MEPS Newsletter

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Term 2, Week 8 2025 – 13 June 2025

DIARY

TERM 2 – 2025		
JUNE		
Wednesday	18	Year 6B Mt Eliza House Region Cross Country PJ Day – Gold Coin Donation
Thursday	19	School Tour @ 9.30am
Wednesday	25	Year 6T Mt Eliza House Winter Lightning Premiership School Tour @ 9.30am Year 3 Expo @ 2:45-3:15pm
Friday	27	Stomp Dance Sessions
Wednesday	30	Year 6B Mt Eliza House
JULY		
Friday	**4**	**End of term 2 – Finish at 2:15pm**

2026 PREP ENROLMENTS & SCHOOL TOURS

Enrolments are now open for all families looking to enrol their children for Prep 2026. School Tours can be booked online via Try booking **here.**

2026 Enrolment forms can be downloaded **here**.

If you require further information regarding enrolments, please contact the office on (03) 9787 1385.

CANTEEN

The School Canteen is operated by Stir Crazy Kids and offers a wide variety of nutritious food, which can be bought daily. Updated menus and price lists are distributed regularly. Lunch orders should be placed in the canteen bag on entering the classroom at 8.45am or can be ordered online. Useful links below:

Canteen Menu Term 2 2025

https://www.stircrazykids.com.au/

UNIFORM SHOP

Opening hours

- Monday: 8:30am – 11:30am
- Wednesday: 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Uniforms may be purchased online – see link below
https://fcw.com.au/online-shop/mt-eliza-primary-school-online/

Processed orders will be delivered to your child's classroom.

FCW School Uniform Shop only accepts CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS.

**With the current ramp works happening out the front of the shop access is through the Old School Hall side doors (by the canteen).*

Zoe Grey – mteliza@fcw.com.au
Uniform Shop Coordinator

SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP

Term 2 Opening hours

- Thursday 26th June: 8:30am – 9:00am

NB: There are a lot of uniforms in lost property, in the 3/4 building. Please ensure that your child's name is on their uniforms so that they can be easily returned.

CAMP AUSTRALIA

Before and After School Care is available in the Old School House. To register your child please phone Camp Australia on 1300 105 343 or register online at www.campaustralia.com.au

PRINCIPAL REPORT – MICHAEL KENT

Hi everyone and welcome to the latest newsletter. I hope you're managing to embrace the colder weather that's upon us!

I hope you and your children are enjoying all that is on offer across the school.

Chess tournament

Congratulations to all students who recently represented themselves and the school at the chess tournament held at Peninsula Grammar. The 38 students did an amazing job and the collective results were outstanding with Mt Eliza PS taking out the champions trophy for their combined performances.
Well done to everyone and congratulations again on a wonderful result. Most importantly was the attitude and resilience of the team. The respect and sportsmanship shown was a credit to everyone!

Congratulations to Mrs Breen

Well done and congratulations to Lynsey Breen for her amazing work in supporting our school students through the project with the Rotary Club of Mornington.
Lynsey has been recognised for her work in educating, growing and supporting our students via her acceptance of the Stan Spencer award.
This is awarded to educators for their significant contribution to education and the local community. Lynsey's work with our students and her support of the MEPS community has been duly acknowledged. This will be celebrated in an official capacity at the Rotary Awards night on July 1st.
Thanks to Lynsey for all she does at MEPS.

Additionally, I am grateful to work alongside a wonderful staff team. MEPS is fortunate to have such a dedicated, committed and high performing staff. Daily, our students are the recipients of the hard work of the staff team. This is evident across the amazing programs on offer and the daily connections that our staff have with our students.

5/6 Endeavour program

The opportunities provided via our Endeavour Program continue to deliver!
Off the back of the recent pop up clothes shop the team has recently supported the Mornington Community Support Centre in providing over 500 meals for those less fortunate. What an amazing collective effort and what a wonderful cause.
We are so proud of these students for their generous efforts and also their outwardly focussed approach. It such a great value that our school honours and respects in so many ways.
Special thanks to the 5/6 team, specialist team and of course, Mrs. Humphreys for the tireless pursuit of excellence within this program.

