



Community News

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2025



AWARDS

Partnership

- Emma—Doing such a good job on our procedural text
- Mila—Doing such a good job on our procedural text
- Abby—Doing such a good job on our procedural text
- Emily—Doing such a good job on our procedural text
- Kailie—May—Helping another student who dropped their bag
- Camryn—Consistently showing school values

Respect

- Macey—Finding ways we can be respectful towards people, places and things

Optimism

- Leighvi—His fabulous result in Heggarty testing
- Lara—An amazing start to Term 3 in all areas!
- Alisa—Your excellent maths work focusing on division!

Pride

- Emmy—Your great success in Sounds Write. Keep it up!
- Nina—Giving your best effort in your work
- Kariane—Your great success in Sounds Write. Keep it up!
- Mason N—Your thoughtful and considerate responses during reading discussions and your willingness to extend yourself in Maths



**Congratulations to
this week's winners**

From The Principal

Warrawee everyone,

SCHOOL COUNCIL SUMMARY

This week School Council met, the following decisions were made:-

- 54 Reasons will be commencing their Small Talk Playgroup in the Multi Purpose Room. Details to follow.
- Licencing Agreements for external parties to work with students have been discussed for further follow up.
- A comprehensive Buildings & Grounds Report was presented including repairs and painting works that will proceed in the coming months.
- Child Safe—TheirCare provided correspondence and posters outlining the procedures they have in place for the safety of children attending in response to the Working with Children check and Safety Procedures currently in the media.

FUNDRAISING MEETING

Thank you to our parents who attended school today for a Fundraising meeting. We welcomed Nicole, Liz and Rebecca as new Fundraising volunteers and I would like to recognise the ongoing work of Casie, Janelle, Kelly, Sam, Sarah, Shelley and Ash. Dates have been finalised for Fundraising events this term. Please see the calendar. If you would like to join our Fundraising team please leave your details or come along to the next meeting on Friday 22nd August at 9.00am in the Staff Room.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

I met with Junior School Council members this week. The following was discussed:-

- A roster will be set up to take care of new sandpit equipment (when it arrives).
- New Canteen items will be advertised by the JSC. These items were the result of JSC surveying students on what other items they would like to see on the menu.
- JSC Students are excited to have some African pen pals that I organised while I was over in Africa.
- We welcomed Summer and Thomas to replace retiring members.

FIRST YEAR MEDICAL STUDENTS

We welcomed Talia and Katrina, First Year Monash Medical Students, for a four week placement at our school.

NAPLAN CONGRATULATIONS

During the past year, our Annual Implementation Plan focus has been to improve the literacy outcomes of our students. A change in teaching methods as well as focussing on maintaining a safe and orderly classroom environment has led to some very pleasing year 3 and 5 NAPLAN results in reading and writing.

Our results are compared with other similar public schools in our Latrobe Network and across the State as well as all public schools across the State. In particular

- **Year 5 Reading – 71% of our students rank strong exceeding** which is greater than similar schools at 56% and Latrobe Network at 66%. Our percentage is slightly lower than the State average of 74%
- **Year 3 Writing– 67% of our students rank strong exceeding** which is greater than similar schools at 60% across the State.
- **Year 5 Writing– 71% of our students rank strong exceeding** which is greater than similar schools at 52% and Latrobe Network at 62% and also at the State average at 72%

Well done to our years 3 and 5 students and staff.

EVENTS FOR TERM 3

Quite a few events have been organised for this term including sports, science, book week and concert. Please make sure you check the calendar for dates and parent communications via Sentral.

