



Community News

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AWARDS

Partnership

Ariah—Taking on feedback and trying to get along with others in After School Care

Khin—A positive attitude towards your learning

Doris—Interpreting maths questions for Gabriel during an Essential Assessment

Jasman—Supporting your peers during cooking and your willingness to clean up!

Optimism

Ariah—Your amazing and positive attitude towards your learning and peers lately. It is so wonderful to see. Keep it up!

Alexa—Developing fluency when reading a range of texts

Damon—An excellent attitude towards learning this week

Seth C—Your enthusiasm for learning, positive attitude and always giving your best during cooking

Olivia K—The insightful and thoughtful contributions you make during our Text Study lessons. Well done!

Charlotte P—The contributions you have made to class discussions this week. I have loved having your insights

Pride

Shara—Challenging herself and creating interesting sentences with “?” and “!”

Harlow—Extending her sentences using lots of adverbs. Amazing going above and beyond!

Jasman—Showing fantastic skill and teamwork during our cooking session last week. You were a STAR!!

Mila—Scoring 100% on a Statistics assessment

Charlie—Scoring 100% on a Statistics assessment

**Congratulations. We
are proud of you all**



From The Principal

Warrawee everyone,

CONGRATULATIONS TO LISA DOUGLAS

Last weekend staff, both current and previous, had the opportunity to come together with Lisa Douglas to celebrate her retirement. Lisa has been on Long Service Leave this year and has now officially retired to enjoy travel and family. Lisa has been an extraordinary staff member with 35 years of service at Albert Street Primary School. Lisa's parents, her children and Lisa herself attended Albert Street Primary School. She holds our school dearly in her heart. We wish Lisa all the very best for her future endeavours and no doubt we will see her returning to the school for social occasions.



COMMUNICATIONS VIA SENTRAL PARENT PORTAL

Please note that we rely on our Parent Portal to send important communications to families. Sentral has now been updated so that staff are able to determine whether a communication has been read by parents/carers. It is noted that many of our communications are not being regularly accessed. We ask that you check that you have the notification setting turned on so that you don't miss important announcements. This will save office staff having to bother you with extra phone calls.

A BUSY COMMUNITY WEEK

Thanks to Jacob and Bek who have organised two important community projects for our students. Yesterday we acknowledged RUOK? Day by dressing in yellow, checking in with everyone and completing an RUOK? Sunflower, whereby students had the opportunity to reflect on their own happiness and who they can check in with. These sunflowers are on display in the school corridor as a Garden of Kindness.

Gippsland's Biggest PJ Day was enjoyed by students and staff today by wearing pyjamas, participating in the fundraiser Chocolate Pond and acknowledging the importance of a safe and caring environment for those living in Out of Home Care. Thank you to our families who have supported this important cause by donating and dressing in pyjamas.

The JSC students have now distributed collection boxes and posters throughout the school to collect new and used stationery as part of the Bring it Back Officeworks Project to reduce landfill. They look forward to reporting the number and type of items saved from being put into landfill.

BIKE ED—LAST SESSION

Unfortunately on Monday this week the weather was not suitable for a safe Bike Ed session for our students. However, we are expecting a perfect day next Monday for the last Bike Ed session. We ask that our years 2-6 students bring their bike and helmet as per usual but our Prep/1 students will also be participating on this day. Prep/1 students are welcome to bring bikes as well as scooters for their session.

FOOTY DAY & SPECIAL LUNCH

Our Fundraising Committee have been inundated with lots of special lunch orders for Footy Fun Day on Wednesday 16th September. Lunch orders are now closed so that the Committee can commence purchasing food for Wednesday. A kind reminder that students are welcome to dress in their footy colours or any other sports team colours.

STUDENT SHOUT OUTS

A special shout out to Octavia who takes great pride in our school grounds. She is regularly seen collecting rubbish during recess and lunch time. We have had another conversation with students to remind them to finish their food in the undercover area, where bins are located nearby. Our aim is for Octavia to be out of a Picking up Rubbish Job.



Well done to Doris who has created an amazing poem containing a range of Idioms. This is the result of a challenge given to her by her teacher Noel. Please see her fabulous poem in this newsletter. Well done Doris.

UNIFORM REMINDER

It has been noted that a number of students are attending school and not respecting the ASPS dress code. A reminder that hoodies are not to be worn over or under school shirts as they are not part of school uniform. Students will be asked to remove them if they are worn. Coloured jumpers, pants and socks are also not part of the ASPS dress code. We ask that you support your child in selecting the correct school wear prior to leaving the house at the start of the day. A reminder that we do have second hand uniform to assist those families that need it.