Buddy Program

Well done to our Prep and Year 4 students for their great work in enjoying the Buddy Program at MEPS. The students continue to enjoy the regular sessions and it has been wonderful to see the leadership skills of our year 4 students regularly displayed in supporting our youngest people!
Well done.

Run Club
Please be aware of the run club that happens every Wednesday and Friday morning on the school oval. A great way to start the day with some exercise and some social time. Great to see so many of our students and families enjoying this opportunity.

Safety
Please be reminded of the 'safety first' approach when dropping and collecting your children from school each day. We are fortunate to have a 'kiss and go' zone along with a 'wait a while' zone and a 'stop and chat' zone at our front entrance. We share a collective responsibility to use these zones with safety in mind. Please use these spaces how they are intended. Please don't park in the 'kiss and go' zone and if you park; please leave your car to walk and collect your children across this busy area. We do have staff on duty, but the duty lays with all of us to look after each other in our care for students.

Curriculum Day
During our recent curriculum day, staff enjoyed the time and space to continue their assessment and reporting program. Mostly the staff spent time on the day compiling and writing the June reports. These will be shared in the coming weeks, coinciding with the parent teacher interviews that are scheduled for Tuesday July 1 (3.30-6.30pm) and Wednesday July 2 (3.30-5.30pm). Bookings will be opened to parents in the week prior. We encourage all parents to attend this important stage of our reporting program.

Final Day of term
The final day of term 2 will be Friday July 4. School will conclude early on this day with students being dismissed at 2.15pm.

5/6 Sport
We are excitedly looking ahead to the upcoming lightning premiership series for our year 5/6 sport stars. Training is in full swing as our team prepare for this competition and the opportunity to showcase their skills on the sporting fields! Good luck to everyone and well done on your preparations.

Attendance
Can I remind all of our community about the importance of attendance at school each and every day. We enjoy having our students at school and are well aware that attending school every day is the basis for continuous learning. Our core instruction time commences at 8.45am each day and we implore all families to please support us by having students at school prior to this start time. If you are experiencing any difficulties in making this regular start time, please reach out to your child's teacher.

2026 Prep
Please note that if you have siblings to enrol in Prep for 2026, I encourage you to please lodge your enrolment form asap to the school office. We are already planning for next year and are considering the intake of Preps that are already enrolled for next year.

Working together
The Department of Education have recently reminded all schools and their communities about the importance of working together as a community. When parents, carers and school staff work together as one team, our students thrive. Everyone at school, particularly staff, parents and carers, play a role in making school a better place for learning and work. Parents, carers and school staff have a relationship that can last many years. This is an opportunity to work together to create a positive relationship in the best interests of your child. When this relationship is built on respect and trust, students learn better and feel like they belong in the school.
The Department of Education's Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy describes the positive behaviour expected from parents, carers and other adults in Victorian school communities.

The policy sets clear standards of behaviour to create a safe, respectful and inclusive learning environment for students, staff and adults. We are grateful to work within such a supportive community and we highly value the input of all stakeholders in helping our school and students to reach their fullest potential. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Year 6 – Kinder visits

Once again it has been wonderful to see our year 6 students displaying their leadership skills and community connection during their recent and ongoing visits to the local kindergarten. We are so proud of the group in how they represent the school.

Keep reading @ Home!

We work extremely hard to provide the highest quality learning for all students at our school. In order for us to maximise on student capabilities we require your help. As parents and guardians, you have a crucial role to play within the learning framework. Your assistance at home in discussing school is an invaluable aspect of student learning. This provides opportunities for students to reflect and consolidate their understandings. As a minimum it would be fantastic to set aside some time each night to share a love of literacy. Reading to your child, reading with them, listening to them read to you and discussing the book (pictures, themes, characters, plot, setting, what might happen next etc..) are all helpful ways of engaging with your child around literacy.

Cyber Safe

How cyber safe are you? Does your child have access to the internet at home? Do they have access via their phone? Are they allowed to search the internet freely without your supervision?