Dr Monique Osborn

IMPORTANT DATES



Term 3

Tuesday 5th August—Friday 8th August

SSG Meetings

Wednesday 6th August 2025

Book Fair Ends

Tuesday 12th August

Year 7 Placement Acceptance Slips due back to school (ASPS)

Friday 15th August

Winter Sports—Basketball

Saturday 16th August—Saturday 23rd August

Book Week



Monday 18th August

Book Week Dress Up Day and Parade

Wednesday 20th August

Lowanna Year 6 Transition Day

Friday 22nd August

Fundraising Committee Meeting—9.00am Staff Room

Wednesday 27th August

Velveteen Rabbit Excursion—Jnr Unit

Wednesday 27th August

Melbourne Stars Regional Roadshow— Ted Summerton Reserve

Tuesday 26th August

School Council Meeting—6.30pm

Friday 29th August

Year 5/6 Science Excursion to Lowanna

Friday 5th September

Father's/Special Person's Day Stall

Tuesday 9th September

School Concert

Thursday 11th September

RU OK? Day—Wear Yellow



Friday 12th September

Gippsland's Biggest PJ Day



Thursday 18th September

Footy Colours / Pie Day Fundraiser

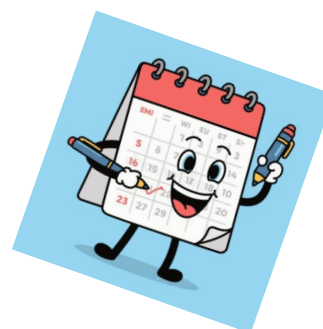
Friday 19th September

Last day of Term—2.00pm Finish

Term 4

Monday 6th October

First Day of Term



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)**

National Tree Day at Gaskin Park

On National Tree Day, our Year 1, 2 and 4 students ventured out to Gaskin Park for a wonderful afternoon of planting, learning and connecting with nature. With gloves on and trowels in hand, our enthusiastic students helped plant native trees and shrubs, contributing to a greener future for our local environment.



The day was not only a hands-on lesson in sustainability and teamwork, but also a great opportunity to explore the outdoors and celebrate the importance of caring for our planet. Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who helped make the day such a success!

Check out the smiles and muddy hands in the photos below!

The true meaning of life is to
plant trees under whose shade
you do not expect to sit.



COSTUME ITEMS NEEDED FOR SCHOOL CONCERT—CAN YOU HELP?

We are searching for some costume items for our 2025 school production of OZ ROCKS.

We are looking for the following items to be donated (please be aware- items will be modified and will not be returned, so please consider if you are willing to part with these items!)

If you happen to have any of these items laying around that you are willing to pass on, please bring them into the office asap!

List of costume items required

- Denim jeans in children's size 12, 14, 16
- Denim Jackets or vests in small adult/Large children's sizes
- Black Leather jackets or vests in small adults/large children's sizes
- Pink or purple leather look jacket
- Top hat
- Fur jackets
- Dorothy dress up to fit a size 12/14 child
- Tulle skirts (various colours and lengths) - specifically a long one in pink or purple
- Feodora style hats
- Fairy wings and crown
- Witch hat and black long cape
- Studded belts, wrist cuffs and rocker/heavy metal style chains and accessories

Thankyou so much

Melissa Lia

New Tasty Treats at the Canteen!

We've added some delicious new favourites to the canteen menu!

Now available:

- **Bucket of Chips** – Crispy, golden, and perfect for sharing with friends (or keeping all to yourself!) – \$3.00
- **Fish & Chips** – A classic combo, freshly cooked and ready to enjoy for a hearty lunch—\$6.00
- **Plain Milk** – A simple, healthy drink choice to keep you refreshed and fuelled for the day—\$2.00



PLEASE NOTE—BREAKFAST CLUB WILL NOT BE RUNNING NEXT WEEK, 6TH & 8TH AUGUST, AS MISS BEK WILL BE AWAY ON LEAVE

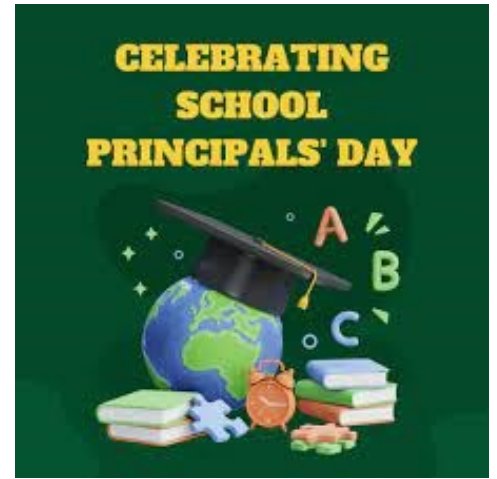


This term breakfast club will only run on Wednesdays and Fridays

Breakfast club is open 8:30—8:45am.