LAST DAY OF TERM

A kind reminder that Friday 18th September is the last day of Term 3 and students will be dismissed at 2.00pm. A prompt pick is appreciated.

Dr Monique Osborn

IMPORTANT DATES



Term 3

Monday 14th September

Stroll & Roll—8.15am Meet at:-

Moore Street Kinder

Monday 14th September

54 Reasons Playgroup

Runs every Monday 9.15am-11.15am

Monday 14th September

Bike Ed—Whole School

Tuesday 15th September

Division Athletics—Selected students

Wednesday 16th September

Footy Colours & Special Lunch Day



Friday 18th September

Last Day of Term—2.00pm Finish

Term 4

Monday 5th October

Student Free Day

Tuesday 6th October

First day of term for Students

Tuesday 27th October

School Council Meeting—6.30pm

Friday 30th October

Day for Daniel—Wear Red



Monday 2nd November

Student Free Day

Tuesday 3rd November

Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday—No Students

Tuesday 24th November

School Council Meeting—6.30pm

Friday 4th December

Gumbuya World Excursion—Years 5-6

Friday 4th December

Inflatable World Excursion—P-4

Tuesday 8th December

Statewide Transition Day

Friday 11th December

Community Picnic / Colour Run

Tuesday 15th December

Year 6 Graduation

Friday 18th December

Last Day of Term—1.00pm Finish



Week 10 - 2/3 Burnett

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)**

ASSEMBLY CLASS ITEM—05 MADDOCK

Humans' Impact on the Environment

Our Year 5 students recently shared an important message at assembly about the impact humans can have on the environment. As part of their learning about habitats and change, students have been exploring how human actions can contribute to habitat loss and place many animals and important species, including bees, at risk.

The Year 5s are passionate about protecting our natural environment and advocating for endangered animals. Their presentation also highlighted an important message of hope: while humans can cause damage to habitats, we also have the power to make a positive difference.

Through actions such as protecting natural areas, planting trees, restoring habitats and supporting wildlife, we can all play a part in helping our environment recover and thrive. Well done to our Year 5 students for using their assembly piece to encourage our school community to think about how we can better care for the world around us.



POETRY SUPERSTAR

Year 5 student Doris has been exploring the colourful world of idioms in her writing. She has cleverly woven a range of familiar expressions into this creative poem.

IDIOMS—by Doris H, Year 5

My teacher requests idioms that **drives me up the wall**

I cannot think of something for this is **the final straw**

He challenges me and I've tried **every trick in the book**

He must be **barking mad**, but I want to be **off the hook**

This ain't no **piece of cake**

Nor a **walk in the park**

I'm **lost for words** to say

I've **lost my** poetry **spark**

But **at the drop of a hat**

I thought it up and really **made his day**

He **pushed my buttons** but I persevered

At least **that's what people say!**



Our Rotary students' main community focus this term has been raising funds and awareness for A Better Life for Foster Kids, and today was the culmination of all their hard work.

Through our staff luncheon, video appeal, Chocolate Pond and PJ Day itself, our students were able to raise an incredible \$325, as well as collect boxes of new pyjamas, clothing, blankets and baby items to donate to children in need.



With around 10,000 children in Victoria living in out-of-home care, the need for support is significant.

Thanks to the incredible generosity of our school community, our Rotary students will be able to make a small but meaningful difference in the lives of some of these children.

We are incredibly proud of our Rotary students for their compassion, commitment and willingness to turn an idea into action.

A huge thank you to everyone who donated, participated and helped make this possible. ♡



As part of Gippsland's Biggest PJ Day, our students were invited to put their creativity to work by designing their very own pair of pyjamas in our PJ colouring competition.

The winners were announced this morning, with each receiving a special prize pack. As an extra surprise, their winning designs were brought to life with an AI-generated cartoon image of each student wearing the pyjamas they had created!

Congratulations to our winners and a big thank you to all the students who entered. We loved seeing the colourful, creative and wonderfully imaginative PJ designs!



On Thursday this week our school came together to recognise **R U OK? Day**, with students participating in a range of activities focused on kindness, connection and looking out for one another.

As part of the day, students also contributed to our **Garden of Kindness** by decorating their own sunflowers with positive messages and thoughtful reflections. These sunflowers will be added to a whole school display, creating a bright and colourful reminder of the importance of showing kindness, checking in with others and asking, "R U OK?"

