

NEWSLETTER

McDonald Park School



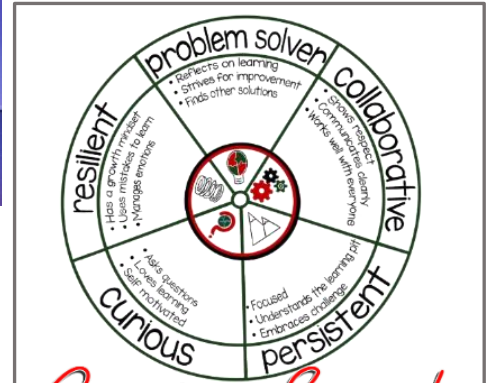
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"The Emoji Musical" was an amazing community event. The main actors and actress's persistence, dedication, and motivation to perform this musical to a high standard was wonderful to see. They sought feedback to refine their character, learnt about delivering lines to elicit a reaction from an audience, stage placement and timing. It was fantastic to see all the students learning their dance routines, and developing choreography and timing by working together to create an entertaining experience for their audience. It was a pleasure to oversee this event and the buzz it created around the school was all positive. Many students have reflected on their performance and are proud they participated. Even though they were nervous, they problem solved if they forgot dance moves, and were curious about how the audience would like the whole show. As a school community we are very proud of our students and their performance and thank all those involved in supporting them to explore the arts and create a wonderful musical for all to enjoy. A feedback survey will be sent out via Google Surveys.



Coming Events



WISHING ALL STAFF,
STUDENTS & THEIR
FAMILIES

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

ENJOY YOUR BREAK!
WE LOOK FORWARD
TO SEEING YOU ALL
AGAIN FOR THE
BEGINNING OF

Term 4
Monday 16 October

SCHOOL CLOSURE

Friday, 20 October 2023
Mount Gambier Show

STUDENT FREE DAY

Monday, 23 October 2023

VISION AWARDS

Term 3, Week 8

Our awards are centred on our school vision. Students will be recognised for their collaboration, respect, engagement, problem solving or progress (thriving). **McDonald Park School community will work collaboratively to develop respectful, thriving and engaged problem solvers.**

PROBLEM SOLVING

Presented to	By	For
Izzy Mc	Mrs Wilson & Mrs Fox	showing a strong commitment to problem solving with her peers. Izzy is always optimistic and so happy to assist wherever she sees a need.
Piper K	Mrs Wilson & Mrs Fox	thinking carefully about what is being asked of her and wanting to do her best.
Dom A	Mrs Cooper & Mrs Harding	developing confidence to problem solve when unsure of instructions.
Brax B	Mrs Cooper & Mrs Harding	thinking outside the square and being open to feedback.
Piper B-L	Mrs Bisnov & Mr Bigg	using repeated addition to count groups of collections in maths.

ENGAGEMENT

Presented to	By	For
Destinee B	Mrs Spencer	showing wonderful engagement during her learning in week 7, having an amazing week.
Charlie Mc	Ms Huitema	always engaging with math fluency activities with enthusiasm.
Amelia G	Miss Schulz & Miss Passauer-Jones	actively participating in all maths lessons with a positive attitude.
Raven T	Miss Squire	showing great progress in her learning, particularly maths.
Alex R	Miss Squire	using great scientific language to describe his observations.
Savannah S	Mrs Pitkin & Mrs Fox	engagement with all aspects of her new school; actively participating in all learning areas.
Ben D	Mrs Pitkin & Mrs Fox	being a positive, happy and motivated new member of our classroom.
Owen W	Mrs Bisnov & Mr Bigg	working towards his learning goals of staying focused and engaged.
Imogen B	Mrs McCracken	working on her I.T. skills and understanding when creating a Daffodil Day advertisement.

RESPECT

Presented to	By	For
Tessie L	Mrs Cooper & Mrs Harding	being a kind, caring and respectful class member who willingly helps others.
Elsie K	Mrs Bisnov & Mr Bigg	always being respectful and caring towards her fellow classmates.