The staff continue to model and teach our students about the impacts of being cyber safe! This is a very real and current issue with so many young and vulnerable people having access to devices and internet access. This involves social media as well. There are many age restrictions on certain Apps and social media sites. Parents need to be aware of these. They exist for a reason. Many of these software packages are trackable and without appropriate settings being applied, locations are easily visible. Additional to this, is the fact that a young person chatting to another unknown person may seem and feel innocent to the user….how do they (or you, or me) know who is actually on the other end of the chat site? Here a few of the availed sites and their current age limits:

Snapchat – 12 yrs old to have snapchat
Instagram – 12 years
Facebook - 13 years
Kik, Tumblr, Vine, Omegle – 17+ years

Cyber safety is a real issue. Apart from perpetrators there are also so many examples of cyber bullying that students need to be aware of. There are potential dangers of using such software and communications. We often talk to children about stranger danger…what about cyber stranger danger?

As a school we are committed to educating and promoting safe online practices. We continue to do this via our participation and accreditation as an e-smart school. This involves teaching the students and modelling targeted and explicit cyber safe practices. We also promote a positive and supportive learning culture through our whole school wellbeing programs. This permeates across the school and helps to ensure students conduct themselves in a positive and respectful manner at all times (online or in person). As a parent you have a significant role to play in educating, modelling and policing online behaviour and activity. Be aware not alarmed! And most importantly be proactive and educated on the ever-evolving cyber world. If you have any concerns, please contact myself or your child's teacher.

Have a great weekend!!

Michael Kent
Principal

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT – DARREN THRESHER

Throughout the term it has been a pleasure finding students who go out of their way to be kind to others and live our school values. This has been shown through their actions in the classroom as well as the yard where small actions can make a significant difference to others. At assemblies, I have introduced the students to the idea of being MAD @ MEPS. The idea of being MAD (Making A Difference) is a focus to help children understand that at any age, they can make a significant difference to others through their everyday actions. I am happy to report that we have many “MAD” children at the school every day!

At our recent assembly we were lucky enough to celebrate and award some specific children with kindness and values awards. Well done to each of these students for being worthy of imitation through your actions at the school. Keep up the great work!

Prep	Hugo, Everly, Luca, Charlotte, Rosie
Year 1	Digby, Luca, Otis
Year 2	Aiden, Edward, Gisele
Year 3	Hunter, Holly, Sadie
Year 4	Will, Billy, Georgia
Year 5	Kaeli, Isla-Rose, Ryan
Year 6	Antonia, Eliza, Hazel, Makayla

Darren Thresher
Assistant Principal

Here are a list of the value awards available for students to strive for:

- Connectedness
- Resilience
- Challenge
- Responsibility
- Kind on purpose
- Respect

PJ DAY – WEDNESDAY 18TH JUNE

Our wonderful Student Representative Council (SRC) have created their first FUNdraising event for the year - PJ Day!

Students can come dressed in their PJs, Dressing Gowns, Oodies etc. to school if they bring along a gold coin donation to help raise funds for upgrading our student bench seating and picnic tables around the school grounds.

For safety reasons we would like all students to please still wear their runners, ensure students can get out of their onesies for toileting and have a cooler change of clothes underneath if they get hot. A friendly reminder — while we love the PJ vibes, please make sure there's still some undies under those onesies!

We look forward to having a cosy Wednesday whilst raising funds for our amazing school.

YEAR 3 EXPO

YEAR 5 & 6 ENDEAVOUR PROGRAM

ENDEAVOUR NEWS

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU

This term, our Year 5 and 6 students have truly embodied many of the values at the heart of our school: community, compassion and collaboration. These students have devoted countless hours to meaningful community initiatives. One standout effort was their work in our Hub Store, where they carefully sorted, hung and prepared clothing for sale. Not only did they raise $461 for our school, but they also helped us to donate more than 1200 items of clothing to the MCSC, providing dignity and warmth to those in need. Their impact didn't stop there.

Last Thursday, our Year 5 and 6 students set an ambitious goal: to prepare 200 meals for vulnerable members of our local community. Their dedication and teamwork led to an outstanding outcome, well above and beyond their original target:

- 150 servings of pesto pasta
- 150 servings of creamy tomato pasta
- 250 ham and cheese toasties
- 8 trays of nut free rocky road slice

In total, they prepared over 550 hearty meals, which I had the privilege of delivering to the Mornington Community Support Centre. Despite the tempting smells in the kitchen, they remained focused and determined to make sure every meal reached someone in need. That's what selflessness looks like and that is what true community spirit is all about.

