

CALENDAR

July

Tue 30-Tue 6 Singapore International Choral Festival

August

Fri 2 EHPS Student-free Day

Mon 5-Fri 9 REACH Assessment: Mathematics

Wed 7 Prep 100 Days at School Celebration

Wed 7 Yr 6 MWSC Gateways Transition Peer Support

Thu 8 Prep PMP

Thu 8 Yrs56O/L/M Engineers Without Borders incursion

Fri 9 Yrs 3-6 House Athletics

Mon 12-Fri 16 ... Celebration Week

Mon 12 Sensory Garden Opening

Mon 12 Prep 2020 Storytime

Tue 13 Yr 3 CERES Community Environment Park Excursion

Thu 15 Prep PMP

Thu 15-Wed 21 . Book Fair

Fri 16 Hari Indonesia

Fri 16 Secondhand Uniform Stall

Sat 17-Fri 23 Book Week: *Reading is my Secret Power*

Mon 19 Monash Youth Music Festival

Wed 21 PFA Meeting

Thu 22 Prep PMP

Thu 22 Yr 1 Fairy Tale Fiasco incursion

Students do not attend school on public holidays or student-free days.

School Assembly

Every Monday at 2.40pm in the Stadium. *All welcome.*

School Banking - every Tuesday.

School Tours

for 2019 or 2020 entry - Thursday & Friday at 9.30am.
Bookings essential - contact the Office.

Enrolment

Year 1 to 6 2020 entry: Lodge by Friday 29th November.

2019 Term Dates

Term 1: 29 January* to 5 April

Term 2: 23 April to 28 June

Term 3: 15 July to 20 September

Term 4: 7 October to 20 December

** 29 January is a state wide student free day.*

EHPS student-free days: 30 January, 22 May, and 2 August



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during school terms.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear parents and friends of our Essex Heights community,

Student-Free Day

In our new Strategic Plan a major focus, over the next four years, is to continue to improve our children's numeracy results. Today the staff have been involved in an all-day professional learning session with a renowned Mathematics Educator, Michael Ymer.



Michael is an experienced mathematics teacher/consultant who has been involved in numerous Victorian State initiatives in mathematics. He is currently working with individual schools and clusters of teachers from Primary and Secondary schools throughout the State as a consultant in a wide range of Professional Development programs in mathematics. He provides services for teachers in State, Catholic and Independent schools throughout Australia, as well as working overseas with schools that are using an inquiry based approach to teaching mathematics. Michael is an enthusiastic and entertaining presenter who has a clear and practical approach to the challenges that confront schools in mathematics. He brings to his presentations an understanding of what does and doesn't work in our classrooms.

The professional learning day provided teachers and support staff with a balance of background information, developmental stages and activities to assist the teaching of place value and counting. Place value concepts can be difficult for young students to grasp. It is an important basic concept and is fundamental in understanding our number system, counting and the operations related to number. If children master place value then other mathematical concepts will be easier.

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August

3rd Max O
Zac B
5th Lucas F
Haaris A
6th Desiree R
7th Evan L

Information sent home:

Follow up with your classroom teacher about any items on this list

Year/Group

Notice/Activity

Whole school (all students) Scholastic Book Fair, including wish list

This week's information on Compass:

Year/Group

Compass News Feed

Year 6 Transition Program - Unit 1 - How to make new friends

Whole School Student-free Day on Friday 2nd August

Compass Events:

Year/Group

Notice/Activity and Payment & Consent Due Date

Year 3 CERES Community Environment Park - \$36 & consent by 9th August

Year 4 Taskworks Excursion and Sleepover 2019 - \$100 & consent by 5th August

Years 3 to 6 Grade 3-6 House Athletics Carnival - \$10 & consent by 5th August

Years 5 & 6 Engineers Without Borders (Day 2) - info only

Whole School Hari Indonesia (Indonesian Day) - \$10 & consent by 15th August



Assembly: Monday 5th August

At Assembly on Monday:

- REACH Assessment: Science certificate presentation
- Year 2 Syllable song
- Indonesian Day presentation
- School Banking winners
- Student of the Week & Baik Sekali awards

Note: Items listed above are correct at time of publication, but may be subject to change.

