

WAVERLEY MEADOWS PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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SPRING HAS SPRUNG EDITION

UPCOMING EVENTS



SEPTEMBER

Ongoing

Remote Learning

8th & 9th

Parent-Teacher
Interviews (online)

18th

Last Day Term 3

OCTOBER

5th

First Day Term 4

29th

School Photos



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

SPRING IS HERE! Hooray. It's amazing what a bit of sunshine, flora and fauna can do to lift the spirits! It also means however an increase in sneezing and watery eyes as hayfever hits. Especially with all this wind. Be sure to remind everyone in the household to sneeze into their elbows and stock up on your antihistamines and eye drops!



PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Thank you to those families who have booked in for parent-teacher interviews. I know some parents and carers have already had meetings with the teacher and may not need to book an interview, but if you haven't had a chance to chat with the teacher regarding your child's progress please book in for one of the 10 minute interviews.

If you require more time than your 10 allocated minutes you are welcome to request this from the teacher but please note teachers are not able to run late due to having other parents in a virtual 'waiting room' for their interview.

Regularly timetabled Google Meets will still go ahead Tuesday and Wednesday for students between 9 and 11am. After this time, Google Classroom Streams will be monitored by our wonderful specialist teachers.

Confirmed times and the Zoom link for your interview will be emailed to you no later than Monday 12pm. If you have not received an email confirming your time by then, please contact me. [Here is the booking link for anyone who still needs to book.](#)

CYBER SAFETY

What a great opportunity remote learning has provided for getting to practise the social responsibilities that come with digital technology. Our students have had great conversations with their teachers regarding their 'digital footprints' and what it means to be safe online. Thank you to our wonderful, supporting parent community for the way you have embraced the need to alter our method of delivering lessons and content to students, and for helping monitor the way they are using this technology at home. For more information on ways to keep your children safe online, I encourage you to explore the following resources:

- [E Safety for Parents](#)
- [Life Education Cyber Safety for Parents](#)
- [Department of Education Advice Sheets](#)

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

Please note the 2019 Annual Report is now available on the School Website.

Alison

~ So Long, Farewell to some wonderful Education Support Staff ~

It seems a long time ago that I left my old school to take on the position of Principal here at Waverley Meadows, and I still haven't been able to have a formal farewell with my old school community. It is heartbreaking to have to leave somewhere without saying goodbye and I know that is how three of our lovely team members have felt leaving us during this difficult time. Sara Bennett has taken on a new position at Keysborough Primary School, Fiona Oudyn-Delaney has moved to Amsleigh Park Primary School in Oakleigh, and Penny is gardening and cooking up a storm running the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program at Wattle Park Primary School. Can I just say what a loss to our community these tremendous ladies are, but I know they have moved on to bigger opportunities at large schools that needed their skills and talents! Once we are all allowed to be together again, we will invite them all back for a whole school farewell assembly and give them a proper send off!

COOOOOKIES!!!!

Thank you to all who ordered and collected orders for our cookie dough fundraiser. We raised over \$650 towards our landscaping projects. Cookie dough is being delivered to school next week and we will advertise times for drive-thru collection in the last week of term once we have sorted all orders and prizes.



Big CONGRATULATIONS to 3/4S who were the highest selling class followed closely by 1/2A in second place!

Our highest individual sellers were:

- 1st - Emma M, 3/4S
- 2nd - Cleo & Sophia, 1/2A&D
- 3rd - Mason L, 3/4S
- 4th - Callum, Prep



Have you heard of Spoonville? It's the latest in lockdown crazes sweeping the world!

One of our families spotted a local Spoonville town forming really close to our school, and they are looking for more residents!

It's on the nature strip along Xavier Drive. See if you can find it! As a school we promote Sustainability, so we encourage you to use a wooden spoon and stick your bits and pieces on tightly so they don't blow off and become litter.



**SCHOOL PHOTOS
RESCHEDULED TO
29TH OCTOBER**



**VIRTUAL EXCURSION WEEK NEXT
WEEK – WHERE WILL YOU GO?**

You might blast off into space!