This incredible work aligns with the thoughtful reflections and mature discussions students engaged in during Reconciliation Week. These students are not only talking about making a difference - they're living it. They have shown us what it means to take action when something isn't right, to stand up and to give back when possible.

To our Year 5 and 6 students: your efforts have made a real and lasting difference. You've proven that leadership isn't about age, it's about action. You have stepped up as role models demonstrating empathy, initiative and teamwork. You are a truly inspiring bunch of kids and I know the world is in great hands with you all at the helm.

To our dedicated staff and families, thank you for your unwavering support of both of these initiatives and for showing our students the incredible things we can achieve when we work together, united by purpose and kindness.
Thank you.

Mrs Humphreys

A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERY WONDERFUL MEPS FAMILY THAT DONATED EITHER CLOTHING OR INGREDIENTS TO SUPPORT OUR INITIAVES.

WITH EXTRA SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS:

MARBLED MEATS

A big thank you to Kym Handyside from Marbled Meats for kindly donating an incredible 200 slices of ham for our cheese and ham toasties! We really appreciate your generosity and support – it means a lot to our school community!

BUNNINGS warehouse

A huge thanks also goes to Bunnings Mornington for their generous donation of 20 large food containers to help us transport our meals. We are so grateful for their support and simply couldn't have delivered our goodies without it!

A final thank you also goes to our incredible PTA team for their wholehearted support of this initiative. They went above and beyond to ensure we had everything we needed, stepping in to purchase the final ingredients. We are so lucky to have such a supportive and generous school PTA team here at Mt Eliza! Please know that your continued backing means the world to us and makes a real difference to our students.

It has been truly heart warming to see our whole community come together to support these initiatives. Whether you donated clothes or ingredients, attended the store, volunteered on an excursion or simply offered a helping hand - we see you and we thank you. We certainly couldn't have done it without you.

Thank you for being part of something so meaningful.

Mrs Humphreys

ENDEAVOUR NEWS

COOKING DRIVE PHOTOS

YEAR 5 AND 6 LOCAL EXCURSION TO MILLBANK RESERVE

As part of our current learning theme ‘Community and Taking Action’ our Year 5 and 6 students recently spent a rewarding day at Millbank Reserve, putting their knowledge into practice in a real-world setting. With the support of local volunteers and Kim from Wild Kindling, students explored the native flora and fauna of the reserve and discovered how 25 years of dedicated community volunteer efforts have transformed the area from a weed-infested site into a thriving natural habitat and a welcoming natural space for everyone to enjoy.

Students actively contributed to this ongoing restoration by removing invasive weeds and planting native and Indigenous species. They planted almost 500 plants - an amazing effort that not only supported the local ecosystem but demonstrated how individuals, especially young people, can make a meaningful difference in their community.

The day finished with a reflective nature walk, where students engaged in a journaling and mapping activity designed to deepen their connection to the land. This hands-on experience perfectly complemented our classroom focus, showing students that caring for the environment is a powerful way to strengthen and support our local community. Well done to everyone involved!
Mrs Humphreys

Student reflections:

Harvey, 5T:
"I enjoyed learning about how Millbank Reserve has changed over the years thanks to all the volunteer work. It felt good to be part of that by planting native plants and helping remove weeds. I love being out in the outdoors, so it was a fun excursion for me."

Ollie, 6T:
"The best part of the day for me was playing along the creek with my mates. We built dams and bridges together and had a heap of fun without using any devices or equipment. I liked being a part of the planting crew and using the Hamilton planter to make holes. It made me feel proud to be helping out."

Zack, 6T
"It was an amazing day, and it helped bring our class together as a community. It was so peaceful walking through the reserve and taking time to notice all the little details. I loved planting native plants and helping to create a beautiful space for the community to enjoy. It helped me feel more connected to the land and made me appreciate how important it is to look after it."

CHESS TOURNAMENT

On Thursday 5th June, 38 MEPS students walked up to Peninsula to take part in the Interschool Chess Tournament. There were seven rounds in total, with 30 minutes on the clock for each game. The students were outstanding, winning the tournament and bringing home the trophy!

