



# Community News

Issue No 7— Friday 13th March

2026



## AWARDS

### Respect

Violet—Looking after our school by picking up rubbish. No one asked her to do it, she did it all on her own! Well done Violet!

Kasey—Improved focus during learning time.

### Optimism

Kara—Excellent work in Maths. You listen well and quietly persevere until you are able to demonstrate your understanding

### Pride

Evie—Fantastic engagement in writing tasks and for your excellent contributions during our Novel Study

Octavia—Your wonderful work in Sounds Write. So proud of you

Lilly—Being so enthusiastic about her learning and producing wonderful work! Well done Lilly!

Leighvi—Outstanding focus and effort in our Literacy block!

Congratulations. We  
are proud of you all



# From The Principal

Warrawee everyone,

## WHOLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS

A kind reminder that our Whole School Athletics will be held next Tuesday 17th March. Students are encouraged to wear their House colours and families are welcome to come along to support their children. Full details are noted in this newsletter.

## CAMPFIRE CONVERSATION

We are happy to be welcoming Kurnai Elder Linda and our Kurnai teacher Katie for our Campfire Conversation to be held on Monday 16th March from 3.15pm—4.15pm. This is an opportunity for our Aboriginal families to come together for an informal chat and socialising with some refreshments. We look forward to seeing you there.

## HARMONY DAY

We look forward to celebrating Harmony Day on Friday 20th March. This day is dedicated to celebrating all cultures from around the world. We will be participating in this celebration by asking students to dress in costumes representing their families cultural heritage or represent the day by wearing orange. A lunchtime activity has been organised to celebrate cultures through dance and music.

## OPEN MORNING—THURSDAY 26TH MARCH

Please note the change of date to Thursday 26th March at 9.30am—10.45am. The open morning is an opportunity for current families and new families seeking to enrol a 2027 Prep to observe our classroom routines, meet staff, observe specialist classes as well as experience our TheirCare (Before and After School Care) set up. If you are aware of new families interested in enrolling a child next year please pass on these details to them. Please notify the school if you intend on coming so that we can cater for your child's needs.

## NAPLAN UPDATE

Congratulations to our Years 3 and 5 students who have already completed NAPLAN testing in Writing, Reading and Language Conventions. The Numeracy test will take place on Monday and catch up sessions will be held next week. Even though a significant number of schools were impacted on the first day with issues regarding access to the online platform, we DID NOT experience any online issues. Thank you to our parents and carers of Years 3 and 5 students who have continued to support them with a positive attitude towards these assessments.

## AGM AND SCHOOL COUNCIL

A kind reminder that the Annual General Meeting will take place at 6.00pm on Tuesday March 31st in the Staff Room. All are welcome. Following that our March School Council Meeting will take place at 6.30pm.

**Dr Monique Osborn**

## **POPPI MAKES A SPLASH AT REGIONAL SWIMMING**

Poppi represented our school with great determination at the **Regional Swimming Championships in Sale on Thursday 12th March**. Competing against some of the strongest swimmers from across the region, Poppi performed exceptionally well in both of her events.

She achieved a fantastic **4th place in Breaststroke** and **7th place in Freestyle**, an outstanding effort at such a competitive level.

We are very proud of Poppi's achievement and the way she represented our school. Congratulations, Poppi, on a wonderful result!



# IMPORTANT DATES



## Term 1

<b>Monday 16th March</b>	NAPLAN continues—Years 3 and 5
<b>Monday 16th March</b>	54 Reasons Playgroup Runs every Monday 9.15am-11.15am
<b>Monday 16th March</b>	Stroll & Roll—8.15am Meet at:- Moore Street Kinder Moe Botanic Gardens
<b>Monday 16th March</b>	Kurnai Campfire—3:30-4:30pm
<b>Tuesday 17th March</b>	Whole School Athletics—Joe Carmody Aths Track
<b>Friday 20th March</b>	Harmony Day—Wear Orange
<b>Sunday 22nd March</b>	Working Bee—10.00am—1.00pm—All welcome!
<b>Wednesday 25th March</b>	Out of Uniform Day—Easter Raffle Donation
<b>Thursday 26th March</b>	School Open Morning for 2027 Prep Enrolments
<b>Friday 27th March</b>	Student Free Day—Maths PD for teachers
<b>Monday 30th March</b>	Fundraising Committee Meeting—Staff Room 8.45am—9.30am
<b>Monday 30th March</b>	Wilson's Promontory Excursion—5/6s
<b>Tuesday 31st March</b>	AGM—6.00pm—6.30pm—Open to school community members School Council Meeting—6.30pm—8.30pm
<b>Wednesday 1st April</b>	Easter Bonnet Parade Easter Raffle Draw—at assembly
<b>Thursday 2nd April</b>	Last Day of Term—2.00pm Finish

