

Napoleons Primary School Newsletter #21

3rd July 2025

Calendar

3rd July - whole school Footy clinic

4th July - Last day - 2:30 finish

1st August – Writers festival excursion – bird world

4th - 14th August - Writers festival

15th August – Celebration day with pancakes by the PFA

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18th - 22nd August - Book week

27th – 29th August – 4/5/6 camp in Melbourne

5th September – Fathers Day breakfast and stall

19th **September** – Last day 2:30 finish

3rd November – Pupil free day – report preparation

4th **November** – Melbourne Cup Holiday – No students

Year F/1

Darcy

For her consistent efforts in every lesson.

Well done Darcy! Keep working hard.

Year 1/2

Kayden

For his consistent effort and enthusiasm in all areas of his learning.

Year 3/4

Ricky

For his effort and enthusiasm during the STEAM incursion on Tuesday

Year 5/6 G

River

For her detailed responses to reading and showing her understanding of our 'Race for Reconciliation' text

Year 5/6 H

Charlotte

For always
having a positive
'have-go'
attitude!

Our Amazing Walkathon!















Thank you to Mrs McKaye, Mrs O and the Junior School Council for all their hard work preparing for Monday's walkathon in support of the Brown family. We had an amazing day. After some initial drizzle, the sun came out and was warm while we walked. Students walked, some ran, all students gave their very best to clock up as many laps as they could. It was lovely to see parents, grandparents and younger siblings also join in. Thank you to all those who attended and a special thanks to our staff for supporting the event and managing the lap cards, the marking, the snacks afterwards. It was a tremendous way to demonstrate our value of *Belonging*; supporting school community members with the whole school community. We have raised over \$3200 thanks to the generosity of everyone in our school community.

STEAM Incursion

On Tuesday students were visited from students from the University of Melbourne and they gave a series of workshops regarding engineering in renewable energy, budgeting and resilient housing across all classes.

Wednesday Wool Club









We have had great interest and success with our Wednesday Wool Club, which occurs on a Wednesday lunch time. We have a regular 8 or 9 students who turn up each Wednesday to learn or practice their knitting skills. Well done to everyone and especially those who have come along to learn something new. Many thanks to Marion for being our regular volunteer in our crafty Wednesday lunchtimes with wool. Marion has also donated a range of different balls of wool for our use. This is greatly appreciated – Thank you!

Happy Holidays

It is incredible to consider how quickly this term has flown by. By now you should have your child/children's reports via compass. My thanks to our staff for their contributions and diligence in preparing these reports. If you have any concerns or queries with respect to the reports, please contact your child's class teacher.

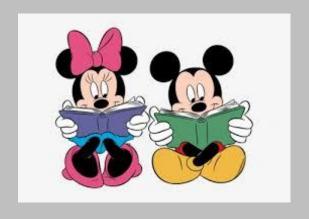
We wish everyone an enjoyable and safe two-week vacation and we look forward to another busy and productive Term 3.



Sue Izard Principal







Class News

Term 2 Week 11

F/1

On Tuesday, we had some special visitors and we built some pretend houses. Then we put water on it to see if the house didn't break down.

We have been reading Thelma the Unicorn this week and we are excited to watch the movie tomorrow. Happy holidays everyone! By Skylar and Ollie O.

1/2

The 1/2 class have written a 'Sounds Write' poem for the newsletter this week

The toad and the frog
Sit on the log
With a hog in the fog
Turning a cog in the bog

3/4

At the Walk-a-Thon we got to dress up in fun animal costumes and donate money for the laps we did to The Brown Family. (Nirvana)

We have finished our class novel and today we watched 'Charlotte's Web' the movie. It was so fun! (Ruby) In the STEAM Incursion, we had to make houses that could survive natural disasters. My house survived a cyclone, rain and earthquake! (Summer)

Today, we participated in a footy clinic with the Western Bulldogs. It was really fun! (Rusty) Enjoy the holidays and see you in Term 3! (Everyone in Grade 3/4)

5/6 G and H

We can't believe we are halfway through the year!! Grade 6s only have 6 more months of primary school! As usual we have fit so much into this week. The walkathon was a great success on Monday with all students enjoying themselves and doing their best. The costumes were amazing! Please come to the OLA to see all our fantastic work around this term's class novel-Our Race For Reconciliation either before or after school. We hope that everyone enjoys a restful and happy holiday!



