



# Monty South PS Newsletter

## A SUCCESSFUL ATHLETICS DAY



Last Wednesday we held our annual Yr 3-6 Athletics Carnival at Willinda Park, Greensborough. Unlike last year, the good weather held out until the end of the day, only raining when it was time to get on the buses.

Well done to Lachie and the staff team for organising a well run day, and congratulations to all the students who competed and had fun.

Congratulations to Tyto House for 1st place with 2730 points, followed by Otis in 2nd place with 1860 points. Tyto received 1433 points for 3rd place and Strix received 1338 points for 4th place.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 28 July - 2024 enrolments close, Prep 100 days of school & Yr 2 Excursion
- 31 Jul to 4 Aug - E-Smart week
- 11 Aug - Yr 5 Excursion
- 14-15 Aug -Yr 3 Camp
- 21 Aug - Pupil free curriculum day
- 24 Aug - Book Parade 9.30-11am
- 28 Aug—Yr 6 Graduation Photo at 9.30am
- 31 Aug - Yr 1 Excursion
- 11-13 Sep - Yr 4 Camp
- 15 Sep - Last day of term, 2.30pm dismissal

### ASSEMBLY DATES

- Wed 2 August - 2.45-3.15pm
- Wed 16 August - 2.45-3.15pm
- Wed 30 August - 2.45-3.15pm
- Wed 13 Sept - 2.45-3.15pm



## STUDENT NEWS AND ACHIEVEMENTS



### CONGRATULATIONS!

On July 13, our superstar runner, Matilda, represented Monty South in the 11 year old age group at the State Cross Country Championships held at the Yarra Valley Racing Club. She placed 45th out of the 93 runners, putting her in the fastest half of the race as well as being one of the fastest runners in the state for her age.

Well done on this amazing effort Matilda!

Last week our Monty South girl's footy team played in the district final against Laurimar in Reservoir. Despite being defeated 76 to 25, all players showed great Sportsmanship and were able to keep the opposition on their toes in the final quarter.



Monty South kicked a personal best score of 4 goals, 3 being in the final quarter.

Great effort team!

*“Do you know what my favourite part of the game is? The opportunity to play”.*

*Quote - Mike Singletary, American football coach*



### CONGRATULATIONS!

On the weekend of the 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> July Oliver F & Ben B played in the U12 State Winter Baseball Championships in Werribee for Diamond Valley in pool 1 - Metro.

The team won all 5 games throughout the tournament, the 5<sup>th</sup> being the Grand final. So the boys & their team are now state champions for winter for U12s in baseball!

Well done to you both and to your team. What a great result!



Also last week our inter-school sport soccer team played in the division round robin after winning their grand final last term. They won again today and will be heading to the region finals next in the near future.

Amazing effort to the team with both the win and their excellent teamwork and sportsmanship!

## NATIONAL TREE PLANTING DAY

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August is National Tree Planting Day and in celebration of it Bunnings Eltham kindly donated 80 native trees to Monty South and came out to teach us how to plant them.



## PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Dear Monty South Community,

I hope you all managed to have some rest and relaxation over the school break.

You will notice that this newsletter is slightly different to what we have had in the past. We have reverted to one document as we listened to anecdotal feedback of accessibility and the number of times you had to sign in as well as the many 'clicks' that you had to do to get to a particular part of the newsletter. Hard copies will be placed in reception if you would like quick access to one. Thanks to Jenny in the office who has been working hard to make this happen.

Congratulations and thank you to Lachie and all staff on such a terrific Athletics Carnival last week. Well done to all our student who participated and gave their best. They are our main feature on the front page.



This week we will be sending out NAPLAN student reports for Years 3 and 5. They will be given to your child in a sealed envelope to take home. Along with your child's individual report there is a *parent and carers information sheet*. I highly recommend that you read the information first as of 2023 new standards were introduced to NAPLAN reporting. This reporting replaces the previous numerical NAPLAN reporting bands and national minimum standards. NAPLAN is only one aspect of our assessment and reporting process, which is held once every two years for each student and cannot replace the extensive ongoing assessment made by teachers. Please note that results can not be compared to previous years as new measurements scales have been introduced.



