



#### Calendar



#### April

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>**

Parent Helpers Meeting

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>**

Anzac Day Public Holiday

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup>**

Working Bee (4-6pm)

#### May

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup>**

Winter Sports (Yr 3-6)

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup>**

Winter Sports (Yr 3-6)

## Principal's Report

Hi everyone, welcome back to a brand new term, I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable Easter break.

### MVA Cross Country

This week I had the pleasure of attending the MVA Cross Country in Teesdale. Not only did we have great weather for the event, all our students did an amazing job competing in their respective age groups. At this stage, I am unsure whether we have any students who have made it through to the next level of competition. I will certainly keep you updated once I have been sent the official results. I would like to thank all the parents and Mrs Pritchard who attended the day and supported our students, I would also like to make a special mention to Danny Rabusin who volunteered to assist me in being a marshal on the course.



### Golf Clinic

On Tuesday our Grade 4, 5 and 6 students participated in a Golf Clinic held at the Meredith Golf Club. A big thanks to Tony Collier for running the session, the kids and myself had a wonderful time hitting balls down the fairway. Tony will also be looking at selecting a group of students from Meredith Primary School to participate in a school competition held in August.

Tony has also passed on some flyers regarding the running of a 4-week junior golf program at the Meredith Golf Club starting on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April. Please see the attached flyer for more details.



## PARENT VOLUNTEERS IN THE CLASSROOM

WHEN PARENTS  
PITCH IN TO HELP  
TEACHERS, WHO WINS?

OUR KIDS!

### Parent helpers meeting – Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April – 9am.

We are very keen to start up our parent helpers program next term. To get this started I will be running a parent helpers induction meeting next **Tuesday starting at 9am**. If you are unable to make this meeting and would still like to be involved, please let me know.



### 25<sup>th</sup> April – ANZAC DAY

The Meredith RSL will be holding a commemorative service starting at 10am at the local memorial hall. I hope to see many of you there.

### Parent and Friends Morning Tea

I mentioned last term that I would like to invite parents and friends of the school to stay back after our school assembly each Friday for half an hour or so to have a cuppa and biscuit. Speaking to a few parents last term we thought that this would be a great opportunity for school families to build a stronger connection within the community. We hope you can make it tomorrow.



We are planning to hold another short working bee on **Friday April 27<sup>th</sup> from 4pm – 6pm**. Food and drinks will be supplied for all the workers. Last term we had a fantastic turnout and we would appreciate your help again to make sure this well supported.

We are looking at moving some sand around to improve the sandpits around the school, as well as installing a new long jump pit. We are also planning to finish of the back deck as well as plant lots of trees and shrubs in the garden.

That is it for this week; I hope everyone has a great weekend!

**Shane Sachse**  
Acting Principal

## Student Achievement Awards

Prep/1

*Chael Munday*

*For his cheerful and positive attitude*

*Jai Geminiano*

*For his effort and care with all his work*

2/3

*Mia Talbot*

*For her persistence and positive attitude  
to writing*

*Matilda Fraser*

*For her excellent work on her French  
"All About Me" poster*



4/5

*Ryan Wood*

*For showing great enthusiasm learning his  
times tables and spelling words*

*Madelyn Thompson*

*For her excellent ideas in writing*

5-6

*Isabelle Wood*

*For always being reliable and respectful*

*Alex Loveday*

*For his efforts during our ANZAC activities*

Art

*Mia Talbot*

*For her fantastic poppy making for our  
ANZAC mural*



### **8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> May – NAPLAN**

You would be aware that our Grade 3 and Grade 5 students have their NAPLAN assessments coming up soon. Teachers have been doing a great job in preparing the students for these tests, the important thing you can do as parents is reassure your child that everything will be ok and all they need to do is try their best. A big factor that influences poor performance is anxiety. Healthy eating and good levels of sleep leading up to the tests will ensure your child is well prepared. There are many resources on the web that can assist students in taking these types of tests; here are a few different strategies you can discuss with your child:

- When answering multiple-choice questions, cross out the answers you know are definitely wrong.
- Underline the important key words in each question to help you understand what the question is about
- Think about your answer first, does it make sense?
- Try not to waste time on questions you are finding hard, move on to the next question and come back to the harder ones at the end.
- Make sure you work is neat.

Families will receive an information flyer about these tests over the next couple of days.

### **4<sup>th</sup> May – Winter Sports**

All grade 3-6 students will be competing in the district Winter Sports program on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of May. Students have already selected their preferred sport and will be doing some training at school to help prepare them for this competition. This year the event will be held at Bannockburn College. Permission forms will be sent home next week.



## **Book Club**

Orders are due back to school  
by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April



AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA PRESENTS

# *High Tea*

*At St Joseph's Parish Hall  
Lawler Street, Meredith*

*Our guest speaker is Hailey. Born in Geelong and now living in She Oaks, she was offered a scholarship to the Australian Defence Force Academy, graduating in 2007. Hailey served 8 months in Afghanistan and retired from the Army in 2017 reaching the rank of Captain.*

*Date: Thursday 17th May 2018*

*Time: 10.00 am*

*Cost: \$25*

*Come along and support this worthy cause. Great prizes, good fun, a delicious high tea, champagne & fruit punch.*



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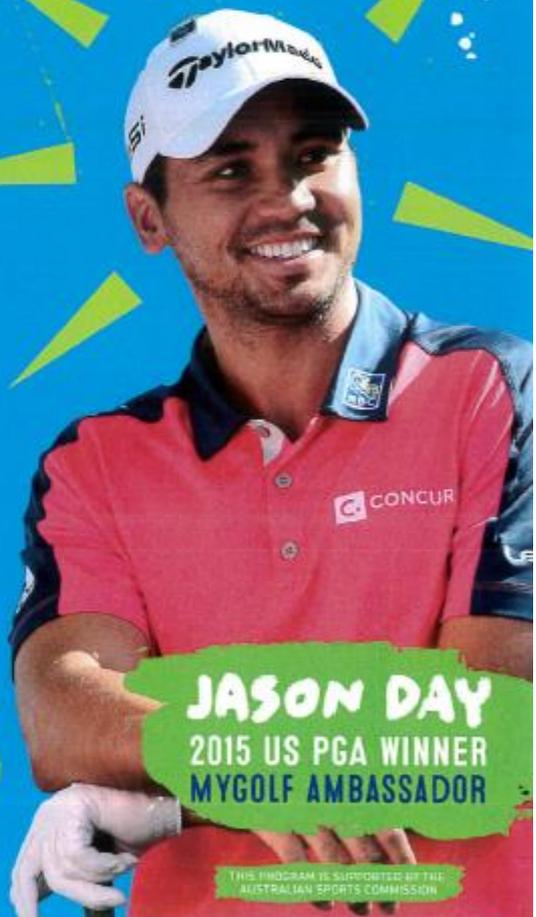
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**Meredith Golf Club**  
4 Week MYGolf Junior Program  
Starting Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April, 6<sup>th</sup>,  
20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> May  
Time : 4:00 - 5:00 Cost : \$20.00  
(\$39.07 including participation pack)  
Bookings : MYGOLF.ORG.AU