

18th September 2025

Calendar

18th September – Student last day
3:30 finish

19th September – Maths focus –
Pupil free day

14th October – 2026 foundation
transition day (9-11am)

17th October – Food fight colour run

24th October – Swimming for
Foundation – grade 3

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28th October – 5/6 Auslan excursion

31st October – Swimming for
Foundation – grade 3

1st November – Bunnings BBQ

3rd November – Assessment and
reporting - Pupil free day

4th November – Melbourne Cup
Holiday – No students

5th November – Students return

Year F/1

Angus S.

For being a
thoughtful and
kind member of
our classroom
who always helps
others

Year 1/2

Dylan D.

For his growing
confidence with
his writing and
ideas

Year 3/4

Lucy G.

For always being
a kind and caring
member of our
class

Year 5/6 G

Navinah W.

For creating a
sense of
belonging in our
school
community with
the kindness and
respect she
shows others

Year 5/6 H

Tristan M.

For helping out
with the 2026
foundation
children on their
first transition
day



Wow! What an amazing response we had to our very first Auslan Café.

It was incredible to see our school community out in full force yesterday to support our very first Auslan Café. It was truly wonderful to see our senior



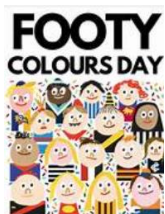
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Napoleons students open silent cafe with a very important twist
'It's better than learning languages.'

students lead house groups of students and parents in teaching the Auslan signs they would need to collect their order or to purchase more food.

It was equally lovely to see students of all ages helping their parents with their signing. Our café was busy and productive. Thanks so much to our amazing Auslan educator, Lauren for all her work and to our ever-energetic staff for supporting the cooking over two days and the organisation for the afternoon (I am confident that there were many who slept well last night). Thanks also to the staff who organised the Courier to come along and do a photo and write up for the paper – we hope everyone saw it.

Footy Colours Day



Most of us arrived today sporting our favourite footy team colours and we have had an amazing day that has included an AFL Footy Clinic and will involve students in a parade just before assembly this afternoon. An enormous thank you to our **PFA** for organising and preparing **hot dog and drink lunch** packs for students who ordered them. It has all contributed to a very enjoyable last day of term for students. Staff will return tomorrow for a day of professional learning and First Aid/CPR updates prior to heading off on their very well-deserved break.

Kinder Transition Day #1



We were very excited to have our first Kinder Transition Day yesterday. We loved meeting the parents of new students to our school and of course, welcomed back parents of existing students with younger siblings. We look like having quite a large group of Foundation students in 2026. Thanks to staff for supporting time release for people involved in transition. We look forward to the next session in Term 4.



Sue Izzard
Principal

Students identified as having lice or nits

Dear Families,

We have been having a number of students presenting with lice and nits in the last week and a half and so I seek your support in checking your child's hair.

Head lice do not transmit infectious diseases - they are simply transmitted by having head to head contact with someone who has head lice. This can be quite common in school-aged children, and it is not an indication that your child's hair is unclean or caused by anything you may or may not have done.

What can you do?

Please check your child's hair and in those instances where head lice or eggs are found, treat your child's hair. Please visit www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au and search for "head lice (nits)" for advice on finding, treating and preventing head lice.

When can my child return to school?

Health regulations requires that where a child has head lice, that child should not return to school until the day after appropriate treatment has started. Please note, this refers only to those children who have live head lice and does not refer to head lice eggs. More information about exclusion requirements can be found by searching for "school exclusion table" at

www.health.vic.gov.au.

Napoleons Primary School is aware that head lice can be a sensitive issue and is committed to maintaining your confidentiality.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us at school.

Kind regards

Sue

Class News

Term 3 Week 9

F/1

What a fun last week of term we have had. We enjoyed the Auslan Cafe. Rossi liked the look of the pizzas, and Olive enjoyed the hand cookies and the pancakes.

Today is so much fun seeing everyone in their Footy Colours outfits. By Rossi and Olive.