Last night we held our final night for our 3 Way Conferences (3WC) across the school for Term 3. Thank you to all the parents and students who participated over the last three days. A special thank you to all staff for making themselves available and for providing student information to parents ahead of their scheduled meetings. This term we thought that by providing parents with student goals ahead of time, meeting times could be more focussed and geared by parent discussions. The process of 3 Way Conferences is part of our schools Assessment and Reporting Policy. The School Improvement Team will be looking at all the feedback from the review that was completed at the end of last term. The results will be shared with School Council and then the community.

I would like to thank our P&F president Bianca, who has organised for MSPS to attend the Hawks v Pies match at the MCG on the 5 August. Tickets are available to families and staff to attend this community event. It would be great to see many supporters take up this community event.

### **Operational**

#### ***Staffing***

This term we welcome several new staff to our team on a fixed term basis: Mel Williams, Romy Magdis (5A), Wayne Vivas (3D), Betsie Genou (Prep- French), Michaela Hall (ES), Breanna Hogan (ES) and Stefan Walder (ES). We are currently going through other processes to appoint more Education Support staff.

#### ***Playgrounds***

It is great to see how students have adjusted to accessibility of the playgrounds. The playground outside the BER is now buzzing every day with students from Prep to 3 playing on the equipment and making it their own. Don't forget that all students are able to access the Big playground in the transportable area after school under parent supervision.

#### ***Lost property***

We are certainly having some very cold days now with frost settling on our play equipment and oval. I am still adjusting to the weather but am amazed at how many students I see in the morning without their jumpers, I know - kids don't feel the cold as they often tell me. But if your child has misplaced their jumper this would be a perfect time to have a look in the lost property.



Finally at the end of last term, the weekend before we commenced the holidays, one of our students in 4D left his school bag at school. Although his bag was recovered and dropped off in reception, sadly his iPad was missing. Unfortunately, we have not been able to identify who put it in reception, so if someone remembers doing that we would really like to know where the bag was found.

I hope you all have some great weeks coming up.

*Keyla*





## TEACHING AND LEARNING UPDATE

### CYBER SAFETY AT MONTY SOUTH

Our students are growing up in a digital world and while it has amazing benefits for education, entertainment and social connections, it does come with risks so being safe and responsible is of paramount importance. At the beginning of the year all our classes discuss our Internet and Technology Acceptable Use Agreement. This is sent home to be shared with parents and then it is signed and returned to school. The teachers keep these in their classrooms and refer to them if needed as a reminder to the students about their responsibility when using technology.

Next week **(31st July - 4th**

### ESMART WEEK

During eSmart Week, each class will complete a series of activities focusing on topics such as their digital footprint, cyber bullying, privacy, passwords, scams, gaming, social media, sharing information and more. Some of the activities will be from the eSafety commissioner website. <https://www.esafety.gov.au/>

Some of the students in Year 1 and 2 have started some cyber safety lessons during their fortnightly ICT lesson.

The Year 1s watched some videos about The Mighty Heroes on the eSafety website which taught them about being responsible to keep our friends safe and how to be respectful and kind online. The students used their ICT skills on Seesaw to unjumble the cyber safety message and colour in the pictures using the drawing tools. <https://www.esafety.gov.au/educators/classroom-resources/mighty-heroes/mighty-heroes-student-page>

The Year 2s learnt a range of tips to be safe online from the Brain Pop website then they made a poster on Pic Collage with an important message about being safe online. <https://jr.brainpop.com/artsandtechnology/technology/internetsafety/>

The students in **Years 4 - 6** will participate in a workshop run by the Cyber Safety Project on **Thursday 3rd August**. <https://cybersafetyproject.com.au/> These workshops will look at the values of Responsibility, Integrity, Strength and Empathy with a focus on Digital Safety. The program is to support our Mental Health and Wellbeing strategy and will be fully funded by the school.

