

Napoleons Primary School

Newsletter #29

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Calendar

16th September – School Council Meeting

17th September – F-3 Gymnastics

20th September – Footy Day & End Term 2.30pm Finish

21st October – School Council Meeting

24th-25th October – Yr 2/3 Camp

5th November – Melbourne Cup Day (No School)

11th November – Remembrance Day

18th November – School Council Meeting & Dinner

Year F/1

Nate M.

For helping others during our ICT lesson

Well done

Year 1/2/3

Nirvana B.

For working well in a pair during maths to budget for the playground

Year 4/5

Michael H.

For using great word choices when constructing sentences

Year 5/6

Becky T.

For her reflection on learning and sharing in Maths

Well done!

It is tonight! Don't miss out! Tickets still available at the door from 5:45pm.



We hope you have seen the Facebook reel recently posted showing a glimpse of our students having their final rehearsal for our Pantomime. If you haven't seen it, have a look here.

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/8475094729180239>

It's *The Three Little Pigs* – but not as you know it – Come and see our Pantomime!

All our students are contributing to our production of *The Three Little Pigs* – a Napoleons Primary School Pantomime. We look forward to seeing everyone come along. Tickets are \$2 per person or \$5 per family and the production will premier in a **One Night Only performance at the Gay E. Gough Theatre at Mount Clear College on Thursday 12th September at 6pm.**

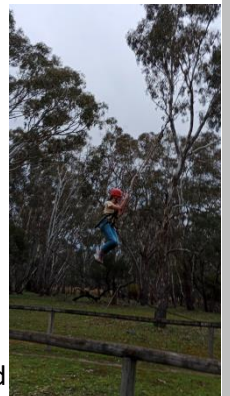


Year 4/5/6 Grampians Camp

All students enjoyed the activities they participated in, as part of the Grampians Retreat Year 4/5/6 camp. While we did get a bit wet – the coats you packed served us well – it was fantastic to see students explore different activities and be brave with new challenges, from the 4.5km walk up to a scenic lookout, to the flying fox and giant swing.



Thanks to all the staff at the camp who kept us well fed and to all the Napoleons Primary School staff who attended and looked after everyone. Congratulations to all our students, for your courage to try new things and for your resilience while away from home - you made a very positive impression on the camp organisers and represented our school well.



Fathers' Day Breakfast

Thanks to all those Dads and Special Friends who were able to join us on a windy morning on Monday for our Fathers' Day Breakfast. Under the shelter of the deck area outside the senior building, we were able to have a tasty and sheltered breakfast. A massive thank you to all staff who arrived at 7:30am to cook the eggs and bacon for our families.

3-way conferences – Monday 9th September

Thank you to all parents/carers who were able to attend our 3-way conferences on Monday afternoon. Well done to those students who presented their learning and achievements as part of these conferences. It is a great opportunity for students to take the lead in these conversations and one of the ways students have a voice as part of their education. Great work!



Our Twilight Fete!

Please send in your recipes for our Napoleons Primary School Cookbook. We would love to share all your favourites with everyone.

Please contact the PFA or see our Facebook page if you are interested in being a store holder and let others know if they wish to also hold a stall. A Friday afternoon/evening means our Fete shouldn't interfere with any other markets that are usually on during weekends. Students are getting excited about stalls and activities that we will offer at the fete.

https://www.facebook.com/events/1611625699753246/?acontext=%7B%22event_action_history%22%3A%5B%7D



Reminders

Parent and Carer Opinion Survey for Napoleons Primary School is now open – please complete to support our school's ongoing improvement. **This survey has been extended and closes on Friday 20th September – please have your say.**



Department of Education

2024 PARENT / CAREGIVER / GUARDIAN OPINION SURVEY:

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian 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.

Extension: The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday 29 July to Friday 20th September 2024.**

All families are invited to participate in the survey. **The more families who participate, the more representative the results will be for our school community.**

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. All survey data is de-identified and therefore your responses are anonymous.

The survey can be accessed through the following website <https://www.orima.com.au/parent> and the login link will be distributed via COMPASS and email.

