

Calendar

21st August: Writer's Festival Celebration Day

24th August: School Council Meeting

25th August: F-3 Gymnastics

1st September: F-3 Gymnastics

2nd September: Yr 4/5/6 Anglesea Camp

9th September: Pupil Free Day

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14th September: Term 3 – Three Way Conferences

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

2nd November: Pupil free day

Year F/1 J

Franklin

For his growing independence in and out of the classroom.

Well done!

Year F/1 M

Aurora

For creating some wonderful writing pieces for The Writer's Festival.

Keep up your amazing efforts!

Year 2/3

Dylan

For his exceptional effort in completing all writing tasks for our Writer's Festival.

You're a superstar!

Year 3/4

Riley J-C

For putting in a great effort on his 'dream-job' poster for the festival.

Fantastic effort!

Year 5/6

Blake

For showing great persistence in his learning and his willingness to give new things a go.

Great work!

Newsletter #25

PFA's Trivia night



We had an amazing time at the Trivia Night last Friday. Thank you to our PFA who set everything up for the evening, organised silent auction items and cleaned up at the end of the night. Thank you to our very own Trivia-Extraordinaire MC team of Amy Fitzgerald and Gabbie Jones who led the night and the organisation of each trivia round. Finally thank you to those school community members and their friends and family who attended in support of our school, with a special thank you to the few people who bought tickets, were unable, at the last minute, to attend and donated their ticket money anyway. The profits amounted to approximately \$1400. Amazing! A definite fundraiser to repeat another year.

Year 6 students head off to Somers Camp.

Today we welcomed back our Somers Camp students and heard about some of their adventures. It is a big effort to spend 9 days away from family in a completely new environment. Our students have done so well. Understandably we had a few absences today, however from those students who have returned today, these were some of their reflections:

"I enjoyed the challenge swing! I was scared to start with, but I conquered my fear!" - **Ella**

"It was a great experience (especially the abseiling), and I wish I could do it again." - **Matilda**

"I liked the flying fox because it was a 100+m long and you got to go really fast!" - **Morgan**

Writers Festival



We are so excited with the work that is appearing on our walls throughout the school in celebration of our students' writing as part of our Writers Festival. We are looking forward to seeing you all tomorrow afternoon from 2pm to see for yourselves. **We have invited students to dress up in the dress of the career they would like to have when they grow up tomorrow as part of our celebration.**

We invite you to participate in the 2026 Parent/Carer Opinion Survey

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Carer Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

This survey is open now and will remain open until Friday 18th September.

The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese. Resources are also available in additional languages to assist parents / carers who speak a language other than English at home. Please contact your child's teacher, or the school directly for survey guides in your language. Please see the Compass notification for the steps involved in completing the survey.

Napoleons Primary School Pantomime: *Goldilocks and the Three bears...and friends!*



We have a week to go! It is very exciting and a great way to celebrate this year's Book Week with the theme *A Symphony of Stories*. We have already started selling tickets for our performance. Make sure you get yours! I would like to congratulate one of our Year 6 students, Flynn, for demonstrating the School Values of Perseverance and Creativity. Flynn designed the tickets, especially for the Pantomime.

Well done and thank you.

Goldilocks and the Three Bears...and friends will be performed at the Mount Clear College Theatre on Thursday 27th August at 6:00 pm.

The cost will be \$2.00 per person or \$5.00 for a family.

Tickets are now available for purchase at the school office and will also be available to purchase on night.

Thank you for supporting your rising superstars in their creative endeavors and we look forward to seeing you at the pantomime!



Book Week reminder - All students are invited to dress as a favourite character from a book they like to read on Friday 28th August.

While we are seeing some early evidence of Spring, it is still cold and wet, so stay warm and dry.

Kindest regards,

Sue Izard 😊
Principal



Maths Magic

To Ricky

For giving all learning tasks a go and a great, positive attitude to maths.

Teacher: Mrs Gartlan

For 75 Nights
Bayleigh
Ricky
For 150 Nights
Franklin
Amara
Hollie S
For 200 Nights
Rossi
Sarah

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, 28 August 2026
- Friday, 11 September 2026



Playgroup is facilitated by Danielle from OSHC. **For more information, please contact the service on 0494 322 830.**

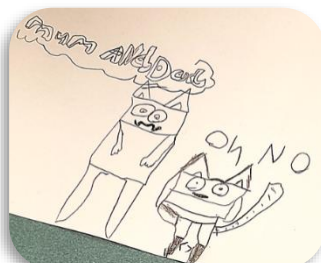
This Week in OSHC

This week in OSHC, the children have been very crafty and creative! The children have enjoyed making their own squishies using paper and cotton balls, as well as building forts, cars and rockets out of boxes.

LEGO and loom bands have also been very popular, with many children challenging themselves to create new and more complex designs. The children have been fantastic at helping each other learn how to make new things and sharing their ideas and skills.

When they wanted to challenge themselves further, the children have been using tutorials to learn new techniques and develop their skills. It has been wonderful to see the children working together, sharing knowledge and encouraging each other while exploring their creativity.

What a creative week we've had at OSHC!



OSHC Award

Alayna – for showing school values in her role modelling

Obie – for being a good friend to many

Class News

Term 3 Week 6

F/1 J and M

Another week of busy writing for our Foundation and Year 1 students! We are looking forward to sharing all our Foundation and Year 1 students' beautiful writing. They have worked super hard, and we are so proud of their efforts!