Assembly starts at 2.40pm in the Stadium. All welcome.

Family Financial Statements

Family financial statements have recently been issued to families by email (please check your Junk folder if you haven't got it in your Inbox). If you've received a statement, outstanding charges are payable now. Compass Pay or BPay are the preferred methods of payment. Pay at the Office if using Credit card/Eftpos (Visa/MasterCard; minimum transaction of \$20), cheque payable to Essex Heights Primary School, or cash (correct amount as we don't hold any cash in the Office). Please note that Instrumental Music charges are not payable via Compass (BPay preferred, otherwise pay at the Office). Please see our Business Manager, Barbara McCann, if you are experiencing financial difficulty and want to discuss a payment plan; Barb is available each weekday except Wednesday.

Year 7 2020

Parents/guardians of students attending government secondary schools will be notified on Wednesday, 7th August, by letter from EHPS of their child's Year 7 Placement for 2020.

If your child does not receive a place in your preferred secondary school, parents/guardians may appeal the Year 7 placement by writing to the Principal of that secondary school, outlining the grounds for appeal. This letter must be lodged with the secondary school by Monday 19th August 2019, where it will be considered by the Principal. Parents/guardians must be notified in writing of the outcome of this appeal by Friday 30th August.

Principal's Report

Singapore International Choral Festival

On Tuesday I was able to farewell our large contingent of students, parents and staff at Melbourne Airport as they departed for Singapore. All the members of the choir were so excited and looking forward to the experience. The delegation have arrived safely and are now fully engaged in their busy itinerary of events. The choir will be competing against other choirs from many different countries and we wish our students well. At assembly on Monday, the Singapore choir performed their song 'Firefly' for the whole school and they sang it so beautifully. Many parents also attended to hear the children sing. Best wishes to them all.



Prep Zoo Excursion



On a beautiful and sunny Wednesday, the four Prep classes went to the Zoo this week. The children had a ball!! They went to the education centre and then toured around the Zoo looking at the animals. This was a rich and tiring experience for them all. The weather was very kind and everyone had a valuable day out. I believe a few may even have fallen asleep in the bus ... the children too!!

Excellent work for 56A students

I was so pleased to see two excellent pieces of work from two students from 56A. Isabel was very proud of her work about the passage that she had read called 'All summer in a day'. She was able to answer questions that clearly showed a deep understanding of the passage. Karen on the other hand had drawn this amazing map of Europe at the turn of the 20th century. It was used in the short animation "Loyalty" that has been entered into a short film competition. Great work girls!!!



Child Safe

Essex Heights Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This is the primary focus of our care and decision-making.

All staff, volunteers and School Council members of Essex Heights Primary School (EHPS) are required to observe child safe principles and expectations for appropriate behaviour towards and in the company of children.

For more information about our Child Safe Policy, our Child Safe Code of Conduct, and how to report a Child Safe Incident, please go to the quick links on the front page of our website - [CLICK HERE](#), or type <https://essexheightsps.vic.edu.au/page/153> into your web browser.

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Principal's Report

Parent Opinion Survey 2019 Reminder

WE WANT YOU TO TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

This year we are again conducting the Department of Education Parent Opinion Survey to find out what parents think of our school. About 30% of our school community have been selected at random and invited to participate in the survey. The survey closes on Sunday 11th August.

This yearly survey is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

I encourage all families that have been contacted to please complete the online survey as soon as possible. It should only take about 15 minutes to complete the survey. Please be assured that your responses are completely confidential and that the survey is conducted anonymously.

The survey results will be reported back to our school at the end of September. Survey results will be communicated to parents through the 2019 Annual Report.

We look forward to your feedback so that we can continue to make our school the best it can be for the benefit of all of our children.

George Perini
Principal



Student Absence

Thank you to all our parents/guardians who enter an explanation onto Compass whenever their child is absent, as required by the Department of Education & Training. A message has been sent to parents/guardians of students who have an "not present/unexplained absence" on the roll. Please check the date/s advised, and provide an explanation as requested.

