

THE MAHOGANY TIMES

From the Principal

We have had a very smooth start to the school year and the students can all be congratulated for the way in which they have settled in and started focusing on their work straight away. It has been a most impressive start. Well done everyone.

John Culley
Principal

What has 1/2S been doing this week!

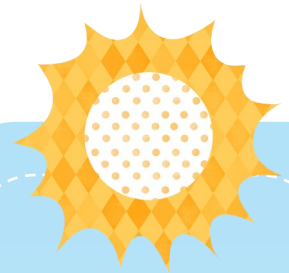
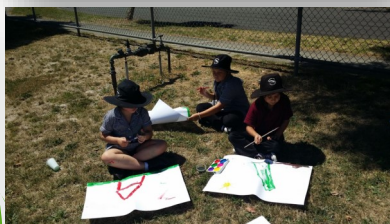
1/2S have had an awesome start to the year! We have been working hard in class and have had some fun painting and playing some social games with our friends too.

Over the first two weeks we have worked very hard at rigor and routine. This means that we practice all the values and show in our behaviour that we understand and follow the expectations. Grade 1/2 are doing a brilliant job at lining up quietly, listening to instructions and carrying out tasks sensibly. Well done 1/2S on showing respect, responsibility, safety and that you are a team player!

We have already had two birthdays since coming back to school – Liam and Summer. We enjoy celebrating birthdays together and making sure that the birthday boy or girl feel really special.

This year is set to be a fantastic one in 1/2S!

Melissa Shalagin



Assembly

We have started our assemblies on Monday afternoons and it is an open invitation for parents and friends to come along and hear and see what is happening at school. This year each class will be presenting a reflection of what they have been doing in class over the last few weeks. Parents of that class will be informed when they are on so you can put it into your calendar.

Important Dates

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| 20/02 | School Council Meeting |
| 21/02 | Parent Teacher Interviews |



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| Manuela N | Ruby W |
| Kai M | Dom M |
| Jab R | Sam L |

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Anglicare - Parents Group

Every Tuesday afternoon the Anglicare parents group will be held in the portable building. The group attends from 2.45 to 3.20. All parents and carers are welcome. Come and have a cuppa and chat.



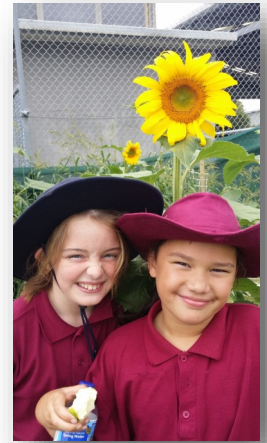
Bike Fix it Program

The Bike Fix It program will be on this Friday. The program runs from Mahogany Rise Primary School's Big Red Shed. It runs from 3:30pm - 4:30pm. Children and members of the community can come along to acquire a free bike if they do not own one or to fix their own bike.



Giant Sunflowers

Last Year 2/3/4S (Ms Shalagin's Grade) planted sunflower seeds. We started with just a tiny seed in an egg carton. This sprouted after a week or so, and continued to grow steadily until it was strong enough to plant in the school garden. With all the sun and rain that we had over the summer period, the tiny plant has now grown up to be a gigantic sunflower! Tegan, Alyssa and I checked them out yesterday... they're taller than the girls and almost as tall as me (173cm)! The best thing is that the sunflowers produce hundreds more seeds, so next Spring we can start all over again.



Parent/Teacher Interviews are coming up

Next Tuesday our first lot of parent/teacher interviews are happening. You will have received the slips to arrange a time so please return them ASAP to the classroom teacher. Educating your child at Mahogany Rise and providing the best possible start for your child is what we aim for every day. We need to create a really positive home school partnership and this is one way to have our staff get to know your child better.

I encourage you all to make sure that you attend on Tuesday night.

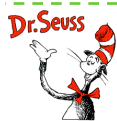
Year 5/6 Camp at Cottage by the Sea

Our Year 5/6 students attended camp at Queenscliff this week. Cottage by the Sea is an amazing camp where students were lucky enough to participate in a range of activities such as surfing, swimming, visiting the Marine and underwater center and exploring the rock pools at Barwon Heads. Students had an amazing time and enjoyed the movie nights and copious amounts of food.



