



# Community News

Issue No 9— Friday 27th March

2026



## AWARDS

### Partnership

Bianca—Great progress in her reading and handwriting. Well done Bianca

Taya—The lovely manner in which she supports her classmates with their work when needed

### Respect

Uri—Consistently following class instructions without delay

Jessica—Great work paying attention & engaging in learning during Kurnai

### Pride

Lindsay King—Volunteering your time at Sunday’s Working Bee

Deb, Kaleb & Mikayla—Volunteering your time at Sunday’s Working Bee

Camryn—Volunteering your time at Sunday’s Working Bee

Mrs Ernst & Will—Volunteering your time at Sunday’s Working Bee

Ashley & Kailie-May—Volunteering your time at Sunday’s Working Bee

Isabella—Volunteering your time at Sunday’s Working Bee

David & Doris—Volunteering your time at Sunday’s Working Bee

Sarah & Ella—Volunteering your time at Sunday’s Working Bee

Kailie-May—Showing care and pride in her bookwork! So neat! It’s impressive

Noah—A big improvement in handwriting



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

# From The Principal

Warrawee everyone,

## AGM & SCHOOL COUNCIL REMINDER

A final reminder that our AGM will take place on Tuesday 31st March at 6.00pm in the Staff Room. All school community members are welcome to attend to review the annual 2025 report. Following the AGM is our March Council meeting, reports will be distributed on Monday. Please notify the office if you will be an apology.

## FUNDRAISING MEETING

Please note the Fundraising Sub-Committee will be holding a meeting in the Staff Room on Monday 30th March at 8.45am. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Term 2 Fundraising events and to create our Easter Basket prizes for next weeks raffle. If you can volunteer an hour or so of your time we would love to see you in the Staff Room. Many hands make light work!

## OPEN MORNING FOR 2027 PREPS

On Thursday 26th March we had the opportunity to welcome some of our 2027 Preps. Parents/Carers and their children had the opportunity to discover the play area at TheirCare, visit classrooms and meet staff members as well as have a play at the Colourful Equipment. The children were excited to take home a special pack of books, pencils and textas. Some of our 2027 Preps were excited to see their siblings working in classrooms. If you are aware of families wishing to enrol at our fabulous school and were not able to attend this session, personalised tours are available. Please have them contact the school to arrange this.

## OHS DRILL

As per Department Emergency Management Protocol our School Community participated in an Off-Site Drill today. All students and staff followed correct protocol as they lined up at the red gate in role order and made their way to the designated site, Coles carpark. Well done to everyone.

## EASTER BONNET & EASTER RAFFLE

A huge thank you to our families for donating a lovely range of Easter goodies (we appreciate how expensive they are at the moment). Our Fundraising Committee will be working on creating our raffle prizes.

We would also like to celebrate the end of term with an Easter Bonnet Parade. Please encourage your children to be creative at home and if you require a few materials please speak your child's classroom teacher. Parents and carers are also welcome to wear their own creation to earn House Points. Prizes will be awarded to Creative Headwear. We look forward to seeing you at the Easter Bonnet Parade at 9.00am on Wednesday morning.

## EARLY FINISH

A kind reminder that Thursday 2nd April is the last day of term as Friday is a Public Holiday. Students will be dismissed at 2.00pm and prompt pick up is appreciated.

## VOLUNTEER THANK YOU

We are so grateful to volunteers who can spend some time completing jobs for us. Thank you to Mona-Liza and Maricris for helping cover our Decodable Readers for our students to access for home reading. We appreciate anyone that would like to assist but please note you do require a Working with Children check. The office can assist you with this if required.

## AUSSIE OF THE MONTH

The Junior School Council Students are involved in the Aussie of the Month Program this year, whereby each month a student is rewarded in relation to a specific community project. Congratulations to Olivia K, Aussie of the Month for February, focussing on Kindness and to Kaleb LW, Aussie of the Month for March, focussing on Sustainability and Clean-Up Australia. We are very proud of both of these JSC Members.

**Dr Monique Osborn**

# IMPORTANT DATES



## Term 1

<b>Monday 30th March</b>	54 Reasons Playgroup Runs every Monday 9.15am-11.15am
<b>Monday 30th March</b>	Stroll & Roll—8.15am Meet at:- Moore Street Kinder Moe Botanic Gardens
<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>Wednesday 6th May</b>	Lowanna Open Day—Years 5/6
<b>Friday 8th May</b>	Do it for Dolly Day Mother's Day Stall
<b>Monday 11th—Friday 15th May</b>	Dental Van
<b>Thursday 21st May</b>	School Photo Day
<b>Wednesday 27th May</b>	National Simultaneous Story Time
<b>Thursday 28th May</b>	Winter Sports
<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)**



## Aussie of the Month – Celebrating Student Leadership

Each month, we are proud to recognise members of our Junior School Council as our *Aussie of the Month* award winners. These students are acknowledged for their outstanding contributions to a chosen community project, demonstrating leadership, initiative, and a strong commitment to making a positive difference in our school.

