

NEWSLETTER

McDonald Park School



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EXTERNAL SCHOOL REVIEW

As part of our continuous school improvement process, we will be involved in an external review with a Department for Education review team.

The purpose of external reviews is to support us to raise achievement, sustain high performance and provide quality assurance to build confidence in public schools. All public schools are generally externally reviewed every 3 years.

The focus of the external review is to evaluate our school's performance. The review team includes a review officer and one review principal. Our school review will occur on October 31st and November 1st.

The review team will identify aspects of our school's improvement that have been verified through the review process, as well as the improvements that we need to make in the future.

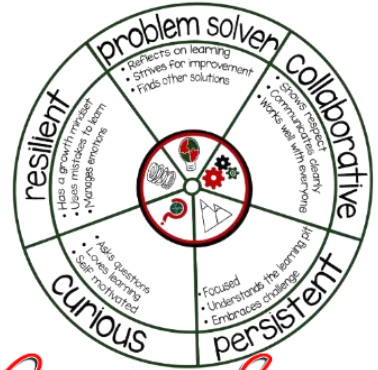
During the external school review, some students, parents, governing council members and staff will be asked to provide information to the review team in a number of ways. These include:

- group discussions (with students or staff or parents)
- meetings (staff meeting)
- visits to classrooms.

If you wish to be part of the parent interview group which will meet at 8:55am on Wednesday November 1st, please let the front office know by Wednesday October 25th.

Parents of students identified to talk about their learning will be notified and permission to be involved sought.

We hope that the following learning improvements and scaffolds are evident throughout the visit.



Coming Events

WEEK 1



WEEK 2



Wednesday 25 Oct.

Choir rehearsal at theatre.

Thursday 26 Oct.

Choir performance at Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre
7:00pm

WEEK 4

Friday 10 Nov.

SPORTS DAY

VISION AWARDS

Term 3, Week 10

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
Mike T	Miss Eldridge	improving his recall of multiplication facts in fluency time.
Queen S	Ms Mitchell	displaying fluency with a wide range of strategies when problem solving in Maths.
ENGAGEMENT		
Presented to	By	For
Marlei V	Miss Eldridge	singing confidently and expressively at the school concert.
Kate F	Miss Eldridge	participating effectively in both our class item and as a character in the Emoji Musical.
Braxton W	Miss Eldridge	creating a well-planned colony for our 'Mission to Mars' project.
Judd C	Mrs Hentschke	being engaged and asking questions in current learning about fractions.
Scarlet W	Mrs Hentschke	taking time and care with all learning and taking on feedback to improve the quality of tasks.
Jasmin A	Ms Munday & Mr Castle	supporting class discussions about sentence structure and etymology.
Tahj P	Miss Hunt & Mrs Bundy	his persistence towards learning the dance and effort applied on the night.
Connor L	Miss Hunt & Mrs Bundy	actively engaging in class and seeking feedback to improve his writing.
Aiden C	Miss Hunt & Mrs Bundy	demonstrating persistence and effort in practising our class dance for the musical.
Ellie Mc	Miss Hunt & Mrs Bundy	her commitment and enthusiasm to learning the dance and encouraging others.
Blake P	Ms Mitchell	actively involving himself in school activities, including the funky Friday music program, school concert and promotions team.

RESPECT		
Presented to	By	For
Benji R	Mrs Hentschke	always demonstrating a high level of respect and kindness to his peers and adults around the school.
Bailee C	Mrs Widdison & Mrs Tilley	valuing other people's ideas and helping to create a positive learning environment.
THRIVING		
Presented to	By	For
Djakobe L-J	Mrs Hentschke	demonstrating excellent growth in PAT reading.
Braith A	Mrs Widdison & Mrs Tilley	seeking feedback to improve and extend his learning.
Sophie J	Mrs Widdison & Mrs Tilley	working consistently across all areas of her learning.
Kasey W	Ms Munday & Mr Castle	engaging with all maths tasks and showing resilience and persistence.
COLLABORATION		
Presented to	By	For
Mia R	Ms Munday & Mr Castle	being a strong and respectful collaborator during all dance rehearsals.