THRIVING

Presented to	By	For
Letissia S	Ms Huitema	responding to her feedback and now using full stops with her writing.
Lukas H	Miss Schulz & Miss Passauer-Jones	continuing to show independence and growth towards his maths learning and being motivated to challenge himself with maths lessons.
Ivy B	Miss Squire	being a supportive friend who always includes everyone and happily works with all peers.
Charlotte M	Mrs Cooper & Mrs Harding	displaying a willingness to attempt all learning opportunities with a positive mindset and greater confidence.
Max Y	Mrs Cooper & Mrs Harding	connecting his vast general knowledge with his learning in the classroom.
Fletcher W	Mrs Bisnov & Mr Bigg	creating compound sentences in his writing by using linking conjunctions.
Bruce N	Mrs McCracken	developing his writing by 'showing' not telling with great descriptions and vocabulary.
Caylin JVV	Mrs McCracken	working hard in reading and writing.
Imogen S-W	Mrs Dew	achieving full marks in PAT-Maths testing.
Lexi R	Mrs Dew	her achievement in PAT-R reading comprehension testing.

COLLABORATION

Presented to	By	For
Joey D	Mrs Spencer	helping Mrs Spencer and his peers with the technology in the classroom.
Dominic A	Mrs McCracken	sharing ideas and roles when creating a Daffodil Day advertisement and musical trailer.

Term 3 Week 6 Winners pictured also.



RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS

Wipeout Waste

We had an excellent Wipeout waste performance in week 8, which was a mix of sustainability and magic. Graeme, our performer, wove the principles of reduce, reuse and recycle with his unicycle, juggling and memorable messages. Students were encouraged to be part of audience participation. This performance continued to reinforce the environmental values we have at school.



Resource Based Learning

It has been a busy term with Mrs. Harding in the library. Rooms 1 and 2 made butter and learnt about garden tools when Kristen Arbery, our garden specialist, visited us as a guest speaker. N1 and N2 visited the City of Mount Gambier mayoral chambers. They met Mayor Martin, and discovered how robotic engineering is connected with the local government in the form of solving the problem of the recently formed sinkhole in Margaret Street. We learn so much from these real-life, hands-on experiences.



Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations on all who completed the Premier's Reading Challenge in 2023. Medals and certificates will be presented in November.



SAPSASA CRICKET



Congratulations to Kye W-M on his selection for the Lower South East SAPSASA Cricket team. Kye will be competing in Adelaide from November 14 to 16. Well done! We wish you all the best for the competition Kye.



SAPSASA TRACK & FIELD

I competed in the SAPSASA Track and Field event, representing the Lower South East. I competed in two events, Shot Put and Discus. I came first in the Shot Put but I forget where I placed for discus. There were year 7's competing and they would get their own medals. My winning Shot Put throw was over 1 meter further than 2nd place.

Ronnie C

On September 18th, 2023 I went on a trip to Adelaide to attend SAPSASA track and field. We went to Santos Stadium. I ran in the 800m at 1:30pm and the relay at 2:30pm. For the 800m race I finished in the top 5. For the relay my team came 4th because we had a little bit of an issue in the last 100m of the race. Overall I had a good time in Adelaide.

Benji C

On Monday 18 September I went to Adelaide to compete in SAPSASA Track and Field against other schools. In my event, discus, I came 7th out of 10 people. It was scary doing an event in front of people I don't know. It was fun knowing other people that I was competing against.

Alex L.

On Monday 18 September I competed in Adelaide for SAPSASA track and field. My first race was 1.5 kilometers which was a lot. I got surprised because I came 2nd. My next race was not until 12:50 so I got a three hour break. Then my next race was the relay at 2:15pm. I came 4th in the relay by point something of a second.