1/2

In maths we had to sort out footy teams into groups based on their colours (Riley P)

Going into our house colours groups and the Auslan café with all the food (Obie)

I liked the Auslan café and using Auslan to order. The cheese pizza was good, and the pancakes. (Lawson and Kayden)

We've had a footy clinic today. We did lots of learning about how to play football (Holly R)

I liked STEAM because we got to do free time with iPads, Lego, Duplo, and colouring in (Sienna D)

3/4

On Wednesday the whole school and the community came to the Auslan Cafe at NPS. The food was very tasty and the whole atmosphere was a buzz. Learning and eating at the same time was fun. A big thank you to Lauren and the 3/4's on an amazing day. Jude

Today it is Footy colours day and we are dressed up in our favourite team. We are also going to enjoy hotdogs for lunch. Thank you to the PFA for organising the hot dogs. - Rusty

The movie / tent day was so amazing! - Emily

Enjoy your school holidays!

5/6 G and H

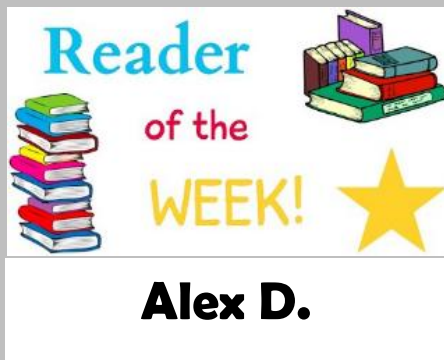
Do you believe it is the end of term 3??!! Wow! We have fit so much into this term and get ready for an even busier term 4! From the Writer's Festival to the Auslan cafe it has been an amazing term.

Well done to the participants at the next level for the athletics sports last week. They did a fantastic job.

We finished off our class novel-Black Beauty and watched the film. Most students seemed to think that the movie let the book down however they enjoyed both forms.

I had fantastic reports back about the students who completed their Natural Disasters posters and presented them to the classes well. These are now on display in the OLA!

Have a very happy and safe holiday break!



For 75 Nights

Talon R.

Riley J-C

For 100 Nights

Sienna D.

For 175 Nights

Thomas C.

Lawson R.

Ella K.

Nathan C.

For 200 Nights

Emma H.

For 225 Nights

Milla D.

Sarah G.

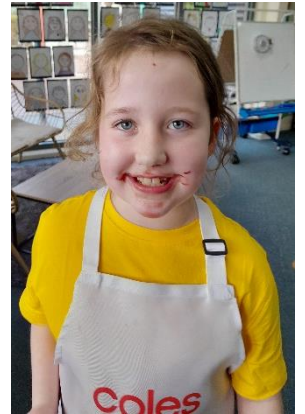
For 250 Nights

Adaline K.

OSHC News with Danielle and Kristen

We have had an amazing Term 3 in OSHC and we can't wait to see what Term 4 brings.

This week we enjoyed a slow week with some more cooking and a few great 'just dance sessions'. Tonight, we have our big OSHC end of term party. I think we can speak for all the kiddos and say we're all very excited!



OSHC Award

Pip

For being an amazing help every time she is with us and a role model

Ready to support your child with Before and After School Care

Please remember to book your children into before school care if you need to drop them off earlier than 8:45am.

Please remember advertised fees are greatly reduced when you apply the Child Care Subsidy (CCS). Napoleons OSHC is open from 7am each day, until the 9am bell and reopens at 3:30pm for the after-school program which concludes at 6pm each night. Parents can make bookings via the following link:

https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment_v2/centre/x59V4dmEiRga0ifjM94231W4yA?param=

Breakfast Club



Breakfast Club is off to a great start this term! We're open bright and early, providing students with a welcoming space and a nutritious start to their day. Each morning, children can enjoy a selection of breakfast options such as toast, cereal, fruit, and milk. It's a great time for students to fuel up, connect with friends, and ease into the school day in a relaxed and supportive environment.



All students are welcome—there's no need to book, just come along! We'd like to thank our wonderful volunteers and staff for making Breakfast Club possible each week.

Breakfast club is open 8:30-9:00 in the Auslan and OSHC room. There is toast, cereal, fruit, and milk available



Playgroup

Napoleons Primary School Play Group

Our local Play Group has been buzzing with energy, laughter, and plenty of play! From ball pits and building blocks to trains, music, and balancing games, children have the chance to explore, play, and grow in a safe and welcoming environment.

