

Community News

Issue No 29 – Friday 12th September

2025



AWARDS

Partnership

Max-Fabulous teamwork at the GaGa Pit. Great Sportsmanship

Elorah—Displaying good partnership qualities by being a helpful friend. Keep it up!

Isaijah—Being a class helper and making sure all the iPads were neatly returned and plugged in. Good stuff

Respect

Francis—Showing great listening ears, following instructions and remaining quiet backstage at the concert Bella—Showing great listening ears, following instructions and remaining quiet backstage at the concert Ariah—Showing great listening ears, following instructions and remaining quiet backstage at the concert Mikayla—Showing great listening ears, following instructions and remaining quiet backstage at the concert

Optimism

All Year 5/6s—Your wonderful performances at the concert. Everyone embraced their roles with enthusiasm and you all brought your own individual "shine" to the role, which made it so fun to watch

Lara-Your focus and determination to give such a great performance at our concert!

Charlotte-Showing optimism and courage at our school performance

1/2 Burnett-Your outstanding performance at the School Concert

Pride

3/4 Maddock—A superb performance at our School Concert

Uri-Up-levelling his words in his Narrative

Octavia—Her fantastic effort in Sounds Write. Keep it up!

Taron—His fantastic efforts and improvements with Sounds Write. Keep it up!

Erica—Her enthusiastically contributing in the hygiene discussion



From The Principal

Warrawee everyone,

CONCERT

A huge thank you to our staff and volunteering parents for all your hard work to ensure an amazing concert was held on Tuesday evening. After speaking to so many parents the feedback is all positive and they cannot wait for the next one (in two years time). We are all very proud of our students and particularly our lead role students who spent so much time learning their lines and making good choices to balance school work and rehearsals. Thanks to Ann-Marie who videoed the rehearsal and performance. This has already been shown to students at school and they have enjoyed watching themselves perform. Thank you also to Their Care who donated drinks and snacks for our fundraising efforts.

GIPPSLAND'S BIGGEST PJ DAY

Albert Street always participates in this event and once again our families have been generous with donations of gold coins and/or pyjamas to support children in Out of Home Care. It was wonderful to see most students and staff dressing up for the occasion. A wonderful relaxing end to a very busy week.

END OF TERM EARLY FINISH

A kind reminder that school finishes at 2.00pm on Friday 19th September. A prompt pick up is appreciated.

GAGA PIT UPDATE

The Fundraising Committee, who have made it possible for the school to have a GaGa Pit installed, will be pleased that it is being accessed each recess and lunch time by all of our students. To ensure student safety a timetable has been organised for Year Levels to access the GaGa Pit during the week. We have noticed that the rubber matting is not coping with the use demand, Kurnai College staff will be returning to install turf over the rubber matting for durability.

RUOK? DAY

It was wonderful to see our school community participating in this important event. Please see photos and write up in this Newsletter. Make sure you check out the RUOK? Video that Miss Bek has created with some of our students that has been uploaded onto Facebook and Instagram.

FOOTY COLOURS / SPECIAL LUNCH DAY

A kind reminder that we are finishing off the term with this special day, which will take place on Thursday 18th September. Thank you to those families that have placed their special lunch order for this day. Please note we cannot accept any orders after Monday 15th September. Please ensure you get your orders in on time to avoid disappointment.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING

Our next Fundraising Committee meeting will be held on Friday 10th October (Term 4) to celebrate the achievements made this term and to plan for our final term. We look forward to seeing you there. Please place this date in your busy schedule.

PARENT / CAREGIVER / GUARDIAN OPINION SURVEY

Thank you to the 27 families who have completed this survey to provide feedback on our school. There is still the opportunity for more of our families to complete this survey as it is open until Friday 19th September.

ENROLMENTS FOR 2026

Prep enrolments for next year are now open. If you are aware of any families seeking to enrol at Albert Street please inform them to contact the school. We require finalised enrolments as soon as possible so that we can commence planning for the 2026 year.