Benji R

My Dad took me to Adelaide for SAPSASA track and field. My favourite event is discus. I like it because it is throwing. I had to use the 500 gram discus because I am 10. If I compete again next year I will get to use the 750 grams.

Nathaniel T



COMMUNITY NEWS

WEDNESDAY 11 OCTOBER: USEFUL ORIGAMI

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library 📖

Learn the ancient art of paper folding to create your own gift boxes and braided bookmarks. Bookings essential.

FREE AGES 8+

THURSDAY 12 OCTOBER: MELTY BEAD KEYRINGS

10:30am @ Mount Gambier Library 📖

An owl, a boat, a dragon, a cupcake ... the options are endless for your Melty Bead keyring! Bookings essential.

FREE UNDER 7'S

THURSDAY 12 OCTOBER: SPRINGTASTIC HAT DECORATING

2:30pm @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre 🎨

Celebrate spring's arrival with a fabulous hat decorating workshop! Using felt, fabric, bling and more we will make one of a kind springtastic hats! Bookings essential.

\$5 AGES 8+

FRIDAY 13 OCTOBER: CLAY PINCH POTS WITH CHRISSEY PUDNEY

10:30am @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre 🎨

An excellent introduction to clay! Join local artist Chrissy Pudney to create your own bowl using the simplest yet most effective method of 'pinching'. Then handcraft beautiful little treasures in the form of beads and buttons. These can be simple or decorated with textures. All pieces will be bisque fired and delivered to the Riddoch by 29 October for collection. Bookings essential.

\$15 AGES 5+

FRIDAY 13 OCTOBER: MINUTE TO WIN IT HANG OUT

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library 📖

Bring a mate or two or come solo and chill out in our magazine area with a bunch of fun Minute to Win it challenges with snacks and drinks provided. Drop-in session, bookings not required.

FREE AGES 12+



SATURDAY 30 SEPTEMBER TO SUNDAY 15 OCTOBER: DIY RAINBOW

During opening hours @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre 🎨

Using paper, card, glue and scissors, create your own happy little rainbow cloud. Bookings not required.

AGES 3+

FREE

MONDAY 2 OCTOBER TO SUNDAY 8 OCTOBER: THE GREAT FROG HUNT

During opening hours @ Mount Gambier Library 📖

Look high, look low, discover all the hidden frogs in our Scavenger Hunt to go into the draw to win a voucher for Kaboom! Parental supervision required. Bookings not required.

FREE

ALL AGES

TUESDAY 3 OCTOBER: POLYMER CLAY FIGURINES

10:30am @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre 🎨

Let's create some teeny, tiny figurines out of polymer clay! Keep to use as a game piece, mini artwork or turn them into brooches, earrings etc. Bookings essential.

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TUESDAY 3 OCTOBER: TIE DYE LIBRARY BAGS

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library 📖

Mix colours, create patterns to create your very own unique library bag using tie dye. *Note: dress for mess! Bookings essential.

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IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE

- Bookings essential for all sessions (unless stated otherwise).
- Bookings can be made by contacting the individual venue as below.
- Our school holiday sessions are very popular and usually book out. If you can no longer attend please call to cancel so another child can enjoy.
- Parents and guardians must remain with children under the age of 12 during sessions



Mount Gambier Library, bookings open Monday 25 September.
6 Watson Terrace, Mount Gambier | Phone 08 8721 2540
publiclibrary@mountgambier.sa.gov.au | mountgambier.sa.gov.au/library



The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre
1 Bay Road, Mount Gambier | Phone 08 8721 2563
riddoch@mountgambier.sa.gov.au | theriddoch.com.au



WEDNESDAY 4 OCTOBER: POP STICK BIRDHOUSE

10:30am @ Mount Gambier Library 📖

Let's celebrate spring with creating a novelty bird house & feeder to hang in your garden. Bookings essential.