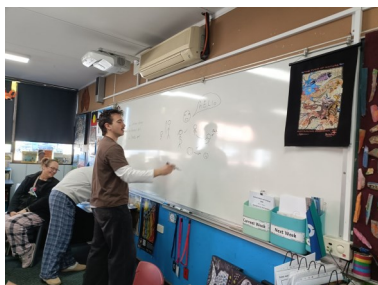
It was wonderful to see students across the school taking part and helping to create a positive and caring school community.



HEALTH & DEVELOPMENT TALKS

Over the past few weeks, our students have been learning all about puberty and reproduction, and we wrapped up the program with an exciting **Students vs Teachers Game Show!** The students put their knowledge to the test across a quiz, Pictionary and the highly anticipated “**Hormone Hustle**”, where they had to show off their best dance moves!

The students were absolutely amazing and demonstrated just how much they had remembered and learnt throughout the program. It was a very close competition, with the teachers finishing on **18 points**, but the students took out the win with an impressive **23 points!** As promised, their winning prize is a **Hot Chip Lunch next week!**



Hair Tied Back Reminder

We would like to remind families that, as outlined in our School Dress Code Policy, students with shoulder length or longer hair are required to have their hair tied back/up at all times while at school, regardless of gender. Students who arrive at school with their hair down will be requested to tie it up.

This requirement helps to restrict the spread of nits and lice and also supports student safety during classroom and outdoor activities.

Thank you for your assistance in supporting our school expectations.

HAIR TIED BACK, READY TO LEARN!

Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of nits and lice and for student safety regardless of gender.

ALBERT STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

FOR SAFETY
Tied back hair helps keep everyone safe during all activities.

BE LICE AWARE
Tying hair back helps restrict the spread of nits and lice.

THANK YOU
for your support!



Start the day the right way at **Breakfast Club**. Students are warmly invited to come along for a healthy breakfast in a relaxed and welcoming space before the bell. It's a great opportunity to fuel up, connect with friends and begin the day feeling settled and ready to learn. All students are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there!

Breakfast club is open 8:30—8:45am—Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

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Holiday Program Important Information!

What to bring

- ☐ A healthy morning tea and lunch
- ☐ A labelled drink bottle for water
- ☐ Suitable clothing for an active day – closed toe shoes and jacket if wet/cold
- ☐ SunSmart hat for Spring and Summer holidays
- ☐ Medical Management Plan & Medication if applicable – see below for details

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

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

- ☒ Breakfast and afternoon tea snack
- ☒ Suncscreen
- ☒ Water to refill bottles

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.

Serious stuff!

Medical Management Plan & Medication

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

- ☐ a completed Medical Management Plan with a colour photo
- ☐ necessary medication

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 on the day should the appropriate documentation or medication or medication not be supplied.

Child Care Subsidy

Please note that subsidised hours are calculated and allocated by Centrelink on a fortnightly basis. Check Centrelink for eligibility.

Fortnightly childcare subsidised hours

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 FAQ
<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 6:30am - 9:00pm weekdays on 1300 072 410.

Fees for changes to your booking

More than 5 days	Less than 5 days*	Less than 24 hours
No Charge	\$10.00	Full Fee

*Less than 5 days from the start of the session. If child does not attend and we are not notified in advance, full fee plus \$10.00 fee is applied.

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 - 6:00pm
Location 40 Albert Street, MOE VIC 3825
Call 0459 100 501

**With the maximum CHILD CARE SUBSIDY. **Without the CHILD CARE SUBSIDY. Please note all prices are current at the time of printing and may be subject to change without notice.

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.

There are 2 types of Child Care Payments.

1. Child Care Subsidy

The amount you can get depends on:

- your family's income
- the type of childcare you use
- the age of your child
- 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
- families moving from an income support payment to work
- those experiencing temporary hardship