## Term 2

<b>Monday 20th April</b>	First day of school
<b>Thursday 21st May</b>	School Photo Day
<b>Friday 5th June</b>	No Students—Assessment & Reporting Day
<b>Monday 8th June</b>	King's Birthday Public Holiday—No students

### 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)**

# COMMUNITY PICNIC

Last Friday our school grounds came alive with laughter, conversation and the delicious aroma of shared food as families gathered for our **School Community Picnic**. After earlier weather disruptions, we were fortunate to be treated to **perfect picnic weather**, making it an ideal afternoon to come together as a school community.

Students enjoyed the chance to play with friends while families relaxed, chatted with staff and connected with one another. It was wonderful to see children from different year levels playing together and families taking the time to enjoy the welcoming atmosphere that makes our school such a special place. The Juice Bike provided by TheirCare was a very popular addition to the day.

Events like these remind us how important it is to pause the busy routines of school life and simply spend time together. The strong sense of community on display was fantastic to see, and it was lovely to watch new friendships forming while familiar ones grew even stronger.

A big thank you to everyone who attended and helped make the afternoon such an enjoyable and relaxed event. Your support helps continue to build the warm, connected community we are so proud of at our school.





Come and join us for a yarn at:

## Albert Street Primary School's Campfire Conversation

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 3:15-4:15pm**

View our cultural program

Meet local Kurnai Elder Linda Mullett

Join in our activities for the whole family

Have your say in the VACCA survey

Light refreshments and snacks provided



# ALBERT STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

# ATHLETICS DAY!



**TUESDAY, 17 MARCH 2026**

Year 3 – Year 6: 9:15am – 1:45pm



**JOE CARMODY RESERVE**  
305 Old Sale Rd, Newborough

Foundation – Year 2: 9:45am – 12:15pm

**WEAR  
YOUR HOUSE  
COLOURS!**



**TRAVEL: Bus**

## WHAT TO BRING:



Drink Bottle



Hat



Snacks



Lunch



Sunscreen



## PERMISSION DUE:

**Thursday, 12 March 2026**

- ✓ Approve via Sentral Parent Portal
- ✓ Return payment slip with payment
- ✓ CSEF applies if eligible

**Come & support our students!**



# 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** or the **Botanic Gardens**, 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



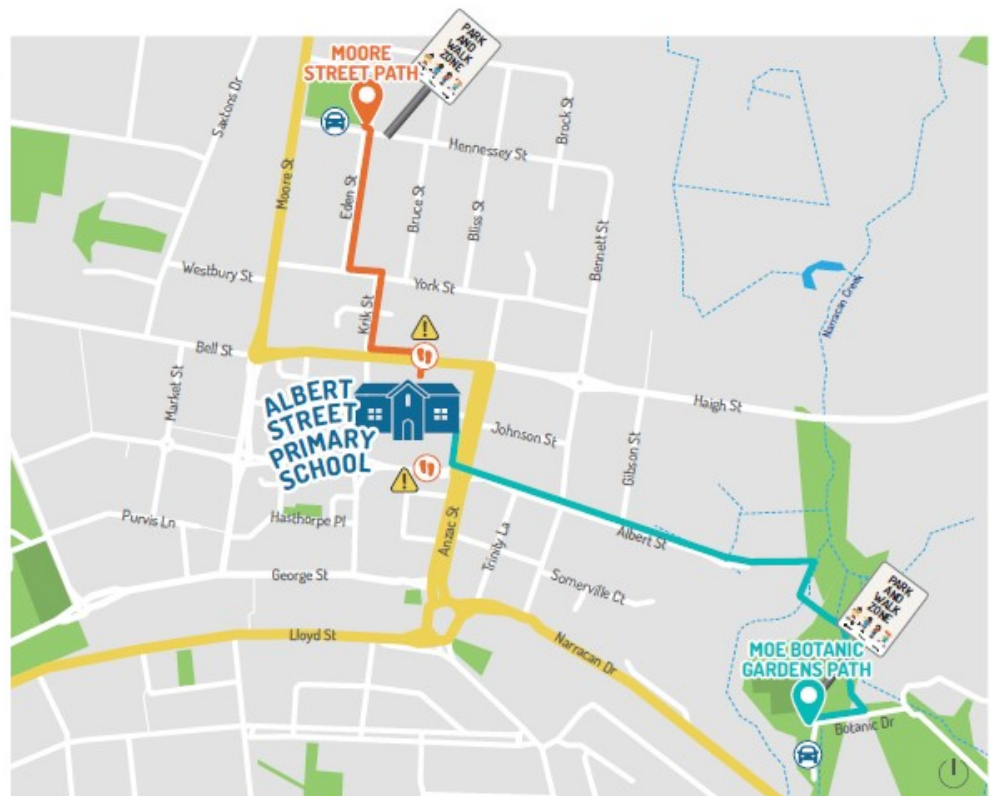
Look out for Park and Walk Zones.