Dr Monique Osborn

IMPORTANT DATES



Term 3

Monday 15th September Stroll and Roll

Tuesday 16th September Sporting Schools Soccer Clinic

Tuesday 16th September Division Athletics—Qualifying students

Thursday 18th September Footy Colours / Pie Day Fundraiser—Orders close

Monday 15th September

Friday 19th September Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey Closes

Friday 19th September Last day of Term—2.00pm Finish

Term 4

Monday 6th October First Day of Term

Monday 8th—Friday 10th October Australian Smile Group Dental Service

Wednesday 8th October Monash Teddy Bear Hospital—Jnr Unit

Friday 10th October 54 Reasons Journey of Hope commences—8 Weeks

for select students

Monday 13th October 54 Reasons Small Talk Playgroup commences—Every

Monday

Friday 31st October Day for Daniel—Wear Red

Tuesday 28th October School Council Meeting – 6.30pm

Monday 3rd November Student Free Day

Tuesday 4th November Melbourne Cup Day

Wednesday 12th November Stop, Look, Think Traffic Incursion—Jnr Unit

Tuesday 25th November School Council Meeting—6.30pm

Friday 5th December Gumbuya World-5/6s

Tuesday 9th December Statewide Transition Day

Tuesday 9th December School Council End of Year Dinner—6.30pm

Friday 12th December Community Picnic

Tuesday 16th December Year 6 Graduation—Old Gippstown

Gates/Late Arrivals/Early Pick Ups

All gates are locked at 8:45am. If your child is late to school (after 8:45am), or needs to attend an appointment, access will be via the front gate only. At times the gate will be locked for incidents around student safety. Should the gate be locked, please call the office.

Family Pick Ups and Drop Offs

A-G Yellow Gate (Anzac St)

H-O Green Gate (Front)

P-Z Blue Gate (Kirk St)

Oz Rocks rocked the stage!

On Wednesday night our school community was treated to a spectacular performance of Oz Rocks – a glam rock retelling of The Wizard of Oz! 🌈 🤘



Our students lit up the stage with incredible dancing, costumes and energy that had the whole audience clapping and cheering along. 🎶 👷

A huge thank you to our staff, families and community for your support in bringing this unforgettable concert to life.

We are so proud of every single student for their hard work and amazing performances – you truly made Oz shine! 💿 👉







































SPORTING SCHOOLS SOCCER CLINIC

On Monday this week we were again fortunate to have Paul visit our school to teach our students soccer skills. His engaging sessions had students practising key skills while having plenty of fun along the way. We have one more session next week with Paul and its been wonderful to see how much our students are enjoying the experience..

These sessions have been made possible through Sporting Schools funding.





Community Pantry



A reminder to all families that we have a Community Pantry that can be accessed by parents. Our pantry items are primarily provided by FoodBank and we welcome families to take what you need! The food items available include cereals, soups, fruit cups, spaghetti, bake beans, tuna, honey, vegemite, milk and bread (in freezer). We also have feminine hygiene items and toothpaste. Just around the corner we usually have fresh fruit such as apples, pears, and oranges.

There are also free books and second-hand uniform for \$3 each.



RUOK? Day

Yesterday our school came together to take part in RUOK? Day, reminding everyone of the importance of checking in with those around us. Some of our students showed their creativity by designing and







decorating their own RUOK? tops, which added a bright and personal touch to the day. All staff and students were paired with another member of our school community to ask "RUOK?", sparking positive conversations and strengthening our connections with one another. It was a simple but powerful reminder that a conversation can make a real difference.



Gippsland's Biggest PJ Day

What a cosy and colourful day we had celebrating Gippsland's Biggest PJ Day today! Our whole school came together in their favourite pyjamas to support children living in out of home care. Thanks to the generosity of our school community, we raised \$502.60 and collected 30 pairs of pyjamas to be donated. A big thank you to everyone SUPPORTING A BETTER LIFE who contributed – your kindness will make a real difference to children in need.





Stroll & Roll

Students will be receiving their active passports next week which will live in their classroom. Each time a student walks or rides to school they will get a stamp or sticker in their passport.

10 stamps= a sticker

20 stamps= a wristband

30 stamps= a hand ball

40 stamps= Latrobe leisure family pass

50 stamps= Surprise treat

You could walk or ride from your home,

Park the car and walk or ride from Moore Street Kinder or the Botanic gardens OR

Walk laps of the oval/school with Miss Bek from 8:35 (3 laps is a stamp/sticker.)







For more information scan the QR code or visit our website. www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/StrollandRoll



Stroll&Roll



CONCERT RAFFLE

Congratulations to the following winners of our Concert Raffle. Thanks to everyone who generously supported this fundraiser.

1st-Shantelle G

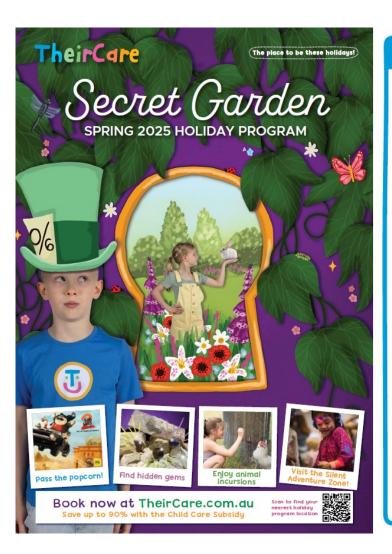
2nd-Brookes Family

3rd-Pip W

4th-Bronson C

5th-Clare T





Holiday Program Important Information!