As you can see in the photos, there's always something happening – whether it's little ones crawling and exploring sensory toys, toddlers building train tracks, or preschoolers testing their balance and coordination. Parents, grandparents, and carers enjoy the chance to connect while their children play together.

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)

If you have enquiries about Playgroup, feel free to text 0494 322 830 or email us, and I'll get back to you during OSHC hours.

The upcoming dates are:

9th October 23rd October 6th November 20th November 4th December 18th December



Napoleons Playgroup is on Facebook!

Stay up to date with what's happening at our Playgroup by following our Facebook page. We share updates, photos, and information about upcoming sessions and special events. Just search **"Napoleons Playgroup"** on Facebook and give us a follow!

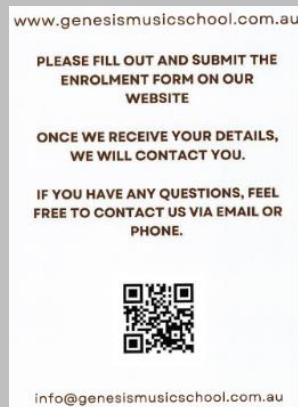


Bunnings BBQ

Bunnings BBQ is being held in Delacombe on Saturday 1st November

Volunteers required

Please contact the office with your availability if you can assist on the day



Phone: 0401 951 592

Music lessons will now be
on a **Friday** for those
students who have
enrolled

10th September 2025

ALERT: GET READY FOR THE FUNNEST, MESSIEST DAY EVER!

Hello *Napoleons Primary School* families,

It's almost time for our Food Fight, held to raise much needed funds for Foodbank Victoria, who supply our school's food for breakfast club, fruit and more.

We are super excited to remind you that we will be holding our event on the 17th of October 2025 on the school oval! That's the end of the second week of Term 4!

What is the Foodbank Food Fight?

Who doesn't love the idea of a Food Fight? Here's the chance for our entire school to engage in the naughtiest way yet* to boost school spirit and help raise vital funds for Foodbank Victoria. It's just like a school colour fun run, but so much more fun.

The Food Fight fun happens at school and the fundraising happens at home. You get to create your own online profile, set your fundraising target and then choose your target prizes. In your profile you will have a unique cyber safe link to share with your family and friends so they can donate and help get you close to your target. These school holidays are the perfect time to connect with family and friends and fundraise too.

Money raised will go to Foodbank Victoria so they can continue to feed 57,000 people in need, every day!

*No ACTUAL food will be harmed in the making of this event.

What do we need you to do?

All we need you to do is create an online profile at foodfight.com.au. All students with a profile will all get an icy pole!

This is an inclusive fundraiser we would love you to be a part of! If you would like to come down and watch your kids run, or even volunteer to help with the food fight, we would love to see you there!

Thank you all in advance,

Napoleons Primary School Junior School Council



NAPOLEONS GENERAL STORE

LUNCH ORDER MENU 2025

PIE & PASTIE	\$ 5.50
SAUSAGE ROLL	\$ 5.00
PARTY PIE	\$ 2.80
HOT DOG	\$ 4.99
PIZZA HAM & CHEESE	\$ 5.00
STEAMED DIMSIM	\$ 1.50
CHICKEN NUGGETS	\$ 1.00

HAM & CHEESE	\$ 5.99
HAM CHEESE TOMATO	\$ 5.99
CHICKEN CHEESE MAYO	\$ 5.99
EGG & LETTUCE	\$ 5.99
CHEESE SANDWICH	\$ 4.99

DRINKS

LARGE MILK CHOC OR STRAWBERRY	\$ 6.00
SMALL MILK CHOC OR STRAWBERRY	\$ 3.50
POP TOP - APPLE ,ORANGE , APPLE- BLACKCURRANT	\$ 3.50
WATER	\$ 3.00

SNACKS

YO YO BISCUIT	\$ 2.50
ICY POLE LEMONADE	\$ 2.50
POTATO CAKE	\$2.00
MINI MUFFINS	\$2.80



School staff have a right to be safe at work



Any abuse will not be tolerated

Parents, carers, advocates and adult members of the school community must engage respectfully with school staff.

Unacceptable behaviour will be addressed promptly. This may include calling the police if required or issuing you a School Community Safety Order.