In Maths, we continued learning about left and right. Students had lots of fun using Bee-Bots and Bee-Bot maps to practise giving directions and working out which way the Bee-Bot would go left or right!

We look forward to seeing our families on Friday afternoon for our Writers' Festival!

I liked playing inside with my friends on the wet day timetable. - **Karson F/1J**

I had fun writing about lots of different things. - **Brooklyn F/1MF**

2/3

This week we have been working on place value. We have been reading Mrs Murnane's mind and guessing what 4-digit number she is thinking of. We have been enjoying going to Gymnastics. Kendrix's favourite part of gymnastics is jumping into the foam pit. Talon has learnt how to do a front flip on the bar. Carter has loved swinging on the ropes.

We have been working hard to make an amazing Writer's Festival experience for our families. We can't wait for you to see what we have produced in the last 4 weeks!

3/4

In 3/4 we have been busy working on pieces for tomorrow's festival. We can't wait to show all of our amazing work. Today we had a Western Bulldogs Football Clinic. We played footy training games and practised kicking and handballing. I think I was the best at handballing!! In the latest chapters of Wonder, we heard from Justin's point of view and August got new hearing aids. Today, we read some sad chapters as their family dog got sick and died. Some of the class had to finish reading the chapter as Ms Williams started crying and couldn't finish. - **Hunter**

5/6

In PE this week, we have our Bulldog Football Clinic, where we are looking forward to developing our football skills and meeting some of the Western Bulldogs players. In Maths, we have been learning about prime, composite, square and triangular numbers. These help us to understand the properties of numbers and build our problem-solving skills.

We welcome back our Somers Camp students today and look forward to hearing all about their adventures and experiences at camp.

Tomorrow is our Writer's Festival Celebration! We will be dressing up as people from careers we might like to have in the future. We are also excited to share our writing pieces about different careers, so please come along and have a look!

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30am - 8:55am.

Come along for a relaxed start to the day, with breakfast available before school.

It's a great opportunity for students to grab something to eat, catch up with friends and start the day feeling ready to learn!

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.

Term 3 - Three Way Conferences

Monday 14th of September 2026

School will finish and students will need to be picked up at 12:30pm

Compass bookings are NOW open.

Gender and Identity (Topic 7) & Positive Gender Relations (Topic 8)

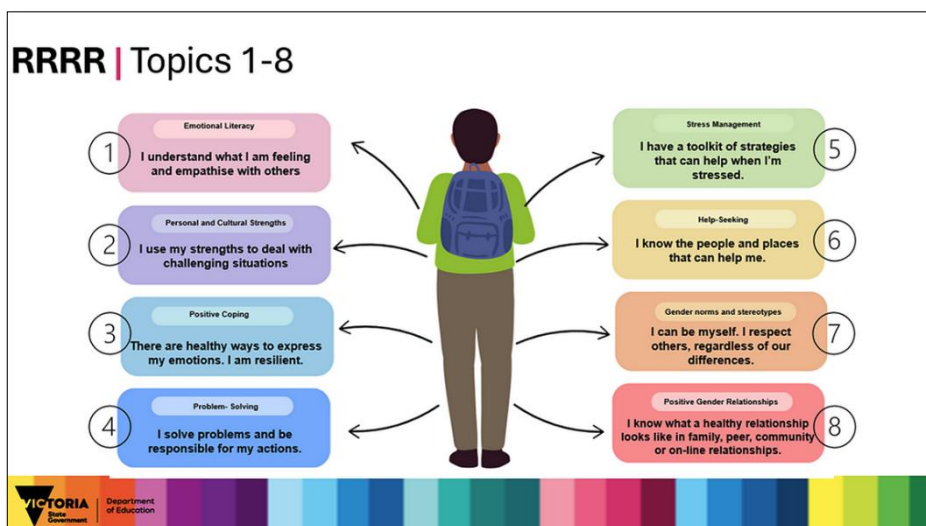
Over the coming weeks, students will continue their Respectful Relationships learning, focusing on Gender and Identity and Positive Gender Relations.

Students will learn that everyone is different and that people may understand and express their identity in different ways. They will discuss the importance of respecting others and using kind and inclusive language, including understanding pronouns such as *he*, *she* and *they*.

Students will also explore gender stereotypes and how expectations about what boys and girls should do, look like or enjoy can affect people. They will discuss ways to challenge stereotypes and help everyone feel safe, valued and included.

These lessons will be age-appropriate and focus on respect, kindness, inclusion and positive relationships.

We will be organising a family information session to give parents and carers an opportunity to access further information and ask questions. Please keep an eye out in the coming newsletters for further information.



Bulling No Way Week – Small Acts Big Impact National week of action 17-21 August 2026

As part of this week, students throughout the school have participated in creating two collages. These represent creating a sense of belong in our school, embracing acts of kindness and celebrating individual differences. Our focus has been on contributing to safe and accepting environment.

Christine Gartlan

Wellbeing Leader | Classroom Teacher – 5/6

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!

Epic!

action

Funny!



RESPECT

our school staff



"I need to
speak to you
right now."



**Be the role model
your child deserves.**



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