2024 ENROLMENTS

During this term we will begin the process of setting up classes for the following year. It is essential that we know as soon as possible of any changes in future enrolments. If you know of any new children who will be starting at McDonald Park School in 2024 or of families leaving McDonald Park School would you please contact us as soon as possible. The allocation of teachers and number of classes at each year level is dependent on accurate information so we appreciate your support in notifying any changes to the front office.

2023 SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Once again we are offering a school magazine for the 2023 year. This is a fantastic opportunity to capture your child's primary years in a magazine format. This year's magazine will be in full colour.

Forms will come home today. Orders with money need to be returned to the front office by

Friday, 1st December.



Please remember to still return the order form if payment is made via Qkr!.



Week 7, Friday 1st December

Parents may like to help their child perfect their performance before auditions occur

AUDITIONS

ALL AUDITIONS HELD IN KITCHEN DURING LUNCH

Annexe ~ Week 3, Thursday

Downstairs ~ Week 4, Thursday

Block ~ Week 5, Thursday

CANTEEN PRICE CHANGES

Please note that there have been a number of price changes as of the beginning of this term. For your convenience we have attached a copy of the most up to date pricing with this newsletter.

CLASS PLACEMENT PROCESS

Earlier this week you should have received a note for each child, requesting your feedback about positive learning partners for consideration in 2024 classes. **These are due back to class teachers by Tuesday, 24 October.** Please note that five students of the same year level must be listed. If you and your child are not able to think of five, you may choose to leave the remaining spaces blank and the teacher will fill them in. If a form is not returned, the class teacher will fill in all five spaces using their knowledge of students and their learning needs.

This process takes considerable time and a lot of thought is put into class placements. There are many aspects to consider in creating balanced classes and ultimately the final decisions will be made by educators. Teachers are not allocated to classes until the very end of the process.



At the end of each year we recognise a girl and boy from each year level for their academic achievement. Last year we asked for sponsorship from the community for these awards and had an overwhelming response. We have 12 awards valued at \$30.00 and are looking for sponsors. The recipient receives a \$30.00 voucher and certificate indicating who sponsored the award (organised by the school).

If your family or business would like to become a sponsor of these awards you will be acknowledged at the end of year presentation. Please indicate below if you would like to participate. Any further queries please contact the front office.

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McDonald Park School 2023 Academic Sponsorship

Name:

Telephone:

Email:

COMMUNITY NEWS



READY-SET-CONNECT



Hello, Mt. Gambier!

FREE NDIS NETWORKING EVENT

📅 Friday 27/10/2023
🕒 9:45 AM to 12:30 PM
📍 Wulanda Recreation and
Convention Centre 7 Margaret
St Mount Gambier SA

WHO?

Support coordinators, support workers, people with disability, teachers, parents and carers are all welcome.

WHY?

Get to know NDIS providers servicing your local area and boost your contacts in a fun and informative networking session.

HOW?

Register at oncommunity.net.au/Ready-Set-Connect

JOIN US



SCHOOL HOOPS PROGRAM TERM 4 2023

Attention: PE teachers / coordinators

Basketball Mount Gambier invites all year 3-6 school students in the Mount Gambier district to participate in a new and exciting basketball program.

School Hoops is a program designed to provide children with the opportunity to try out basketball and offer additional basketball experiences in Term 4 for those who are enthusiastic about the sport.

Participation and fun are the primary goals of this program.

WHO FOR: Two divisions of teams involving children in Years 3/4 and Year 5/6.

WHEN: Every Saturday morning of Term 4 2023.
(If this program is supported, there will be a similar program run in Term 1 2024).
Games start at 9am each Saturday.

WHERE: All games will be played at the Icehouse Bern Bruning Stadium, home of Basketball Mount Gambier.

GAMES: Games will consist of two 10-minute halves with modified rules. Each team will play two games a day.

UNIFORMS: School polo shirts.

PLAYER COST: \$5 per day.

TEAM MANAGERS: Each team is required to have a Team Manager

MATCH DAYS: Canteen open.

TEAM NOMINATIONS: Teams are due to admin@basketballmtgambier.com.au by **Monday 23rd October 2023** so we can have a draw ready for **week two, term 4 start, Saturday 28th October.**

If smaller schools have children interested in playing but can't form a team, please email names and contacts to admin@basketballmtgambier.com.au and we will add to an existing team or form another team.

