

# Napoleons Primary School Newsletter #20



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## Calendar

- 28<sup>th</sup> June – End Term 2.30pm Finish
- 15<sup>th</sup> July – Start Term 3
- 26<sup>th</sup> July – MCG & Museum Excursion
- 2<sup>nd</sup> August – Working Bee 3.30pm-4.30pm
- 3<sup>rd</sup> August – Working Bee 9am-11.30am
- 9<sup>th</sup> August – Writers Festival Celebration
- 17<sup>th</sup> August – School Council Meeting
- 20<sup>th</sup> August – F-3 Gymnastics

**Year F/1**  
**Thomas C.**  
For trying his best during our Sounds-Write sessions  
Well done Thomas!

**Year 1/2/3**  
**Summer D.**  
For always caring for others and coming to school with a big smile!

**Year 4/5**  
**Lumen F.**  
For her amazing insect narrative with a twist

**Year 5/6**  
**Xavier F.**  
For his thoughtful 'A Banner Bold' project.  
Well done Xavier!



## Thank you to all our staff, students and families for all your efforts in Term 2.

It has been a very long term – 11 weeks. We have accomplished and achieved great things with our learning, celebrated *Belonging* through our disco, jelly bean day, our Mothers' Day Breakfast and our whole school trip to the Alice in Wonderland production. We have demonstrated *Perseverance* through our Winter sports and Cross Country, classroom learning and through a variety of illnesses in families and staff throughout the term. We have been *Creative* in our classroom learning, with

STEAM and the Arts (Music), our Electives and in our planning of events like WinterMania (which is tomorrow!). Finally we have exhibited great *Respect* to our new students, our Kindergarten children, visitors to our school and to each other. Well done to all for showing strength in our school values.



## It's working bee time – a date for your diaries!

Please put **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August (3:30-4:30pm)** in your diaries as well as, **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> August (9am - 11:30am)**. You can attend both or one or the other. Children welcome to come and help too. We will have pebble rock to spread in place of the shrubs we remove, and we may transplant some of the smaller shrubs along our fence line at the far side of the oval. Morning tea will be offered on the Saturday.

Please bring along tools if you have them – we are likely to need pitchforks, mattocks, shovels and spades. Bring a sturdy pair of gloves and a coat in case of cold weather. Help us to keep our school safe.

## Chicken care over the holidays



Due to the recent outbreak of Avian Flu (Bird Flu) around the Meredith area, guidelines state that we cannot have our chickens go to a home over the holidays, they must stay on school property. Usually Michael and Ethan's family take them for a little holiday at their place. These holidays I would like to thank Ivy for caring for the chickens at school. Ivy lives locally and will visit the chickens as per a holiday roster. I'll be in and out of the school too and we will ensure they are well over the break.



Thanks to Hollie's family for taking Rapha for a vacation at their place.



**Sienna D.**

**Congratulations!**  
**For 125 Nights Reading**  
**Olivia D.**  
**For 150 Nights Reading**  
**Eloise T.**



### Thank you Jack!

We have been so fortunate to work with Jack Yang for the last few years as a strong support for our Chinese Program. As previously announced, next term we will move to Auslan as our Language Other Thank English or LOTE. We thank Jack for all his enthusiasm and we will continue to see him as he will now provide some Tai Chi instruction through our PE lessons in Term 3. We look forward to your new role Jack! 😊

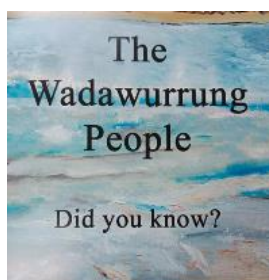
### Goodluck Chloe!

Today we also farewelled Chloe as she finishes up to have her second child. We have loved having Chloe work with us this semester in 4/5 and as the PE teacher. We wish her and her family all the very best and look forward to when she can come and visit us with her new family member. 😊



### Welcome Vicki Anderson to our team!

I would like to welcome Vicki Anderson to our staff for Semester 2. Vicki has been working as a relieving teacher throughout this term and has quickly established a great working relationship with staff and students. Vicki will replace Chloe in the 4/5 class, in PE and will take on an additional day as a Performing Arts teacher. This is to release me from some classroom teaching in preparation for the School Review work this term. We are so excited to work with Vicki as she comes with considerable experience and expertise/



*Before the arrival of Europeans there were about 700 separate groups which spoke at least 250 different languages. These languages derived from 26 distinct family-like groups which were as different from each other as Japanese [is to] English.*

*In the most recent survey, in 2014, only around 120 languages are still spoken, compared with 145 languages in the previous survey done in 2005. Of these 120 languages, only 13 are considered strong, 5 fewer than before. The good news is that about 30 or more languages all over Australia are seeing significant levels of use by people of all ages as a result of*

*language programs and the Wadawurrung People are no exception to this important work. The Wadawurrung language is now available to read and listen to on a free language app. Have a search and download the app if you are interested.*

**Reference:** Queenscliff Point Lonsdale Community Enterprise p.8

We hope everyone has a warm and restful holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone in Term 3.