Claim these subsidies via myGov

For more information, call TheirCare on 1300 072 410



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
21 SEP All Star Showdown Get ready for an All-Star Showdown. Bring your energy and competitive spirit as you take on a day packed with action, challenges and all-star moments. Test your speed with Saw the Arts Group Game, put your sports knowledge to the test with Sporting Bingo, create DIY Medals and warm up like a champion with a game, Mirror Mirror. From as low as \$8.12* Full fee \$8.15**	22 SEP Hip Hoppers A special guest is joining us today to drop the beat at our high-energy Hip Hop Dance Jam. Learn cool new moves, dance with friends and bring your best freestyle as you take on fun dance challenges. The fun continues with a creative Number 1 Fan Craft and a hilarious game of Principals Office. From as low as \$8.77* Full fee \$8.78**	23 SEP Pass the Popcorn Are we ready... SHOUT THE SHEEP - THE BEAST OF MOSSY BOTTOM sees the residents of Mossy Bottom Farm looking forward to Halloween until the clumsy Farmer trashes the Hocks beloved pumpkin patch! Afterwards, we will make Paper Bag Kites, and play Human Air Hockey plus a special sports edition of Minute to Win It. From as low as \$12.26* Full fee \$12.26**	24 SEP Team Spirit Show your champion team spirit and get ready for a day of sporting fun. Work together to design your very own team Bag before putting it to the test in the action-packed Team Flag Relay. Challenge your skills with Numbers Soccer, create your own Off-Chair Pom Poms, and get ready to cheer on your team with a Crazy Telephone. From as low as \$8.12* Full fee \$8.15**	25 SEP Service closed!
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
28 SEP Pickleball Creations Design your very own Pickleball Kit using colourful marbled paint, then take your personalised paddle and set to the court for a fun-filled game. Keep the energy going with Victory Dance Challenges, before getting creative with Spring 3D Flowers to bring their artistic skills to life. From as low as \$9.02* Full fee \$9.02**	29 SEP Fuel to Win Fuel up and get ready to win. Discover how athletes power their bodies with sports snacks, teamwork and action. Create your own Real-Time Energy Balls. Blend up delicious Banana Power Boost Smoothies and enjoy a fun game of Fruit Salad before using your energy to take on the exciting Fuel to Win Relay Race. From as low as \$8.12* Full fee \$8.15**	30 SEP Table Top Soccer Stars Get ready to build, bust, and score. Create a Tabletop Soccer Field, complete with finger boots and goals, then challenge your friends in exciting mini soccer matches. The action continues with Crab Soccer then enjoy a crafty noon making a Spring Sun Catcher Craft. From as low as \$9.02* Full fee \$9.02**	1 OCT Gumbuya World Carnival Join us for the biggest event of the year at Melbourne's iconic Gumbuya World. With epic rides and animal park there is something to suit little and big Gumbuya. Please note we will not be entering the splash zone on the day. From as low as \$15.51* Full fee \$15.51**	2 OCT Epic Engineering Get ready for an Epic Engineering Games Day. Team up to become a Human Machine, build Crash-Test Cars, and tackle the Mystery Engineering Box using surprise materials to solve exciting STEM challenges. Then race through the Engineer Relay, completing fun engineering missions with friends, followed by choose your own adventure. From as low as \$8.12* Full fee \$8.15**

SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINICS

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\$30
PER DAY

9:00AM – 10:30AM	 DROUIN TENNIS CLUB New Members Welcome
11:00AM – 12:30PM	 WARRAGUL ST PAUL'S
1:00PM – 2:30PM	 MOE TENNIS CLUB
3:00PM – 4:30PM	 TRARALGON ST PAUL'S

OPEN DAYS

OPEN DAY!
WEDNESDAY
2ND SEPTEMBER
4:00PM
MOE TENNIS CLUB

OPEN DAY!
THURSDAY
3RD SEPTEMBER
4:00PM
DROUIN TENNIS CLUB

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GRAND FINAL PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Friday 25th September

\$30

Traralgon: Old Trafford Oval
10:30am-12:00pm
Sale: Stephenson Park
Rotary Reserve
2:00-3:30pm

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All-ability sports are about fun and participation for **EVERYONE!** The local All-ability groups are parent-run and driven, so cater directly to the needs of kids with additional needs in the local area.

During the sessions a variety of games and activities are played to learn and develop new skills, activities are modified so that everyone can 'have a go!' Participants can also benefit socially by making new friends and feeling part of a team.

LATROBE VALLEY 'ALL-ABILITY' CRICKET PROGRAM 2026

All school aged children with additional needs are invited to join us for 'All Ability' Cricket, the sessions will run weekly during **Term 4, 2026 for 10 Weeks**

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 13th and finishing on December 15th
(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 via the QR code below or via the link – <https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/5f4147>

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

PLAY LEARN BELONG

Part of **GIPPY GIRLS CAN** month, supporting Gippsland women to get active their way.

GIPPY GIRLS CAN MONTH EVENT

MOE AMATEUR SWIM CLUB

COME AND TRY NIGHT

Thinking about joining a swim club? Come along to our Gippy Girls session and give it a go!