As a reminder, the process of advising your child's absence from school:

1. **Enter an absence note on Compass**, selecting the appropriate reason category. A description can be entered if appropriate. If your child is absent from the beginning of the school day, select "AM" from the Start period field. If absent until the end of the school day, select "PM" from the Finish period field. If you don't enter the absence on Compass, your child will have a "not present; unexplained" note on the roll, requiring your explanation at a later date. If you are unable to enter the note on Compass, call the Office and ask Gael or Jo to enter the note on your behalf. You may also send a note to your child's teacher as a courtesy, using the email teacher link on Compass or a handwritten note.
2. **If your child is in the Program for Students with Disabilities (PSD):**
 - a. enter your child's absence on Compass, and
 - b. call the Office by 8.45am to let us know your child won't be present at school, as this impacts our staff and their support of your child and all PSD students on that day. DO NOT send a message via email, as we cannot guarantee seeing it immediately as the Office is usually very busy at the beginning of the school day.
3. **If your child learns an instrument in the Instrumental Music Program:**
 - a. enter your child's absence on Compass, and
 - b. call the Office by 8.45am to ask that the Coordinator, Alyssa Kennedy, be advised of your child's absence so she can plan the day with the instrumental teachers, and schedule catch up lessons if appropriate. With over 200 students in the IM program, it is not possible to check Compass to see if every student with a lesson that day is present at school. Also, DO NOT send a message via email, as we cannot guarantee seeing it immediately as the Office is usually very busy at the beginning of the school day.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Listening with Attention

At our school, we all work hard to be the best learners we can be. One skill for learning is to **listen with attention**. When we listen with attention, it is a way to show we care about the person who is speaking and what they are saying. We do this by:



- Focusing on the person's words.
- Not interrupting
- Asking questions to find out more.
- And repeating what you heard to show you understand.
- Try practising listening with attention this week.

Year 6 Transition Program: Empathy and communication - Friends and Allies

In ArtSEL this week, Year 6 students learnt about empathy and communication with regard to friends and allies.

Empathy is putting ourselves into other people's shoes and trying to think about how they feel. Empathy also includes responding to how someone is feeling in a thoughtful and positive way.

When we empathise with someone, we remember or think about our own experiences or similar situations in order to understand how someone else might be feeling.

We have all been in the position of wanting to make new friends at some point in our lives, or we have been in a group of friends and have welcomed a new person into the group. We can use those memories and our understanding to act with empathy towards others at school.

Possible ideas to make friends

Take part in activities. Eat lunch with different groups. Talk to people on the bus. Talk to people in the library. Talk to people who sit near you in class. In conversations, ask about people's interests. Introduce yourself to people.

Ideas for others to get to know what you are really like

Invite others to eat lunch with you so they can get to know you. Make conversations with people about things that interest them. Take a risk and invite someone who doesn't know you so that they can find out who you really are. Eat lunch with different groups and try getting to know other people.

What are some other ways we can make new friends?

- Introducing ourselves.
- Trying to find things in common, like asking to help drawing cartoons.
- Starting conversations with people in class.
- Joining teams and clubs.
- Trying new things.
- Trying to notice whether others have the same interests.

Nikki Olsen
ArtSEL Teacher

Dental Van Visit



The Link Health and Community School Dental Van will visit EHPS from Monday 9th to Wednesday 11th September, inclusive. All students have been provided with a Keep Kids Smiling - Free Dental Check-Up form. If you want your child to have a free dental check-up, please return the completed form by Monday 5th August.

Singapore International Choral Festival

33 students, 13 parents and 4 teachers are currently in Singapore to represent Australia and Essex Heights in the 2019 Singapore



International Choral Festival.

They are competing against 38 other choirs in the Under 12

section. If you would like to view the Grand Prix (a competition of the finalists from each section), it will be streamed online. To access this you can 'LIKE' Singapore International Choral Festival on Facebook. The link will be available closer to the Grand Prix, which will be held on Sunday, 4th August, at 7.30 Singapore time.

Tanya Dolence

Principal's Reading Challenge

5 weeks to go! I hope that your child is enjoying the Principal's Reading Challenge.

Prep to Year 2: Classroom teachers are reading books in class and keeping a record of book titles read, and will receive a Participation Certificate for listening to 30 books read in class. They will also receive a Principal's Challenge Reading Certificate if they read 30 books at home (take home readers can be included); these must be recorded on the record sheet provided.