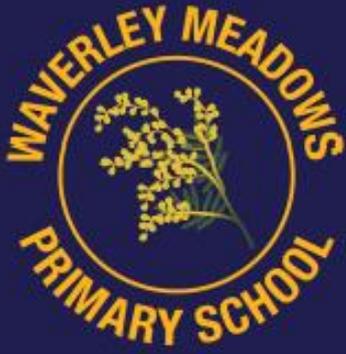
**You might splash down to the depths
of the ocean!**

Maybe you'll tame a lion!

Perhaps you'll travel back in time!

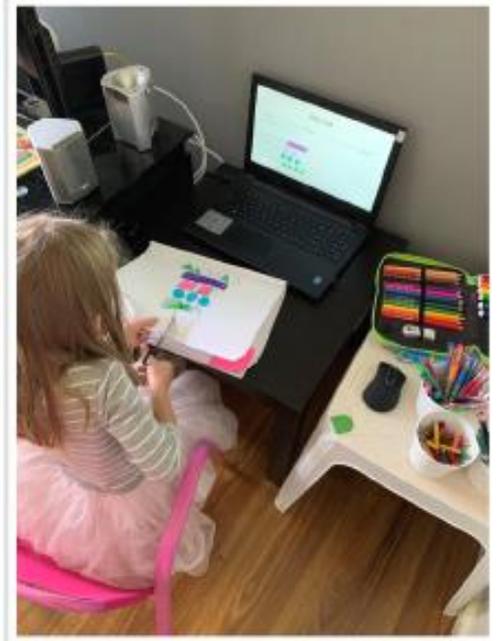
Who knows?!

**Get set for some whacky adventures as
each day a new excursion will be
literally at your fingertips!**



Waverley Meadows Primary School

To learn is to grow



Virtual Excursion Week

• 14th – 18th September •

To celebrate the incredible work that has been completed during Term 3, there will be a new adventure each day.

SUSTAINABILITY OPPORTUNITY!

Children and families of Monash are invited to send a photo of a local tree they love, explaining why they think it's special (for example the colour of the leaves, the nesting birds, the shade it provides, the texture of the bark). Just for participating, you will be sent a voucher for 20 indigenous seedlings to say thanks for celebrating trees with us!

We are asking our Waverley Meadows families to get on board this great initiative, get out there and hug a tree – and don't forget to take its photo! We'd love for you to donate your seedlings to the school and we can use these to plant our own indigenous garden that the whole community will be able to nurture and enjoy.

Send your happy snaps to: sustainability@monash.vic.gov.au



PLAY CRICKET!

MAZENOD CRICKET CLUB
Kernot Avenue, Mulgrave 3170

Seeking all boys and girls from 6 to 15 years old
Specialised coaching from senior players

Master Blaster program (6-10 years old) - \$50
Super7s (8-10 year olds) - \$50
Juniors (10-15 years old) - \$210

Enquiries: mocccjuniors@gmail.com

OUTDOORS
NON-CONTACT

35th ANNIVERSARY
NAZARETH COLLEGE

VIRTUAL

SCHOOL TOURS



Explore the difference a Nazareth education provides

Join us virtually via zoom video conferencing to experience Nazareth College. You will hear from our Principal, Mr Sam Cosentino, as well as have the opportunity to ask questions and discuss important aspects of the College with key members of our staff.

8 SEPTEMBER	9 SEPTEMBER	10 SEPTEMBER
Tuesday 5pm	Wednesday 2pm	Thursday 10am
5 OCTOBER	6 OCTOBER	7 OCTOBER
Monday 12pm	Tuesday 7pm	Wednesday 5pm



JOIN A TEAM NEAR YOU TODAY

PLAY CRICKET

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Register at <http://www.nazareth.vic.edu.au/enrolments/virtual-school-tours/>
Applications for Year 7 2022 Close 9th of October 2020

PARENTING DURING COVID-19

5-12
years

COVID-19 has impacted families unlike anything we have ever experienced before. Most parents are facing new challenges with their children and trying to not *sink* but *swim*. This webinar will give you expert insight, advice, and tips for navigating through our changing environment and supply you with strategies the whole family can benefit from.

Topics covered included:

- Managing feelings of stress, anxiety, and uncertainty
- Tips to ensure effective communication
- Creating a calm home environment
- Mental Health Concerns
- Taking care of you



Bookings Essential @ <https://www.trybooking.com/BLDCV>

(Please note: upon booking you will receive a link for the zoom webinar)

Date: 7th September 2020

Time: 7:00-8:00pm

Cost: \$15 per family