FREE AGES 8+

WEDNESDAY 4 OCTOBER: CARDBOARD PRINTING VASES AND FLOWERS

2:30pm @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre 🎨

Using the current exhibition *Bee-stung Lips* by Barbara Hanrahan as inspiration, we will prepare vases and flowers made of cardboard to use as stamps, then enjoy printing these in various colours and adding highlights to the printed images. Bookings essential.

AGES 8+

GOLD COIN

THURSDAY 5 OCTOBER: LIGHT UP PLANETS

10:30am @ Mount Gambier Library 📖

Bring the solar system to life as we create our own glowing planet using tea lights and ping pong balls! Bookings essential.

FREE UNDER 7'S

THURSDAY 5 OCTOBER: SQUEEGEE PAINTING ON CANVAS

2:30pm @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre 🎨

Using Margaret Worth's exhibition *Earth and Ether* as inspiration, we will paint canvases using the squeegee method. So much fun creating simple yet striking and bold artworks. Bookings essential.

\$5 AGES 12+

FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER: A DAY IN THE PARK – CELEBRATING THE NEW CLIMATE WATCH TRAIL

10:30am - 2:30pm @ Valley Lake/Ketla Malpi Conservation Park 🌳

Activities include storytelling, craft, nature cubbies, guided tours of the new Climate Watch trail, education stations and scavenger hunt with a free sausage sizzle. Bookings via QR code.

FREE ALL AGES



FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER: GAME ON!

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library 📖

Get your game face on with the ultimate Mario Kart tournament or battle it out on the Sega or Wii on the big screens. Refreshments provided. Major prize up for grabs \$100 Ultimate Teens Gift Card. Drop-in session, bookings not required.

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MONDAY 9 OCTOBER TO SUNDAY 15 OCTOBER: KINGS AND QUEENS CROWN MAKING

During opening hours @ Mount Gambier Library 📖

Discover your royal inner self with our crown making station ready for you to bedazzle! Bookings not required.

FREE ALL AGES

MONDAY 9 OCTOBER: KITE BUILDING AND DECORATING

10:30am @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre 🎨

Celebrating spring and the ability to get outdoors, join our kite building workshop! Using Tyvek kites we will walk you through the assembly and then decorate with Sharpies. Bookings essential.

\$5 AGES 5+

MONDAY 9 OCTOBER: ROLLERCOASTER

2:30pm @ Mount Gambier Library 📖

Have fun learning how to construct a sturdy paper rollercoaster to race marbles whilst learning about engineering! Bookings essential.

FREE AGES 8+

TUESDAY 10 OCTOBER: PAPER QUILLING

10:30am @ Mount Gambier Library 📖

Learn the beautiful art of paper quilling, rolling and manipulating narrow strips of paper then shaping them into exquisite designs. Bookings essential.

AGES 8+

FREE

TUESDAY 10 OCTOBER: POP UP CARD MAKING

2:30pm @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre 🎨

Colourful pop up card making for spring! You could make flowers that pop from the page, your name or animals – you choose! Bookings essential.

GOLD COIN AGES 5+

WEDNESDAY 11 OCTOBER: FILM SCREENING: THE SECRET LIFE OF PETS

10:30am @ The Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre 🎨

Max, a pet dog, is not very pleased when his master brings home another dog named Duke. However, they set aside their differences after they learn their owner is in danger.

Rated: G.

Run time: 90 minutes.

BYO snacks and drinks (no nuts please). Bookings encouraged.

ALL AGES

GOLD COIN

Mount Gambier Show



OCTOBER 20 & 21, 2023

Proudly sponsored by Gambier Earth Movers

FEATURING:

- FACTORY FMX
- SCOOT THE JUGGLER
- RYAN RAZI
- WICKED WILDLIFE
- BURRINGLE PARK LASER TAG
- AG LEARNING CENTRE
- SES DEMOS
- BUNNINGS ACTIVITY CENTRE
- BARREL RACING
- MARISMA EQUINE ENTERTAINMENT
- FIREWORKS



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Plus...trade sites, horses in action, livestock judging, arts, crafts and horticulture displays, cookery, dog show, log chop, sideshows, cars on display, vintage engines and much more!



