

Merrijig Primary School No. 1379

Newsletter 1

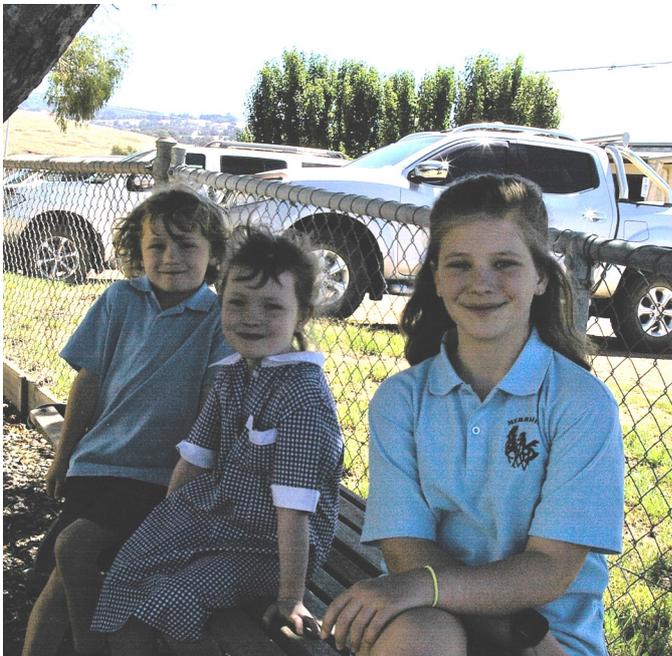


Welcome to our new Foundation students, Lenny and Charlii. Welcome also to their parents, Paige, Branden, Ebony and Bradley. We also welcome Stormie to Year 6, and her mum, Melissa.

**Department of
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SUN SMART SCHOOL—Merrijig is a Sun Smart School—meaning that wide brimmed hats must be worn in Terms 1 and 4. If your child doesn't have a hat on a particular day, they must play in the shade or stay inside. Hats are available from school for \$8.00.

PROPER FOOTWEAR—Can all parents please ensure that children wear proper footwear during the summer months—not sandals thanks. Forms are available from the office to order uniforms.

UEducate US

Today, some of you will find a letter from UEducate Us, giving your login details. This is our reporting, attendance and communication package. Please log into this daily to see if there are any communications there for you.

For the new parents, you have been issued with a welcome letter. If you have any dramas, please don't hesitate to come in and see me on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday (morning only). Cheers Sheena.

**NO SCHOOL FOR PREPS
ON WEDNESDAYS UNTIL
MARCH.**

PLEASE READ

**As we have students
and staff who have
nut allergies, ALL
NUT PRODUCTS
ARE BANNED
HERE AND AT
ANY SCHOOL
FUNCTIONS.
'Nutella' is allowed**

Term 1/2 Important Dates

Wednesday February 3	No school for Preps. MARC Van
Wednesday February 10	No school for Preps.
Thursday February 11	Swimming program commences. 2.30-3.30pm. Mansfield Swimming Pool.
Wednesday February 17	No school for Preps. MARC Van
Thursday February 18	Swimming program continues. 2.30-3.30pm
Wednesday February 24	No school for Preps.
Thursday February 25	Swimming program concludes, except for the sports! 2.30-3.30pm.
Wednesday March 3	Preps to school. MARC Van
Friday March 5	Swimming Sports at Mansfield Swimming Pool. 1-3.15. Parents welcome.
Monday March 8	LABOUR DAY. Public Holiday. No school
Wednesday March 17	MARC VAN
Wednesday March 31	MARC VAN
Thursday April 1	Last day of Term One
Friday April 2	GOOD FRIDAY.
Monday April 19	First day of school for Term 2.
Sunday April 25	Anzac Day
Monday April 26—Friday April 30	Year 3-6 Camp at Beechworth

FINANCE

Parents with outstanding accounts are able to pay off your invoices through Bpay. Our reference code is on your invoice.



Respect for Self, Others
and the Environment.

SWIMMING

Students will be travelling into Mansfield Swimming Pool next Thursday. Lessons start at 2.30 and will conclude at 3.30pm. Students will be bussed in and parents are to collect from the pool at 3.30pm. The swimming cost is included in your school fees this year. Forms still need to be completed though.