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

### Legend

- Moore Street path - 550m  
2min ride/7min walk
- Moe Botanic Gardens path - 850m  
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](http://www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/StrollandRoll)

# TRAFALGAR HIGH SCHOOL

# 2027

# ENROLMENT TOURS



School Tours available on the following dates:

- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2026 4:00 pm
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026 10:00 am

Please contact scan the QR code to register your attendance.



*"The Trafalgar High School community strives to achieve success through the values of Respect, Effort and Kindness"*

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

✉ [generaloffice@trafalgarhs.vic.edu.au](mailto:generaloffice@trafalgarhs.vic.edu.au)

☎ 5633 1733 🌐 [trafalgarhs.vic.edu.au](http://trafalgarhs.vic.edu.au)



## Trafalgar High School

### Select Entry Accelerated Learning (SEAL) Program

*Part of the Victorian Academy of SEALP Schools*



### SEAL Information Evening Year 7, 2027

5pm-6pm, Wednesday 29th April 2026

**PLEASE NOTE: Information regarding testing requirements will be provided on the night.**

*Further Enquiries:*

*Amanda McQualter, SEAL Program Coordinator  
5633 1733*



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# WINGS 'N' ROSES BIRD SANCTUARY!

**HOP Latrobe**

**THURSDAY**  
9th April 2026

**PAKENHAM**  
Travel provided from Morwell office

**AGE**  
5 - 12 years

**ACTIVITY**  
Discover the fascinating world of birds at the Pakenham Sanctuary, topped off with a memorable up-close owl encounter!

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**  
Scan the QR code, call 1300 736 765 or email [admin@icg.asn.au](mailto:admin@icg.asn.au)




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# KLEI STUDIO POTTERY CLASS!

**HOP Latrobe**

**TUESDAY**  
14th April 2026

**STRATFORD**  
Travel provided from Morwell office

**AGE**  
5 - 12 years

**ACTIVITY**  
Get hands-on with clay at the Klei Studio and create your own unique pottery piece!

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**  
Scan the QR code, call 1300 736 765 or email [admin@icg.asn.au](mailto:admin@icg.asn.au)




## Young Minds: Our Future Study

The Australian Government has funded an Australia-wide study of child and adolescent mental health and wellbeing. The study, known as Young Minds: Our Future (#YMof), will survey families across the country. This research, led by Curtin University and The University of Queensland, will help improve mental health services for all young Australians.

Selected households in our area will be approached in person by interviewers from Roy Morgan over the next few weeks. You may also get a flyer in your mailbox. You can't opt in but, if you're invited, we encourage you to make your voice count.

For more information, visit [www.ymof.org.au](http://www.ymof.org.au) where you can watch a short video about the survey. You can also contact [youngminds@curtin.edu.au](mailto:youngminds@curtin.edu.au).

