

Our Purpose: The Monmia school community is committed to providing innovative programs that Stimulate and challenge each student to develop lifelong learning skills and strategies. We provide a safe, nurturing environment where teachers, students and parents work in an effective partnership. www.monmia.vic.edu.au Phone: 03 9364 1007



MONMIA PRIMARY SCHOOL

- Learn and Achieve -

MONMIA MESSENGER

Dear Monmia Families,

It has been so exciting to start Term 2 with the government and department easing the restrictions. I loved seeing the children arriving on Wednesday with smiles on their faces. It makes a difference to be able to see their faces and of course those of staff and students. I hope you all managed to enjoy a relaxing break and are feeling rejuvenated for this new term. We are looking forward to engaging with our Monmia families again. The events we have not been able to have for the past two years will definitely be reinstated throughout this year.

DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS GUIDELINES

Face masks

Face masks are not required to be worn in primary schools by staff, students or parents/guardians and visitors. They are still recommended and any student, staff or visitor who wish to wear a mask may do so, including those who are medically at-risk.

Screening requirements

Students and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19, and have completed their 7-day isolation period, do not need to undertake rapid antigen test (RAT) screening for 12 weeks after their release from isolation.

Household contacts

Students and staff who are household contacts of a COVID-19 case are no longer required to quarantine. They can return to school if they undertake rapid antigen tests (RAT) 5 times within their 7-day period and wear face masks indoors if they are aged 8 and above unless they have a valid exemption.

If any household contact returns a positive RAT result during this period, they must isolate for 7 days and not attend school.

Vaccination requirements for visitors to schools

Parents, guardians and other adult visitors (not performing work) are no longer required to show evidence of two doses of COVID-19 vaccine.

RAT screening program extension reminder

The supply of RATs will continue for the first 4 weeks of this term. The screening recommendations remain the same:

Please continue to test at home twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

SCHOOL ORGANISATION

Parents and Guardians are welcome to enter the school grounds. The gates will be opened for students to enter the school at 8:30 am. Teachers will be in their classes from 8:45 am and parents, guardians and carers are able to enter the learning spaces. We ask that parents and guardians continue to physically distance while in buildings.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos have been postponed until Tuesday 17 May.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAY-REPORT WRITING (STUDENT FREE DAY)

For Term 2, 2022, the Department of Education and Training has provided schools with the option to hold each teacher's allocated professional practice day on the same day for all staff. This is to enable the most effective and efficient use of this day. As a result, our professional practice day will be held on Wednesday 1 June. **Students will NOT attend school on this day.**

ASSEMBLY

Whole school assemblies are **BACK!** These will be held fortnightly on **Mondays at 3:00 pm** in the gym, starting next Monday. Parents and Guardians are welcome to attend. Assemblies will finish at 3:25 pm so students can get their bags and leave school on time. We hope that families find this a convenient time as it is before school pick up. The Monmia School Leaders organise and manage the assembly.

For those families who have not yet experienced our school assemblies, we have the following format:

- National Anthem and Monmia School Song are sung by the whole school and visitors.
- Indigenous Acknowledgement is stated.
- School Mission, Vision, and Values are presented.
- Welcome and presentation by Lorraine Bell.
- Student Awards are presented by Junior School Councillors.
- Bounce Back program presented by Lucia Vorpasso.
- Feedback presented by Student Leaders.
- Bucketfillers are presented to individual students.
- Athletics Awards are presented by Merryn Auld.
- Interschool Sports Reports presented by sports captains.
- Other optional items.

EID AL FITR

Wishing all our Muslim families a happy and peaceful Eid on Monday 3 May. This day marks the end of the month-long fast of Ramadan and the start of a feast and celebrations.



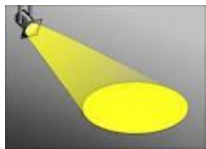
Warm Regards,

Lorraine Bell

Principal

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

TERM 2	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Thursday 5 May – Mother’s Day Stall ▪ Tuesday 17 May – Photo Day – whole school ▪ Wednesday 1 June – Student Free Day -No School ▪ Monday 13 June – Public Holiday – Queens Birthday- No School ▪ Friday 24 June – End of Term 2 – Early Finish 2.30 pm 	<p><u>Curriculum Days</u></p> <p>Term 3 Wednesday 27 July-Student Free Day</p> <p>Term 4 Monday 31 October-Student Free Day</p>



SPOTLIGHT ON BOUNCE BACK!