Years 3 to 6: Read a minimum of five novels independently to be eligible to receive a Principal's Reading Challenge Certificate; record the details on the provided record sheet.

All students have received the Principal's Reading Challenge information and record sheet. Record the details of the books read and return the completed sheet to your classroom teacher by Friday 6th September.

Happy reading everyone!



Lena Papadatos

REACH Assessments

Certificates for the **Science** REACH Assessment will be presented at Assembly on Monday - starting at 2.40pm in the Stadium.

The REACH **Mathematics** Assessment for Years 3 to 6 students who were registered to participate will be held in the week beginning Monday 5th August.

Alexandra O'Connor



School Grounds

We are fortunate to have wonderful school grounds. These are maintained by George and Pete, whose services are funded by the Grounds & Maintenance voluntary fee that all

families are invited to contribute to at the start of the school year. Working bees coordinated by the Grounds & Maintenance Committee, and overseen by Assistant Principal Ina Kuehlich, also play a vital part in keeping our grounds looking so great. Watch out for the date of the next working bee in *Contact*. The participation of the whole school community in working bees not only benefits our students, but contributes to building a strong and vital community.

An example of our generous school community are the three Japanese Maples, planted in 2018 (*left*) by the Cadenazzi family. These trees are dedicated to the memory of our former Principal, Andrew Crossett.



Sensory Garden

It's been exciting seeing this project come to fruition. This beautiful area is a passive space within our school that allows children to sit quietly, experience different textures and sensations as well as providing a peaceful and beautiful environment for the school. It's out of bounds at the moment (it's currently taped off) as the plants establish. We will celebrate the opening of this new space on Monday 12th August.



Mathematics Garden

You will recall that you have been asked recently to vote in support of our Mathematics Garden project. We are delighted to provide the following updates.

Bank First Teaching Initiatives Program



At the presentation of the cheque for our successful grant of \$2000 in the Bank First Teaching Initiatives Program, it was announced that we had also won the People's Choice Award, providing an additional \$1,000 towards the project.



A view of the fantastic scale model of the Mathematics Garden

Monash Leader finalist in Leader Local Grants

Our Mathematics Garden was selected as a finalist for the Monash Leader in the Leader Local Grants. Our Mathematics Garden has been shortlisted to the top three entries! Next Thursday, 8th August, George Perini and Ina Kuehlich will attend a special breakfast at Southbank where the winning entries in the Leader Local Grants will be announced. We'll keep you posted!



We are grateful to Bank First and Leader for offering these community grants. Thank you to our wonderful school community for your outstanding support of this project! Thanks for raising awareness of our project, for voting, and encouraging friends and family to vote too - well done EHPS!

Jenny Austin & the Mathematics Garden Team

Prep 100 Days at School Celebration

The countdown is on ... Preps will celebrate 100 days at school next Wednesday, 7th August! Our Preps are looking forward to dressing up as 'old people' and sharing their 100 items.

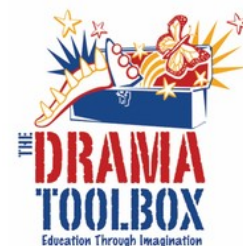


If you are able to contribute to our 100 cupcakes, please let Lauren Davies know.

Please refer to the 100 Days of School notice sent via Compass last week for all the details of this exciting day.

Year 1 Fairy Tale Fiasco Incursion

As part of the Integrated Unit 'Tales: Tall or True,' Year 1 students will be presenting their knowledge of narratives, plot development and characters in a drama-based experience. The children will work with presenters from The Drama Toolbox to create a fairy tale in the Fairytale Fiasco incursion on Thursday 22nd August. They will immerse themselves in each story and dress up in costumes to act out each fairy tale using the drama elements. The children will also rotate through a series of activities in their classrooms that further explore fairy tale features, and we will end the day with a disco!



Children are to come to school dressed in their favourite fairy tale costumes.

Incursion information will be published soon on Compass. Payment of \$13 and consent are due by 17th August.

We look forward to a fun-filled day!

