Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all our families for the support provided towards today’s Book Week celebration. The efforts that you had all put in to making the spectacular costumes was simply amazing and we all enjoyed a wonderful parade. Throughout the day, students enjoyed listening to some of the short-listed stories and participating in activities designed around these. Our thanks also to teachers for their efforts in organising these. The combined effort resulted in a great day.

Thank you also to Jodi and our many volunteers for adding to these celebrations by providing yet another wonderful community lunch. There is no doubt that Thursday canteen has become a highlight in the week and we all look forward to the delicious array of food that is prepared over the term.

On Wednesday the 26th of August, we will be welcoming the children from Lakeview Kindergarten’s four-year group and their parents, when they visit the school as part of the Cluster’s transition program. As in previous years, this will be an opportunity for the children to gain an initial experience of a school setting. Additional transition days, for those students planning to attend Mount Beauty in 2016, will be held on Friday the 30th of October (9-11am), Friday the 13th of November (9-11am), Monday the 23rd of November (9-11am) and Tuesday the 8th of December (9am-3.20pm).

As well as the Kinder, we will also be having a visit from the educators associated with the Big Red Kidney Bus. The Big Red Kidney Bus is an initiative of Kidney Health Australia, providing a mobile dialysis unit that enables people receiving dialysis, to have a holiday. The education program provided to students will focus on building their understanding of how the kidneys work and how important it is to drink water to keep our kidneys healthy.

On Thursday the 3rd of September, our school will be participating in the Heart Foundation’s Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off. The Jump Off will commence at 11.30am and all students are encouraged to seek sponsorship. Fundraising can also be done online and students who raise $200 or more through online sponsorship will go into a draw to win a holiday to visit Movie World, Sea World and Wet ‘n Wild Water World.

Next week we will be welcoming Mary-Ann Cariss to our staff. Mary-Ann is a familiar face in our school and will be working in P/1 M until the end of term. A reminder to all families that the library day for P/1 M has now changed to Fridays.

A reminder also to families that all outstanding accounts are due for finalisation by Monday the 31st of August. If you have any questions or concerns about your account, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Carolyn Serpell
Principal

Sophie and Stella at the Book Fair Parade. More photos on the back page.
Artists of the Week
This week’s artists of the week are Justin, Billy and Ash. You can see “Artist of the Week” on the display board outside the supermarket.

CANTEEN NEWS—TUESDAY & THURSDAYS

Tuesday limited lunch menu
Homemade Sausage Rolls $3.00
Ham/Cheese Toastie $3.00
Cheese only Toastie $2.50

Week 6 Special—Thursday
Roasted Capsicum & Tomato Soup $3.00
Butter Chicken & Rice $4.00

The Canteen Menu is on our website www.mtbeautyps.vic.edu.au
DATES FOR THE DIARY
Wed 26 August—Kinder transition 9.30am to 10.30am
Wed 26 August—Visit from the Big Red Kidney Bus
Thur 3 Sep—Jump Rope for Heart

Arts Nights at the Community Centre
Wed 16 Sept—5/6 performance 1.30pm
Wed 16 Sept—Prep, Year 1 & 2 performance at 6.30pm
Thu 17 Sept—Year 3 to 6 performance at 7.30pm
Fri 18 Sept—Last day of Term 3—finish 2.20pm

FRIDAY ASSEMBLY TOMORROW
P/1M

We would like to welcome Mary-Anne Cariss who will be replacing Meredith for the remainder of the term.

BIG WRITE Week 6

Our Big Write sessions are continuing on Wednesdays during Term 3, but each year level will be using writing prompts that are relevant to their class topics. The following prompts will be used next week.

Please take the opportunity to talk to your child about ideas for their story.

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<td>Prep, Year 1 and Year 2.</td>
<td>Describe an object from the kitchen.</td>
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<td>This term we will be exploring descriptive writing, which will provide a link to our inquiry unit on Materials.</td>
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This term we are investigating the topic of Materials and how they are used in the environment. We have been talking about different houses and how they are constructed. Last week we built the Three Little Pigs houses from different materials and tested their strength with the Big Bad Wolf Hair Dryer. This week we made houses in the snow using paper collage. Our pictures will be on display at Rocky Valley Ski Hire to welcome visitors to Mount Beauty.