**Year 3/4** students will explore the places they may go online to connect, learn and play, identifying different personal, private and public spaces. Students will evaluate who might be able to see them, whilst carefully considering the type of information they share. The theme of making good digital choices will lead students to think about their personal and public information and how to protect this by crafting long and strong passwords for their personal online accounts.

**Year 5/6** will be empowered to establish skills to self manage their own digital lives in this interactive digital safety session. Students will uncover how easy it can be to overshare online and find ways to protect their privacy and personal data. Students will be made aware of social protocols online and will consider their responsibilities as online citizens by discussing how they can establish positive and respectful relationships online.

The staff will attend a **Cyber Savvy Educator** PD after school that same day.

Regards,  
Jenny Hutchinson,  
ICT Curriculum Coordinator

**August)** Monty South will be running **eSmart Week** which will focus on cyber safety and promoting smart, safe and responsible ways of using digital technology.

We are an **eSmart school** and are a member of the Alannah and Madeline Foundation which is designed to help schools improve cyber safety and reduce cyber bullying and bullying.

<https://www.alannahandmadeline.org.au/>



## CYBER SAFETY WEBINAR SERIES

### The Parent and Guardian Webinar Series was held last night for Term 3.

We are fortunate to have access to the parent webinar sessions run by the Cyber Safety Project. They hold a webinar each term on different topics.

This Term's webinar is **Gaming and Your Family**. There were sessions held in Term 1 and 2 and you can watch a recording of these.

You can find information on the Webinar Series via the below link.

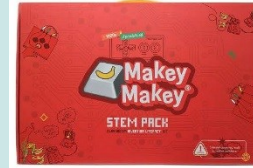


## TECH CLUB

Tech Club will begin next week on Thursday at recess. It will be run by our ICT Captains Gideon and Noah, supervised by Jess and Jenny.

This term will focus on using laptops with programs such as Makey Makey and Scratch. We will rotate year levels to ensure all students are able to participate at some stage.

Nex week we will being with Year 3s.



**Webinar Registration/Rewatch Link: <http://www.cybersafetyproject.com.au/webinars>**

## SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE

At our meeting in June, the School Council discussed a range of topics including reporting, opportunities for parent involvement, Resilience/Rights/Respectful Relationships and student clubs.

The Finance Subcommittee was encouraged by the ongoing work of the school to critically review and improve the budget.

The Environment and Facilities Subcommittee are very active investigating options to improve our grounds, and recently finalised our Environment and Infrastructure Improvement Plan 2023. You can view this on our website—

[https://montysouth.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/MSPS-Infrastructure-Plan\\_2023.pdf](https://montysouth.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/MSPS-Infrastructure-Plan_2023.pdf)

One of our top priorities is improving our play spaces; we are working with Parents and Friends to invest fete proceeds and remain alert for government playground grants. We are also planning a Working Bee, so get ready to pull your sleeves up and contribute to the environment where your children learn and play. We applied for a Minor Capital Works Grant of \$225,000 to address stormwater problems.

The Education Subcommittee is reviewing several policies in collaboration with the school.



*Our long-awaited playground is finished and was a welcome sight to students at the beginning of the term. Due to the height, it been deemed appropriate for Yr 4-6 students only to use at playtimes.*