Year 3 CERES Community Environment Park Excursion

As part of our Term 3 theme 'Australia's First People', Year 3 students will be visiting CERES Community Environment Park on Tuesday 13th August. The children will take part in a number of activities aimed at building their understanding of Indigenous Australian culture. These workshops will provide learning opportunities around the history and culture of the Wurundjeri Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, including discovering traditional bush foods, taking part in cultural songs and dances, as well as participating in some historical nature walks and bush planting.



Students will need to be at school at 8.45am on this day, ready to leave promptly for the excursion. They need to bring in a backpack:

- Morning tea/snack
- Lunch
- Water (no cans or fizzy drinks)
- A warm jacket

CERES encourages all visitors to pack a waste free lunch so, where possible, please use reusable plastic containers.

Excursion information has been published on Compass. The cost of this excursion is \$36, which covers the full day program and buses (CSEF may be used for this excursion). Please complete the permission and payment by Friday 9th August.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child's teacher.

Year 4 Taskworks Excursion & Sleepover



Year 4 students will participate in the Taskworks Excursion and Sleepover on Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd August.

Taskworks is in Mulgrave, and provides hands on educational activities for primary school students to challenge their body and mind. Students will participate in activities that supplement Critical and Creative Thinking, Design and Technology, Health and PE, Geography and Personal and Social Capabilities. All these promote skills in problem solving, teamwork, communication, leadership and initiative.

Excursion information has been published on Compass. Complete your consent and payment of \$100 by Monday 5th August.

Health & PE

Exciting Girls Tee-Ball Update

As close placed runners up at the recent Monash Waverley Division Girls Tee-Ball Finals, Essex Heights has been invited to fill an empty spot that has become available at the Eastern Metropolitan Region Competition on Monday 26th August. We of course immediately accepted!

The Girls Tee-Ball team will now continue training in the lead up to this exciting opportunity. Please keep a look out for event details on Compass in the coming week. Go Essex Heights!

Years 3 to 6 House Athletics Carnival

All Years 3 to 6 students will participate in the annual Years 3 to 6 House Athletics Carnival at Bill Sewart Athletics Track in Burwood East on Friday 9th August.



Students have been training and refining their skills each week in PE classes and level sport in preparation for the day.

Please support your child by checking all the important details for this event on Compass, and giving your consent and paying \$10 by Monday 5th August. If you require a paper form, print the permission form from Compass, or contact your classroom teacher or the Office ASAP.



Parents, family and friends are invited to join in the fun and assist on the day. Thank you to those who have already signed up! If you are available to help, ensure you've presented your Working With Children Check card at the Office to be copied, and signed the Child Safe documentation, then please sign up via the link - [CLICK HERE](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B4CAFAB2DA7FC1-grade) or type <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B4CAFAB2DA7FC1-grade> into your web browser. Please email Elisha Cotterell or contact the Office if you would like any assistance with this.

Xpresso mobile coffee van will be trackside, so remember your 'Keep Cup' and spare change. This facility is available for adult purchases only.

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Health & PE

If you are planning to visit throughout the day, this schedule will help guide you to your child's event:

GRADE 3-6 HOUSE ATHLETICS – EVENT SCHEDULE									
Event	9:40	10:20	10:50	11:20	11:50	12:20	12:50	1:20	2:00
Discus	12/13 Girls	Gd 3 Girls	9/10 Boys	11 Boys	9/10 Girls	11 Girls	12/13 Boys	Gd 3 Boys	R E L A Y S
Shot Put	Gd 3 Boys	12/13 Girls	Gd 3 Girls	9/10 Boys	11 Boys	9/10 Girls	11 Girls	12/13 Boys	
Triple Jump	12/13 Boys	Gd 3 Boys	12/13 Girls	Gd 3 Girls	9/10 Boys	11 Boys	9/10 Girls	11 Girls	
Sprints	9/10 Girls	11 Girls	12/13 Boys	Gd 3 Boys	12/13 Girls	Gd 3 Girls	9/10 Boys	11 Boys	
Long Jump	11 Boys	9/10 Girls	11 Girls	12/13 Boys	Gd 3 Boys	12/13 Girls	Gd 3 Girls	9/10 Boys	
800m	9/10 Boys	11 Boys	9/10 Girls	11 Girls	12/13 Boys	Gd 3 Boys	12/13 Girls	Gd 3 Girls	
High Jump	Gd 3 Girls	9/10 Boys	11 Boys	9/10 Girls	11 Girls	12/13 Boys	Gd 3 Boys	12/13 Girls	
Main Break	11 Girls	12/13 Boys	Gd 3 Boys	12/13 Girls	Gd 3 Girls	9/10 Boys	11 Boys	9/10 Girls	

