



MELROSE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER & REMINDERS

MONDAY 28TH APRIL – FRIDAY 9TH MAY – 2025



Mon 28th April

SWIMMING PROGRAM - MIDDLE UNIT - A3, A4, A5, A6 and A7 -
EVERY DAY THIS WEEK

Tue 29th April

Wed 30th April

Thur 1st May

Friday 2nd May

VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOL SPEC - MASS DANCE REHEARSALS AT
MELROSE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mon 5th May

YEAR 5/6 CANBERRA CAMP - BUSES DEPART FROM MELROSE @ 6.15am

School Council Meeting - WFGS combined session - Child Safety Standards - 5.30pm at Wodonga Senior Secondary College

Mon 6th May

YEAR 5/6 CANBERRA CAMP

Mon 7th May

YEAR 5/6 CANBERRA CAMP - BUSES RETURN TO MELROSE @ 5.30PM - Keep an eye on Melrose PS Facebook page for any updates to arrival back times

Mon 8th May

Mon 9th May

**MOTHERS DAY STALL - PRICES WILL RANGE FROM \$1 - \$10 -
ON THE DAY STUDENTS WILL GO AROUND TO THE STALL IN
THEIR CLASS GROUPS**

SWIMMING PROGRAM - MIDDLE UNIT - A3, A4, A5, A6, A7

MONDAY 28TH APRIL - FRIDAY 2ND MAY

Students in A3, A4, A5, A6 and A7 will participate in a swimming program each day for 5 days on **Monday 28th April - Friday 2nd May**. Students are to wear school uniform, school hat, bring bathers, towel and goggles if needed. Students will get changed at the Wodonga Sports and Leisure Centre before and after their swimming lessons. Students will walk to and from the venue.

Buses will be provided in the event of extreme weather.

Cost is \$25, unless you have qualified for and have remaining CSEF/SSB - check with the school office if you are unsure.

A6 and A7 - Walk to the pool at 12pm, lesson 12.15pm – 1.00pm, 1.15pm walk back to school. **A3 & A5** - Walk to the pool at 1pm, lesson 1pm – 1.45pm, 2pm walk back to school. **A4** - Walk to the pool at 1.30pm, lesson 1.45pm – 2.30pm, 2.45pm walk back to school.

Activity Location - Wodonga Sports & Leisure Centre
Consent Due - 25/04/2025

COST - \$25 if you do not have any CSEF or SSB

Clothing & Equipment - Wear school uniform, Bring bathers, towel, school hat and goggles if needed.

CANBERRA CAMP - YEAR 5/6 STUDENTS WHO HAVE PERMISSIONED & PAID ONLY

MONDAY 5TH TO WEDNESDAY 7TH MAY

Students in the Senior School attending the Canberra Camp should be at school by 6:15am on Monday the 5th of May. Further information, including a packing slip, can be found at:

<https://mrpatton.melroseps.vic.edu.au/canberra>

Parliament and Civics Education Rebate

Students from our school will soon be undertaking an educational tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursions the Australian Government is contributing funding to our school in the amount of \$45 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon the completion of the excursion and has already been discounted from the price initially charged to parents.

SCHOOL UNIFORM: Students will need to have a full school uniform packed for our visit to Parliament House on Tuesday.

MEDICATIONS FOR CAMP: Please arrange to drop these into the school office this week to avoid having to do this at the buses on the morning of the camp.

PACKING LIST

CANBERRA 2025



DEPARTURE

5th May – 6:15am

RETURN

7th May – 5:30pm

BACKPACK

- ☐ Morning Tea and Lunch for the first day.
- ☐ Water bottle
- ☐ Optional: Pen, pencils, novel, cards.

LUGGAGE

- ☐ Full School Uniform.
- ☐ Socks and Underwear
- ☐ Shirts
- ☐ Pants
- ☐ Jumper
- ☐ Waterproof jacket (for wet weather)
- ☐ Toothbrush & toothpaste
- ☐ Soap
- ☐ Roll on deodorant (not spray)
- ☐ Personal hygiene items.
- ☐ Hair brush

Optional: Beanie / gloves for cold weather.

IMPORTANT NOTES

- ☐ Please ensure your child is wearing fully enclosed shoes.
- ☐ We recommend your child wears layers so they can respond to changes in weather.
- ☐ No expensive or digital items are permitted on this camp.
- ☐ For the safety of those with allergies, please do not pack lollies or food to be consumed in dorm rooms.

EXCURSIONS/ACTIVITIES PERMISSIONS & PAYMENTS

Parents are reminded that all school excursions, camps and activities are communicated via, and need to be permissioned, through our School Portal App.