**WORKING  
BEE  
COMING.**



**LOOK OUT  
FOR THE  
DATE SOON!**



## IN OUR SAKG KITCHEN

Cheese and spinach gozleme	
Serves 30 tasters Adapted from: <a href="http://receptineats.com.au">receptineats.com.au</a>	
<b>Ingredients</b>	<b>Equipment</b>
<b>Dough/Pastry</b> 450g plain flour ½ teaspoon salt ¼ to 1 cup water 100ml Olive oil <b>Filling</b> 3 cups shredded silverbeet or spinach 2 chopped cloves garlic Zest from 1 lemon 1 egg ½ teaspoon ground black pepper 100g feta, crumbled 1 very full cup mozzarella cheese Olive oil to fry Lemon wedges to garnish	Measuring cups and spoons Measuring scales Dough cutter Large mixing bowl Wooden spoon Rolling pins Frying pans Chopping boards Knives
<b>What to do:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Put the flour into a large bowl and add the salt, water and oil</li> <li>Combine first with a dough whisk until the liquid is absorbed, and then knead well with your hands (on a floured bench) until you have a soft smooth dough</li> <li>Set the dough aside to rest while you make the filling</li> <li>Cut the spinach/silverbeet into small pieces and place them in a bowl. Use your hands to scrunch the leaves. You want them to bruise and collapse</li> <li>Add the garlic, lemon zest, egg, pepper, crumbled feta &amp; mozzarella stir to combine</li> <li>Divide the dough into 12 even portions (you are making 6 gozleme, each will have a top and bottom piece of pastry)</li> <li>Sprinkle the workbench with flour and roll out the circles of dough. (Make sure they are not stuck to the bench!) Roll them thin, but not bigger than the size of the frying pan you will cook them in</li> <li>Divide the filling between 6 of the circles, spread filling out but leave a 1cm border around the outside</li> <li>Dab a little water around the outside border of each with your finger, then top with the remaining circles of pastry</li> <li>Press down the edges on each gozleme to seal, removing any air pockets as you go</li> <li>Heat 1.5 tablespoons of olive oil in the frying pan, once the oil is hot slide/place a gozleme in the pan. Cook, lightly pressing down the edges until deep golden and crispy – about 3 minutes, then flip and cook the other side, pressing down gently, about 3 minutes until crispy</li> <li>Remove from the pan and cook the remaining gozleme (Use 2 or 3 pans to speed up the process)</li> <li>Slice the gozleme into wedges before serving, serve while hot with lemon wedges on the side</li> </ul>	

Week 1 of this term our Yr 3 –6 students cooked a Chinese menu. We discussed 'Big Statistics', population, Great Wall, pandas etc and looked at the 8 Chinese cuisines – Cantonese being the most popular. We made spring onion pancakes, corn and egg soup, market garden veg stir fry, pot stickers and steamed mandarin cake.

Weeks 2 and 3 was all about citrus. With our lemon and lime trees heavy with fruit and donations of oranges and mandarins (thank you McGill's) we discussed the origins of citrus fruit and the huge variety available including our indigenous varieties. We made gozleme, carrot and orange soup, corn and sweet potato fritters, citrus salad and orange and semolina syrup cakes.

*If you are able to help out in our kitchen—perhaps you can help out your child's class— you can let our Kitchen Specialist, Cathryn Hulme know by emailing her at: [cathryn.hulme@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:cathryn.hulme@education.vic.gov.au).*

*If you would prefer to help out in our garden, our Garden Specialist, Farmer Mike is happy for you to contact him on [michael.tindale@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:michael.tindale@education.vic.gov.au).*



*Volunteering at Monty South is always welcome. From classroom help with reading and maths, or camps or sporting events such as Cross Country or Athletics Day to our kitchen and garden, not to mention the amazing work of our Parents and Friends Group; our parents/carers play a vital part in helping to make Monty South a great school and help build a strong community.*

## PARENTS & FRIENDS UPDATE

### Skaterz Winter in July



Our Winter in July Skaterz event was a huge success! 74 tickets were sold and another 7 at the door. We had students ranging from Prep all the way up to Yr 6 skating away. Christmas clothes or colours were optional but many took this opportunity to dress festively. Even the staff at Skaterz wore Christmas hats or donned Reindeer ears! A lot of fun was had by all, no broken bones and another great fundraiser for the school.

A huge thank you to Skaterz for helping us to organise this event and donating half of the ticket prize back to the school!



