

# Community News

Issue No 26 – Friday 22nd August

2025



## **AWARDS**

### **Partnership**

4/5/6 Basketball Boys—Their fantastic teamwork during their games

Isabella-Picking up papers at lunch time

Lylah—Picking up papers in the yard at lunch time

### Respect

Lexi-Making good choices out in the school yard

### **Optimism**

Nina—Her positive attitude towards school, learning and her peers

Evie—Outstanding attitude and resilience during basketball

Cooper M—His fantastic attitude during art. His positive, patient and supportive approach is very

impressive

Evie—Showing great determination and team spirit during basketball. You impressed us with your positivity, enthusiasm and resilience. Well done!

### **Pride**

Skyler—Her fabulous use of clarifying questions

Sierrah—Her incredible effort and wonderful attitude towards art

Congratulations to this week's winners



### From The Principal

### Warrawee everyone,

### **BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS**

Thank you to our families for once again participating in our Book Week Parade. Our students looked amazing in their costumes as well as some of their family members. Students with creative costumes were rewarded with picture story books from Miss Sue. Once again House Points were allocated to all those who dressed up. Please see photos in this newsletter.

### **OTHER CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK**

Please take the time to check out the photos in this week's newsletter as many exciting events have taken place.

- -Year 4/5/6 Students participated in District Basketball supervised by teachers Ms Hibbert, Ms Smith and learning assistant Mrs Gooding. All students displayed great sportsmanship and great team spirit.
- -Year 5/6 Students attended Lowanna Secondary College to participate in Science activities. We are grateful for the developing partnership with Lowanna for our students to participate in extra curricular activities.
- -Year 6 Students attended Lowanna for one of their transition days with Mr Hall and Ms Lia. This was an opportunity for our Year 6s to experience secondary schooling. There will be further transition days to follow.
- -JSC Students Callum, Lyncoln, Kailie-May and Ellouise were invited to Acorn Acres Early Learning Centre with Ms Ernst and Mrs Sim as a part of their Book Week celebrations. Our students dressed up and shared stories as well as play. They were very well received by Acorn Acres.
- -A soccer clinic was held this week for all students. Students had an opportunity to practice a range of soccer skills with Paul. Another 2 clinics will be held this term.

### **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

A kind reminder that our August meeting will take place in the staff room on Tuesday 26th August and reports will be distributed on Monday.

### **FUNDRAISING**

A committee meeting was held this morning. Thank you to Casie, Shelley, Kelly, Nicole, Rebecca, Ash, Janelle and Bec for volunteering your time to attend this meeting. Preparations for fundraising activities including School Concert Raffle, Pie Day and Father's Day were discussed. A kind reminder if you are interesting in assisting with fundraising activities please let the office know.

### PARENT/CARERS SURVEY (REVISITED)

Our school is conducting the DE's Annual Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey seeking your feedback about Albert Street Primary School. The survey is optional but it would be appreciated if you could spend 20 minutes of your time to complete the online survey. The online survey is open now to Friday 19th September. Please look out for a Parent Communication on Sentral with the details on how to log on to complete the survey. The survey can be done on a computer, laptop, tablet or smartphone.

We would like to reward those who complete the survey within the first three weeks of the survey timeline. By providing a screenshot to the office showing you have completed the survey you will be eligible to go into a draw for 2 Free School Concert Tickets (\$20 each). If you require further assistance to access the survey please call the office.

### **54 REASONS SMALL TALK PLAYGROUP**

We are excited to announce that a playgroup will be starting at our school in Term 4 in the Multi-Purpose Room on Monday mornings. More details will be provided once they are finalised.

### **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 25th August Concert Tickets go on sale

Wednesday 27th August Velveteen Rabbit Excursion—Jnr Unit

Thursday 28th August Melbourne Stars Regional Roadshow—Ted Somerton

Reserve

Tuesday 26th August School Council Meeting—6.30pm

Friday 5th September Father's/Special Person's Day Stall

Friday 5th September Early Bird Parent Survey Prize Draw (2 Free School

Concert Tickets)

Monday 8th September Sporting Schools Soccer Clinic

Tuesday 9th September School Concert

Thursday 11th September RU OK? Day—Wear Yellow

Friday 12th September Gippsland's Biggest PJ Day

Tuesday 16th September Sporting Schools Soccer Clinic

Thursday 18th September Footy Colours / Pie Day Fundraiser 🛍 🎽 🛍

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

Wednesday 8th October Monash Teddy Bear Hospital—Jnr Unit

Friday 31st October Day for Daniel—Wear Red

Monday 3rd November Student Free Day

**Tuesday 4th November** Melbourne Cup Day



### 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

RU®K?