FAMILIES RESPONSIBILITY:

- Download the school app to your mobile device, and enable notifications for this app on your device also
- Monitor the school portal app regularly to see if your child has any activities needing permission/payment
- Read the school newsletter to stay up to date with when school activities for your child are taking place
- Permission these activities **BY THE DUE DATE**
- Pay for the activity either by BPAY, EFTPOS, CASH **BY THE DUE DATE** - you can not pay for the activity through the school portal app.

As the school needs to confirm many things prior to activities, such as bus bookings, catering etc, all activities will need to be permissioned by families **by the due date which will be at least 1 day or more, prior to the event**, this due date will be listed on the school portal for each activity.

SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITY:

- Put excursions/activities on the school portal ready for parents to permission and pay
- Teachers and/or Admin staff will send SMS / Class Dojo messages/reminders in the days leading up to excursions/activities to prompt those families who have not yet permissioned
- **The day before the due date of the activity** - School will contact families who have still not permissioned.

**If permission and payment is not received by the due date,
then your child may not be able to attend that event.**

YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PERMISSION ON THE DAY OF THE EXCURSION/ACTIVITY



SCHOOL PORTAL APP



STUDENT ACTIVITIES

In the 'Activities' section of the School Portal mobile app, consent can be made for student activities, preventing the need for printed permission slips to be distributed.

Once your child has been invited to participate in an activity, you will receive a push notification through the mobile app. You will then be able to approve their participation, provide an additional note to the staff member organising the event.



DOWNLOADING THE SCHOOL PORTAL APP

Visit the App store for iOS or the Google Play store for Android devices and search for 'School Portal' to download the app. Once downloaded, launch it and enter either the mobile phone number or email address associated with your child's enrolment at the school. You will then be sent a 6-digit verification code to the email address or mobile number entered.

Please contact the school on (02) 6059 1955 if you require assistance accessing this.

2026 Enrolments - ENROL NOW!!!!

Dear Melrose Families,

We are now taking new enrolments for 2026 across all year levels. If you are a current family of Melrose Primary, that may have a sibling needing to enrol for 2026, or you know of any other families that have a student/s wishing to enrol for 2026, then now is the time to get your enrolment forms into the school office.

Please find attached an enrolment form that you can print out, complete and return to the office, or alternatively the form is fillable - so you can type onto it, and then email it back to us at the school nicole.harvey@education.vic.gov.au

Your enrolment form will also need to include a copy of your child's birth and Immunisation certificates.

Should you have any queries with enrolling for 2026, or require a hard copy of the enrolment form sent home, please contact the school office on 60591955 and we will be more than happy to help.

TERM 2 - IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

WEEK 1

- **Monday 21st April - PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL**
- **Tuesday 22nd April** - Student return to school for Term 2
- **Tue 22nd - 23rd May** - Smile Squad at Melrose Primary School
- **Thursday 24th April** - ANZAC Service at Melrose PS ANZAC Garden 9.10am
- **Friday 25th April - ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL**

WEEK 2

- **Mon 28th April** - Friday 2nd May - Swimming Program Years 3/4
- **Friday 2nd May** - VSSS Mass Dance Rehearsal

WEEK 3

- **Mon 5th - Wed 7th May** - Year 5/6 Canberra Camp
- **Monday 5th May** - School Council Meeting - WFGS Combined session

WEEK 4

- **Mon 12th - Fri 16th** - Education Week
- **Thursday 15th May** - Melrose Cross Country
- **Friday 16th May** - Year 5/6 Winter Sport afternoon

WEEK 5

- **Thursday 22nd May** - Boys to the Bush - selected students
- **Thursday 22nd May** - National Simultaneous Storytime
- **Friday 23rd May** - Year 5/6 Winter Sport afternoon

WEEK 6

- **Thursday 29th May** - Boys to the Bush - selected students
- **Friday 30th May** - Upper Hume Cross Country

WEEK 7

- **Wednesday 4th June** - STOMP Dance Company at Melrose PS
- **Thursday 5th June** - STOMP Dance Company and Boys to the Bush
- **Friday 6th June** - Year 5/6 Winter Sport Afternoon

WEEK 8

- **Monday 9th June - KINGS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL**
- **Thursday 12th June** - Boys to the Bush - selected students
- **Friday 13th June** - Regional Cross Country, Winter Sport afternoon & VSSS Mass Dance Rehearsal

WEEK 9

- **Monday 16th June** - School Council Meeting
- **Thursday 19th June** - Boys to the Bush - selected students
- **Friday 20th June** - Year 5/6 Winter Sport afternoon

WEEK 10

- **Thu 26th & Fri 27th June** - Reporting to parents - Student LED Conferences by booking appointment

WEEK 11

- **FRIDAY 4TH JULY - LAST DAY OF TERM 2 - 2.30PM FINISH**