### Winter Sausage Sizzle

Thank you to all the families for supporting our winter sausage sizzle! A special shout out to our amazing Parents and Friends team members Jenny, Rowan, Jason, Ashlee and Kylie who managed to cook, sandwich up and deliver over 600!! sausages delivered in foil trays to our 30 class rooms spread out over the school grounds. They had the help of some amazing Yr 6 students as well! Thank you to Rita Kohu for donating almost half of the sausages as well.



Another successful fundraiser for the school, many happy kids, no fire blankets used = successful day at the office for the Parents and Friends team.

### Thank you Jenny Vergers!

The Parents and Friends team said goodbye to long time member (since 2016) Jenny Vergers. She has coordinated many Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls, Rarebear events, Election day sausage sizzles and book stalls. She has been a huge force at both Fetes and always a huge support for the entire team. As Secretary she was amazing and words can't really describe how much the team will miss her. Luckily we will still get to see her in the office!

Congratulations and welcome to our newly elected secretary Ashlee Sandars!

# PARENTS & FRIENDS UPDATE– MSPS GOES TO THE G!

**MSPS at the MCG!**

Community event organised by  
Montmorency South Primary School  
Parents and Friends.

**SORRY! SOLD OUT**

Thanks to  
AFL  
Community  
Support  
ticketing  
Program.

Are you a Hawks fan? Do you want to come cheer for our former student Josh Weddle#37? Or will you be cheering for the Pies? We have secured 40 tickets for round 21 Sat • Aug 05, 2023 • 04:35 PM. Staff, students and families invited!

**Community event organised by Parents and Friends group with thanks to AFL Community Support ticketing Program.**

40 tickets in total available for MSPS staff, students and families to watch the game together, build connections and share a great day together. The AFL Community Support-ticketing Program is proud to support schools and community groups with these tickets and give them the chance to enjoy matches at the MCG as a group.

Bookings via CompassTix—<https://compasstix.com/e/heigp5jdag>

## MONSTER ART

Years 3 and 4 have had a monstrous time creating these amazing collages in their specialist art sessions. Students demonstrated their knowledge of primary and secondary colours and symmetry by creating their own monster characters. We think these look amazing!

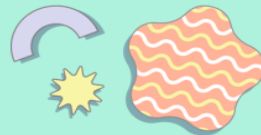


## COMMUNITY NEWS



Guiding children's growth

# Newsletter



### A message from your Coordinator

Hello, and welcome to this week's newsletter. During this term we have many exciting incursions happening throughout the term as well as many fun activities.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of August is National Principal Day. Children will be creating an art piece as well as some goodies during week 3 and will be giving it to our principal, Keyla Jeffers, next week.

Our next big incursion is on the 14<sup>th</sup> of August during week 6, which will focus on Slime Making – children will learn how to make their own slime. Then our last incursion is happening on Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup> of September, which will be about Bopping Bingo Disco.

During week 6, is our National Science week. Where children will be experimenting and learning about different science activities and what experiments that they can do.

Remember to update your bookings and your details through the Camp Australia app and to come in to sign in and out your child into care.

Thank you and see you soon

It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at [pp.campastralia.com.au](http://pp.campastralia.com.au) or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play

### What's on the menu

- Pita bread with salsa
- Popcorn
- Rice crackers with cheese

### Activities coming up

- Week 4: Principal Day Activity
- Week 6: Monday Slime Making
- Week 10: Thursday Bopping Bingo Disco

### Visit our blog

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

[Visit our blog](#)

Your OSHC.

