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We develop a love of learning

PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVE

PRESENTATION | HELPING PARENTS IN A MODERN WORLD

On Wednesday evening, Martine Oglethorpe from The Modern Parent, presented information on ways in which to support families with keeping up with the use of technology.

The presentation focused on:

- How are kids using the technology?
- What apps are kids using? Are they safe?
- Coping with inappropriate content
- Your child loves video games? How to keep it under control?
- Avoiding tech tantrums
- Privacy, predators and reputation
- Why parents are the key to safe and smart digital kids
- How to enforce boundaries, limits & keep the balance
- Strategies to teach kids the skills they need to make the best decisions online

Martine discussed the popular Apps that children are using to socialise online. She also raised the positive and negative implications of devices and the importance of having conversations as a family, as to the expectations around safe and appropriate use.

Martine has an eBook available for purchase for \$6.99 that covers much of what she talked about in the presentation. <http://themodernparent.net/buy-the-ebook/>

In classes over the coming week, there will be a focus on Cybersafety and looking at how to stay safe online.

We encourage all parents to take the opportunity to sit down with their children and have open discussions on their technology use and maintaining a balanced lifestyle. The following link has some fantastic resources for parents.

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/education-resources/iparent>

DIARY DATES

Mon – Fri	Planning Week
Mon 20 Mar	Assembly Year 4 Presenting
Tue 21 Mar	Harmony Day
Thu 23 Mar	Multicultural Community Picnic 5 – 8pm FREE Activities
Fri 24 Mar	INCURSION Year 2 – Walking Picnic
Fri 24 Mar	Future Schools Conference [selected Code Club students]
Fri 31 Mar	LAST DAY of Term 1 1.50pm Easter Bonnet Parade 2.30pm Dismissal

2017 DATES

Tue 18 Apr	SCHOOL PHOTOS Siblings
Wed 19 Apr	SCHOOL PHOTOS

Full calendar details available in Compass.

REMINDERS

LATE ARRIVALS [after 9am bell]

Students must report to the Office to be signed in by an Office staff member.

EARLY DEPARTURES [before 3.30pm]

Parents are required to have an Office staff member record the early departure BEFORE collecting your child from their classroom.

Parents are still required to enter their approval into Compass afterwards.

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2017 TERM DATES

Term 1	30 January	31 March
Term 2	18 April	30 June
Term 3	17 July	22 September
Term 4	9 October	22 December

LAST DAY | Term 1 | Friday 31 March
Just a reminder that students are dismissed at 2.30pm.



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PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVE (Continued)

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

Week 8
World's Greatest Shave | Mon 20 Mar Eamon L [Year 4]. At assembly next Monday Eamon will have his head shaved to raise funds for the Leukemia Foundation. Online donations can be made by clicking [HERE](#). There is also a donation box at the school office.

Multi-Cultural Community Picnic | Thu 23 Mar 5pm - 8pm

Week 9
Purple Day for Epilepsy | Tue 28 Mar Organised by Junior School Council. Wear purple and bring a gold coin donation.
Easter Bonnet Parade | Fri 31 Mar On the last day of term at 1.50pm in the stadium or outside if it's fine. Students make a hat to wear and there are prizes for the best Easter hat in each year level.

Yours sincerely,
Debbie Mierisch | Principal
Karlie Gooding and David Mander | Assistant Principals



WORKING BEE | Sun 19 Mar | 9.30 – 11.30am THIS SUNDAY

We'll be busy tidying up around the new portables, including weeding and mulching. Please bring your gardening equipment - rakes, brooms, gloves, secateurs, shovels, wheel barrows, etc.

Please RSVP with your Eldest Child's Name & Grade as well as how many will be attending. Email to milgate.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

We look forward to seeing you there!

Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

On Tuesday 21 March, father and founder of Save Our Sons, Elie Eid, will begin a tough 300km walk around the Bay of Melbourne to help raise awareness and funding for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.

On Fri 31 March, one of our Milgate families – the Percy family - James (Dad), Kai (Year 4), Luc (Year 2) in his wheelchair and Angelique (Mum) - will be joining the final part of the 300km walk. While Kathy (Grandma) will be waiting for them at the finish line. Funds raised by the Walk to Save Our Sons will go towards:

- Ongoing Research, which is so vital in the attempt to find ways to combat this life threatening disease.
- Medical equipment to improve the quality of life of Duchenne children.
- Placing a specialised Duchenne nurse in every Australian children's hospital.
- Scientific research and clinical trials to find a cure for Duchenne.
- A specialist nurse is already funded for two years at the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne with the aim of raising funds for a third year.

Please support this amazing cause if you are able and help us to save our sons and rare daughters.

<https://saveoursons.giveeasy.org/campaigns/the-percy-family/>

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Located outside the Art room. Recent articles include:

- Pop Up Cinema @ Heide | Fri 17 Mar | Babe
- Obstacool – Obstacle courses for kids | Sat 25 Mar
- Warrandyte Festival Kids Market | Sun 26 Mar
- Superhero Fun Run | Sun 2 Apr | Royal Botanic Garden
- Football Clubs | Various
- Foster Carers Needed
- Friday Night Fun | Years 4 – 8 | Salvation Army
- Girl Guides
- Kid Zone Fridays | Salvation Army
- Melbourne Magic Festival | Professor Googalfitz
- Positive Parenting Telephone Service 1800 880 660
- Secondary Schools | Open Days & Tours
- School Holidays:
 - Chinese Immersion Adventure Camp | 3-5 April
 - Kidz Club | 5 – 6 April
 - Lego Workshop | Bricks 4 Kids
 - Netball Clinic
 - Obstacool



MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITY PICNIC

Thu 23 Mar | 5 – 8pm

We look forward to seeing a great many Milgate families enjoying the free activities and food available for purchase on the night. The evening's free activities are proudly supported by Manningham City Council's Community Development Grant Program.

EASTER BONNET PARADE & RAFFLE

Friday 31 March | 1.50pm in Stadium

Students are invited to design and make their own Easter Bonnet for our Annual Easter Bonnet Parade. There will be small chocolate prizes awarded for the best hats [one girl and one boy] in each year level. Parents are welcome to attend. Return your raffle tickets and \$10 now to be in the draw to win one of three fabulous hampers. The winners will be drawn at the Easter Bonnet Parade. Good luck everyone!




Milgate

Primary School

MULTICULTURAL

Community Picnic

Thursday 23rd March 2017 5pm – 8pm

Time	Event	Location
5:00pm	Doors open, DJ V, Lil Monsters and a Pizza Truck, P&F Aussie Food Stall	Double Basketball Courts
5:30pm	Opening Ceremony with Welcome to Country, Aboriginal Smoking Ceremony & Wominjeka Dance	Top Oval
6:00pm	Free Multicultural Workshops Session 1	Classrooms
6:50pm	Free Multicultural Workshops Session 2	Classrooms
7:30pm	Closing Ceremony with Taiwanese Bamboo Dance & Milgate Choir	Top Oval

20 spots per workshop, parental participation encouraged, first come first served

Workshop	Classroom	Workshop	Classroom
Chinese Lion Dance	Stadium	Chinese Calligraphy	1RW
Greek Dance	1SB	Japanese Dance	1MW
African Mask Making	1JJ	Indian Rangoli Art	1KB
Wurundjeri Dance	3TW	Aussie Chocolate Crackles	Staffroom
6:00pm Moroccan Cous Cous Salad Making	3LH & 3CD	6:50pm Vietnamese Rice Paper Roll Making	3LH & 3CD

For further updates, follow us on: www.facebook.com/milgatepf



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