Asthma

If your child has asthma please ensure that an up to date **Asthma Management Plan** is completed by your GP and returned to the school ASAP. Once the Asthma Management Plan has been completed the school will provide a spacer and Ventolin for your child.



"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose." Dr Seuss

School Council

We have some parent spaces on our school council this year and I would be interested in speaking to any parents who may want to join the council or if you want to know what happens then come and seek me out and ask. We have at least 2 meetings per term and school Council plays an important role in providing opinions and views over what is happening in the school. It is an opportunity to put your views forward and see firsthand all the great work that is being done at Mahogany Rise.

The first School Council meeting is next Monday at 6pm in the staff room. Come along and see for yourself.

Indian Visitors

Early in March the 3 principals in the Pines will be spending a week visiting our sister school in Madurai, India. It will be the beginning of a long partnership and is another important step in internationalising our students and the community. We will be having students and teachers visiting us from Madurai in late April and they will be here for a week.



Breakfast Club

Breakfast club has been a big hit this week with 35 students attending on Tuesday for yummy scrambled eggs. We would like to thank all of the parents that have volunteered their time to help make breakfast club an amazing program. We are still looking for more volunteers to help out in the mornings. If anyone is interested please see Shannon.

Parents who volunteer with breakfast club will receive 5 Kids Cash tokens per session for their child to use. Students who attend breakfast club will received 1 Kids Cash token per day and a bonus 5 tokens if they attend all 5 days of the week.

Thank you to Kellogg's and Food Bank for supplying our students with an amazing arrangement of food.



SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUBS



A Victorian Government initiative in partnership with Foodbank



Kellogg's Breakfasts for
Better Days



Family and Community Page

Get involved in the School Banking Program

Mahogany Rise is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives \$5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit).

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in branch or online:

(visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account)

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is **Wednesday**. Each week you need to drop off your bank book at the office or to your teacher. You can bank as little as 5cents each week to receive awards!

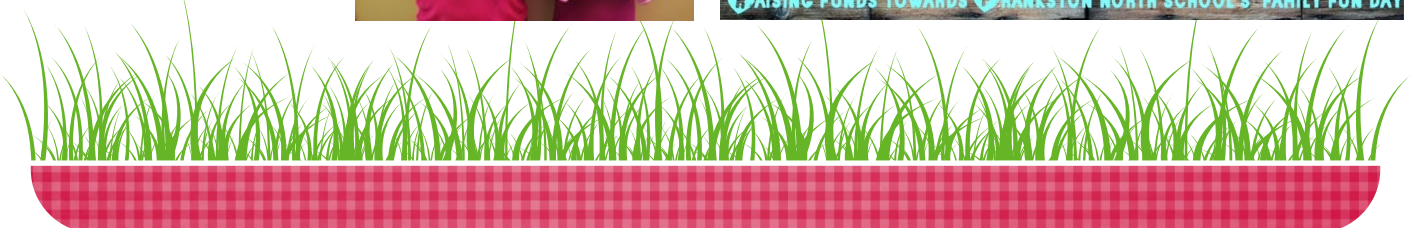


Mahogany Rise Primary School — Parents and Friends Association



We would like to invite all parents and carers to join us for a regular morning tea at Mahogany Rise. This will be an informal discussion about ideas and ways we can help to improve our school.

First meeting for 2017 will be held in the spare classroom (senior building) on Thursday 23rd February at 2pm.





Mahogany Rise Primary School

Kids Cash Pop Up Shop



Get excited to earn cash and reward yourself at the first ever Mahogany Rise Primary School Pop Up Shop!!!!

Where: In the Junior Building Corridor

When: Every Friday

Time: Golden Time

★ **Don't forget your Kids Cash**

Craft Items

Lollies

Jewellery

Sticker

**Activity
tracker bands**

Stationery

books

Toys and lots more....

★ **Keep checking for new and exciting items arriving regularly**



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Tips for earning your cash!!!!

- Attending School **EVERYDAY** will earn you **1 token** per day
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- Reading and returning your reader **EVERYDAY** will earn you **1 token** per day
- Returning completed Homework on time will earn you **5 tokens**
- Your class Teacher and Aide will be on the lookout for students following all of the schools expectations on a daily basis.
- Mr Culley will be watching for exceptional behaviour and those representing Mahogany Rise in a positive manner. These lucky students will be given **MR CULLEYS BONUS 10 TOKENS**

GOOD LUCK AND HAPPY EARNING