These behaviours are **not permitted** in-person, over the phone, by email, text message or on social media:

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| ⊗ Rudeness | ⊗ Aggression, including raising your voice at a staff member | ⊗ Discriminatory or derogatory comments |
| ⊗ Insults or offensive communication | ⊗ Harassment | ⊗ Threatening gestures |
| ⊗ Malicious or defamatory communications | ⊗ Intimidation | ⊗ Threats |
| | | ⊗ Violence |

These behaviours are **never okay** and can make staff and students feel unsafe.



Garibaldi Community Car Boot Sale

NOVEMBER 1 2025

9AM – 1PM Garibaldi Hall – Hardies Hill Road

Limited number of indoor stalls available and must be
pre-booked (one trestle wide) \$15

Outdoor stalls can be pre-booked – \$10 per stall
or arrive on the day \$15 per stall

**Get rid of your
unwanted
treasures or
buy someone
else's**



For more info, contact Carli or Kristy –
Community Coordinators
garibaldicommunity@gmail.com

FREE School Holiday Program

Ballarat Primary School Students

Build confidence, connection and capability - this school holiday.

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 self-confidence, and foster independence.

- Free to Attend
- Grades 4-6
- September 22, 23, 24, 10AM - 2PM
- 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.

Contact: Kath Anderson

0417 461 161

kathleen.anderson@mackillop.org.au

mackillop.org.au/programs/paw-pals

This holiday program is made possible thanks to the generous support of



Mackillop Family Services acknowledges the Traditional Custodians and their Elders in each of the communities where we work. Mackillop celebrates and draws strength from diversity and respects the dignity of all people. We value our culture and ensure equity, respect, and safety for all. Please contact us for more information.

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BASKETBALL CLUB

SUMMER 25/26 SEASON

JOIN THE FUN AND
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BASKETBALL CLUB!

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN



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BASKETBALL@DRUMMODRAGONS.COM.AU

Pop Con

Ballarat's favourite pop culture convention returns for its 6th year — and it's FREE! Join us for a full day of fun, fandom, and family-friendly vibes. No tickets required! PopCon is full of free activities including crafts, board games, live action roleplay, as well as a selection of over 40 market and food stalls, and our Cosplay Competition. Whether you're a cosplayer, gamer, anime fan, or just looking for something awesome to do with the kids — PopCon is for YOU.

11am - 4pm Sunday 28th September
Civic Hall and Ballarat Library - 300 Mair Street, Ballarat Central

PopCon 2025 is an all-ages event, safe and secure, strictly no alcohol, drugs, vaping or smoking permitted.

BALLARAT'S ANNUAL POP CULTURE CONVENTION

PopCon 2025

FREE
ENTRY!

SUNDAY 28TH
SEPTEMBER
11 AM - 4 PM

CIVIC HALL +
BALLARAT
LIBRARY
300 MAIR ST
BALLARAT

FREE GAMES +
ACTIVITIES

COSPLAY COMPETITION

MARKET STALLS +
ARTISTS

CHILL SPACE

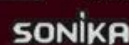
AND MORE...



SCAN THE QR CODE
TO FIND OUT MORE

A Victorian Government initiative, all-ages event, drug, alcohol + smoke-free, safe and secure
The City of Ballarat is committed to being a child safe organisation and has zero tolerance for child abuse and harm

SUPPORTED BY:





IT'S PLAY TIME!

V/Line Cup Fever

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM BALLARAT

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
TUESDAY 23 rd September	9.00 AM - 3.00 PM	NORTH OVAL 2 (NEXT DOOR TO MARS STADIUM)

A FULL DAY OF FOOTY FUN INCLUDES:

- Auskick Program (5-7) & Superkick Program (8-12)
- Free Football for every participant registered
- Plenty of Football Skills
- Mini Games
- Fun Indoor Activities (AFL Activities), Trivia, Dance Parties
- Draft Combine (Superkick Program)
- Make your own Football Badge
- Skills Program with AFL Vic Coaches (Superkick Program)
- Possible opportunity to watch V/Line Cup Action and have a kick on Mars Stadium

** There will also be a Ballarat SHP on Tuesday 30th September at Eastern Oval **

ALL GIRLS GROUPS AVAILABLE



Register Now!