Following the relays, you are invited to participate in the **famous parents and friends vs teachers 4x100m 'sprint' relay**. So don't forget your running shoes if you wish to be involved in this fun conclusion to the day.

Looking forward to this exciting day! See you there!

Elisha Cotterell

Berita Bahasa Indonesia



3 August
Indonesian Cultural Workshop

Consulate General of Indonesia
72 Queens Rd. Melbourne VIC 3004

Ticket : \$10

We will be selling Indonesian food and snacks on the day too!

PPPIA VIC
Batik Patch Workshop
Gamelan Workshop
Traditional Dance Workshop
Wayang Kulit Workshop

Contact Person:
Carissa 0422 363227
Mirastity 0411 646193



Hari Indonesia 2019

Hari Indonesia (Indonesian Day) 2019 is on Friday 16th August - just around the corner, and being celebrated again in the week of Indonesian Independence Day. This year, students will again be immersed in Indonesian



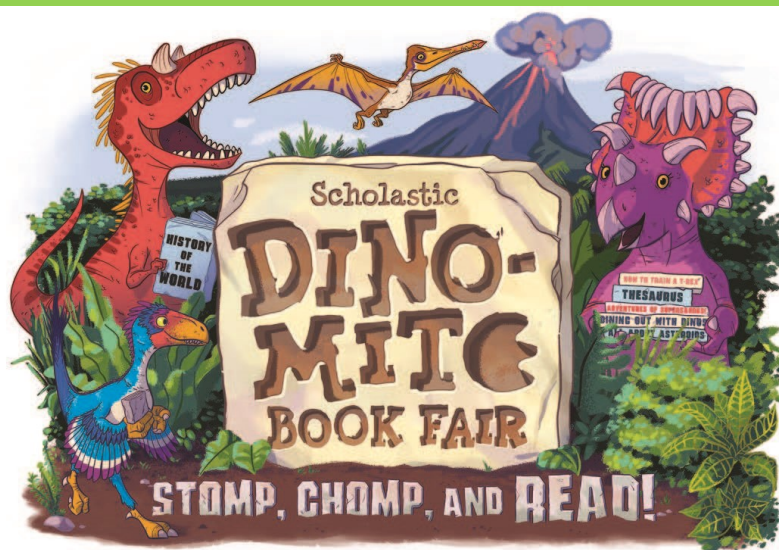
culture through games, craft and an incursion from a world-renowned Indonesian dance group, Suara Indonesia Dance Group, who were formed and founded in 2001 by Alfira O'Sullivan. The company has performed at a number of national and International festivals as well as conducting workshops for professional and personal development in schools and universities. [CLICK HERE](http://suaraindonesiadance.com.au/) for more information, or type <http://suaraindonesiadance.com.au/> into your web browser.

Parents are invited to join in on the festivities with their child/ren's class. Refer to the timetable to see when you may like to join in; the timetable will be provided to you on Compass, or a copy will be available from the Office. The day will conclude with a whole-school assembly where a snapshot of the day will be showcased.

In the lead up to this exciting day, each building has been allocated an Indonesian island to research and decorate accordingly. The buildings and their islands are as follows: Eucalyptus - Java, Banksia - Bali, Violet - Sumatra, Portables - Rinca, Flores & Komodo Islands. If you would like to research and create an artefact to share with your child's building, please feel free to send it along to the classroom with your child.

*Terima Kasih,
Bu Sarah*

Book Fair



Reading for pleasure unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here's what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

- ★ Set the example. Let children see you read.
- ★ Have a collection of books in your home. Update this collection routinely to keep up with changing tastes and reading skills.
- ★ Support our school's Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.