[www.campastralia.com.au](http://www.campastralia.com.au)





# COMMUNITY NEWS

**My Mum and I**—New lunch order price list effective Term 3, 2023. This can also be found on our website—<https://montysouth.vic.edu.au/current-families/lunch-orders/>

Lunch Order Menu		my mum and i	
Effective Term 3 - 2023			
<b>Sandwiches/Wraps/Rolls</b> (Wholemeal/White bread/Gluten Free/Toasted)		<b>Hot Food</b>	
Sandwiches/Wraps with 1 filling	\$3.50	Routley Beef Pie	\$3.50
Rolls with 1 filling	\$3.80	*Schools out* Beef Lasagna	\$4.20
(add 50 cents for each extra filling)		Routley Sausage Roll	\$3.50
(Gluten Free Bread add 50c)		Routley Spinach & Ricotta Roll	\$3.00
<b>FILLINGS:</b>		Routley Wholemeal Veggie Pasticci	\$4.00
Real Chicken / Cheese / Ham / Egg		Party Pie	\$1.30
Tuna / Pineapple / Carrot		Steamed Dim Sim with soy sauce	\$1.00
Tomato / Lettuce / Avocado / Cucumber		Hung Hot Dog (with a fresh baked roll)	\$3.50
Vegemite / Vegan Cheese		Apple pie	\$2.50
<b>Homemade snacks</b>		Homemade Pizza	\$3.50
Choc chip cookie	\$2.00	(Ham & Pineapple, Margherita or chicken)	
Choc chip cookie (gluten free)	\$2.20	<b>*NEW* - Special Dietary Options</b>	
Hedgehog slice	\$2.50	Gluten Free Meat Pie	\$4.50
Choc Bliss Balls (vegan/soy/peanut-free)	\$2.20	Gluten Free Party Pie	\$2.00
Vanilla cupcake	\$2.00	Vegan Margherita Pizza	\$4.00
Banana Bread	\$2.80	<b>Drinks</b>	
Carrot Sticks (3 pieces)	\$0.60	Fruit juice (O.J. or Apple)	\$2.20
Seasonal fruit salad	\$3.50	Choc or Strawberry milk	\$2.50
		Plain milk	\$2.00
<b>Paper bags — 10c</b>			
<b>Vegetarian options — 10c</b>			
No. We've been pleased to offer a small variety of gluten free options on our menu. Please note we are NOT a gluten-free certified kitchen. Whilst every effort is made to ensure that cross contamination does not occur, we cannot guarantee this will never occur. We have processes in place to minimise risk however, if you are a Celiac and/or highly sensitive to gluten, please know that we will do our best but cannot guarantee your order will not touch gluten somewhere in the process. We apologise for any inconvenience.			
For manual orders, simply fill out your child's name, their class and their order on a paper bag and place the money inside. Please ensure that all contact info is used. Foreign currency is not accepted and any shortfall may result in omission of items. Online ordering is also available at <a href="http://www.mymumandi.com.au">www.mymumandi.com.au</a> . Please ensure you select the correct school for your child.			

**SOFTBALL GIRLS & BOYS**

Winter Junior Development Program Starts 29 July  
 8-14 yrs | Beginner to Intermediate | Saturdays 2-4 pm for 6 weeks | \$20 pp  
 Register today at [www.softballvic.org.au/get-involved/junior-development](http://www.softballvic.org.au/get-involved/junior-development)

Home Run Heroes introductory program October to November  
 5-12 yrs | Introduction for kids into the game of Softball  
 6+ week program | 60-90 minute sessions

Junior Softball October to March  
 T-ball and U12 - US9 age groups | Friendly and welcoming teams | Equipment provided on Saturdays

Northern District Softball Association  
 Northern District Softball Association  
 Mill Park Recreation Reserve  
 northernsoftballvic@gmail.com  
 NDSAvic northernsoftballvic

**FIREBALL TENNIS**

OUR MEMBER OUR FEEDBACK  
 "My kids have been playing tennis with Fireball for 8 years. There are so many reasons why we love this program. I recommend the program to anyone - beginners to squad players."  
 May  
 Elizabeth Park Tennis Club

**VENUES**  
 YALLAMBIE TENNIS CLUB  
 SFX TENNIS CLUB  
 GREYTHORN PARK TENNIS CLUB

**JOIN FIREBALL NOW FOR A FREE TENNIS RACQUET!**

memberservices@fireballtennis.com.au  
 0422 270 224  
[fireballtennis.com.au](http://fireballtennis.com.au)