Congratulations to our athletes

Today we had a number of students representing Napoleons Primary School at the Divisional Athletics at Llaberris in Ballarat. Congratulations Arthur, Bella, Eloise, Olivia, Xavier, Tilly, Pippa and Leroy on making this level of the competition.

COVID is still here

We have had a number of COVID cases this week – please monitor your children carefully for cold or flu-like symptoms and if you have any concerns, please use a RAT (rapid antigen test) or contact your doctor. People with a positive COVID test must remain home while symptomatic.



Sue Izard
Principal



For 150 Nights

Bella D.

For 175 Nights

Zavier M.



For 200 Nights

Sienna D.

Ethan H.

Anna M.

Reader

of the

WEEK!



Hunter R.

Class News

Term 3 Week 9

F/1

In F/1 this week in literacy we have been learning about procedures. We wrote the steps about how to brush our teeth and make fairy bread. In maths we have been experimenting with measurement. We weighed items to find out which was heavier and measured the capacity of various items using sand in the sand pit (some students even snuck in the odd sand castle or two!) Thank you to the families that came in for 3 way conferences this week, it was great to share your child's learning with you.

1/2/3

Grade 1/2/3 have been working on informative writing. They have all chosen an animal they are interested in and have been writing an animal report. In maths, students have been collecting data and using it to design a playground. Sadly, Miss Gatacre will be having her last day on Monday, we will miss having her. Miss Bibby's last day is on Wednesday and we wish her all the best with her new baby!

4/5

It was great to see the students enjoying and challenging themselves at the Grampians Camp last week. There certainly were some highlights, including the giant swing, the flying fox, cooking, bush art as well as the food! We have finished our class novel Kimmi and are currently working our Reader Response Choice Boards to demonstrate and extend our understanding of what we have read. There is an excited buzz in anticipation of tonight's Pantomime and we look forward to seeing the final show.

5/6

Well done to our students that led our Learning Conferences on Monday. We were very proud of the way you shared your work and enjoyed hearing you reflect on your learning goals.

The students have been working hard on biography writing, and turning their research into amazing educational videos using Canva. If you would like to see your child's video, they could log into Canva at home using their Google Classroom log in, or download their completed video onto a USB to bring home.



All Foundation to Year 3 students are invited to have their eyes checked. If they required glasses they will be free through State School Relief.

Please complete the form sent home today or collect another from the office.

Forms due by 20th September.

The advertisement for Genesis Music School features a young girl with an afro hairstyle playing a violin. The background is a vibrant purple and blue. The text 'Genesis Music School' is at the top, with the tagline 'Discover the world of music' below it. The main message 'ENROL NOW LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE' is written in large, white, bold letters. A list of instruments is provided: VIOLIN, CELLO, KEYBOARD, and GUITAR. At the bottom, the contact information '0401 951 592' and 'www.genesismusicschool.com.au' is displayed, along with a QR code in the bottom right corner.



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SESSION 2: 10.30AM - 12:30PM
SESSION 3: 1.15PM - 3:15PM

CHILDREN AGED 4 TO 12
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Friday 8th 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 8th 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 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

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and much more

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Grampians Mental Health and Wellbeing Connect

For families and carers



We will provide a warm and welcoming space for family, carers, kin and supporters of all ages and backgrounds of people with mental health and/or substance use challenges. You will be able to connect with peers, access tailored information, resources, advocacy, support (individual and group-based), and brokerage funds through Tandem's Carer Support Fund.

All of our staff have a lived experience of supporting someone. We are here listen to families, carers, kin and supporters, and we offer a variety of supports based on your specific needs. We are currently providing phone-based services while we establish our support service offering.

Support is available for people in the Ararat, Ballarat, Golden Plains, Hepburn, Hindmarsh, Horsham, Moorabool, Northern Grampians, Pyrenees, West Wimmera, and Yarriambiack local government areas.

Telephone 1800 962 008 or email
GrampiansMHWConnect@mindaustralia.org.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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