- ♥ Female-only coaches
- ♥ Girls aged 7+ and women welcome
- ♥ A fun and supportive environment

To participate, swimmers must be able to swim 25m freestyle or backstroke, or have completed a Learn to Swim program.

FRI 18 SEPTEMBER

6:30PM – 7:30PM

LATROBE LEISURE MOE/NEWBOROUGH

\$8 ADULT \$6.50 CONCESSION \$5.50 CHILD

WHAT TO WEAR: Comfortable swimming attire, and dont forget to bring a towel.

Try something new. Meet new people. Move your way.
No judgement. No pressure. No expectations.
Just a supportive space, new moves, and people cheering you on.

Free Gippy Girls Can Merch
See you there!

Coming on your own?
Lots of girls do.

Feeling a little nervous?
You're in the right place.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Karen from Moe Amateur Swim Club

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moeswimmingclub.coach@gmail.com

GIPPY GIRLS CAN

GippSport
Gippsland Regional Sports Authority

Gippsland Region Public Health Unit
For a Healthy Region

LATROBE LEISURE

STROLL & ROLL

Active Travel to School



Stroll & Roll Program—8.15am every Monday

Our Stroll & Roll Program is a great way for students to start the day with fresh air, movement and connection with friends.

Students are encouraged to walk or ride to school from a nearby meeting point at **Moore Street Kinder**, where students will be accompanied safely to school by our staff.

Stroll & Roll promotes healthy habits, road safety awareness and a positive start to the school day. We love seeing our students arrive smiling, energised and ready to learn.

We encourage families to get involved and make Stroll & Roll part of their regular school routine



Look out for Park and Walk Zones.



Don't forget to **Stop, Look, Listen and Think** when you are crossing the road.

Legend

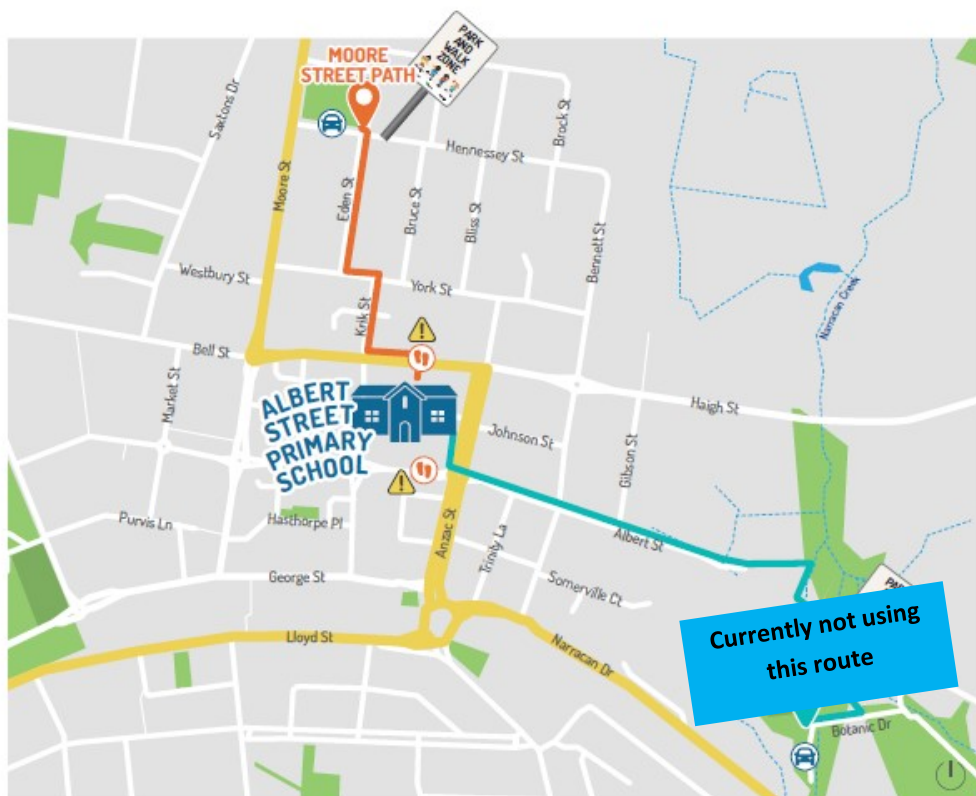
Moore Street path - 550m
2min ride/7min walk

3min ride/12min walk

School crossing

Parking area

Adults must help you cross the road here:
Haigh St and Albert St crossings



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