Photo Credit: John Davies Photography



FREE

Some events have limited places so be quick!

4 Fantastic EVENTS FOR YOUNG CARERS

in Mt Gambier

1 Wed 4th October 10.30am-1.30pm
(9-12 year olds). Wulanda Swimming Experience and BBQ Lunch.



2 Thurs 5th October 5.30pm-7.00pm
(18-25 year olds) Bowling at Kaboom Family Entertainment followed by dinner at Fasta Pasta.



3 Mon 9th October 10am-1.00pm (approx)
(5-8 year olds) Oatmill Cinema and lunch. Movie to be confirmed.



4 Wed 11th October 10.30am-1.30pm
(13-17 year olds) Bowling at Kaboom Family Entertainment followed by lunch at Fasta Pasta.



To RSVP or if you have any questions call Sam on 0491 066 939 or Email samantha.benton@carerssa.com.au



EAST GAMBIER CRICKET CLUB

JUNIOR TRAINING STARTS
SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER AT 10AM

EAST GAMBIER CRICKET NETS

TRAININGS TO CONTINUE SUNDAY OCT 1ST - 10AM
& WEDNESDAY OCT 4TH - 4PM THEN EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 4PM

LOOKING FOR PLAYERS IN
UNDER 12, UNDER 14 AND
UNDER 17 AGE GROUPS

EVERYONE WELCOME
NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
ALL GEAR CAN BE PROVIDED IF NEEDED

ALL ENQUIRES CONTACT PETER KERR 0400 248 749



FRIDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER -
SCHOOL STUDENTS GOLF DAY

OPEN TO SCHOOL STUDENTS OF ALL GENDERS
WITH EVENTS FOR ALL ABILITIES

9.00AM STUDENTS WITH A GOLF HANDICAP - 18 HOLES -
ENTRY \$10
WINNER GROSS \$50 PRO SHOP VOUCHER
RUNNER UP GROSS \$20 PRO SHOP VOUCHER

After School - come and try for students new to the game

(Equipment supplied if required but book at registration)

3.00PM ORANGE SHORT COURSE 9 HOLES ENTRY FREE
BEST SCORE \$20 PRO SHOP VOUCHER
RUNNER UP \$15 PRO SHOP VOUCHER

3.00PM ORANGE SHORT COURSE 6 HOLES ENTRY FREE
BEST SCORE \$15 PRO SHOP VOUCHER
RUNNER UP \$10 PRO SHOP VOUCHER

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featuring
101st 36 HOLE SE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP Thursday 28th September -
Monday 2nd October 2023



Thursday - sponsored by FOOTJOY
Men & Ladies 4BBB Par \$20pp
Friday - sponsored by JETTS FITNESS
9.00am School Students 18 Hole Stroke (hcp) \$10pp
3.00pm School Students Orange Course 9 Hole (non-hcp) Free Entry
3.30pm School Students Orange Course 6 Hole (non-hcp) Free Entry
Saturday
Ladies 18 Hole Stableford - One grade \$20pp
Men's 18 Hole Stableford - A, B & C Grades \$20pp
Sunday

Men 36 Hole SE Open Championship \$50 (includes lunch)

Scratch Winner \$500 Pro Shop Voucher Scratch r/up \$250 Pro Shop Voucher
Nett Winner \$100 Pro Shop Voucher Nett r/up \$50 Pro Shop Voucher
Morning Nett Winner \$50 Pro Shop Voucher
Afternoon Nett Winner \$50 Pro Shop Voucher

Monday
2 Person Ambrose - Men, Ladies and Mixed Events \$20pp

Bookings now open

Members - book online as usual

Visitors-contact MGGC Office (08) 87257739 Monday-Friday 10-3

email - admin@mtgambiergc.com.au

Pro Shop (08) 87251619

PRIZES
over
\$2500