Enquiries to above email address or phone 8723 2050.



SOUTH EAST COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The South East Country Championship is an athletics event that brings together athletes from various regions in the South Eastern area to showcase their talent and competitiveness in Athletics!

Tiny Tots (ages 3-5) can attend for FREE!

Date: Sunday 5 November 2023

Time: 10:00am to 4:00pm

Age Groups: U6 to U17

Cost: \$11.20 per athlete

Location: Mt. Gambier LAC - Mt. Gambier High School - 17 Brownes Road.

Nominations Close: 11:59pm
Wednesday 1 November 2023



You do not need to be part of a Little Athletics Club to enter this Event!



PLAY TOUCH JUNIOR COMP



6 WEEK PROGRAM STARTING WEDNESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2023

SKILLS SESSIONS & GAMES FROM 4:45PM TO 5:45PM

OPEN FOR 10 - 14 YEAR OLD BOYS & GIRLS

EAST GAMBIER SPORTMANS CLUB

EMAIL MOUNTGAMBIERTOUCH@GMAIL.COM TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST



McDonald Park School CANTEEN PRICES – 2023

Term 4

The canteen menu aims to provide healthy and nutritious food and drinks consistent with the DfE 'Right Bite' Healthy Eating Guide for schools and preschools and 'The Australian Dietary Guidelines for Children and Adolescents'. Please write your **CHILD'S NAME** and **ROOM NUMBER** on a large paper lunch bag. Lunch bags are available from the canteen, 10 for 50 cents or alternatively from Coles or Woolworths. Forks required for foods brought from home will be 10 cents each. Foods brought from home will **NOT** be reheated in the canteen due to health regulations. Any price changes or new items will be notified in the fortnightly newsletter. Late lunch orders will be accepted, however they will be given what is available and if there is insufficient money in the bag the order will be reduced. **THERE IS NO CREDIT AVAILABLE FROM THE CANTEEN**



SANDWICHES / ROLLS / WRAPS

White / Wholemeal	Sandwich	Roll
VegeMite OR cheese	\$3.00	\$3.50
Egg OR ham	\$4.50	\$5.00
Tuna OR chicken	\$4.50	\$5.00
Salad only (lettuce, carrot, tomato, cucumber)	\$5.00	\$5.50
Ham salad	\$6.00	\$6.50
Tuna OR chicken salad	\$6.00	\$6.50
Extra fillings: cheese, carrot, cucumber, lettuce, tomato, beetroot add \$0.50		
Mayo, tomato, sweet chilli - add \$0.30		

SALADS

Munch & crunch box	crackers, cheese, French onion dip, carrot, cucumber	\$5.50
Wiggly worm box	cheese sandwich, mini muffin, seasonal fruit, carrot, cucumber	\$5.50
Noodle salad	small tub	\$3.50
	large tub	\$4.50
Super salad bowl:	lettuce, carrot, cheese, tomato, cucumber, ½ boiled egg, noodle salad, beetroot	\$8.00
	- add ham, tuna	\$1.00
	- add sweet chilli chicken tender	\$2.00
	- add crumbed chicken tender	\$2.00

THIRST BUSTERS

Bottle of water	\$2.50
Flavoured milk 250ml <i>choc, strawberry, honeycomb</i>	\$3.70
Pure fruit juice 250ml <i>apple, orange, apple/blackcurrant</i>	\$3.20
Pop Top flavoured milks <i>chocolate, strawberry, banana</i>	\$3.70
Sanitarium Up and Go – <i>chocolate/strawberry</i>	\$3.50

NICE & ICY – lunch time counter sales only

Frozen juice cups	\$2.50
Paddle Pops	\$2.50
Vanilla ice cream dandy cup	\$2.50
Icy Twist	\$2.50
Mini Callipo	\$2.50
Frozen Strawberry Yoghurt	\$2.50

HOT SUB BAR

Garlic bread plain – add cheese 50c, add Ham 50c	\$3.50
Crumbed chicken with lettuce and mayo	\$6.00
Sweet chilli chicken with lettuce and mayo	\$6.00