A-G Yellow Gate (Anzac St)

H-O Green Gate (Front)

P-Z Blue Gate (Kirk St)

### Book Week Parade – "Book an Adventure"

Our Book Week parade was a wonderful celebration of imagination and adventure! Students, staff, and even parents and siblings joined



in the fun, dressing as their favourite storybook characters. The creativity and effort that went into the costumes was fantastic, and it was wonderful to see so many smiles as we celebrated our love of reading together. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make the day such a success!



























### WINTER SPORTS—BASKETBALL

Last Friday some of our students headed off to the Latrobe Leisure Centre to play basketball in the Inter-School Winter Sports. Even though we didn't come away with the win, we couldn't be prouder of the way the students worked together. Everyone supported each other, gave their best, and kept pushing until the very end. We stayed united, encouraged one another, and gave it everything we've got.









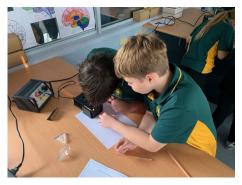






### **SCIENCE WEEK AT LOWANNA**

Last Friday Lowanna invited our Year 5/6s to participate in activities for Science Week. They had a wonderful time working on Light refraction and Moving light with Lowanna teacher Mrs Speirs







### **ACORN ACRES EARLY LEARNING CENTRE**

On Thursday some of our Junior School Councillors attended Acorn Acres Early Learning Centre to participate in the centre's Book Week Dress Up Day following their visit to our Book Week Parade on Monday. The students read a story, played and had morning tea with the kinder group.









### **SPORTING SCHOOLS SOCCER CLINIC**

This week we were 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. Paul will return in Weeks 8 and 9 to continue the program, which is running for a total of three weeks. These sessions have been made possible through Sporting Schools funding, and it's been wonderful to see how much our students are enjoying the experience.













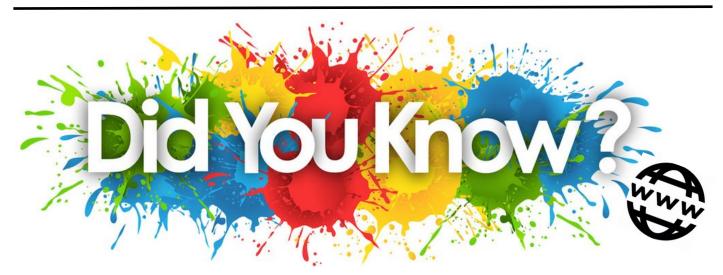












## Albert Street Primary School has a Website?

Stay Connected with Our School Website!

Don't miss out on all the latest happenings at our school! Visit our website to access the weekly newsletter, stay updated on school policies, and mark your calendars with important upcoming dates. Explore our vibrant photo galleries capturing school events, discover information about our specialist programs, and find all you need for enrolment. Your one-stop resource for everything related to our school is just a click away! Check it out today!

### LOWANNA SECONDARY COLLEGE TRANSITION DAY

On Wednesday this week our Year 6 students attended Lowanna Secondary College for their first Transition Day. The participated in Maths, Science, PE and Humanities classes and had an amazing time.



























### **SCHOOL BEANIES!!!**

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

Adult sizes also available.

## 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.  $\mathcal{T}$ 

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 <u>Tuesday 9th September</u> 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

### **CONCERT RAFFLE**

Tickets for our concert raffle are now available at the office if you want to pick up a book to sell/buy. Tickets are \$3 each and there will be 5 prizes that will be drawn on the night of the concert.

Tickets will also be available to buy at the concert

Pictured are some of the prizes up for grabs.



### 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





















### Cadbury Fundraising Chocolate are available at the office.

We still have plenty of Cadbury Fundraiser Chocolates boxes at the office if any families would like to take additional boxes to sell.

This year 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.



This term breakfast club will only run on Wednesdays and Fridays

Breakfast club is open 8:30-8:45am.