PARENTS/FRIENDS

Please remember to put your points at Marks' IGA towards Merrijig PS

1820 Mt Buller Road
MERRIJIG VIC 3722

Phone: 03 57775559
Fax: 03 57775688
E-mail: merrijig.ps@education.vic.gov.au

LUNCH ORDERS— Same menu as last year. Copy available from the office.

PARENT PIGEON HOLES—Sometimes we have things that don't fit into the newsletter, all parents please check your pigeon holes—in the foyer outside the office door.

MARC VAN: The Mobile Area Resource Centre (MARC) is based at Merrijig Primary School. Students will have a MARC session once a fortnight, this year it will be a Wednesday. Denise Findlay (MARC teacher) takes all students for a library class and the children are allowed to borrow books. Please ensure that all books are returned by the due date. All children require a library bag to be able to borrow. (A supermarket bag is fine).

SUSHI LUNCH: Sushi Field are kindly offering the students and staff of our school the opportunity to partake of a sushi lunch each Wednesday. All orders are to be placed in the box in the office by the close of school MONDAY thanks.

Absence Notes

An early reminder that the government requires all absences to be approved via a **written communication** with the school. Remember 'It's Not OK To Be Away'.

ALL CHILDREN SHOULD BE SENT TO SCHOOL WITH A BOTTLE CONTAINING WATER PLUS FRUIT. WATER ONLY—NO FRUIT JUICE OR CORDIAL.

LUNCH TIMES

All days except Wednesday
1.30-2.30pm.

Wednesday 1.00-2.00pm.



SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

PS. School Council elections will be coming up very shortly. If you feel that you might like to go on Council, watch out for the election documents which will be distributed shortly.

Annual privacy reminder

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the [Schools' Privacy Policy](#)

Please take time to remind yourself of the school's collection statement, found below and on our website.

PRIMARY SCHOOL PRIVACY INFORMATION for parents and carers

During the ordinary course of your child's attendance at our school, school staff will collect your child's personal and health information when necessary to educate your child, or to support your child's social and emotional wellbeing or health in the school context. Such information will also be collected when required to fulfil a legal obligation, including duty of care, anti-discrimination law and occupational health and safety law. If that information is not collected, the school may be unable to provide optimal education or support to your child, or fulfil those legal obligations.

For example, health information may be collected through the school nurse, primary welfare officer or wellbeing staff member. If your child is referred to a specific health service at school, such as a Student Support Services officer, the required consent will be obtained. Our school also collects information provided by parents and carers through the School Entrance Health Questionnaire (SEHQ) and the Early Childhood Intervention Service (ECIS) Transition Form.

Our school may use online tools, such as apps and other software, to effectively collect and manage information about your child for teaching and learning purposes, parent communication and engagement; student administration; and school management purposes. When our school uses these online tools, we take steps to ensure that your child's information is secure. If you have any concerns about the use of these online tools, please contact us.

School staff will only share your child's personal or health information with other staff who need to know to enable the school to educate or support your child, or fulfil a legal obligation.

When our students transfer to another Victorian government school, personal and health information about that student will be transferred to that next school. Transferring this information is in the best interests of our students and assists that next school to provide optimal education and support to students.

In some limited circumstances, information may be disclosed outside of the school (and outside of the Department of Education and Training). The school will seek your consent for such disclosures unless the disclosure is allowed or mandated by law.

Our school values the privacy of every person. When collecting and managing personal and health information, all school staff must comply with Victorian privacy law. For more information about privacy including about how to access personal and health information held by the school about you or your child, see our school's privacy policy: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacypolicy.aspx>

Throughout this notice, 'staff' includes principals, teachers, Student Support Service officers, youth workers, social workers, nurses and any other allied health practitioners and all other staff at our school. This includes employees, agents and service providers (contractors) of the Department, whether paid or unpaid.



SUSHI MENU
Wednesday 2020

Please place the correct money in an envelop with the order, child's name and grade on the outside of the envelope. Orders need to be placed the day prior, Tuesday. Thank you.

If you ... would like to order every week, please place order through email info@sushifield.com.au or SMS (0429 467 881) with child/ren's name, class. We will send the invoice at the end of term.