HOME MADE PIZZA BAR

Hawaiian - ham, cheese, pineapple	\$5.00
BBQ chicken – bbq sauce, chicken, cheese	\$5.00

HOT PACKS

Macaroni cheese	\$5.50
Lasagne	\$5.50
Spaghetti bolognese	\$5.50
Wedges with sweet chilli and sour cream	\$5.50
Nachos with salsa, cheese and sour cream	\$5.50
Steamed dim sim	\$2.00
- soy sauce	\$0.30

BURGERS all served in a white buttered roll

Add salad	\$1.00
Cheese burger - beef, cheese, sauce	\$6.50
Chicken burger - crumbed chicken, lettuce, mayo	\$6.50

LUNCH PACKS

Jurassic, veggie slice packs include noodle salad, carrot sticks, cucumber

Jurassic:	3 dino nuggets	\$6.00
	6 dino nuggets	\$7.00
Veggie slice	Zucchini, bacon and carrot	\$7.00

Pirate and gluten free nugget packs contain the salad but do not have the noodle salad in them.

Pirate:	1 piece of fish and wedges	\$6.00
	2 pieces of fish and wedges	\$7.00

BENTO BOX (Small)	4 Potato gems, 2 mini spring rolls, 2 dim sims, 1 corn cob	\$6.00
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BENTO BOX (Large)	6 Potato gems, 3 mini spring rolls, 3 dim sims, 2 corn cobs	\$7.00
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Gluten free nuggets:	3 nuggets	\$6.00
	6 nuggets	\$7.00

DAILY SPECIALS

THURSDAY ONLY		
Hot dog in bread		\$3.50
Hot dog in white roll		\$4.50
- cheese		\$0.50
- bbq, sweet chilli, tomato sauce, mustard		\$0.30

THURSDAY MEAL DEAL	Hot dog, flavoured milk, cookie	\$9.00
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FRIDAY ONLY		
Pie		\$5.20
Pasty		\$5.20
Sausage roll		\$4.20
Party pie / party sausage roll		\$1.80
- sauce		\$0.30

FRIDAY MEAL DEAL		
Pie / pasty and juice		\$8.00
Sausage roll and juice		\$7.00
2 party pies and juice		\$6.50
2 party sausage rolls and juice		\$6.50

SNACK TIME





Seasonal fruit	\$1.50
Red Rock Honey Soy Chicken Chips	\$2.00
Popcorn	\$2.00
Assorted fruit muffins	\$1.50
Chocolate chip cookie	\$1.50
Bag rice crackers	\$0.50
Mixed cereal, Honey Chex cereal, Milo cereal	\$0.50



MCDONALD PARK SCHOOL - TERM 4 2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Events subject to change at school's discretion if need arises.)



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	16/10	17/10 Ag learning centre excursion Rms 1, 2, A1, A2, A3, A4 1.35pm to 3.00pm	18/10	19/10 Newsletter	20/10 School closure day - Mount Gambier Show
WEEK 2	23/10 Student Free Day Governing Council	24/10	25/10 Choir rehearsal at Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre	26/10 Choir performance 7.00pm Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre	27/10
WEEK 3	30/10	31/10	01/11	02/11 Newsletter	03/11 9.15am Assembly Yr 6 GHS visit 1.40pm to 3.00pm
WEEK 4	06/11	07/11	08/11	09/11	10/11 Sports day 
WEEK 5	13/11	14/11	15/11	16/11 Newsletter	17/11 9.15am Assembly
WEEK 6	20/11 Swimming lessons N1 & N2 9.30am to 11.00am N3 & N4 11.00am to 12.30pm N5 & N6 1.00pm to 2.30pm	21/11 	22/11	23/11	24/11
WEEK 7	27/11 Governing Council	28/11	29/11	30/11 Newsletter	1/12 McPark's Got Talent Casual day 
WEEK 8	04/12	05/12	06/12 Year 6 transition Kindy transition	07/12 Year 6 transition Kindy transition Whole school transition	08/12 Student Free Day
WEEK 9	11/12	12/12	13/12 Year 6 Graduation 	14/12 Newsletter	15/12 9.15am Assembly Early dismissal 2.15pm 