage years, my friend and I went into dad's garage and proceeded to make a chopper. Cutting and welding seemed like the way to go. A cut here a weld there in short time we made a 26 inch chopper. We decided to check it out so off we went. A long seat meant we could both fit. I was doing the riding while my friend was the passenger. All was going well until a slight bump in the road caused the welds to crack resulting in both of us falling off the bike. I guess I ran out of talent with the welding part. Lending a hand takes a person to receive it for it to work. Enjoy giving someone a hand this week. This week the V8's mechanics group will be looking at a cars electrical (battery) system. It was good to see the plaques installed on the gates. Stay tuned for "at the gate" Coffee club. Chappy



THE VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOLS

SPECTACULAR

The Spectacular brings together government school communities from across Victoria to produce a three-hour live show – involving music, dance and circus arts – which will be performed to an audience of around 12,000 people at John Cain Arena on Saturday 10 September over two shows at 1pm and 6:30pm.

FOR A HEALTHY LUNCHBOX PICK & MIX SOMETHING FROM EACH GROUP 1:6!



Developed in conjunction with the Achievement Program to support a whole-school approach to healthy eating.









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FRUIT

FRESH FRUIT

- AppleBanana
- Mandarin
- Orange quarters
 Passionfruit halves (with spoon)
- Watermelon, honeydew, rockmelon chunks
- Pineapple chunks
- Grapes
- Plums
 Nectorines, peaches,
- Apricots Strawberries
- Cherries
- Kiwifruit halves (with spoon)
- Pear

MIXED FRUIT

- Fruit salad
 Fruit kebabs
- DRIED FRUIT

Dried fruit, nut, popcom mixes*

TINNED ERUIT/SNACK

ACKS/CUPS

In natural juice (not syrup)



VEGETABLES (2)

- FRESH CRUNCHY VEGIES
- Corn cobs Carrot sticks
- Capsicum sticks
- Green beans
 Cucumber sticks
- Celery sticks
- Snow peas Tomatoes (e.g. cherry and Roma tomatoes)
- Mushroom pieces

Can serve with either:

- Hommus
- Tomato salsa
- Tatziki Beetroot dip
- Natural yoghurt

SALADS

- Colesiaw and potato salad (reduced fat dressing)
- Mexican bean, tomato, lettuce and cheese salad
 Pesto pasta salad*

BAKED ITEMS

- Grilled or roasted vegetables Wholemeal vegetable muffins or scones
- Vegetable slice (with grated zucchini and carrof)
- Popcorn

SOUP (In small thermos)

- Pumpkin soup
 Potato and leak soup
- Chicken and com soup

MILK, YOGHURT 3 AND CHEESE

- Calcium-enriched soy and other plant-based milks
- Yoghurt (frozen overnight)

- Tip:

 Freeze the night before to keep cool during the day
- Cheese cubes, sticks or
- Cottage or ricotta cheese
 Cream cheese
 Tatzki dip

Can serve with either:

- Fruit
 Wholegrain cereal,
- low in sugar

 Vegetable sticks
 Rice and corn cakes
- Wholegrain wheat crackers

MEAT OR MEAT ALTERNATIVE

- Tinned tuna or salmon in
- springwater Lean roast or grilled meats (e.g. beet chicken, kangaroo) Falafel balls
- Lean meat or chicken patties
- Tinned tuna or salmon patties
- Lentil patties
- Lean deli meats (e.g. ham, silverside, chicken)
- Boiled eggs Baked beans (canned) Tofu cubes
- Hommus dip
- Lean meat or chicken kebab sticks
- Peanut butter

Can serve with:

- Wholegrain sandwich, roll, pita or wrap bread with salad
- Rice and corn cakes
- Wholegrain wheat crackers
 Side salad
- Veaetable frittata
- Skinless chicken drumsticks
- Savoury mufins or scones (e.g. lean harn, cheese and shallots)
- Homernade pizzas with lean roast or deli meats and vegetables

Can serve with:

- Side salad Steamed or roasted vegetables

GRAIN AND 5 **CEREAL FOOD**

MAINS

- WrapsSandwiches
- Rolls
- Toasted sandwiches
- Tip: Use breads such as wholemeal, multigrain, rve. sourdough, pita, flat, corn, mountain, lavash, white fibre-enriched, soy and linseed, herb, naan, bagels foccacias, fruit bread and English muffins.
- Rice auinoa or cous cous dishes Noodle dishes
- Sushi

SAVORY BAKED ITEMS

- Homemade pizzas Wholemeal savoury muffins
- or scones (e.g. ham, cheese and corn muffins) Vegetable based muffins

Pasta or poodle bake

SWEET BAKED ITEMS

- Fruit loaf Wholemeal fruit based muffins
- High fibre, low sugar
- cereal (e.g. muesii)
 English muffins

SNACKS

- Crackers Crispreads
- Rice cakes
- Corn thins Wholemeal scones
- Crumpets Hot cross buns (no icing)

WATER

 Take a water bottle (for refiling throughout the day)

amounts.

Freeze overnight to keep foods cool in lunchboxes

Sweet and savoury snack foods (e.g. muesli/fruit/nut bars, biscuits, crisps, cakes, muffins, slices) should be limited in lunchboxes. They can lead to excess energy intake if consumed in large

Sugar sweetened drinks and confectionery should not be provided in lunchboxes. They can lead to excess energy intake and tooth decay.



reaarding the use of nuts and products containing nuts.

Murchison Swimming Pool AGM Wednesday August 3 Held at the Murchison Bowls Club 6.30pm

Our Pool is one of the great assets we have in our town.

It is owned and run by the Murchison Community

The Pool committee has lots of plans for this upcoming season.

It might be cold, but planning starts in August for an opening at the end of November.

Many hands make light work.

If you are interested in knowing more, you have an interest in planning and organising events or would like to contribute.

Please come along and join the Pool Committee.

All welcome!!!!!

See you there.