  
Australian Government  
Department of Health,  
Disability and Ageing



**YOUNG MINDS: OUR FUTURE**  
is coming to an area near you.

**MAKE YOUR VOICE  
COUNT!**

[ymof.org.au](http://ymof.org.au)



VICTORIAN NETBALL LEAGUE



# GIPPSLAND

SHOWCASE

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GIPPSLAND REGIONAL INDOOR SPORTS STADIUM | GUNKURNAI

Experience the exciting talent of Round 1 in the Victorian Netball League - or register for a coaching or umpiring workshop!

**BUY TICKETS OR SECURE YOUR WORKSHOP PLACE**



*Celebrate*  
**— 75 years**  
*Newborough East Primary School*

**Saturday March 21 2026**  
**10 am to 4 pm**  
**Old Gippsstown Moe**

**NEPS 75th Reunion – Catch Up & Celebrate!**  
Reconnect with old friends and classmates in a relaxed setting. Bring a picnic and chair to enjoy the day under the trees, or grab a BBQ lunch from Moe Lions Club.

**\$15 park entry includes**  
Full access to the Park and Whistle Stop Function Room seating area, tea & coffee.

Spread the word! Bring any school photos or memorabilia.  
**For more information call 0409930082 or RSVP your interest on the Facebook events page.**





  
**TheirCare**

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**...so you're ready when life happens!**

Whether you're working, have an appointment, or something unexpected comes up, TheirCare supports parents with outside hours school care that's easy to book, inclusive and fun for kids.

- \* Welcoming educators that your kids know and trust
- \* Flexible care to support busy families
- \* Fun, engaging activities and nutritious snacks
- \* Social interaction and time spent with friends
- \* Part of your school community, contributing over \$20M to schools across Australia

Enrol today - it takes just a few minutes. Click [here](#) or scan the code to get started.



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*because your kids are special*

**SUPPORTED PLAYGROUPS**

**FREE**

**54 reasons**  
Part of the Save the Children Australia Group

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

**Play2Learn**  
A school beginning for every child

**Play2Learn Playgroups**  
**Bringing Up Great Kids Program**

**Parent Coaching**  
(one on one support)

**MORE THAN JUST PLAYGROUPS**

**Emergency Relief:** 54 reasons provides Emergency Relief across the Gippsland region, offering immediate financial and material support to individuals and families experiencing crisis.  
email: [Gippsland.ERELIEF@54reasons.org.au](mailto:Gippsland.ERELIEF@54reasons.org.au)

**Journey of Hope:** A school-based program that helps children and young people understand their emotions, build healthy coping skills, and feel supported after stress or collective trauma.




Scan to register an expression of Interest or to find out more.

For more information: [play2learn.vic@54reasons.org.au](mailto:play2learn.vic@54reasons.org.au)  
[melissa.ballantine@54reasons.org.au](mailto:melissa.ballantine@54reasons.org.au)

54 reasons Moe Office:  
PH: 03 58 226700



# Canteen Menu & Price List



## Available Friday Only

### Hot Food

Popcorn chicken	\$ 4.50
Chicken Nuggets	\$ 0.70
Party Pies	\$ 0.95
Party Sausage Roll	\$ 0.95
Hot dog	\$ 3.20
Dim Sims - Fried/Steamed	\$ 0.95
Chicken Burger <u>w</u> lettuce/cheese/mayo	\$ 4.80
Cheeseburger	\$ 4.80
Ham & cheese croissant	\$ 3.90
Cheese croissant	\$ 3.30
Ham & pineapple pizza	\$ 4.50
Bacon & cheese pizza	\$ 4.50
Nachos	\$ 5.70
- add Sour Cream	\$ 0.30
- add Guacamole	\$ 1.00
Mini Spring roll	\$ 1.00
Mini Potato Cake	\$ 0.50
Fish and Chips	\$ 6.00
Parma and Chips	\$ 7.50
Spaghetti Bolognese	\$ 6.50
Bucket of chips	\$ 3.00

### Turkish Roll - Toasted

Chicken, Cheese, Mayo	\$ 6.50
- add Avocado	\$ 1.00
- add Bacon	\$ 1.00
Salami, Cheese	\$ 6.00

### Sauce

Tomato / BBQ / Soy Sauce	\$ 0.20
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### Drinks

#### Milk

Chocolate / Strawberry / Plain	\$ 2.00
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#### Fruit juice

Apple / Apple & Blackcurrant / Orange	\$ 1.20
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### Sandwiches/White or Wholemeal