The theme of our Scholastic Book Fair this year is **Dino-Mite**, where we hope you will **Stomp, Chomp, and Read!** It's a fun reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits. All students have received the Scholastic Book Fair brochure, including wish list, this week.



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Book Fair dates & shopping hours

Thursday 15th August	3.15pm to 4.15pm
Friday 16th August	8.15am to 8.50am and 3.15pm to 4.15pm
Monday 19th August	8.15am to 8.50am and 3.15pm to 4.15pm
Tuesday 20th August	8.15am to 8.50am and 3.15pm to 4.15pm
Wednesday 21st August	8.15am to 8.50am and 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Special activities & competitions - Lots of exciting prizes to be won

Build a Supa Buddy (It's your turn to create your own super hero)

Design and decorate your own super hero's cape

Funny Fill-Ins – Your story

How many dinosaurs in the jar?

Coloring competitions

Keep an eye out for Clifford and Geronimo Stilton popping up around the school!

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair! Remember, all purchases benefit our school.

Before & After School Care

After the end of each financial year, Centrelink balances your Child Care Subsidy. They do this to make sure you received the right amount of subsidy for the financial year.

Centrelink looks at your adjusted taxable income for the 2018-19 financial year and compares it to the estimate you gave them.

They then work out if you were paid too little subsidy, the right amount or too much.

They'll send you a letter to let you know the outcome. Your letter will tell you whether:

- you'll get a top up of subsidy because you were paid too little,
- you'll need to pay Centrelink back because you were overpaid, or
- you were paid the right amount, and don't need to do anything.

To balance your Child Care Subsidy payments, Centrelink needs to confirm your family income for the 2018-19 financial year.

Once you and your partner have lodged your tax return, the Australian Tax Office will send Centrelink your income information. There's nothing else you need to do and there's no need to call.

If one or both of you don't need to lodge a tax return, you need to tell Centrelink you're not required to lodge. Your Subsidy can't be balanced until you do this.

Telling Centrelink you're not required to lodge

You can tell Centrelink you don't need to lodge a tax return in either your:

- Centrelink online account through myGov, or
- Express Plus Centrelink mobile app.

Select **Advise non-lodgement** and follow the prompts.

Where to go for more information?

To see when your Child Care Subsidy has been balanced you don't need to call Centrelink. Instead you can:

- Keep an eye on your myGov Inbox, as this is where Centrelink will send your outcome letter if you get letters electronically.
- View the status of Child Care Subsidy balancing in your Centrelink online account through myGov or Express Plus Centrelink mobile app.

To find out more about balancing your Child Care Subsidy (or your other family payments) [CLICK HERE](#), or type humanservices.gov.au/balancing into your web browser.



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Activities planned for After School Care

Monday	National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Children's Day activities
Tuesday	Lego Robotics workshop
Wednesday	Baseball workshop with Luke and Mat
Thursday	Tape Resist Painting
Friday	International World Day of Indigenous People



If you have any questions, please send them to davis.paul.d@edumail.com.au.vic.gov.au, or phone BASC on 9807 2615 or 0417 941 986.

Paul Davis
Coordinator

Munch & Crunch Canteen



Canteen Roster

Monday 5th August - 11.15am to 1.45pm Sandy Shen

Wednesday 7th August - 9.00am to 1.45pm Angela Millan & Vicky Milevski

Friday 9th August - 9.00am to 1.45pm Katy Smith & Natalie Murphy

Please remember to sign the Visitor's Register in the Office before coming to the Canteen.

If you are unable to do your rostered duty, or you have any queries, please contact Maria as soon as possible on 0409 934 573.

Maria Vlahos
Canteen Manager

Parents & Friends News



Secondhand Uniform Stall

Friday 16th August from 3pm to 3.45pm in the Stadium.

Helpers needed from 2.00pm.

Donations for the secondhand uniform stall can be left at the Office or in the lost property boxes at any time - please mark the bag "donations". Donated items should be clean, have names removed, and be in good condition (no "old" logo, stained or torn items)! Thank you.