A WELLBEING AND RESILIENCE PROGRAM

THE FOCUS FOR THIS WEEK IS:

Values that underpin Bounce Back! **RESPONSIBILITY**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week, I would like to continue with the last of the Core Values that underpin the Bounce Back Wellbeing and Resilience Program. This week we will look at RESPONSIBILITY. School values form an integral part of how we behave as individuals and as members of our school community. The first and most important step in teaching your child to live by a certain value is of course to live it yourself. Remember that actions speak louder than words.

What is Responsibility?

Responsibility means carrying out a duty, we have agreed to do. We think about taking responsibility for our own behavior and looking after our belongings and the belongings of others. When we have made a commitment to do something, we should be responsible and complete the task. Sometimes completing a task is easy but sometimes it requires perseverance in order to complete it well and on time. This is especially true when others may be relying on us to complete a task by a certain time. Sometimes it is easy for us to volunteer or agree to do something and then later realise that we do not want to or cannot finish what we have said we will do. Therefore, we must be careful that we do not volunteer or agree to do something until we have thought seriously about our ability and commitment to complete the task.

Some helpful tips:

- take the time to think about all aspects of a task before agreeing to take responsibility for it
- consider your abilities, interests and time
- having made a commitment, approach the task with energy and enthusiasm – “Adopt the Just Do It” attitude
- seek help if the task becomes difficult and complete all the bits and pieces so the task is really finished
- be proud of yourself at what you have accomplished.

Children need to understand that when we demonstrate behavior that is not responsible, we must also be willing to accept the consequences. It is obviously easy for students to accept positive consequences for appropriate behaviors; however, it is important that students understand and are able to accept consequences for any inappropriate actions, avoiding the urge to respond in an uncontrolled and negative manner. Parents/Guardians can help by encouraging their children to follow the rules at home and at school and to think about the consequences of their actions before they act. If students have forgotten homework, school notices or sports uniforms, providing excuses does not foster independence, resilience or responsibility.

One of the skills that help us to be responsible is the ability to be well organised.

Taking responsibility for your learning, homework and school notices means organising what you need and what you need to do. Being organised requires remembering the tasks you have been given and then completing them. Being organised also means arriving at school by 8.45am to take part in the very important morning routine! Entering tasks into a diary or onto a calendar is an effective organisational strategy. Students have diaries to help them organise their work commitments and staff members use a variety of diaries. Some use electronic diaries and some use hard copy diaries but they all serve the same purpose, being organised! I would be lost without my diary and my ‘post it’ notes!

Family Activity

As a family discuss the value of Responsibility. Assist your children to be organised for school by establishing before and after school routines at home. Assist your children by discussing the likely effects or consequences when they are not organised.

I hope you have found this article interesting and useful and I look forward to any feedback you might like to share with me.

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Warm Regards,

Lucia Vorpasse

Assistant Principal - Student Engagement and Wellbeing

EVERY DAY COUNTS: *Establish healthy attendance patterns early!*

Did you know...

- ***Attendance patterns are established early?***
- ***A child who regularly misses days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years?***
- ***Students who miss school are highly likely to achieve lower results than their classmates?***
- ***It is vital that students go to school every day to give them the best chance to succeed in life?***



Lucia Vorpasse Assistant Principal: Student Engagement and Wellbeing



EVERY DAY COUNTS



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IT'S NOT OK
TO BE AWAY

Congratulations to the following 28 students who achieved a 100% attendance record for Term 1 2022!

YEAR PREP STUDENTS

DAKSHA A PRA	MONTANA B PRA	AYLA S PRA		
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YEAR 1/2 STUDENTS

WAVE C 1/2A	BRANDON H 1/2A	LOUISE Z 1/2A	OSCAR A 1/2A	JASPER B 1/2A
MADELEINE C 1/2B	SOPHIA G 1/2A	KAYDEN S 1/2A	ANSON T 1/2A	

YEAR 3/4 STUDENTS

TOMMY F 3/4B	LYDIA P 3/4B	ALISHA P 3/4A	WYND C 3/4C	TOMAI L 3/4B
CALLAN T 3/4B	SANDRA T 3/4B			

YEAR 5/6 STUDENTS

SAHAR H 5/6A	HANNAH H 5/6B	ANNA L 5/6A	JACOB L 5/6B	ALINA R 5/6A
TEONA Z 5/6B	NATHANIEL D 5/6B	HENRY L 5/6A	MILAN Z 5/6B	

Congratulations to the many students who received a 100% attendance record in Term 1.

