

Calendar

7th August: Yr 5/6 Tree Planting Day

11th August: F-3 Gymnastics

18th August: F-3 Gymnastics

20th August: Bulldogs in Schools - Footy Skills Program

25th August: F-3 Gymnastics

1st September: F-3 Gymnastics

2nd September: Year 4/5/6 Anglesea camp

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9th September: Pupil Free Day

18th September: Last day - 2:30 finish

5th October: First day Term 4

16th October: Junior swimming

22nd - 23rd October: Year 2/3 camp Cave Hill Creek

30th October: Junior swimming

30th October: PFA Halloween disco

Year F/1 J

Darcy

For her wonderful efforts at morning drop-off.

Keep up the amazing work!

Year F/1 M

Lottie

For always being a friendly and caring member of our class.

Well done!

Year 2/3

Lila

For your consistent hard work in class. I love seeing your persistence and determination.

You are a superstar!

Year 3/4

Cassie

For your persistence and positive attitude at Wednesday Maths groups.

Fantastic effort!

Year 5/6

Steph

For readily taking on feedback and challenging herself.

Great work!

Newsletter #23



We had an amazing time at Sovereign Hill last Friday learning about all the occupations and careers on display from the 1850s. Students saw candlemakers, bakers, gold miners (panning and machinery), post office workers, actors on stage, carriage drivers, blacksmiths, teachers, musicians and confectioners – just to name a few. The weather was perfect and everyone asked terrific questions of all the people working in those areas at Sovereign Hill. Thank you to those parents who we asked to come along for additional support and thank you to all our staff who attended. Special thanks to Judy Hutt who organised the day and the staff who supported her.



This week we began our Writers Festival (Week 1) with a special Careers Expo! We had a range of occupations, all sourced, either directly or indirectly from our school community, on display and ready to answer questions from our students from their pre-prepared booklets (thanks Emma Murnane). Again, the organisation of this event was chiefly coordinated by Judy Hutt. Thank you so much. It was lovely to chat

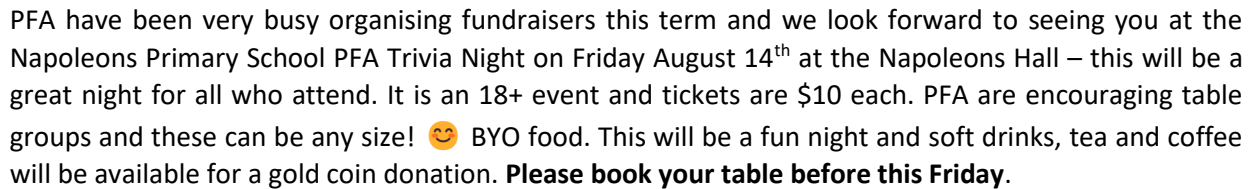
briefly to our presenters at a specially prepared morning tea (Thanks Judy, Danielle, Ace and some OSHC helpers, as well as Emma – one of our parents).

Some of the children commented on some of the Birdie's Tree resources at Emma Foster's table and she has provided a link for the free resources for families: <https://www.childrens.health.qld.gov.au/birdiestree>. I have also attached the flyer she passed on, to this newsletter. Thanks Emma.

PFA's Sausage Sizzle – This Sunday!

Thank you to those families and staff who have signed up for the roster to support our next PFA fundraiser. PFA will have a

To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do. Thank you for volunteering!



We hope everyone is able to stay warm and dry this week.

Sue IZARD 😊

Congratulations!

To Luca

Teacher: Ms Bibby & Ms Williams

Hudson

Angus

Michael G

Layla

Brody

Darcy

Remi S

Term 3 Week 4

Foundation and Year 1 had so much fun at Sovereign Hill last Friday! We did lots of walking, and the students asked some fantastic questions to the people who worked there. It was a wonderful day full of learning and fun. This week, we had Careers Day on Monday. The students were highly engaged, asking lots of questions and learning about the different jobs and careers. It was a great morning. Throughout the week, the students have also been busy writing a recount about their excursion to Sovereign Hill.

Last Friday the whole school went on an excursion to Sovereign Hill, and the day was great with beautiful weather. My highlight of the day was gold panning. We learnt about the different jobs they did back in the olden days. Gold mining was a favourite job of mine. - **Carter**

For our preparation for the Writers Festival, we have been writing a recount about our excursion to Sovereign Hill. In maths we have been learning about fractions, I enjoyed making quarters out of fractions with paper and learning about different fractions.

- Kayden

We took the bus to gymnastics and we got split into groups, learnt about stretching and I enjoyed swinging on the rope. - **Lawson**

Last week, we went to Sovereign Hill and it was really fun. We learnt about the careers that were around in the 1800s such as a printer, candlemaker or miner. We definitely would not have the patience to be a printer!! Monday's Career Day was very interesting. Highlights were seeing a 'real' cat and dressing up in the firefighter gear. The zip for the overalls reached the floor and the jacket came to our ankles. Thank you Mrs Hutt for organising our excursion and the Careers Day. We really appreciate it. We have now started writing about different careers for the Writers' Festival. In Maths, we are finishing our unit on proper fractions and in 'Wellbeing' we are looking at how to solve problems and who we can go to for help. - **Pip and Summer**

This week we have been doing a lot of writing tasks for our Writer's Festival. We have been writing a recount about our Sovereign Hill Excursion and a Careers Day reflection.

