



Newsletter

A small school where big things happen...

Week 10, Term 1

Wednesday, 4 April 2018

Upcoming Events

April

Fri 6	School cross country
Sat 7	School garage sale
Tue 10	ASPECT Minecraft visit P&C meeting
Thu 12	Stage 3 beach survey
Fri 13	Last day of Term 1

May

Tue 1	Students return, Term 2
Wed 2	Anzac Day assembly
Tue 8	P&C meeting
Thu 10	Mother's Day stall
Fri 11	District cross country
Tue 15	NAPLAN begins
Mon 21	Multi-cultural day
Wed 30	Canberra excursion

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SCHOOL GARAGE SALE

We're planning to have a garage sale on Saturday 7 April to get rid of excess furniture. Entry to the school will be via McGrath St only and parents may bring cars and trailers onto the soccer field.

We have desks and tables of different descriptions, different sized chairs, bookshelves and cupboards. Gates will open at 10:00am.

Furniture items will not have fixed prices; we simply ask for a donation that you believe is reasonable. All proceeds will go towards classroom resources.

EXCURSIONS

Next Tuesday we have a number of stage 2 and 3 students visiting Corrimal ASPECT School to collaborate on Minecraft projects. We visit ASPECT each term and always look forward to it.

On Thursday morning next week, all stage 3 students will head down to Fairy Meadow Beach to conduct a marine debris count. This important learning helps build awareness of the need to prevent litter, in particular plastics, from entering the marine environment.

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Our cross country carnival is being held this Friday on the school grounds. All students from K-6 will be involved. Older students will start their races at 9:15, with our youngest students racing at around 11:00.

A sausage sizzle lunch will be available. Sausage sandwiches cost \$2.50 and pre-ordering is not necessary. Chilled fruit pieces will be provided to all children after racing at no cost. Parents are most welcome to join us for all or part of the morning.

P&C MEETING

The final P&C meeting for Term 1 is scheduled for Tuesday 10 April at 7:00pm. We'll be sorting out details for next term's Mother's Day stall, as well introducing a couple of staff members, whom you may not know so well.

"Meet the Staff" will become a regular feature at our meetings so parents get to know staff a little more personally. Please come along and join us; everyone is welcome!

HOLIDAYS

The last day of Term 1 is Friday 13 April. School resumes for students on Tuesday 1 May, although the school office will be open for general inquiries the preceding Monday.

MUFTI DAY

The last day of term is a mufti (non-uniform) day. Students should wear closed in shoes and clothing that is appropriate for wearing at school.

We ask that children please bring a gold coin donation for the privilege of coming out of uniform. The SRC will determine which charity the money will be donated to.

ANZAC DAY ASSEMBLY

Anzac Day this year falls during the April school holidays so we'll be celebrating the day in the first week of Term 2. We intend to hold a special assembly near the Memorial Wall on Wednesday 2 May, beginning at 10:40am. Please join us.

MOTHER'S DAY STALL

The P&C will hold a Mother's Day stall on Thursday 10 May. Children may bring in \$5 or \$10 to purchase from a range of gifts. Money should be brought to school on the day.

BAND

Band had to be cancelled last week, so anyone who had pre-paid for the term will receive a credit for one week's tuition next term.

STAFFING

Our school has been invited by Apple to be represented at an international schools summit in Chicago, USA. It is an honour for Mount Ousley to be mixing it up with some of the most innovative schools around the world.

Tiffany Sinton and Suzy Duncan are attending and presenting at the summit (at their own expense) and will be on leave for differing periods over the first two weeks of next term. Candice Holden will replace Suzy on Kindergarten while she's away.

CANTEEN ROSTER

APRIL/MAY

Wed	4	Amanda L
Thu	5	Amanda P, Jenny V
Fri	6	Mel M, Donna F

Tue	10	Anthea G
Wed	11	Jess T
Thu	12	Tareyn V, Katrina O
Fri	13	Katrina L, Ally H

Tue	1	Anthea G
Wed	2	Anthea G
Thu	3	Kimberley C
Fri	4	Katrina L

Tue	8	Anthea G
Wed	9	Amanda L
Thu	10	Amanda P, Jenny V
Fri	11	Mel M, Donna F

Have a safe and relaxing break everyone!

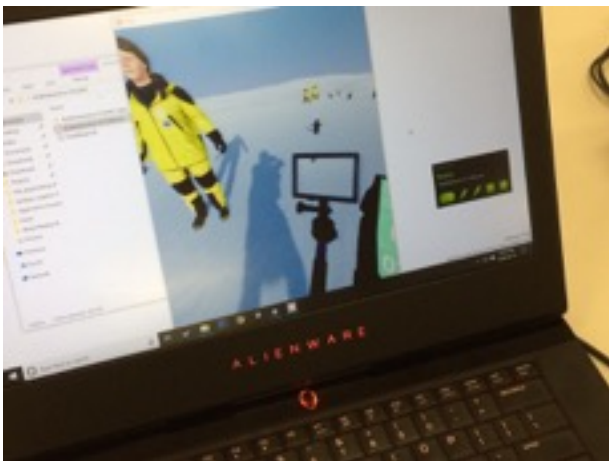
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Virtual Reality

Stage 3 students at Mount Ousley recently partnered with Devika Learning at University of Wollongong to experience a virtual reality learning experience.

Lavanya C really liked it. “You feel like you are there but you're not. You had controls in your



hands and had to find the penguin with number 25 on it to take a photo of it. You had to bend down to take the photo so you didn't scare the penguin. You also saw yourself in the clothes that the scientists wear in Antarctica. It was pretty cool!”

National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence.

Children each made a personal pledge against bullying and talked about why it is important to discuss bullying.

Marcus R’s pledge: “I won’t bully anyone.”
 “I think talking about bullying will make people be nicer to each other.”

Izayah B’s pledge: “I pledge to stand up against bullying no matter what.”
 “It is important not to bully people because it could cause problems for the victim and make them sad or depressed.”



Shilah T’s pledge: “I pledge to never make people cry.”
 “It is important to never bully anyone so they don't cry or feel sad.”

Hussein’s pledge: “I won’t bully anybody.”
 “It is important to talk about bullying so people can stop bullying and they can understand peace.”



	Children's Crossing Don't stop within 20 metres before the crossing and 10 metres after the crossing. Penalty exceeds \$439 + 2 Demerit Points
	Double Parking Don't stop on a road between the road centre and another vehicle parked at the side of the road to wait, pick up or drop off passengers. Penalty exceeds \$330 + 2 Demerit Points
	Speeding Don't exceed 40km / hour during the designated school zone hours. Penalty exceeds \$192 + 2 Demerit Points

Come for a day, every day or anything in between

HOLIDAY FUN!

Join in the fun of the Amazing Games at
Mount Ousley Public School

To view what's on these school holidays and to
book, visit us at
www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayfun



Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER)

Students from our school will soon be undertaking an education 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 excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student (max 51 students), under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.