Kindest regards

Sue Izard 😊

Principal

## Class News

### Term 2 Week 11

F/1

What an amazing term we have had in F/1. We have all come such a long way since we started our school year and have learnt so much already! We have all been very excited about our Winter Fun Day on Friday and can't wait to celebrate the end of term with a special day. We hope everyone has a lovely holiday and we can't wait to see you all again for a wonderful Term 3!

1/2/3

We worked on a 'Winter' addition activity today in Maths and used different strategies to work out the answers. We played some Sounds-Write games and wrote some silly sentences in Writing today. Tomorrow, we are looking forward to 'Winter Mania' and can't wait to watch a movie with the whole school. We have had a great term together and we're looking forward to restful holidays too!

4/5

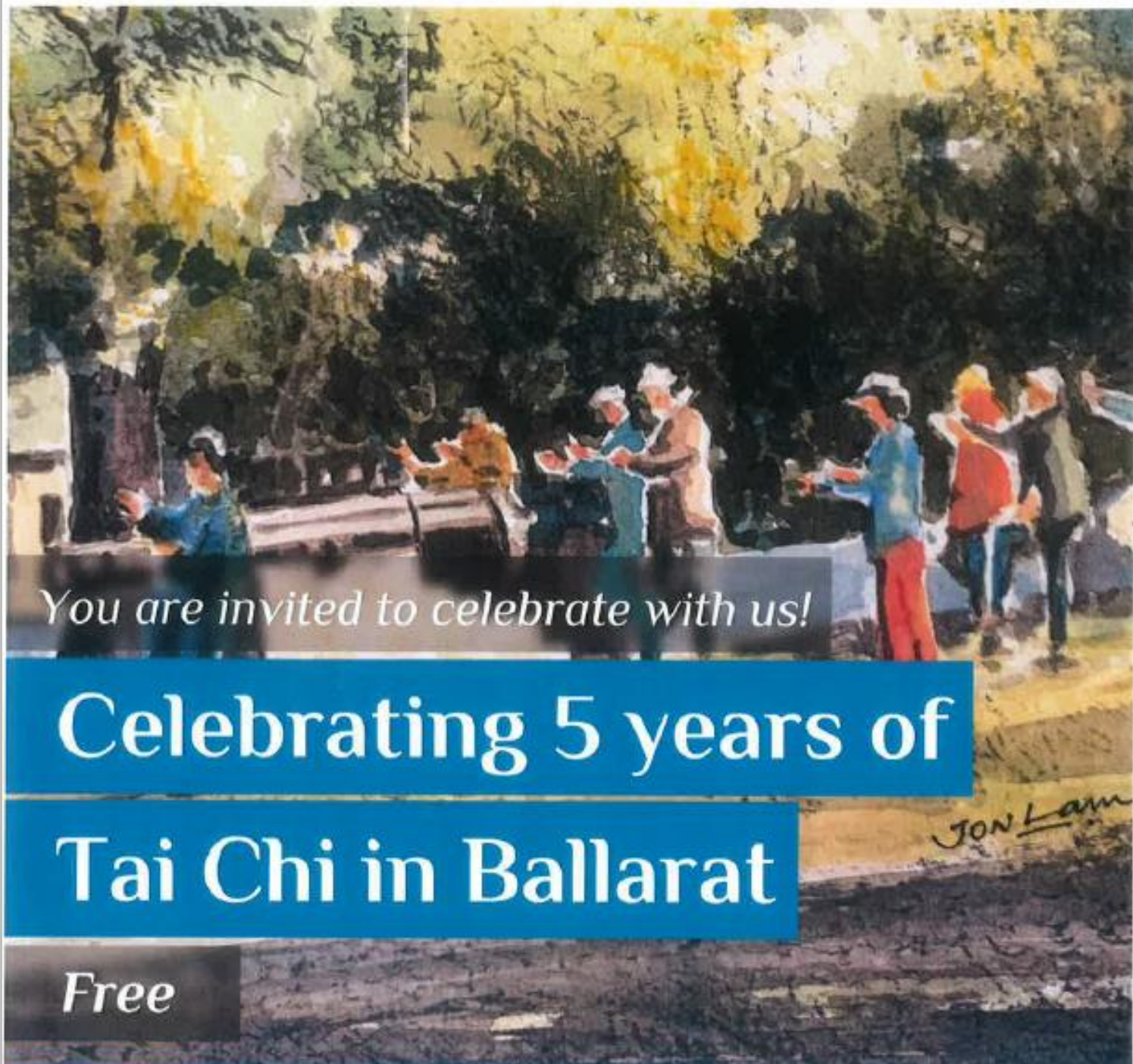
Insect Writing - The little things that run the world! This week we have explored the world of insects and created a range of writing pieces including insects diaries, news reports, life cycles and amazing ants. Check out our writing displayed in the open learning area.