Today our students celebrated Australian Primary Principal's Day by presenting Dr Osborn with hot air balloon pictures to represent all the things that our Principal does to enable the students of ASPS to fly high and live their dreams.

By creating a mural of words, phrases within the pictures of hot air balloons rising, we created a token of appreciation from the school community.



"Principals are the heartbeat of their schools and create the environment where children don't just learn, they thrive"



To celebrate Principal's Day our staff enjoyed a delicious Baked Potato Lunch with Dr Osborn.

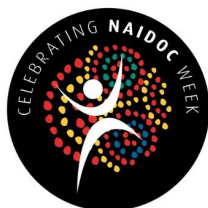
This lunch was generously provided by our Canteen Superstars, Heather and Rob, and we thank them for this amazing gift.

We encourage all of our school community to support the Canteen, which is open Fridays for lunch orders.



Ethan and Lyncoln Shine at the Koori Ball – NAIDOC Week 2025

We're proud to share these photos of Ethan and Lyncoln, from the Koori Ball held on Thursday, 11th July, as part of NAIDOC Week celebrations. The evening was a vibrant showcase of culture, pride, and unity. A special congratulations to Ethan, who was awarded *Mr NAIDOC 2025*. Both Ethan and Lyncoln looked amazing, making it a night to remember as they celebrated the history, culture, and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



Albert Street PS Reading Challenge 2025

ASPS Reading Challenge for 2025 has begun.

The Challenge runs until 17th September. Each student has been given a booklet to record the books they read. In the space of 2 terms the P-2s are encouraged to read 30 books and the 3-6s 15 books. These include books they read themselves or books that are read to them. At the end of term 2 prizes will be awarded to the students who have filled up their booklets.

We will also have an in school competition between the classes to see who is reading the most books. Please help encourage our students to pick up a book and read. Reading is fun as well as educational and will help us all to succeed in our future learning. If you have any questions about the Challenge please feel free to ask me.

Miss Sue



2025 School Concert

We're so excited to announce that this year's school concert is a bold, loud, and sparkling twist on a classic tale you might know...

It's called "**Oz Rocks!**" — a glam rock retelling of *The Wizard of Oz*! 🎸 ✨

In this version, Dorothy isn't just dreaming of somewhere over the rainbow—she's dreaming of *making music that matters*. When a wild storm hits, she's swept away into a dazzling world called **Rock & Oz**, where everything runs on rhythm, courage, heart, and harmony.

Along the way, she meets a crew of unforgettable characters:

- **Scully (Scarecrow)**, who's lost his rhythm
- **Metalhead (Tin Man)**, who's searching for his musical soul
- **Leo Lyin' (Cowardly Lion)**, a glam lion with a big mane and even bigger stage fright!

But all is not peace and power chords—because the villainous **Vicky Voltage** ⚡ is determined to drown out harmony with static, distortion, and a Wicked Beat of her own.

With the help of **Glinda GoldStar**, the sparkly guardian of the North Stage, and the mysterious **Ozzy the Wizard of Rock**, Dorothy and her friends will have to battle noise with music, fear with friendship, and find out that the power to shine has always been inside them.

This show will feature:

🎵 Classic rock hits,

👗 Glam rock costumes,

💡 Big themes like friendship, courage, and being true to your voice.

So get ready to stomp, clap, and sing along! Our show will be held at Lowanna College on Tuesday 9th September and will feature ALL our Albert Street Students!

More details will be communicated in Term 3! We can't wait to see you all there!

Mrs Lia



SCHOOL BEANIES!!!

We are excited that school beanies are back in stock. Grab yours now for only \$20.

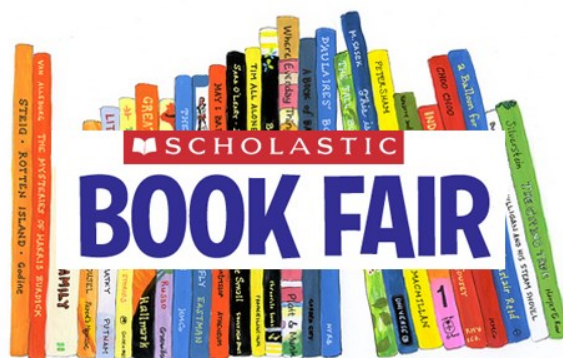
Adult sizes also available.