In **February**, *Olivia K* was recognised for her focus on **Kindness**.

In **March**, *Kaleb LW* received the award for his work in **Sustainability** and **Clean Up Australia**.

We congratulate Olivia and Kaleb on their fantastic efforts and thank them for their positive contributions to our school community.



## Thank You to Our Wonderful Volunteers

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to *Mona-Liza* and *Maricris* for generously volunteering their time to support our students by covering our decodable readers.



This is a big job that requires patience and care, and their efforts help ensure our reading resources are well protected and ready to be used by many students for years to come. Their contribution behind the scenes makes a real difference to our classrooms and supports the development of our students' literacy skills.

We truly appreciate their time, effort, and ongoing support of our school community.

## Open Morning – Welcoming Our 2027 Prep Families

On Thursday 26th March, we were delighted to welcome prospective families to our Open Morning for our 2027 Prep students.



Parents and carers, along with their children, enjoyed the opportunity to explore our school environment, including a visit to the *TheirCare* play area, time in our classrooms, and the chance to meet our friendly and dedicated staff. The Colourful Equipment was a popular stop, with plenty of smiles as children enjoyed a play and began to feel right at home.



A highlight of the morning was seeing some of our future Preps excitedly spotting their older siblings working in classrooms, helping to build a sense of connection and belonging even before they officially begin their school journey.

Each child also went home with a special pack of books, pencils, and textas — a small gift to spark excitement for the learning adventures ahead.

Thank you to all the families who joined us. We loved sharing a glimpse of school life with you and look forward to welcoming our 2027 Prep students next year.



## 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, baked 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 second-hand uniform items for \$3 each.

## JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL KINDNESS PROJECT

Our Junior School Council students have been busy spreading kindness in our community

As part of their Kindness Project, students visited Respect—Baw Baw Views Aged Care to deliver beautifully prepared blankets to the residents. These blankets were handcrafted with love and care, by an incredibly talented knitting group from Traralgon.

This thoughtful gesture was met with warm smiles, heartfelt conversations, and a wonderful sense of connection across generations.

Our students showed empathy, compassion, and genuine care — values we are incredibly proud to see in action. It was a truly special experience for everyone involved.

They were all then treated with chocolates and drinks from the onsite café which was a real treat!

We are so proud of our young leaders for making a positive difference in the lives of others



## Easter Bonnet Parade

We're egg-cited to be holding our **Easter Bonnet Parade** on **Wednesday 1st April** at **9:00am!**

Students are invited to create their own bonnet at home and bring it along to parade with pride. We encourage all of our students, parents and carers to get inspired, get creative, and have some fun designing a bonnet that stands out!

Families are warmly welcome to come along and watch... or even better, create your own bonnet and join in the parade!

- \* House Points will be awarded to all who participate
- \* Prizes for the most creative bonnets

We can't wait to see the amazing designs our community comes up with – it's sure to be a colourful and joyful event!



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.**

## WORKING BEE

A fabulous turnout for our Sunday morning Working Bee. Thank you to School Councillors, students and volunteers who moved barrow loads of mulch onto garden beds, pruned and cleaned up the chook pen. We value your partnership and pride in our school.



# Working Bee



# HOT LUNCH

A kind reminder to parents/carers that if your child is expecting a hot lunch please ensure this is delivered **at or 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.