Congratulations to everyone who took part!

Erin 4B - *"The Chess Tournament was kind of hard but super fun as well. I was a bit nervous during my first round, but once I started playing it was fine. My favourite part of the day was getting my participation award and when MEPS won the trophy."* -

Francis and Baki 6T - *"Everyone who went to the chess tournament had 7 chess matches against other schools. In the Peninsula Pavilion overlooking the oval, the atmosphere was tense. Everyone had their wins, losses and some draws which made it a fun and exciting experience. The passing grade was 4.5 and a few of us were lucky enough to make it to the next level. Hopefully, we'll be able to make it to State!"*

ATTENDANCE

It is important to note that if your child/ren will be absent, you must notify the school via the Compass Education App. Compass Education provides a Parent Portal which includes the ability to mark your child/ren absent if you know your child/ren will be absent from school. Parents will need to download the Compass Education app to access this service (which is available on both Apple and Android devices).

Steps to add an absence

1. Open the Compass App.
2. Click on your child's photo at the top of the Home Screen
3. Click on **Attendance**
4. Click the blue **+** icon
5. From here parents can key in all information required for the absence, including dates, times and most importantly, the reason for the absence.

Please note if parents do not enter their child's absence, you will receive a text message letting them know that the child's absence is unexplained, with a link to provide an Attendance Note on the Compass Education app and a phone call may also be made from the school as a reminder if not actioned.

If you received a text saying your child is absent

1. Click on the link in your text message OR Follow steps 1-2 above then,
2. Click the un-explained tab at the bottom
3. Select each unexplained absence date and complete.

The **Compass Parent Guide** can be viewed or downloaded from the school website here.

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL THROUGH RITCHIES IGA

We are excited to announce an opportunity to support our beloved Mt Eliza Primary School by simply doing your regular shopping at any participating Ritchies IGA supermarket or liquor store across VIC, NSW or QLD.

By nominating **Mt Eliza Primary School** as your preferred charity through the Ritchies Community Benefit Program, a percentage of your total sales (above $10) will be donated back to our school each month. It's a simple yet impactful way to contribute to our school's ongoing growth and development.

Signing up is easy:

2. Scan the QR code provided to download the Ritchies app.
3. Register and activate your membership.
4. Select "**Mt Eliza Primary School**" as your nominated charity.
5. Shop as usual and feel good knowing you are helping our school with every purchase.

Terms and conditions apply. For more details, visit Ritchies Card Terms.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our school community.

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SCHOOL SAVING BONUS AFTER 30 JUNE 2025

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5th June, 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Please read the below information with regards to your School Saving Bonus after 30 June, 2025.

As you would be aware, the Victorian Government is delivering the School Saving Bonus (SSB) – a one-off support of $400 for eligible government school students from Prep to Year 12 in 2025.

The SSB can be used for uniforms and textbooks **until Monday 30 June 2025.**

Any funds remaining after 30 June 2025, including online voucher amounts that have not been redeemed, will become a credit to use on school activities. However, the credit will not be available on your family account at our school until late July.

To use any remaining SSB funds to cover the cost of school activities in July, please refer to the SSB online system and allocate the funds to school activities before 30 June 2025.

To learn more about the SSB online system, download the step-by-step System guide for parents and carers (DOCX, 945KB) or watch this School Saving Bonus video. System guide translations are also available in 14 languages.

The Department of Education's SSB contact centre will remain available until 30 June 2025. The contact centre can be reached by:

- completing the School Saving Bonus enquiry form
- calling 1800 338 663, between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm on weekdays.

After this date, please contact our administration team for any SSB related questions.

Thank you,

Michael Kent
PRINCIPAL

2026 PREP ENROLMENTS AND SCHOOL TOURS

Enrolments are now open for all families looking to enrol their children for Prep 2026. Prep 2026 Enrolment forms can be downloaded from our website here. Enrolment forms along with your child's birth certificate and immunisation certificate can be returned to the office by hand or via email to Barbara.rogers@education.vic.gov.au

To start primary school in 2026, your child will need to **turn 5 years old by 30 April, 2026.** Schooling is compulsory for children who have turned 6 years old.