Warm Regards,

Lucia Vorpasse

Assistant Principal: Student Engagement and Wellbeing

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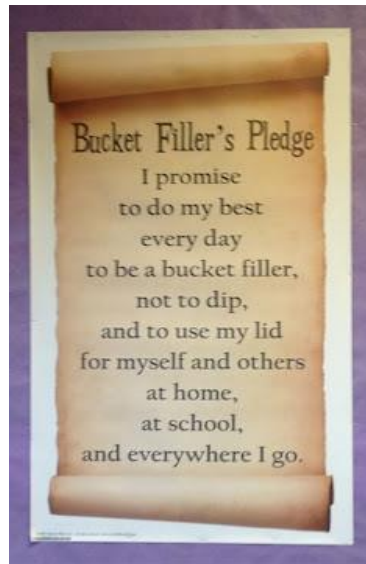
Bucket Fillers

Introducing...

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Monmia is a Bucket Filling School! I can't believe how many drops I keep finding in the school's yard duty folders. These are shared at the weekly assembly'. We love how students are demonstrating the school's values when out in the yard at recess and lunchtime. Well done everyone.

The Bucket Filling Philosophy has a special pledge that is discussed with the students and displayed in classrooms. The words are precise and direct and make sense to all our students. Please discuss the words in the pledge at home with your children and try to incorporate it at home as well.



Happy Bucket Filling!

Kind Regards,

Lucia Vorpasso

Assistant Principal - Student Engagement and Wellbeing

I am a Bucket Filler

I would like to fill Michael P's bucket by saying:

thanks for handing in
the \$2.

From MISS West ☺

He / She has been caught demonstrating the Monmia Primary School value of:

☐ Acceptance

☐ Caring

☐ Friendliness

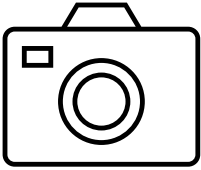
☒ Honesty

☐ Respect



Bucket Fillers

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY – Rescheduled Date



The School Photographer has cancelled their booking with us for tomorrow Friday 29 April due to staff shortages at their end. We have now rescheduled our school photos for **Tuesday 17 May**.

Envelopes can be returned prior to photo day or on the day. Correct payment must be enclosed in the envelope as no change will be given or alternatively payment can be made online through The School Photographer website. If you would like to order a sibling photo, please collect a separate envelope from the front office. We have spare forms if you have misplaced the one sent home last term.



BOOK CLUB- Issue 3

Students will come home with a Scholastic Book Club catalogue. This is Issue 3, 2022.

Orders are due by **Friday 13 May**.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

EVERY CHILD DESERVES AN EDUCATION

YOUR CHILDREN NEED YOUR HELP TO DO WELL AT SCHOOL. YOU CAN HELP BY:



Ensuring children get a good night's sleep and get ready for school in the morning



Getting children to school every day

Asking questions to find what your child likes about school



Talking about going to school every day and how it helps children reach their dreams.



Talking about how school can be fun



EVERY DAY THEY MISS ADDS UP!

Skip
1 day a week
Miss 3 Years

Skip
2 days a week
Miss 5 Years

Skip
3 days a week
Miss 7 Years

Skip
4 days a week
Miss 10 Years

Skip
5 days a week
Miss 12 Years

FAMILY & FRIENDS NEWSLETTER



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Welcome back to all Monmia students, parents and staffs to Term 2. We hope everyone is settling well back to school.

Mother's Day

We have our always popular Mother's Day stall coming up on **Thursday, 5th May**. We have a wonderful selection of gifts this year for students to select and take home to Mum or Grandma.

Each item only costs **\$7.00** and your child is welcome to buy as many items as they wish.



Mother's Day Stall Helpers

We are asking for helpers to help on the day of the stall to help sell items (Thursday, 5th May morning) and stall pack up the following day (Friday, 6th May morning). Everyone is welcome.

2nd Hand School Uniform Shop

If your child needs more school apparel, please remember that you can purchase second hand uniforms for a fraction of the price:

Polo tshirts/School dress - \$2

Jackets/jumpers - \$5

Shorts/Pants/Skorts - \$1

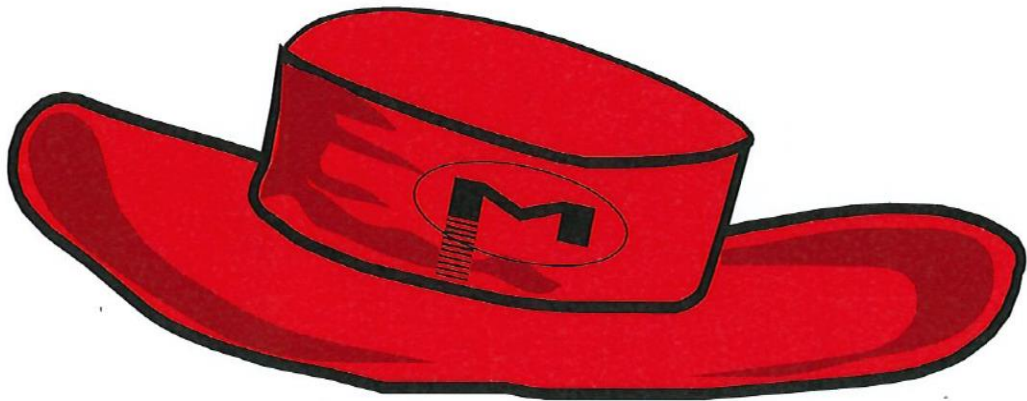
School Bag - \$5

Hat - \$1

Library bags - \$1

How? Contact the school office or drop an email to Hlamude@hotmail.com

NO HAT



NO PLAY

*Mid-August until
the end of April*

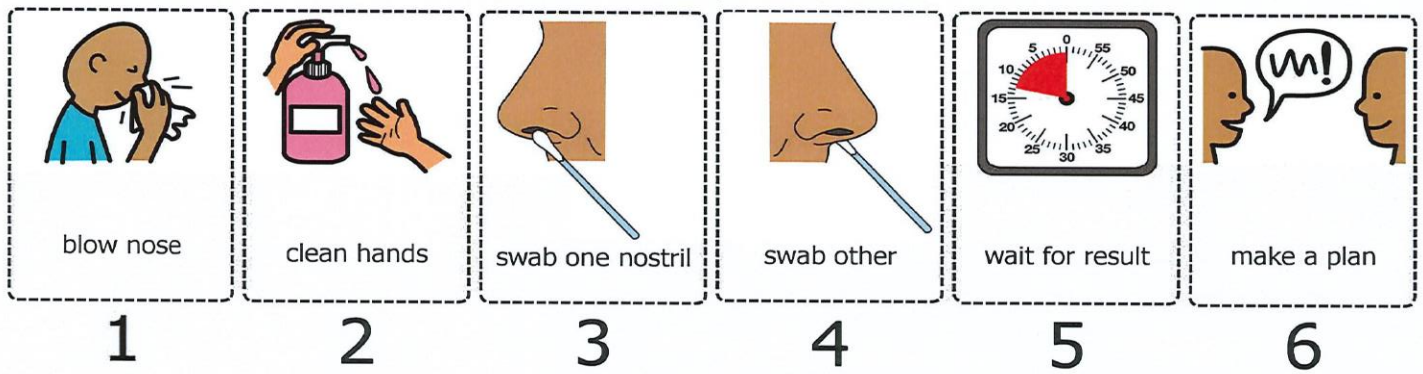
Please wear a Monmia Primary School Wide Brimmed Hat
when outside to keep your skin safe.



Test at home twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Rapid Antigen Test

Using a Nasal Swab test



Note: Always follow manufacturers instructions. Visual schedule is for support purposes only.



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- See your receipts on the app and get them sent by email if required.



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Step 1 Download Qkr!

on your Android phone or iPhone, iPad users can download iPhone app



Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

Step 3 Find our school

Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

Search for our school name





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Add your children's details in Student Profiles

Select
'Add student profile'



Add each
child's details



Manage each
child's details in
Student Profiles



Purchase school items

Select a menu
from our school



Select child
you are
ordering for



Select your items

Tap 'Checkout'
then confirm and pay



Making payments

Add up to 5 cards to your wallet



At checkout select which card to
pay with.

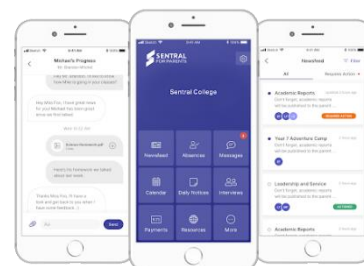
Pay with any cards accepted
by the school.

Once your payment is approved you
can continue to the home page, or
view your receipt.



Monmia Primary School uses the platform Sentral to engage with parents. The Sentral for Parents App allows families to:

- View academic reports
- Message your child's classroom teacher
- View school documents
- View school newsletters
- Explain past and upcoming student absences
- View calendar events
- Student Led Conferences
- As well as receive real-time notifications and messages from the school or your child's classroom teacher.



How to Access:

1. Download the 'Sentral for Parents app.
2. Search for Monmia Primary School.
3. Click **Register here** to register a new account. You will receive a verification email which **MUST** be verified in order to continue.
4. Once verified, log back into the app and enter your access key. (**Note: Your access key was sent home via a letter last term.** If you did not receive, please contact Daniela in the office to provide you with your personal access key



College Tours 2022

ONSITE TOURS: March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th; April 6th & 27th;
May 4th, 11th & 18th 9:30am - 11:00am

Register at the College on 9390 3130 for details



College Discovery Evening 2022

Monday, 2nd May 2022 5:30pm - 8:00pm