**Net Set Go!**  
 10 week netball skills program for 5-8 year olds

**Dates:** Term 3 (10th August to 31st August)  
 Term 4 (8th October to 9th November)

**Time:** Thursdays 4.15pm - 5.00pm

**Where:** 1-9 Anderson Street, Templestowe

**Cost:** \$110

**Register:** [www.panthersjuniornetballclub.com](http://www.panthersjuniornetballclub.com)

Cost includes 10 sessions, Netball Victoria Insurance and a Net Set Go pack (pictured below) from Netball Victoria.

Contact: [panthersjuniornetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:panthersjuniornetballclub@gmail.com)

**Ages 3-8**  
 (twins are welcome too!)

Sundays 2-3pm  
 July 16 - Aug 20  
 Monty Community Hub  
 1 Mountainview Rd, Montmorency

**Kids Yoga**

- Develops body awareness
- Improves concentration
- Helps relax and sleep better
- Fosters creativity and imagination
- Mats and props provided.

**\$10 PER CHILD**

Powered by Resilient Kids Yoga

**Book into kids yoga**

Bookings are essential. Book for a single session or the whole series. Book by 7pm the day before the class.

To book, contact Crystal on:  
 0400 572 681  
[admin@resilientkidsyoga.com.au](mailto:admin@resilientkidsyoga.com.au)

**About the teacher**

Crystal is a qualified yoga therapist and children's yoga teacher with first aid, Working With Children's, NDIS and Police Checks.

**Keep our community connection alive!**

The Monty Community Hub is wrapping up activities over the coming month and looking for a new location to operate from. Community members who are interested in keeping the continued connection and collaboration for our shared local passions and activities going, and those keen to support the Monty Community Hub to pack down the current space please sign up to the newsletter or contact Sophie at [programs@montyhub.org](mailto:programs@montyhub.org) or email [info@montyhub.org](mailto:info@montyhub.org)

**Brotherhood of St Laurence** has put together a list of programs that families can access for financial support.

**THE EDUCATION STATE**

**Camps, Sports and Education Fund**

Eligibility Criteria  
 • Parent must be a health/concession card holder  
 • Or families on protection/bridging visas, or seeking asylum,  
 • Or children in out of home care

Funding to attend activities like:  
 • school camps or trips  
 • swimming and school-organised sports programs  
 • outdoor education programs  
 • excursions and incursions  
 \$125 per year for eligible primary school students  
 \$225 per year for eligible secondary school students.

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**Computerbank**

Eligibility Criteria  
 • Concession/Health Care Card holders  
 • Students  
 • Asylum seekers

Low cost refurbished computers that include various programs including word processing, Google Chrome and PDF Maker

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**saverplus**

**Saver Plus**

Eligibility Criteria  
 • Must be a health/concession card holder  
 • Be in receipt of a Centrelink Payment  
 • Be studying or have a child in school  
 • Have some regular income from work  
 • Be 18+ years old

Program includes:  
 • Matched dollar for dollar savings up to \$500  
 • Money Minded workshops - Financial Education  
 • Coaching on budgeting and savings

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**STATE SCHOOLS' RELIEF**

**State Schools' Relief**

Eligibility Criteria  
 Situations include but not limited to:  
 • Unemployment/Health issues/illness  
 • Financial difficulties  
 • Independent living and/or homelessness  
 • Natural disasters  
 • Bereavement  
 • Domestic and family violence

Provides school uniforms and shoes to those that are unable to afford them.

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<https://www.vic.gov.au/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund>

<https://www.computerbank.org.au/>

<https://www.bsl.org.au/services/saving-and-managing-money/saver-plus/>

[State Schools' Relief \(stateschoolsrelief.org.au\)](https://stateschoolsrelief.org.au/)