Prep (Foundation) application for enrolment can be completed between the **22 April and the 25 July 2025**.

How do I enrol my child in their first year of primary school?

1. Find your local school on findmyschool.vic.gov.au website, which hosts the most up-to-date information about Victorian school zones.

2. Click to download the Prep (Foundation) enrolment information pack.

3. Click to download the Factsheet for Prep (Foundation) enrolment 2026.

4. Submit an enrolment application for Prep (Foundation) by **Friday, 25 July 2025.**

5. You will be notified of the outcome of your application between **Monday 28 July** and **Friday 8 August 2025.** If you receive an offer, you should accept the offer by **Friday 22 August 2025.**

6. Take part in enrolment information and transition sessions during Term 4 2025.

7. Your child will start Prep (Foundation) from a date advised by our school, in 2026.

School Tours can be booked online via Try booking here or by clicking the flyer below.

If you require further information regarding Prep Enrolments, please contact the office on (03) 9787 1385.

CAMP AUSTRALIA

FUN AWAITS!
YOUR WINTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM

ROCKETEERS
Extraordinary Holiday Adventures

Mount Eliza Primary School

Address: Wooralla Drive MOUNT ELIZA VIC 3930

Phone: 0411 104 889 **Program Times:** 07:00 am - 06:00 pm

Mon 07 Jul — Project: Mini Golf Masters

Design, build, and play! Create your own mini golf course with wild obstacles and tricky turns, then compete in an epic tournament. Plus, take home your decorated golf visor and golf ball!

Full Fee $114.16 | After Max. CCS* $11.42

Project Incursion

Tue 08 Jul — Adventure: Elio at Village Cinemas

Blast off into space with Elio, an imaginative underdog who's accidentally named Earth's ambassador to the universe! Meet wild aliens, explore strange planets, and join Elio's epic journey to discover who he truly is.

Full Fee $139.26 | After Max. CCS* $13.93

Excursion

Wed 09 Jul — Big Art Day: Winter Wonderland

Dive into a world of icy inspiration and bold creativity on Big Art Day! Today, we're creating winter-themed masterpieces using vibrant colours, textures, and techniques. Let's make art that's as cool as it is amazing!

Full Fee $89.16 | After Max. CCS* $8.92

Base Camp Day

Thu 10 Jul — Project: Cosy Creations

Cook up tasty jaffles, craft your own snow globe from clay, and dive into more fun games and crafts. It's a day of creativity, cooking, and winter magic—plus, you get to take your snow globe home!

Full Fee $113.16 | After Max. CCS* $11.32

Project Incursion

Fri 11 Jul — Experience Takeover: Wildlife Superheroes

Step into the wild and become a real-life Wildlife Superhero! Meet native animals up close, learn how to protect them, and take on fun, hands-on challenges to help save our Aussie wildlife.

Full Fee $116.16 | After Max. CCS* $11.62

Experience Takeover Incursion

Mon 14 Jul — Operation: Sound Surge

Let the music move you! Today is all about exploring sound, rhythm, and creativity in your own way. However you choose to take part, whether it be beats, sound or something new, let music inspire your imagination!

Full Fee $89.16 | After Max. CCS* $8.92

Base Camp Day

Tue 15 Jul — Project: Dino Dash Adventure

Step into the dino age! Uncover amazing dinosaur facts, then build your own Dino Dash Game to take home. Designed by Eye Heart Science, it's a day of roaring fun, creativity, and real science!

Full Fee $115.16 | After Max. CCS* $11.52

Project Incursion

Wed 16 Jul — Special Event: Ninja Showdown

Proactivity presents... Ninja Showdown—an action-packed event blending fitness, fun and inspiration, designed to build strength, confidence and resilience! Real Ninja Competitors (From TV!). Epic challenges.

Full Fee $150.66 | After Max. CCS* $15.07

Excursion

Thu 17 Jul — Experience Takeover: Light It Up!

Step into the dazzling world of light! Discover how fireworks explode with colour, create secret messages, explore reflection and refraction, and make a UV-reactive bracelet that changes in the sun!

