Dear Parents, Students and Staff,

Farewell to Mr Zygmunt
Farewell to Mr Zygmunt and best wishes in his new teaching role at Pakenham Consolidated School. We will miss you Mr Zygmunt and thank you for the difference you have made in many lives at Monbulk Primary school. Here is a photo taken at the 4/5 Camp.

Farewell to our Year 6 Students
Thank you to the Year 6 students for being such a wonderful group who have impacted our lives in so many ways! You will be greatly missed and we wish you much success in the future. Thank you to Mrs Smith, Mr Porter and Ms Russell for the amazing work they have done this year in educating the students and for organising a fantastic Graduation Night.

Jack Downard-Pengilly Our Local Hero
Just recently we celebrated with Jack on receiving a Community Bravery Award for helping save his mum’s life. Ambulance Victoria nominated Jack and they were so impressed with the way Jack handled the crisis with such maturity! Well done and we are so proud of you Jack!

Key Diary Dates

Term 4: 3 October to 20 December.
16 December—Grade 6 sleepover, 5.30pm onwards.
16 December—Community Carols in the rotunda, 6.30 onwards.
19 December—Grade 5/6 break-up Baynes Park.
20 December—Final school assembly, 9am in Arts Building.

20 December—Last day of school, children dismissed at 1.30pm

Expect more - Achieve more!

Notices Sent Home this Week

School Disco, $5 per student, this includes hot dog and drink.
Grade 6 sleepover 16 December, 5.30pm onwards.
Grade 5/6 break-up at Baynes Park.
Year 4/5 Phillip Island Camp
The 4/5 Camp was such a success with everyone having such an amazing time. Thank you to Mrs Smith, Ms Tordy, Mr Zygmunt, Ms Russell, Darren Rutherford, Rod Salan, Kat Judd and Di Daly for all your hard work in making it such a wonderful experience for every child! This campsite has been booked again for our 3/4 Camp next year as it was such a success.

Disco
Just a reminder that the disco will be held on this Friday December 16th during the day. The Prep to Year 2 students will be at 12:30pm and the Year 3-6 students from 1:45 to 3:15pm.

End of Year Assembly
On Tuesday December 20th at 9am in the Music room, we will be having our end of year assembly. We will be also saying goodbye to our Year 6 students. There will be a Community Engagement Award given out to a student from the Country Women’s Association. This will become a perpetual award for any student from Prep to Year 6, that have contributed to the community in any way.

Probus Choir Event
Well done to the school choir on their performance at the Probus Christmas break up on Monday! The students were outstanding and the Probus members thoroughly enjoyed it. Thank you Mrs. Clarkson for all the hard work and preparation you put in to make this a successful event.

Community Carols
On Friday December 16th from 6:30pm onwards our School Choir will be performing at the Community Carols. Everyone is welcome to attend and the Choir would love your encouragement on the night!

Last Day of Term / First Day Back
Please note the last day of term is Tuesday December 20th and we will be finishing at 1:30pm. Please ensure your child/children are picked up at this time. You can alternatively book your child/children into OSHClub for after school care. Thanks. The first day back for Year 1-6 students is Wednesday February 1st. The first day back for the Prep students is Wednesday February 8th.

2016 What a wonderful year at Monbulk Primary School
We have had such a wonderful and successful year this year and here is some of our achievements for the year:

- Victorian Curriculum implemented
- MAPPEN Curriculum implemented
- Numeracy with Rob Vingerhoets
- Teacher Peer Observations
- Learning Expos (student ERPs)
- VRQA Child Safe Standards implemented
• Whole school visit to the Arts Centre
• MOSCARS Night
• School Review team for 2017 established
• Module 1 completed for a Five Star Sustainable School
• From Paddock to Plate filming

• Various sporting events

• Year 3 Camp for the first time
• Empower Girls and Boys Programs
• Accelerus Data Tracking implemented
• The Bitter and the Sweet Book Launch

• Rotary Speech Competition
• Brendan O’Hara Inner Child Parent Session
• QKR app implemented
• Watoto Choir visit and sponsored child put in place
• School Captains on the Dandenong Ranges Network Video

• School Fair
• Fencing

• Asphalting
• Playground
• New shade cloth
- Main building painted inside and out
- Handrails and concrete steps put in around the school
- Painting in the senior buildings and toilets

Community Links: James Merlino and Tony Smith visits, MADCOW, Living and Learning and the Dandenong Ranges Music Council, Open Door Church, Sherbrooke Cottage.

Over the holidays if you see anyone acting suspiciously or inappropriately around the school grounds please contact the Monbulk Police Station on 9756 6258.

Thankyou to all the staff for their hard work and dedication to Monbulk Primary School this year! Thankyou to the parents for their continual commitment to the school, it has been very much appreciated!

I wish you a wonderful Christmas and a safe holiday!

Lynn Ordish

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**LOST PROPERTY**

There is an enormous amount of clothing lining the upper passageway of the Junior Building.

Anything that is named has been returned to the students. However all the unnamed uniform will be sent over to our Opp Shop across the street.

Please take the time to name all your children’s outer clothing.

**Perhaps this is something that can be done in the holidays.**

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**FOUND**

A Samsung phone has been handed in to the school. It was found in the vicinity of the school last weekend 10 and 11 December.

If anyone has lost a phone recently or knows of someone who has, please contact the school office.
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