

Calendar of Events

Term 1

Week 1

Monday 29 th January	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 30 th January	Years 1 to 6 return
Wednesday 31 st January	Kindergarten starts

Week 2

Wednesday 7 th February	P&C Meeting – 6:00pm
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Week 3

Thursday 15 th February	YSS Swimming Carnival Mrs Gordon @ PPA Start Up Conference – Wagga
Friday 16 th February	Mrs Gordon @ PPA Start Up Conference – Wagga

Week 4

Thursday 22 nd February	Back up date for YSS Swimming Carnival
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Clayton Archer Lachlan



Jazzmin Hope

Welcome Back

Welcome back to all of our students. We hope that everybody had an enjoyable and restful holiday and that you are all ready for a busy term.

Our kindergarten students, Archer Knott, Lachlan Wilkes and Clayton Wilson, started school on Wednesday and are settling in really well.

We would also like to welcome Hope Chesworth and Jazzmin Rose to our school. Hope is in Year 1 and Jazzmin Year 2 and they have been busy making new friends.

Staff for 2017

K-2 (Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday) - Sonia Wheatley

K-2 (Thursday & Friday) - Lynne Watt

3-6 (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday) - Monica Gordon

3-6 (Wednesday) - Lynne Watt

Office (Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri) - Kim Cormack

Cleaner - Fran Cannon

General Assistant (GA) - Col Chapman

Sport

PE is to be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays for all students.

Sport is to be held on Fridays for all students.

Please ensure your children wear their sports uniform and joggers on sport days and PE days.

Library

Library day this year for all students will be on a Thursday.

Our library books are very precious and in order to keep them in good condition, all students are asked **to bring a library bag** to put their books into. Can you please ensure their name is clearly marked on their bag.

Term Planner

Attached to this newsletter is a Term Planner so that you can put important dates into your diary. Please remember that other things will be added as the term progresses and that occasionally, dates change as well, but you will be notified of these changes in the newsletter calendar.

Absentee Notes

Don't forget that if your child is absent for part of the day or a whole day, a written note needs to be given to the class teacher. This needs to be handed in within 7 days.

Attached to this newsletter are proformas for you to use. Should you require more throughout the year, please contact the school and we will send more home.

Please be aware that it is a legal requirement for you to provide a note to the school explaining your child's absence from school.

Please find attached a fact sheet regarding Compulsory School Attendance.

Personal Details Update

From time to time addresses, phone numbers and emergency contact numbers change. Please find attached an update for your details. It is very important that this form is returned to school so that we are able to contact you or your emergency contact if your child becomes sick or an emergency arises.

Can you please return the form to school no later than next Friday, 9th February so that we may update our records.

Uniform

Can you please ensure your children are wearing the correct uniform.

The boys summer uniform is: blue shirt, grey shorts, grey socks and **black** school shoes.

The girls summer uniform is: school dress, white socks, **black** school shoes.

Sports uniform is: royal blue shorts, school sport shirt, white socks, joggers.

On the days the children don't wear their sports uniform and they want to run around in their joggers at recess and lunch, they are to bring them in their school bag to change into, not wear them to school.

The school has a "no hat – no play" policy. All children are to wear the school hat (not caps). These hats are available to buy at the school, either new or second hand.

Please make sure that your children's names are clearly marked on their uniforms including hats.

Newsletters

This year the newsletter will be going out on a fortnightly basis instead of weekly.

You have the option of receiving your newsletters as a hard copy or as an email. If you would like to receive your newsletter by email, can you please contact the school so this can be arranged.

Medications

If your child is sick and requires medication to be taken at school, a note needs to be sent in outlining the name of the medication, the reason for taking it and the dosage. This applies to medicine prescribed by a doctor or any over the counter medication such as painkillers, hayfever tablets, etc.

All medications are to be taken to the office and **at no stage** are students to have medications in their bags or pockets during school hours.

Class Requirements

Pencil Case	Lead Pencils
Blue Pen (Yr 5-6)	Red Pen (Yrs 3-6)
Coloured Pencils	Rubber
Pencil Sharpener	Ruler
Glue Stick	Scissors
Textas	Library Bag
Spare Undies (Kindies)	2 boxes of tissues per family



YSS Swimming Carnival

The Young Small Schools Swimming Carnival is being held on Thursday 15th February 2018. All students are expected to attend.

They need to wear their sports uniform with their swimmers underneath.

The carnival will begin at 9am so please be at the pool by 8.45am to ensure a prompt start.

You will need to take your children to and from the event.

Students will need to take their recess and lunch or they can purchase food from the canteen.

The carnival will finish about 2pm. A list will be sent home next week with what events your children are in.

If the carnival needs to be postponed due to bad weather, it will be held the following Thursday, 22nd February.

Survey

Attached to this newsletter is a satisfaction survey for parents of students who attended Monteagle last year.

This survey tells us how satisfied you are with what goes on within the school and the results are published in the Annual School Report. The survey is anonymous. Can you please fill it out and return it to school by Friday 9th February.

Bookclub

Please find attached the first issue of Bookclub for the year.

Please return your orders no later than Wednesday, 21st February.



School Bus

Now that we are back at school, just a reminder that it is a **REQUIREMENT BY LAW TO OBEY THE 40KPH WHEN THE LIGHTS FLASH** on the back of a school bus. If you are travelling between 41kph and 79kph a hefty fine and loss of points will apply. If you are travelling 80kph or over it is a loss of licence.

Please be aware of this when passing school buses that stop for children along our roads.

Nut allergies

Due to the increasing amount of allergies in children, we would like all parents not to send food to school which contain nuts. This will include peanut butter, some muesli bars, some biscuits – just to name a few.

P & C News

P & C Meeting

The first P & C meeting for the year will be held on Wednesday 7th February at 6:00pm. We hope to see as many parents there as possible.

Please note that the AGM will be held on Wednesday, 7th March with a general meeting immediately following the AGM.

Everybody is encouraged to come along.

Term Contributions

The P & C would like each family to pay a voluntary contribution of \$10-00 per family per term. This goes towards purchasing prizes for raffles, which in turn, raises money for our school.

If you are unable to help with working bees, and other P&C/school functions, this can be your way of helping raise money for our children.

You can send your contribution in to the office.

Reminders

Personal Details Update form to be returned by Friday, 9th February

Survey to be returned by Friday, 9th February

Bookclub Orders to be returned by Friday, 9th February