Full Fee $113.16 | After Max. CCS* $11.32

Experience Takeover Incursion

Fri 18 Jul — Operation: Master Builders

Grab your tools and unleash your creativity! Today's all about building big, solving problems, and bringing bold ideas to life. Let's get hands-on and make something amazing!

Full Fee $89.16 | After Max. CCS* $8.92

Base Camp Day

Visit campaustralia.com.au/rocketeers to join our next mission

by Camp Australia

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Celebrating Healthy Eating Week in After School Care

9 - 13 June

Book now

A message from your Coordinator

Hi everyone! Welcome into Winter, make sure to stay nice and warm.

At OSHC we have been up to lots! For Reconciliation Week, we had our lovely educator Dylan do a presentation for us about Aboriginal culture and traditions. The children learnt a lot and enjoyed the presentation. Thank you, Dylan!
Last week we celebrated World Environment Day. The kids learnt about recycling and how to reduce their use of plastic. For all of our activities we used recycled materials and reused scrap pieces. We created cardboard dinosaurs, made books out of paper bags and played a game of recycling bingo, just to name a few.

I hope everyone has a wonderful rest of their week 😊

Activities coming up

- Making Banana Oat Slice
- Lego Winter Competition
- **Art lesson:** Observation Drawing
- Winter in a Jar Experiment

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

Book now

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

MORNINGTON COMMUNITY SUPPORT CENTRE

Winter Appeal

We are excited to launch our 2025 Winter Appeal and this year the ask is BIG, with an ambitious goal of raising $100,000!

Every day, we continue to assist new individuals and families facing unexpected hardship, people who never imagined they would need help. Their circumstances and backgrounds vary but there is a common link - they don't know where else to turn.

Everything we do is made possible by a small but skilled team of staff, over 200 dedicated volunteers and YOU, our community!

What We Do....

- Fresh Food - Thursday from 9.30am St Marks Uniting Church Barkley St, Mornington and Fridays at 320 Main st Mornington.
- Community Café - 320 Main St Mornington Monday to Thursday 10am-2pm. Free coffee, tea and food available.
- Op Shop - Monday to Thursday 10am-4pm. 70 McLaren Place, Mornington.
- MCSC - 320 Main St Mornington
  - Regular Fresh Food From front of Centre
  - Food Pantry
  - Financial Counselling
  - No interest Loans (Nils)
  - Case Management and Advocacy
  - Counselling
  - Work Development Program (working off fines)
  - Help with Tax
  - Utility Relief Grant Scheme
  - My Aged Care Navigating
  - Public Computer
  - Shower Facilities
  - Share the Dignity Products
  - Needle and Syringe Exchange
  - Housing Support
  - Christmas Lunch and Toy Program
- Crisis Accommodation - The Ranch
- Volunteer opportunities - be part of a community.

What You Can Do.....

DONATE HERE

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www.mcsc.au
front.desk@mcisc.org.au

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• STM SCHOOL GYM
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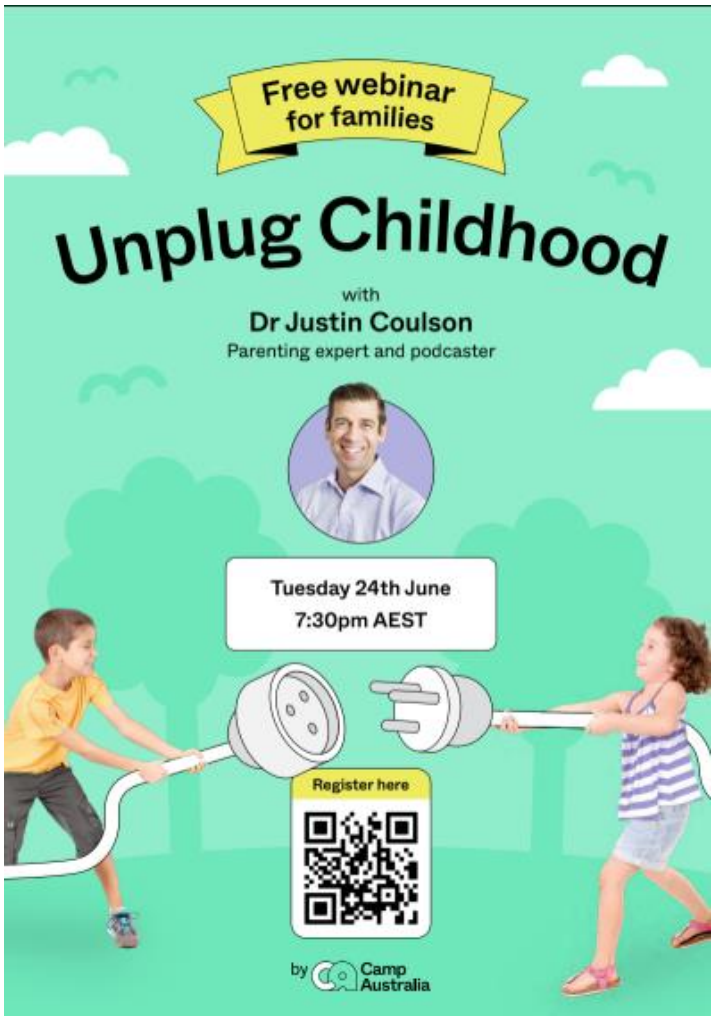
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Youth Road Safety
Fact Sheet

