Dear Parents, Students and Staff,

Student of the Month
Congratulations to the following students for receiving ‘Student of the Month’ awards this month:

Zoe Davis, Jackson Jones, Aiden Mulder, Millie Kay, Jack Thorp, Kate Smith, Chelsea Borkowski, Emiley Asling, Natalie Fahnie, Grace Summers, James Burton, Lena Archer (Japanese Award), Maia Horn, Mitch Jones, Abbey Broadbent, Rory Heitmann, Alicia Peterson, Jayden Robson-Spencer, Ethan Ball, Brett Grand-Court, Lauren McKay, Joshua Humbert and Isaac Zeeher (Principal Award). The Literacy Award for the semester went to Flynn Mauger and the Numeracy Award went to Jack Thorp. Well done we are so proud of you all!

Watoto Choir
As I have already mentioned, the Watoto Choir are visiting on Wednesday July 13th. To welcome the children, the Open Door Church are putting a lunch on for the whole school. This will provide your child with a sausage in bread and a piece of fruit. All we ask is for a gold coin donation to support the Watoto Choir. There will be a concert on at night at the Monbulk Christian Fellowship at 7pm if you would like to attend.

Website
On the website under notices you can now find a copy of the Uniform Order form and the Absence Note for you to print out if you need it. This saves you coming to the office and it also means you can write an absence note as soon as your child returns to school. I have also put up our Events Planner for you to refer to for upcoming events. The website address is below: www.monbulkps.vic.edu.au

Key Diary Dates
11 April—June 24

23 June—Movie Night fund-raiser, Baker Family and Lars Dekker.

24 June—Last day of Term 2, school finishes early at 2.30pm.

School resumes 11th July

Expect more - Achieve more!

Notices Sent Home this Week
Enrolment details Catholic Sec Schools—Grade 4 & 5.
Sale of Entertainment Book—Eldest in each family.
The Bitter and the Sweet Book Launch
Last week we were invited to a book launch for ‘The Bitter and the Sweet’ written by Peter Hayne and the Monbulk Historical Society. This book is all about the history of the Monbulk Jam factory and we as a school are mentioned in it. Amy, our School Captain and Lissy, our House Captain gained so much by being there. They also got to enjoy a very yummy morning tea. I would encourage you to take your children down to the Lilydale Museum on the holidays as they have a wonderful exhibition entitled ‘No Jam Without Sugar’.

Parking in the Pines Area
Please do not park on both sides of the driveway in the Pines Area as it is causing congestion and making it very difficult for cars to get through. Also I will remind you that it is a one way road so enter at David Hill Road and exit at Moores Road. Please be considerate of others and display our school values of Respect and Responsibility. It is through role modelling that our children learn best!

How to help your child at home
The Department of Education and Training has a great website that offers parents many useful tips in how to help their child /ren with their school work. I encourage parents to access these websites below and help your child reach their academic potential.

Helping with homework:
Homework is an opportunity for you to be involved in your child’s education. Along with their school, you can help encourage your child to form good homework patterns early on in primary school.

Literacy and Maths tips:
You can make a difference to how easily your child learns at school by helping them to learn at home. The 201 literacy and maths tips to help your child booklet includes information about how you can help your child develop literacy and maths skills. It contains practical activities you can do with your child at home before they start and during primary school.

Online resources
Connect Primary Students is a Department website that links you to a range of suitable websites for primary school aged children that contain information, activities, projects and games. The website gives you and your child access to education resources relevant to your child’s age and year level.

Last Day
Please note that school finishes at 2:30pm tomorrow. I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday!
Lynn Ordish
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