Principal's Perspective

World's Greatest Shave

Our learning programs provide students with a wide range of opportunities to develop real life skills including social, self-management and communication skills. We offer learning experiences for students that are connected to their local community and promote intercultural understanding through global connections. Teachers strongly encourage students to take action on new knowledge and understanding, to be critical and creative thinkers and empower students to have a voice.

We have 2 students, Ethan McLeod (Year 6) and Eamon Ledger (Year 3) who have volunteered to participate in ‘The World’s Greatest Shave’ to raise money for the Leukemia Foundation. This is a perfect example of our students being proactive, caring and responsible citizens in our community. Milgate Primary School fully supports Ethan and Eamon in their huge fundraising efforts and we hope you get behind them too! Please donate!

Eamon Ledger: https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registrant/FundraisingPage.aspx?Referrer=%26Referrer%3dhttp%253a%252f%252fworldsgreatestshave.com%252f&RegistrationID=621707#&panel1-1

Ethan McLeod: https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registrant/FundraisingPage.aspx?Referrer=%26Referrer%3dhttp%253a%252f%252fworldsgreatestshave.com%252f&RegistrationID=621517#&panel1-1

House Swimming Sports | Friday 4 March [Years 3-6]

All our Year 3-6 students will participate in the upcoming House Swimming Sports at Aqualink Nunawading. It is a wonderful opportunity for all students to participate in a range of events that cater to all ability levels. We wish all our students the best of luck for their events and hope it will be an exciting and fun day.

CSEF Applications | Applications close Mon 29 Feb

Parents must reapply each year for CSEF if you are still eligible. Forms are available at the school office and you should also present your current and valid Health Care Card at this time.
FOUNDATION & YEAR 1 INCURSION | Bully Busters
This week the Foundation students participated in their first Bully Busters workshop, which aimed to teach them the foundations of assertive behaviour. Strong, appropriate responses to teasing were explored through role-play and discussion. The activities focused on body awareness and developing easy to use language responses.

The session for the Year One students reinforced these concepts and language, further developing positive strategies to use in various playground situations. The students deepened their understandings of, and confidence to use, the ‘3 Step Telling Rule’, how to be a ‘Cool, Calm, Kid’, and how to be ‘Resilient’.

CAFE NEWS | Special Lunch Order Day
All ‘Juniors Rule the School’ lunch orders for Friday 4 March are due Monday 29th February.

We’re offering all Foundation - Year 2 students a special party lunch. Order forms were sent home last week, however additional copies are available from the canteen or by printing the notice from Compass [Community | School Documentation | 2016 | Notices]. Food is pre ordered so we are unable to accommodate late orders. Thank you.

SCHOOL COUNCIL 2016
Thank you to the parents and staff who nominated for school council. We are not required to have an election.

School Councillors for 2016 are:
- Parent Reps: Niem Tri, Mark McNamara, Glenda Thomas, Gordon Lum, Simon Mosley, Geoff Elletson, Jasmin Tragas
- Community Reps: Patrick Ow & Melinda Parcell [P&F Rep]
- DET Staff Reps: Fiona Bashford, Emma Ketteridge, Karlie Gooding

Executive Officer: Debbie Mierisch

Welcome to the new members of the School Council, Glenda Thomas, Gordon Lum, Melinda Parcell, Fiona Bashford and Emma Ketteridge.

We look forward to working with all school councillors in 2016.

Retiring School Councillors are:
- Parent Reps: Mike Trenery & Pushpinder Puri
- DET Staff Reps: David Mander & Ro Daenke

Thanks to the retiring school councillors who have made excellent contributions as parent and DET staff reps over the last 2 years.

Mike Trenery (6 years) has been the President, Treasurer and provided valuable input into the finance, policies and other aspects of the school. Pushpinder Puri (4 years) has provided valuable input and broadened our cultural perspective.

David Mander and Ro Daenke have also provided valuable input from a school and educational perspective. Thank you to these four members for their contribution over the years.

SPORTS NEWS
Ride2School Day | Friday 4 March
This is the perfect opportunity for your child and the whole school community to embrace a healthier start and to try riding to school perhaps for the first time. By riding and walking to school, students contribute to their minimum physical activity level of 60 minutes per day.

House Swimming Sports | Friday 4 March
Just a reminder to all Yr. 3 – 6 students and parents that we have our annual House Swimming Sports @ Nunawading Pool coming up. This is the first of our three Yr. 3 - 6 compulsory house events for 2016 and we look forward to a fun action packed day. If there are any parents who are able to assist on the day please contact Mr. James Will ~ will.james.d@edumail.vic.gov.au. Parents are welcome to attend, our program runs from 11am – 2.30pm.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD
Any relevant material is posted on our noticeboard [located outside the Art room] as a service to our school community. Recent articles include:
- OLOP | Community Fete [Sun 20 Mar 11am – 4pm]
Dear parents and students,

Milgate Primary School PHOTO DAY IS 23/03/2016

School photo order envelopes have been or will be distributed to every student and it is important that the order instructions (below) are followed.

ONLINE ORDERING  Your child’s school photos are now available for secure online purchase, please note if you are ordering online, you do not need to return an envelope to the school

4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

Step 1: Easy Access Link: Click on this link if you are using a supported device:  
- OR - Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [6R4 QBT C61]

Step 2: Enter your student’s details

Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)

Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)

Please Note: Late fees will apply once orders are closed (5 days after photo day)

FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS  No envelope required if ordering online

4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [6R4 QBT C61]
- Family/Sibling photo orders online close on 21/03/2016
- Orders can be placed by returning an envelope up until photo day with cash or cheque enclosed

ORDERING USING AN ENVELOPE

ENVELOPES WILL BE HANDED TO EACH CHILD, PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE

Step 1: Student Details: Complete the student details section on the front of the order envelope.

Please use black or blue pen.

Step 2: Purchase Details: Complete the purchase details on the front of the envelope.

Step 3: Payment Method: Select your payment method.

Credit Card – Online Only at www.advancedlife.com.au

Cash – Please enclose correct money – no change is given under any circumstances

Cheque – Make payable to Advancedlife Photography with your name & address on the back of cheque

Please allow 60 days for your cheque to be finalised - a $25 fee will apply to any dishonored cheque payments

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries in regards to your child’s school photo order.

info@advancedlifevic.com.au or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team