VICTORIA POLICE

Whether you're biking or riding an e-scooter, follow these simple road safety tips to stay safe and have fun on the move!

MODIFIED OR PETROL POWERED BICYCLES

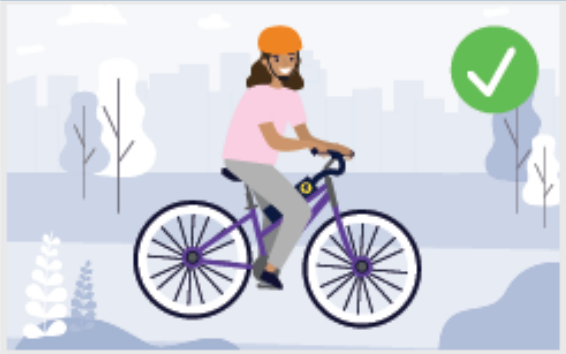
- Illegal.

MOTORBIKES

- To ride on or off-road it must be registered with a full or recreation registration
- Helmet must be worn at all times.

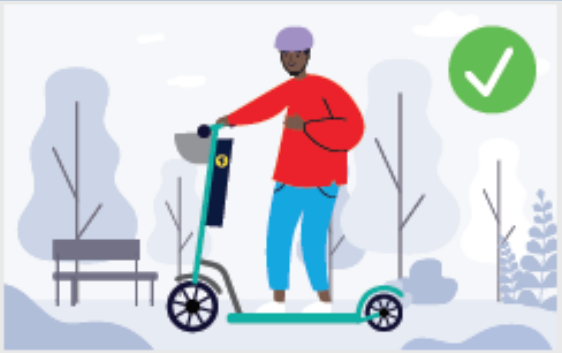
E-BIKES

- 25 km/h MAX speed
- Motor cannot provide power at speeds higher than 25km/h
- Helmet must be worn at all times
- No passengers
- Cannot be ridden on footpaths.



E-SCOOTER

- Be aged 16 yrs or over
- Max speed 20 kmph
- Helmet must be worn at all times
- No passengers
- Cannot be ridden on footpaths.



For more information, visit **police.vic.gov.au/road-safety**

E-scooter Road Rules

Tougher penalties as e-scooters are made permanent.

e-scooter riders cannot

- Ride on the footpath
- Use a mobile phone while riding
- Ride while under the influence of drugs or alcohol
- Carry passengers or animals or ride in tandem
- Ride a high-speed e-scooter, one capable of more than 25 km/h
- Ride on roads that have a speed limit over 60 km/h

e-scooter riders must

- Be aged 16 years and over
- Not exceed the maximum speed of 20 km/h
- Ride only on shared paths and roads that have a speed limit up to 60 km/h
- Wear a helmet at all times
- Follow traffic rules
- Use lights and reflectors

Scan the QR code to learn more

For more information (including community language translations)
transport.vic.gov.au/Road-rules-and-safety/E-scooter-road-rules

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