# 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



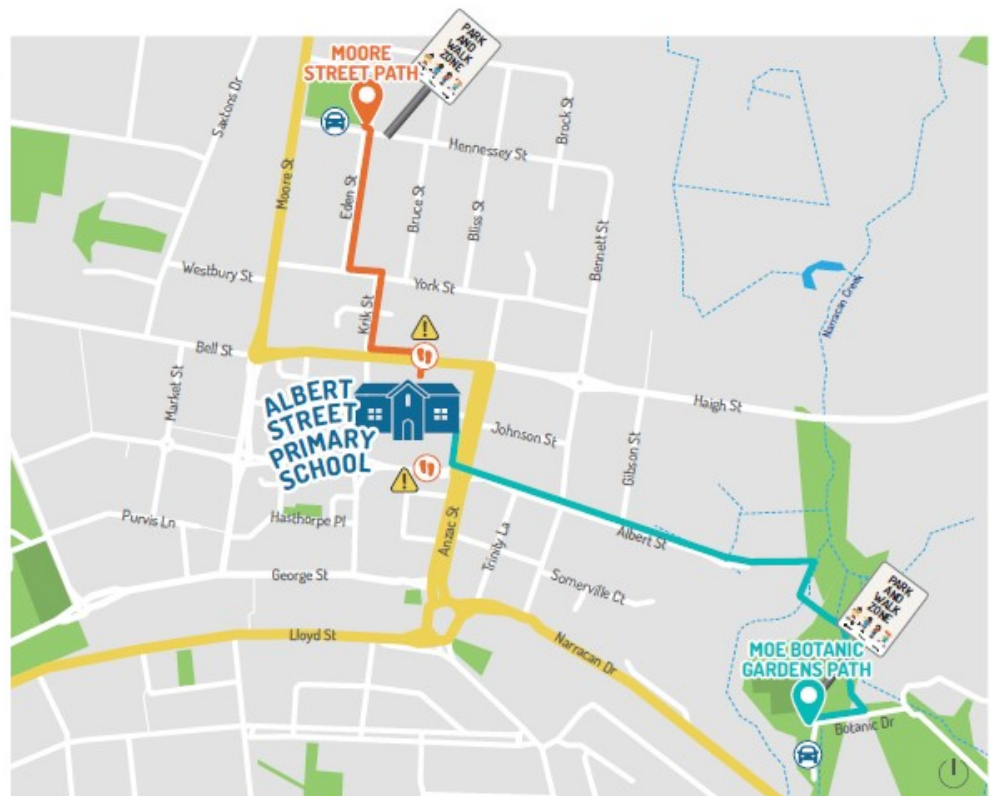
Look out for Park and Walk Zones.



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)

# MOE/NEWBOROUGH DODGERS BASEBALL CLUB



No experience necessary!

## JUNIOR BASEBALL PLAYERS WANTED

Moe/Newborough Dodgers are seeking junior players 6-15 years old to join their 2026 sides (Senior players 16+ also welcome)



Moe/Newborough Baseball Club

**Season** April - September

League teams: Moe/Newborough, Morwell, Traralgon, Churchill and Sale

**Games** Sunday morning

Start times range from 9:00am to 11:15am depending on age group

**Training** Thursdays 5pm - 6pm

Location: Burrage Reserve, John Field Drive, Newborough

**More Information** Eric Robinson (President) 0457316798  
moenewboroughbaseball@gmail.com

**Follow us** Moe/Newborough Baseball Club Inc

OUR KINDA COUNTRY INC PRESENTS

# ANNUAL RCH FUNDRAISER

15 YEARS

PROUDLY SUPPORTING **good Friday appeal** THE ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

RAFFLES

NOON UNTIL THE END

SUNDAY 29 MAR 2026

Flanagan's fish & chips

PERFORMANCE BY

LINTON & MARGARET • BILL ROWLEY • WAYNE & HELEN  
CHRIS NEWMAN • WAYNE SUTTON • BRYCE WRIGHT  
EVAN PLATSCINDA • MARGARET WILSON • GOLIN SELLINGS  
HANNY FORSTER • KARLA GLANGY • DAVID GRAHAM  
ON THE DRUMS DOUBLE BASS

ROYAL EXCHANGE TRARALGON

## Enrol for before and after school care now

...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.

www.TheirCare.com.au 1300 072 410

## SUPPORTED PLAYGROUPS

FREE

MORE THAN JUST PLAYGROUPS

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 good beginning for every child

Play2Learn Playgroups

Bringing Up Great Kids Program

Parent Coaching (one on one support)

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

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

# Stay Local

Free family fun these school holidays

## April 2026 Program

### WIGGLE & JIGGLE WILD WEATHER

9.30am to 10am  
Ages 18 months to 3 years.  
Bookings preferred.  
Churchill Library  
Tue 7 Apr

Morwell Library  
Wed 8 Apr

Traralgon Library  
Fri 10 Apr

Moe Library  
Thu 16 Apr

### STORYTIME AT THE GALLERY

Latrobe Regional  
Gallery Morwell  
Thur 9 Apr  
2pm to 3pm  
Ages 3 to 5.  
Bookings preferred.