At Sovereign Hill we questioned people about their jobs and why they are important, we also did some gold panning and loved the red horses we were given. At the Careers Day it was great talking to all the people about their jobs. I loved talking to the Policeman and hearing about their undercover cars.

We're learning about fractions and decimals in maths. We read a book called The Invisible Boy. – **Chaz**



Playgroup

Playgroup is held every second Friday from 9:00am - 11:00am at the kindergarten, providing a fun and welcoming space for young children and their parents or careers to play, learn, and connect with other local families.

Remaining Term 3 Dates:

- Friday, 14 August 2026
- Friday, 28 August 2026
- Friday, 11 September 2026

Playgroup is facilitated by Danielle from OSHC.

For more information, please contact the OSHC service on 0494 322 830.



Could You Be Our Next Playgroup Facilitator?

Do you enjoy connecting with families and supporting young children through play? We are looking for a friendly and enthusiastic volunteer to take over facilitating our **Napoleons Playgroup**.

Our playgroup is a fun, safe and welcoming place where families with children aged 0–5 years can connect, build friendships, and support their children's learning and development through play. It provides a wonderful opportunity for parents and carers to meet other local families, share experiences, and become part of our school community.

Playgroup runs **every second Friday from 9:00am – 11:00am** in the kindergarten, with access to fantastic indoor and outdoor play spaces.

As the facilitator, you don't need to be an early childhood professional - just someone who is organised, welcoming, and passionate about creating a friendly space for families. Support will be provided during the handover to help you get started.

If you would like to make a positive difference in our community or would like more information, we'd love to hear from you! Please contact Danielle at OSHC on 0494 322 830.



Looking for something to do after school?

Napoleons OSHC provides a safe, welcoming and engaging environment where children enjoy activities after school such as giant bubbles, clay art, cooking, our relaxing room, outdoor adventures, and healthy afternoon snacks every day.

We are open Monday to Friday, 6:30am until the 9:00am and from 3:30pm until 6:00pm.

Session fees are as follows:

\$25 for Before School Care and \$33 for After School Care, however most families receive the Child Care Subsidy (CCS), reducing their out-of-pocket cost to around \$5 - \$8 per session on average (and some families may pay even less depending on their CCS entitlement).

We would love to welcome your family!

To enrol, please visit the [Napoleons OSHC Enrolment Page](#) or contact Danielle on 0494 322 830 for more information.



OSHC Award

Tilly S - For learning new skills confidently

Zaiden - Playing with small kids with a lot of care

Ricky – Helping with Breakfast Club

Little Angler Kits - Grade 5 students

The Victorian Government is committed to increasing the number and diversity of people fishing and enjoying Victoria's local seafood, growing healthy and sustainable fisheries sectors and contributing to Victoria's social and economic prosperity. This is why the Victorian Government distributed 95,000 Little Angler kits to primary aged students in 2023/24, via the Victorian Fisheries Authority, as part of a \$1.5M election commitment, funded via the sale of Victorian recreational fishing licences, i.e. funded by recreational fishers.

The aim of this election commitment was to continue to grow recreational fishing participation in Victoria, by actively encouraging primary school aged children to learn more about the art of fishing, marine life and the natural environment. Encouraging children to be outside and active aligns with whole of Victorian Government initiatives underway to optimise health, wellbeing, connectedness and inclusiveness in Victoria.

Following the successful implementation of the commitment, the Victorian Government will run the program again in 2026, via the Victorian Fisheries Authority, offering 82,500 Little Angler kits to primary school children in 2026.

The **FREE** kits provide a wonderful school holiday activity for children with their families and help ease the cost of living, providing a fun activity close to home.

Grade 5 students at all Victorian schools, including ours, will receive a **FREE Little Angler Kit**. Grade 5 students have been selected based on the Victorian Curriculum focus, movement and motor development, and safety considerations.

For instructional videos and online resources about where and how to fish, please visit: [Go Fishing Victoria - Little Angler Kit](#)

What is Birdie's Tree?



Birdie's Tree is a suite of resources to help babies and young children prepare for, cope with and recover from a natural disaster or disruptive event.

Birdie's Tree particularly helps support the mental health and emotional wellbeing of:

- expectant and new parents
- babies
- pre school-age children
- children in early primary school
- parents, family members, teachers, educators and other adults who care for young children

Most Birdie's Tree resources are available for free. Go to <https://www.childrens.health.qld.gov.au/natural-disaster-recovery/> or just search 'Birdie's Tree'

Birdie storybooks

From the website, you can read 11 Birdie storybooks on a computer, tablet or mobile phone. Some are in multiple languages. All have Auslan translations, and animated videos as well.

- Birdie and the Flood
- Birdie and the Storm
- Birdie and the Fire
- Birdie and the Cyclone
- Birdie and the Earthquake
- Birdie and the Drought
- Birdie and the Very Hot Day
- Birdie and the Big Sickness
- Birdie and the Virus
- Birdie and the Shelter
- Birdie and the Blizzard



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Goldilocks and The Three

Bears

Come join us at Mount Clear College to see our awesome pantomime about Goldilocks and The Three Bears! It will be performed on the 27th of August, 6pm. Our Napoleons school community is making the pantomime. The juniors will be on screen and the seniors will be on stage!