BOOK FAIR!!!

This year's theme for the Scholastic Book Fair is **Jungle, Wild for Reading!**

The Book Fair will be open in the BER from Friday 25th July to Wednesday 6th August.

Staffed times will be 8.00am—8.45am and 3.00pm—3.45pm each day excluding Tuesdays.



Cadbury Fundraising Chocolate Boxes are still available at the office.

We still have a number of chocolate boxes at the office if any families would like to take some to sell.

We have a mixture of the Goody Box (Mixed chocolate bars) and the Funpack (Giant Freddos & Caramello Koalas) to choose from.

If you are unable to attend the office and would like us to send a box home with your child please call the office on 5127 1966 to arrange.



Community Pantry



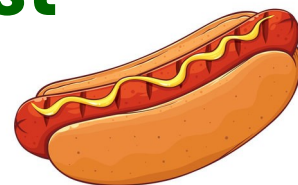
A reminder to all families that we have a Community Pantry that can be accessed by parents. Our pantry items are primarily provided by Food-Bank and we welcome families to take what you need! The food items available include cereals, soups, fruit cups, spaghetti, bake beans, tuna, honey, vegemite, milk 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.

Canteen Menu & Price List



Available Friday Only



Hot Food

Popcorn Chicken	\$ 4.00
Chicken Nuggets	\$ 0.60
Party Pies	\$ 0.80
Party Sausage Roll	\$ 0.80
Hot Dog	\$ 3.20
Dim Sims - Fried/Steamed	\$ 0.80
Chicken Burger <u>w</u> lettuce/cheese/mayo	\$ 4.60
Cheeseburger	\$ 4.60
Fish & Chips	\$ 6.00
Bucket of Chips	\$ 3.00
Ham & Cheese Croissant	\$ 3.80
Cheese Croissant	\$ 3.20
Ham & Pineapple Pizza	\$ 4.00
Bacon & Cheese Pizza	\$ 4.00
Nachos	\$ 5.50
Mini Spring Roll	\$ 1.00
Spaghetti Bolognese	\$ 5.50
Parma & Chips	\$ 7.50
Mini Potato Cakes	\$ 0.50

Turkish Roll - Toasted

Chicken, Cheese, Mayo	\$ 6.00
Salami, Cheese	\$ 6.00

Sauce

Tomato / BBQ / Soy Sauce	\$ 0.10
Sour Cream	\$ 0.10

Drinks

Milk

Chocolate / Strawberry / Plain	\$ 2.00
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Fruit juice

Apple / Apple Blackcurrent / Orange	\$ 1.20
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Sandwiches - White/Wholemeal

Cheese & Vegemite	\$ 2.00
Ham & Cheese	\$ 3.00
Egg & Lettuce	\$ 3.30
Ham & Salad	\$ 4.50
Chicken & Salad	\$ 4.80

Rolls - White/Wholemeal

Cheese & Vegemite	\$ 2.50
Ham & Cheese	\$ 3.50
Egg & Lettuce	\$ 3.80
Ham & Salad	\$ 5.50
Chicken & Salad	\$ 5.50

Wraps - White/Wholemeal

Ham & Cheese	\$ 3.20
Egg & Lettuce	\$ 3.70
Ham & Salad	\$ 5.20
Chicken & Salad	\$ 5.50

Yoghurt/Ice Cream/Jelly

Yoghurt - French Vanilla	\$ 2.00
Yoghurt - Strawberry	\$ 2.00
Ice Cream - Vanilla	\$ 2.50
Ice Cream - Chocolate	\$ 2.80
Frog in the Pond	\$ 2.00

Snacks

Chocolate Cake	\$ 2.00
Chocolate Chip Cookie	\$ 1.00
Smartie Cookie	\$ 1.00
Raspberry/White Choc Muffin	\$ 2.50
Rainbow Sprinkle Cake	\$ 2.00

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