Cheese & Vegemite	\$ 3.00
Ham & cheese	\$ 3.50
Egg & lettuce	\$ 3.50
Ham & salad	\$ 5.00
Chicken & salad	\$ 5.00

### Rolls/White or Wholemeal

Cheese & Vegemite	\$ 3.00
Ham & cheese	\$ 3.80
Egg & lettuce	\$ 4.00
Ham & salad	\$ 6.00
Chicken & salad	\$ 6.00
- add Avocado	\$ 1.00

### Wraps/White or Wholemeal

Ham & cheese	\$ 3.50
Egg & lettuce	\$ 4.00
Ham & salad	\$ 6.00
Chicken & salad	\$ 6.00
- add Avocado	\$ 1.00
	\$ 3.00

### Yoghurt/Ice Cream/Jelly

Yoghurt - French Vanilla	\$ 2.00
Yoghurt - Strawberry	\$ 2.00
Ice Cream - Vanilla	\$ 2.80
Ice Cream - Chocolate	\$ 3.00
Frog in the Pond	\$ 2.00

### Snacks

Vanilla Sprinkle Cake	\$ 2.00
Chocolate Cake	\$ 2.00
Chocolate Chip Cookie	\$ 1.00
Smartie Cookie	\$ 1.00

# 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

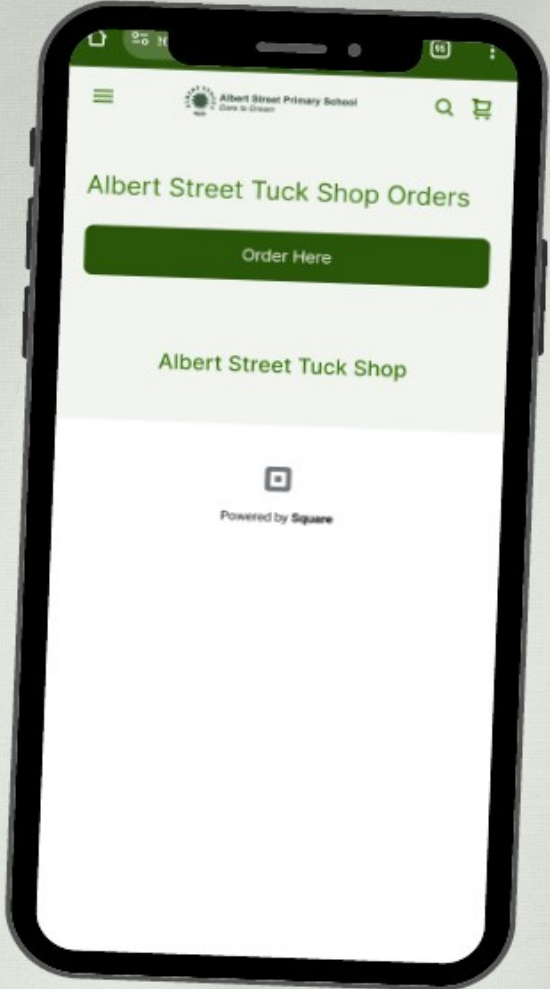
HW Food Service


0432 966 982

<b>Room 5</b> <b>Prep/Year 1 – Miss Hibbert</b>
<b>Room 6</b> <b>Year 2/3 - Mr Burnett</b>
<b>Room 7</b> <b>Year 3/4 – Mr Hall</b>
<b>Room 3</b> <b>Year 5 – Mr Maddock</b>
<b>Room 4</b> <b>Year 6 – Ms Smith</b>

5 EASY STEPS TO  
**ORDER ONLINE**

- 1. VISIT OUR WEBSITE**  
Visit our website and download the app at <https://albert-street-tuck-shop.square.site/>
- 2. ENTER THE STORE**  
Click "Order Here"
- 3. MAKE YOUR SELECTIONS**  
Click "Categories" add each requested item to your cart
- 4. CHECKOUT**  
To checkout, click the  And then click "Continue to payment"
- 5. CHILD'S INFORMATION**  
In the "Note to seller box", please put your child's name & room number, then proceed to add your contact & payment info
- 5. PLACE ORDER**  
Click "Place order" button



 **Albert Street Primary School**  
Dare to Dream