### 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

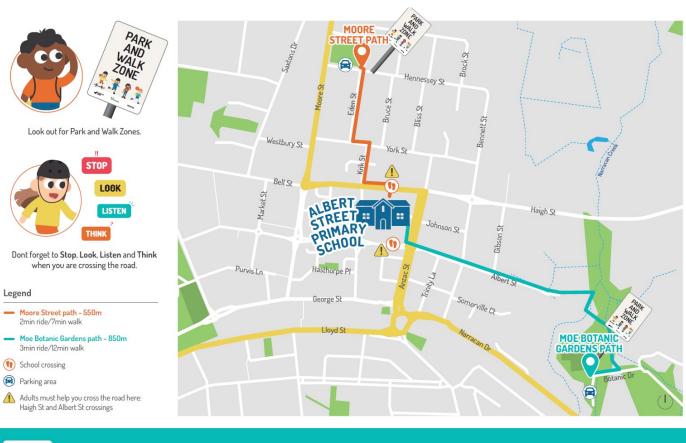
40 stamps= Latrobe leisure family pass

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









A kind reminder to parents/carers that if your child is expecting a hot lunch please ensure this is delivered **after 1.15pm**. To avoid disappointment we cannot accept requests for your child to leave the classroom early to eat a hot lunch. You can appreciate that this is frustrating for the teachers and also important that students are not missing out on their learning time.

### **GAGA PIT**

A big thank you to Ryan and students from Kurnai College for building our GAGA pit!
We look forward to learning the rules and going GAGA for GAGABALL!























### **On-Site Evacuation Drill**

This week our school conducted an On-Site Evacuation Drill to ensure everyone is prepared in the event of an emergency. All students, staff and visitors on site evacuated the buildings calmly and made their way to the designated meeting point at the Rotunda on the oval.

We are very proud of the way our students handled the drill – they listened carefully, followed instructions promptly and moved safely throughout the process.

These drills are an important part of keeping our school community safe, and it was wonderful to see everyone participating so responsibly.





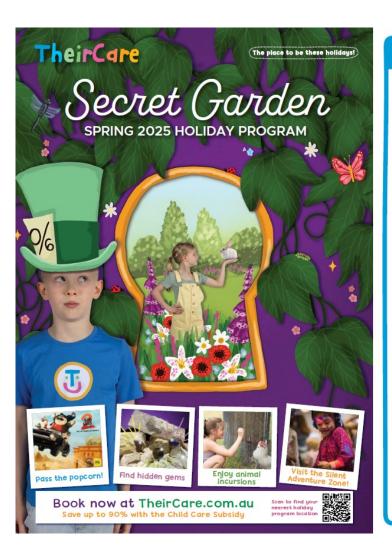


### **Community Pantry**



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.



### **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
- 1 those experiencing temporary hardship

Claim these subsidies via myGov









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 sense. Then



🌘 👩 Excursion & Super Excursions days: Arrive at the service by 8:00 am. Pick-up after 3:30 pm - please note this is an indicative time only, check with service coordinator to confirm pick-up times. Wear runners & socks. 👛



## Pass the Popcorn!

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\*\*\*

## 24 SEP



science, try your hand in a ound of wonderland croque

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





**3** 2 OCT



with Socret Barden! Enjoy a pionic and play session, then grow your curiosity with a majical walking rainbow STEM experiment. Bring filte caterpillar friends to life with pipe cleaner caterpillar craft, crack mysteries with secret codes, and bring the energy in the action-packed by group game!



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



### 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.

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- Education sessions with guest speakers based on your needs
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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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### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

CTRL:ALT:CONNECT is a social connection program designed for young people to build real-world skills through guided group gameplay. Using evidence-informed approaches, we combine fun, technology, and pee support to help participants develop confidence, communication, and leadership.

### **KEY BENEFITS**



EVIDENCE INFORMED FRAMEWORKS grounded in proven social skill building strategies.



SKILL DEVELOPMENT Communication, teamwork, problem solving and leadership INTERACTIVE GAMEPLAY



Group based challenges with guided facilitation **CUTTING EDGE TECH** 



High-quality equipment in a welcoming, inclusive space SMALL GROUP FORMAT



Personalised support and meaningful peer connections

### PROGRAM DETAILS





### WHO IT'S FOR

- Young people seeking social
- confidence Neurodiverse youth looking for a safe, fun environment
- Anyone Wanting to connect and belong while learning new skills

### WHY IT WORKS

Participants engage in structured gaming sessions that encourage collaboration, empathy and problem solving. Each session is guided by trained facilitators to ensure activities are inclusive, purposeful and tailored to the groups and individuals needs

**BOOK NOW** 0402335162



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FAIRY JULIANNE CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT

#CTRLALTCONNECT #NDISAPPROVED #YOUTHCONNECTION #EVIDENCEBASE #LEVELUP

**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