What to bring

- A healthy morning tea and lunch
- A labelled drink bottle for water



SunSmart hat for Spring and Summer holidays



Don't forget!

- Keep your lunchbox nut-free to keep everyone safe
- Do not include food items that need to be reheated
- Label all items with child's name!

Personal belongings Electronic devices, money and other valuables should be left at home. If brought to the service, these items remain the responsibility of the family. TheirCare does not accept responsibility for loss or damage.

TheirCare provides

Sunscreen ✓ Water to refill bottles

Breakfast and afternoon tea snack

Unexpected changes to activities

In the unlikely event that an activity is unable to run, an alternative activity will be provided.

Activities and times are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances such as severe weather or provider availability. If an alternative cannot be

sourced we will update your invoice to reflect this General daily advertised activities are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances, at the discretion of the service coordinator.

Bus departure and arrival times are indicative only.
For an accurate estimated time of arrival and departure please contact your service directly.

Child Care Subsidy

Serious stuff!

Medical Management

All children who have been diagnosed with a medic condition including allergies, food/chemical intole anaphylaxis, asthma, epilepsy will need to provide

a completed Medical Management Plan with a colour photo

Please note it is a legal requirement under the Education & Care National Regulations and the Terms and Conditions for booking that these are provided-

In the interests of child safety, care may be refused

Plan € Medication

necessary medication

Please not that subsidised hours are calculated and allocated by Centrelink on a fortnightly basis. Check Centrelink for eligibility.

Fortnightly childcare Subsidised hours

on the day should the appropriate documer medication or medication not be supplied

Each session is calculated using the full service operational hours, not the hours attended by the child-

Additional Child Care subsidy will not cover any hours beyond the subsidised hours per fortnight-

Refer to TheirCare Holiday Program FA0 https://theircare.com.au/holiday-programs/ for further information and example.

Changes to your booking Simply log into your account anytime to make the relevant changes or call us between 8:30am – 9:00pm weekdays on 1300 072 410-



Fees for changes to your booking

More than 5 days | Less than 5 days * On the day | No Charge | \$10.00 | Full Fee

*Less than 5 days from the start of the booking (120 hours from the start of the session).

When making additional bookings, the \$10.00 fee is eligible for the Child Care Subsidy, which means you may only need to pay the gap, depending on your families' circumstances.





& If you have any questions, please speak with one of our friendly Educators or call Customer Support on 1300 072 410.



Albert Street PS TheirCare

- Times 7:00am €00pm
- Location 40 Albert Street, MOE VIC 3825





WEDNESDAY









FRIDAY

26 SEP

*With the maximum CHILD CARE SUBSIDY. **Without the CHILD CARE SUBSIDY.



1. Child Care Subsidy

The amount you can get depends on:

- 1 your family's income
- the type of childcare you use
- the hours of recognised activities you and your partner do

Up to 90% of Child Care costs can be covered by Child Care Subsidy!

2. Additional Child Care Subsidy

This is extra support for some families including:

- grandparents / great grandparents
- [2] families moving from an income support payment to work
- those experiencing temporary hardship

Claim these subsidies via myGov

















Pass the Popcorn!



science, try your hand in a ound of wonderland croque









Explore the animal kingdom through sensory, art, and play! Splash into science fun with a bubbly puffer fish experiment, create colourful and vibrant 30 doodle bugs, and craft winds draged than the specific sensors.



TUESDAY



groove of the beats and show off our dance moves! Back at service, keep the excitement going with a game of gaga ball, make bold art with fizzy sidewalk chalk, and create a whacky Picasso-style portrait

From as low as \$12.42"
Pull fee \$124.22***





WEDNESDAY

Butter-flying By!

the unique opportunity to engage and interactive with these beautiful and vibrant these beautiful and vibrant flying friends! Afterwards, let's continue the fun with colourful salt painting flowers, create your own chatterbox animals, and sneak into action with a playful round of cat and mouse







your very own clay game pieces, then put your strategy skills to the test in a round of classic tic-tac-toe. The fun gets bigger with a life-sized tic-tac-toe challenge full of movement, tearmork and excitement? Then, take science outdoors with a 30 summer bubbles appreciment?