<p>MINI ROLLS (9 pieces) \$3.50</p>	<p>MINI Tuna Cucumber MINI Cucumber MINI Salmon MINI Chicken MINI Sausage MINI Avocado</p>	<p>CanTuna, Mayo, Cucumber, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Cucumber, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Fresh Salmon, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Teriyaki Chicken, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Kabana, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Avocado, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice</p>
<p>SUSHI ROLLS (6 pieces) \$5.00</p>	<p>Tuna/Avocado Tuna/Cucumber Salmon/Avocado Chicken/Avocado Chicken/Cucumber/Lettuce Prawn/Cucumber Prawn/Tuna Salt Pepper Squid Beef (5 pieces) Vege (5 pieces)</p>	<p>CanTuna, Avocado, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice CanTuna, Cucumber, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Fresh Salmon, Avocado, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Teriyaki Chicken, Avocado, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Teriyaki Chicken, Cucumber, Lettuce, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Prawn, Cucumber, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Prawn, CanTuna, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Salt Pepper Squid, Lettuce, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Beef, Lettuce, Carrot, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice Cucumber, Egg, Carrot, Avocado, Mayo, Seaweed, Sushi Rice</p>
<p>SUSHI BALLS (3 balls) \$3.50</p>	<p>Salmon Prawn Egg</p>	<p>Fresh Salmon, Sushi Rice Boiled Prawn, Sushi Rice Egg, Carrot, Sushi Rice</p>
<p>INARI (2 pieces) \$3.50</p>	<p>Inari</p>	<p>Sweet Soy Bean Curd, Sushi Rice</p>

Merrijig Rural Fire Brigade

We are seeking the Merrijig community's assistance in a fund-raising project, which will enable us to complete several in-house projects for the station.

A tried and true method of fund raising is the collection of Aluminum cans and the Brigade is providing a collection point at the station for contributions.

The collection of cans is twofold. Firstly, a simple way to provide funds for our projects, and secondly contributes to reducing rubbish around Merrijig thus supporting the growing need to recycle.

We can provide a collection service should there a sufficient amount requiring pick up however, dropping off at the station would be most welcome.

The collection point is located along the Mansfield side of our brigade building.

For further information or to arrange collection, please contact John Findlay on 0409 949 920 or email to info@merrijigrfb.com.au

We thank the Merrijig community for continuing to support our Rural Fire Brigade

Mansfield Summer Series

WHAT: FREE EXERCISE CLASSES PROVIDED BY LOCAL INSTRUCTORS ON EACH SATURDAY MORNING IN FEBRUARY. SUITABLE FOR ALL AGES & ABILITIES.

WHERE: MANSFIELD BOTANIC PARK, TO THE LEFT OF THE PLAYGROUND WHEN WALKING IN OFF HIGH ST. MANSFIELD SPORTING COMPLEX IF INCLEMENT WEATHER.

WHEN:

DATE	9AM	10AM
6/2/21	EFW Sweat Sesh with Equilibrium F&W	Hatha Yoga with Mansfield Yoga
13/2/21	Bodyweight Circuit with Mansfield Gym	Mat Pilates with Barefoot Studio
20/2/21	Friends, Fun & Fitness with Taylor Made Fitness	Quigong & Taichi with Julie Ellett
27/2/21	HIIT (Metafit) with Loufit PT	Mat Pilates with Glow Pilates

PLEASE ARRIVE 10 MINUTES EARLY TO SIGN IN.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT LUCY.MARKS@MDH.ORG.AU OR CALL 03 5775 8800.

OTHERWISE JUST SHOW UP ON THE DAY WITH A DRINK BOTTLE, HAT AND EXERCISE MAT/TOWEL.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK FOR UPDATES: MDH MANSFIELD RESPOND 



The Mansfield Summer Series is an initiative of the Mansfield Respond Project & is a COVID safe event.

**Any Families wishing to join Little Aths this term,
you can so for a REDUCE RATE...**



Mansfield Little Athletics Mid 20/21 Season

Registration portal is open NOW!!!

Please register online with link <http://lavic.com.au/Get-Involved>

Price = \$87 per athlete down from \$120, discounts apply for families of 2 or more. **First Competition night - Friday 5th February 4:45pm at Lord's Oval.**

Please contact Kirstie Casey – 0428 521672 for any enquiries

Nicole Ross – 0417 872 876 for any enquiries