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Footy clinic From PE teacher Ashlea

To support our PE program of AFL skills in Term 3, Napoleons PS is offering a whole-school clinic run by a Western Bulldogs facilitator. The clinic is called the "Bulldogs In Schools – Footy Skills Program" and will be offered as a 50-minute session during your child's regular PE lesson on Thursday 3rd of July.

The Footy Skills Program will include footy drills and mini games



OSHC News with Danielle and Kristen

This week in OSHC, we had a fantastic time making dinosaur-themed dioramas and enjoyed a fun class party to farewell Zavier. We'll miss him dearly but are so excited for his next adventure at a new school! We're also looking forward to wrapping up the term with our very own dinosaur-themed end-of-term party—what a roar-some way to finish!







OSHC Award - From Tinka

Ricky P

For always giving her the best cuddles and lots of love

Napoleons OSHC enrolment form link below:

https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment_v2/centre/x59V4dmEiRga0jfjM94231W4yA?param=



Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is open on Tuesday and Friday, between 8:30 and 9:00, in the ASLAN and OSHC room. There is cereal, toast, fruit, and milk available.



Playgroup

Napoleons Primary School Play Group

Playgroup sessions operate with Danielle Edwards, our OSHC Educator, every **2 weeks from 9am to 11am**. Sessions are hosted in the second room of the Napoleons Kindergarten. Playgroup is open to parents and their children who are under school age (from babies up to 5 years of age)

The dates for Term 3 are:



31st July 14th August 28th August





Our Walkathon

It was a very cold morning when the whole school dressed up as animals and did laps of the oval. I did 11. But if you needed a break, you could get your hair sprayed and get a tattoo. I did not do any of them. When we walked over to the oval it started to rain but when we got there it stopped.

As we got ready to start, we clumped together at the starting line. When the music started that's when we went. 3...2...1...Hey Ho Let's Go was playing. We all rushed out of the starting line. I did the first 6 laps alone.

Then I caught up with Joey. (He was in a cat costume). We did 4 laps together then we stopped and had a 10-minute break. When Joey was getting a tattoo, I ran 1 more lap and then it was over.

When we finished, we went to the OSCH club room for snacks. I had a fruit cup and milk. Then we went back to our classroom. At lunchtime some people got prizes. When they called out my name my heart dropped! It was massive! I was dressed up as a bunny.

The walkathon was to support the Brown Family (Rusty, Leroy, Pip and Carmen).

By Alex







Sharpen your footy skills at one of our School Holiday Programs in Regional Victoria

Suitable for kids aged 4-12.

WEEK 1

THUR, JULY 10 — GORDON STREET RESERVE, ARARAT FRI, JULY 11 — CITY OVAL, BALLARAT

WEEK 2

MON, JULY 14 — CIVIC HUB, BACCHUS MARSH FRI, JULY 18 — ALL GIRLS PROGRAM — CITY OVAL, BALLARAT

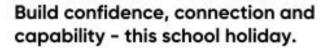
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Paw Pals Program



Since 2022, Paw Pals has partnered with local Ballarat schools to support student wellbeing through therapy dog-assisted learning.

We're excited to bring our school holiday program to Ballarat! Our free program builds on the foundation of Paw Pals with fun, engaging activities designed to strengthen peer connection, boost selfconfidence, and foster independence.



(Observed) massive jump in attendance... increase in confidence... noticeable improvement this term in attitude and application in class... making connections more easily.

Classroom Teacher



Free



Grades 4-6



July 7th, July 10th, July 11th



Lucas Community Hub, 17 Coltman Plaza, Lucas

Activities are based on the Paw Pals Curriculum, which aligns with the general capabilities in the Victorian Curriculum.

Spots are limited. Get in touch with us today to secure your place.

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