From as low as \$8.29* Rull fee \$82.91**

For more information, call Theircare on 🖋 1300 072 410



MORE THAN A PLAYGROUP

Play Based Learning Activities.
Music and Story Time.
Parenting Support.
Craft & Art.
Sensory Activities.

Mondays (During school terms) 9:15am-11:15am

Albert Street Primary school Multipurpose room Starting 13th October 2025



54 reasons
Part of the Save the Children Australia Group

For more information: melissa.ballantine@54reasons.org.au

54 reasons Moe Office: PH: 03 58 226700



LATROBE VALLEY 'ALL-ABILITY' CRICKET PROGRAM 2025

All school aged children with additional needs are invited to join us for 'ALL Ability' Cricket, the sessions will run weekly during

Term 4, 2025 - 10 week program

Sessions will be held at

Traralgon West Cricket Club 'West-end Sports complex'- Jack Canavan Oval, Douglas Parade, Traralgon

TUESDAYS from 5pm - 5.45pm

Starting October 14th and finishing on December 16th

(except Melbourne Cup Public holiday)

A parent/carer must attend and be willing to participate with the child if required

Cost is \$20 for the Term - siblings welcome to join in too! Registration and payment will be organised at the sessions

For more information or questions, phone Sam (Coach) 0414516295 or Louise Varsaci 0414540296 or find us on Facebook - All-ability Sports, Latrobe Valley







FOOTY HANDBALL COMPETITION

Monday 22 to Friday 26 September 11am - 2pm, located in the Kids Zone, near ALDI Join in the AFL action with awesome footy prizes up for grabs! NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED. MOST SUITABLE FOR AGES 4 TO 13 YEARS. PARENTAL SUPERVISION REQUIRED.





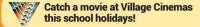


MAD SCIENCE MAYHEM

Monday 29 September to Friday 3 October

Science Shows: 10am & 1pm daily Discovery Zone: 11:30am, 12:00pm, 2:30pm, 3:00pm Located near Cotton On Mega

Join mad scientist Rich Royale for the wackiest science lesson ever! plore science equipment and perform experiments in the Discovery Zone!



For more information visit: www.midvalleyshoppingcentre.com.au/whats-on/



Strengthening Parent Support Program (SPSP)



Are you a parent or caregiver of a child aged 0-18 with a developmental delay or disability? The Strengthening Parent Support Program is a FREE funded program to support parents to connect with each other, connect with local services and to learn skills to support their parenting.

Where: Noah's Ark, 25 Chestnut Avenue, Morwell VIC 3840

When: Wednesday afternoons, monthly from 2-3pm

- Wednesday 27 August
- · Wednesday 24 September · Wednesday 22 October and
- Wednesday 26 November.

Children are welcome, and tea, coffee, and biscuits will be available.

The program includes:

- Opportunities for Peer-to-Peer support
- Education sessions with guest speakers based on your needs
- Access to 1:1 support if required.



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Where: Warragul Community House meeting room, 138 Normanby St, Warragul, VIC 3820

When: Wednesday evenings, monthly from 6:30-7:30pm

- · Wednesday 27 August
- · Wednesday 24 September
- · Wednesday 22 October and
- · Wednesday 26 November.

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Joyous, effervescent concert experience, complete with sparkly costumes, cosmic stage production and over 20 exquisite renditions of Taylor's biggest hits from every era of

Mario the Maker Magician Thursday 18th September | 10:30am & 1:00pm **GPAC Little Theatre**

A whirlwind of robots, magic, and slapstick for all ages Full of heart, invention, and surprise, this joyful show blends vaudeville and science into an unforgettable theatrical experience that inspires kids, adults, and

Emma Memma: Dance Island Party Friday 26th September | 10:00am GPAC Main Theatre

Join Emma Memma's for a colourful live show filled with singing, dancing, and signing! Featuring favourite songs and new hits, Emma and friends bring joy, inclusivity and fun to every family through music and movement

Full Price: \$37.50 For Ages: All Ages

Full Price: \$29.00

For Ages: 2 - 16

Concession: \$26.00 Child: \$24:00

Group of 4: \$22.00 each Schools: \$12.00



Velveteen Rabbit Thursday 2nd October | 10:30am & 1:00pm **GPAC Main Theatre**

A must-see for families and anyone who's ever loved a toy. With toys in charge, audience participation and heart warming themes of love and change, it's a poetic, playful experience for all.

The Resilience Project: 3 Happy Tricks Saturday 4th October | 11:00am

A high-energy show full of music, laughter and stories packed with simple, practical mental health tools to help kids and families build positive wellbeing habits while having heaps of fun!