### FAMILY MOVIE

All ages.  
Bookings preferred.  
Morwell Library  
Fri 10 Apr  
2pm to 4pm

Moe Library  
Sat 11 Apr  
9.30am to 11.30am

### GAMEFEST

1pm to 4pm  
Ages 8 to 17.  
Drop-in sessions.

Morwell Library  
Mon 13 Apr

Traralgon Library  
Tue 14 Apr

Moe Library  
Wed 15 Apr



### SPECIAL STORYTIME 'CASA MIA' WITH JOSIE MONTANO

Morwell Library  
Mon 13 Apr  
10.30am to 11.30am  
Ages 3 to 5.  
Bookings preferred.

### GIANT GAMES, LEGO MEGA BLOCKS AND SCAVENGER HUNT

All libraries. During  
opening hours.  
Tue 7 Apr to Sat 18 Apr



Scan the QR code to find  
out more and book online  
or visit your local library.

LATROBE CITY  
COUNCIL

# Stay Local

Free family fun these school holidays

## April 2026 Program

### DESIGN YOUR OWN POKEMON DRAWING WORKSHOP

Morwell Library  
Thu 16 Apr  
11am to 12noon  
Ages 7 to 12. Bookings preferred.

### DESIGN YOUR OWN FANTASY CREATURE

Morwell Library  
Thu 16 Apr  
2pm to 3.30pm  
Ages 13 to 17. Bookings preferred.

### HOLIDAY READING CLUB

Moe Library  
Fri 17 Apr  
3.30pm to 4.45pm  
Ages 8+. Bookings preferred.

### FAMILY TRIVIA

Morwell Library  
Sat 18 Apr  
2pm to 4pm  
All ages. Bookings required.

### ENCHANTED FOREST FUN DAY

Get your Enchanted Forest  
passport and collect stamps  
for the activities you do!

Traralgon Library  
Fri 17 Apr

9.30am to 12.30pm  
Drop-in sessions. All ages.

Gruffalo's Child Storytime  
9.30am to 10.30am

Arts and crafts  
10.30am to 12.30pm  
Pet rocks, fungi fun,  
leaf suncatchers and more!

### LIBRARY UP LATE - TEENS

Traralgon Library

Fri 17 Apr

6pm to 8.30pm

Ages 12+. Drop-in session.

- Trivia
- Games and Craft
- Snacks!



Scan the QR code to find  
out more and book online  
or visit your local library.

LATROBE CITY  
COUNCIL

we ndis YOU ARE INVITED TO

## 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)



we ndis YOU ARE INVITED TO

## 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)





# 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
--------------------------	---------

### Drinks

#### Milk

Chocolate / Strawberry / Plain	\$ 2.00
--------------------------------	---------

#### Fruit juice

Apple / Apple & Blackcurrant / Orange	\$ 1.20
---------------------------------------	---------

### 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

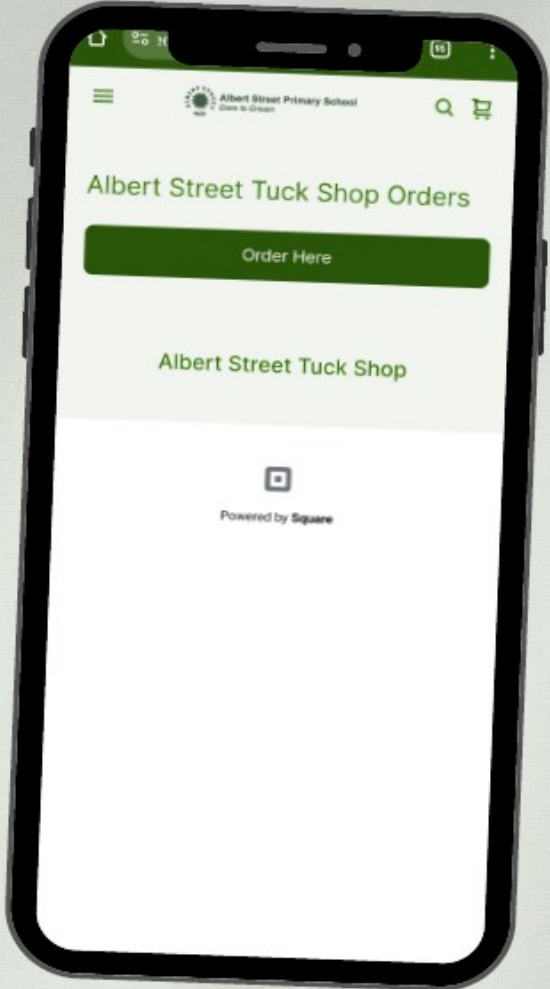
HW Food Service


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