Father's Day

Father's Day events are approaching:

- ★ **Breakfast on Thursday 29th August**
- ★ **Stall on Friday 30th August**

Nicole, Steph, Andrea and Kathryn have been busy organising these activities, and now they need your support to ensure each event is a great success! Please sign up if you can help:

- **Father's Day Breakfast** (Thursday 29th August) - [CLICK HERE](https://tinyurl.com/FDBreak.2019) or type <https://tinyurl.com/FDBreak.2019> into your web browser.
- **Father's Day Stall** (Friday 30th August) - [CLICK HERE](https://tinyurl.com/FDStall19) or type <https://tinyurl.com/FDStall19> into your web browser.

Many thanks for helping around the school.



Fiona Nicholson Stocker
(Mum of Allison 3F)



FAMILY SCIENCE GAMES NIGHT

COME ALONG TO AN EXCITING EVENING OF SCIENCE GAMES!

Deakin University will be hosting a Family Science Games Night where families can play a range of science educational games.

Events will be run by Deakin University science education academics and students who are experienced in playing games for learning. Information about resources that enable families to continue play science games will be available on the night.

Attendance is **FREE** but to secure your place please register at:
<https://deakinsteve.org/event/family-science-games-night-2019/>

Monday 12th August, 6:00pm – 8:30pm
 Deakin University **Warrnambool**, Princes Highway, Warrnambool

Wednesday 14th August, 6:00pm – 8:30pm
 Deakin University **Geelong**, 75 Pigdons Road, Waurin Ponds

Thursday 15th August, 6:00pm – 8:30pm
 Deakin University **Burwood**, 221 Burwood Highway, Burwood

Have fun with family and friends and learn some science.

10-18 AUGUST 2019 www.scienceweek.net.au

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information and to book.

It's Showtime Season!

Camberwell Showtime: Watch this Space



Year 6 student Alex P is performing in *Watch This Space*, the 55th Camberwell Showtime, from Friday 9th to Saturday 17th August at the Hawthorn Arts Centre. For more information and to book - [CLICK HERE](#).



Whitehorse Showtime: Turn the Page

Past student, Paige B, is performing in Whitehorse Showtime 2019 *Turn The Page*, from Friday 23rd to Saturday 31st August at the Whitehorse Centre in Nunawading. For more information and to book - [CLICK HERE](#).



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CONNECTING

WITH YOUR PRETEEN **8-12 YEARS**

Tuesday 10 September 2019
6.30pm - 8pm
Clayton Community Centre, 9-15 Cooke St, Clayton

TOPICS INCLUDE:
Brain development
Navigate the preteen years
Communication and connection
Understand your preteen's behaviours
Explore ways to be a more effective and supportive parent

Monash Family Services
FREE workshop, bookings essential
To book a place contact:
Rebecca Giles on 9518 3571 or
Rebecca.Giles@monash.vic.gov.au

KIDS ART CLASSES

Do you have a child who loves painting and drawing?
Are you looking for a class to extend their ability and knowledge?

TERM 3, 2019
Tuesdays until Sept 17
4.00-5.00pm

These classes will be run at a home studio across the road on Huntingdale Road and are suitable for primary-aged children, with a maximum of 10 children per class.

Classes are \$250 per term and include all supplies. Trial class available. Mid-term entry accepted.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please call Sharon on **0425 713 590** or email artclasses@sharonwestinshaw.com.au
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Ashwood Cricket Club - Fridays 5:30pm

starting on 8 November

Registrations are open now! Go to: playcricket.com.au

For information contact: Suzannah Hawtin

ashwoodccblasters@gmail.com



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LEARN TO PLAY BASKETBALL



Nunawading Basketball delivers a variety of introductory and development programs for children aged 5-12 years.

Sessions are available on a Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and/or Sunday afternoon and focus on establishing the fundamental skills of the game in a fun learning environment.

Contact luke@nunawadingbasketball.com.au for more information on the most appropriate session for your child.

Tuesday / Thursday

Aussie Hoops	4:00pm
Skills Academy	4:00pm
Next Gen	4:00pm

Friday

Spook Hoops	4:00pm
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Sunday

Aussie Hoops	12:30pm, 1:30pm
Skills Academy	12:30pm, 1:30pm
Next Gen	12:30pm, 1:30pm

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