Full Price: \$25.00 Concession: \$20.00 Access Price: \$14.00 Children: \$17.00 For Ages 4 - 12

Full Price: \$36.00 For Ages: All Ages













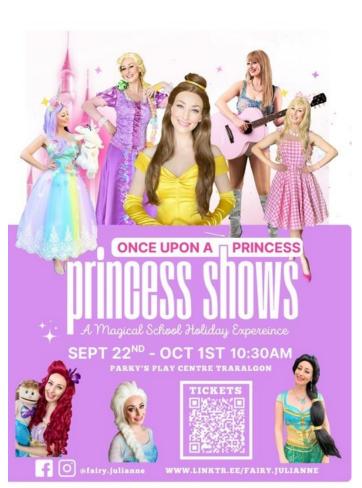












Canteen Menu & Price List



Available Friday Only

Hot Food		Sandwiches - White/Wholemeal	
Popcorn Chicken	\$ 4.00	Cheese & Vegemite	\$ 2.00
Chicken Nuggets	\$ 0.60	Ham & Cheese	\$ 3.00
Party Pies	\$ 0.80	Egg & Lettuce	\$ 3.30
Party Sausage Roll	\$ 0.80	Ham & Salad	\$ 4.50
Hot Dog	\$ 3.20	Chicken & Salad	\$ 4.80
Dim Sims - Fried/Steamed	\$ 0.80		
Chicken Burger <u>w</u> lettuce/cheese/mayo	\$ 4.60	Rolls - White/Wholemeal	
Cheeseburger	\$ 4.60	Cheese & Vegemite	\$ 2.50
Fish & Chips	\$ 6.00	Ham & Cheese	\$ 3.50
Bucket of Chips	\$ 3.00	Egg & Lettuce	\$ 3.80
Ham & Cheese Croissant	\$ 3.80	Ham & Salad	\$ 5.50
Cheese Croissant	\$ 3.20	Chicken & Salad	\$ 5.50
Ham & Pineapple Pizza	\$ 4.00		
Bacon & Cheese Pizza	\$ 4.00	Wraps - White/Wholemeal	
Nachos	\$ 5.50	Ham & Cheese	\$ 3.20
Mini Spring Roll	\$ 1.00	Egg & Lettuce	\$ 3.70
Spaghetti Bolognese	\$ 5.50	Ham & Salad	\$ 5.20
Parma & Chips	\$ 7.50	Chicken & Salad	\$ 5.50
Mini Potato Cakes	\$ 0.50		
		Yoghurt/Ice Cream/Jelly	
<u>Turkish Roll - Toasted</u>		Yoghurt - French Vanilla	\$ 2.00
Chicken, Cheese, Mayo	\$ 6.00	Yoghurt - Strawberry	\$ 2.00
Salami, Cheese	\$ 6.00	Ice Cream - Vanilla	\$ 2.50
		Ice Cream - Chocolate	\$ 2.80
<u>Sauce</u>		Frog in the Pond	\$ 2.00
Tomato / BBQ / Soy Sauce	\$ 0.10		
Sour Cream	\$ 0.10	<u>Snacks</u>	
		Chocolate Cake	\$ 2.00
<u>Drinks</u>		Chocolate Chip Cookie	\$ 1.00
<u>Milk</u>		Smartie Cookie	\$ 1.00
Chocolate / Strawberry / Plain	\$ 2.00	Raspberry/White Choc Muffin	\$ 2.50
		Rainbow Sprinkle Cake	\$ 2.00
Fruit juice			
Apple / Apple Blackcurrant / Orange	\$ 1.20		

Canteen—How to Order

We are happy to be bringing Canteen lunches to school for your children to enjoy.

We have all the instructions stepped out for you to make it easy to use our app.

If at any time you have any problems navigating it, please don't hesitate to contact me by text message. Once you have the app set up, it couldn't be easier to order.

****Please note the following****

For catering purposes, orders will need to be submitted via the app by **12:00pm on the Thursday** for delivery of Friday orders.

If you do put an order in and your child is unable to attend school on the Friday, please text me on 0432 966 982 by 9:00am, and I can hold it until the following week.

Please ensure you place your child's name and room number in the checkout box as noted in the instructions.

Many thanks,

Heather

HW Food Service

0432 966 982

Room 8

Prep - Miss George

Room 7

Year 1/2 - Mr Burnett

Room 5

Year 3/4 - Ms Hibbert & Mrs Douglas

Room 6

Year 3/4 - Mr Maddock

Room 3

Year 5/6 - Mr Hall

Room 4

Year 5/6 - Mrs Hoekstra