Did you know that bees have five eyes?

5/6

This week we have finished our 'A Banner Bold' projects and our teachers were super impressed with our efforts. We had a really fun Maths lesson today, measuring ourselves and then reducing ourselves to half the size! It's hard to believe the end of the term is tomorrow and we are excited to finish with a Winter Woolies Day!





*You are invited to celebrate with us!*

# Celebrating 5 years of Tai Chi in Ballarat

*Free*

Ballarat Welcome Centre, 25-39 Barkly St, Bakery Hill

**10:30am - 1:00pm, Saturday 29 June, 2024**

Come and enjoy our Taichi show, music, exotic food and more.

For enquiries please contact Jack Yang on **0414 635 889**

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**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

## **Napoleons Primary School Fete**

Dear Prospective Stallholder,

We would like to give you the opportunity to have a stall at our School Fete, which is being organised by the Napoleons Primary School Parents and Friends Association (PFA). The Napoleons Primary School is hosting their fete on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024 from 4pm to 7pm at the school 4721 Ballarat-Colac Road, Napoleons.

We have indoor and outdoor stalls available for \$30 and are seeking a wide range of stallholders.

If you are interested to be a stallholder at our School Fete, please email us at [napoleons.ps.pfa@gmail.com](mailto:napoleons.ps.pfa@gmail.com) and we will send you an application form to fill in and return to our email address.

The fundraising efforts of the Fete will directly benefit our school in learning opportunities and equipment for the students of Napoleons Primary School.

Thank you for your time and if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

Tanya Putt  
PFA President  
Napoleons Primary School.

**Market Stalls**

**Food/Drinks**

**Raffles**

**Fun Games**

**Kids Activities**

**Amusement  
Area**

**and much more**

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## School Holiday Fun - FREE Come and Try Day

Date: Saturday 29 June 2024

Time: 2.00pm to 5.00pm

Location: 499 Dowling St Wendouree

Don't be bored on school holidays, bring your mates and have some fun!

- No experience needed
- All equipment provided (just wear some runners)
- Expert help available on the day for tips and rules
- Simply turn up and have a hit in our HEATED stadium!

New Juniors players wanted - try out your skills, have some fun and join our awesome juniors competition after the holidays!

For more info on the FREE Come and Try Day or our Juniors Competition:  
Contact: Baden Cutts  
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Web: [revolutionise.com.au/ballaratta/](http://revolutionise.com.au/ballaratta/)



# NETSTARS

## NETBALL CLINIC

Hosted by Julie Prendergast  
3 x World Champion & Commonwealth Games Gold Medalist



**BALLARAT -**  
Selkirk Stadium

DATE: Friday 12th July 2024  
TIME: 9am - 3pm  
AGES: 7 - 14 years old  
COST: \$90 per participant



Every participant receives a Netstars T-shirt

Book Online: [www.netstarsnetball.com.au](http://www.netstarsnetball.com.au)



# Kinship Carer Support Groups

All Carers are welcome to come and have a chat in a safe and supportive environment.

## Daylesford - Thursday

- 10.30 am - 12.00 pm
- Address will be advised after registration
- 30 May, 27 June, 25 July, 29 August, 31 October and 28 November

## Ararat - Tuesday

- 10.30 am - 12.00 pm
- Ararat Hotel, 130 Barkly Street, Ararat
- 6 May, 11 June, 6 August, 3 September, 8 October and 12 November

## Bacchus Marsh - Monday

- 10.30 am - 12.00 pm
- Baby Black Cafe, 10 Church St, Bacchus Marsh
- 20 May, 17 June, 29 July, 19 August, 16 September, 14 October and 18 November

## Ballarat - Wednesday

- 10.30 am - 12.00 pm
- Clothesline Cafe, 202 Humfray Street South, Ballarat
- 15 May, 26 June, 24 July, 14 August, 11 September, 23 October and 20 November



To register or enquire about any of Cafs Kinship Carer Support

Groups please contact:

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