AFL PLAY



STURT NETBALL CLUB

JUNIOR SUMMER TRY-OUTS

Friday 19th September

The Winter Netball Season is finishing and what better way to keep active than to play Summer Netball. Sturt is an amazing family oriented club and are looking for junior netballs of all abilities.

Sturt will be holding team try-outs for our netballers on the dates below. Please wear appropriate clothing/shoes to play and also bring a drink and snacks (if required) as the canteen will not be open.

Try-outs will be held at the Ballarat Netball Association courts at Llanberris.

GRADING TIMES

9&11/under	5.10-5.30pm
13/under A Grade - D Grade	5.45-6.15pm
15/under A Grade - D Grade	6.30-7pm
17/under A Grade - D Grade	7.15-7.45pm

Don't forget to register your intention to play on TeamApp (Sturt Netball Club).

Please note: These tryout are for grading purposes. We have a team for every player. Attendance is a must.

Bring friends or anyone you may know who is interested in playing netball.

Junior Netball Co-Ordinator: Tish 0434 260 134
Sturt Email: sturtnc@gmail.com

If anyone ladies over the age of 15 have the skills to play **Ladies A Grade Netball**, please contact **Bree** on **0400 657 477**.
Comp will start Oct 7th for 5 rounds plus finals.



ONE COMMUNITY National Partners

BALLARAT

READY-SET-CONNECT

Make connections that **matter**.

Event Sponsor **nib Thrive**

FREE TO ATTEND!

Ready-Set-Connect is a fun and engaging speed-networking event connecting disability service providers with the people who need them.

In this interactive format, service providers will showcase their products and services, while attendees discover local service options and make valuable connections, opening the door to greater choice and control.

Register at: oncommunity.net.au/Ready-Set-Connect

WHO?

- Support Coordinators / Navigators
- People with Disability
- Parents and Carers
- LACs
- Support Workers
- Social Workers
- Case Managers
- Teachers

WHEN?
10:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Wed 08 Oct 2025

WHERE?
North Ballarat Sports Club MARS Stadium
725 Creswick Rd, Ballarat VIC

If you are a provider and would like to host a table to promote your services, please visit our website!



POWER FM FREE FOOTY FESTIVAL

THANKS TO
fernwood FITNESS
- BALLARAT -

WED 24 SEPT
GAMES + PRIZES + FOOD + DRINKS
FOOTY INFLATABLES
HANDBALL TARGETS + MINI-GAMES
AND MORE!

SESSION 1: SENSORY: 9AM-10AM
SESSION 2: 10.30AM-12:30PM
SESSION 3: 1.15PM-3:15PM

CHILDREN AGED 4 - 12
MUST REGISTER TO PARTICIPATE
SCAN TO REGISTER

VICTORIA PARK, OVAL NUMBER 4
ENTRY OFF MILITARY DRIVE

POWER FM BROADCASTING LIVE





BASKETBALL HOLIDAY CAMPS

WEEK ONE SESSIONS

SELKIRK STADIUM

MON 22 & TUES 23 SEPTEMBER • 9^{AM} - 3^{PM}

WEEK TWO SESSIONS

SELKIRK STADIUM

WED 1 & THUR 2 OCTOBER • 9^{AM} - 3^{PM}

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Newsletter Snippet – Basketball Ballarat – Power FM Junior Miners Spring Holiday Camps

Held every school holiday, Power FM Holiday Camps are the perfect opportunity for kids aged 4 to 14 of all genders and skill levels to develop their game in a fun and supportive environment. Whether you're picking up a basketball for the first time or wanting to refine your skills, our camps cater to everyone, from beginners to future stars!

Camp Details

Week One:

Tuesday 23 September and Wednesday 24 September

Week Two:

Tuesday 30 September and Wednesday 1 October

Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm

Venue: Selkirk Stadium, 989 Norman St, Wendouree VIC 3355

Registrations

Close: Friday 19 September at 11:59pm

What to Expect

- Train with your favourite Miners players
- Learn from expert coaches including Miners players and staff
- Develop new skills, techniques, and training methods
- Enjoy a fun, inclusive atmosphere with games and prizes every camp
- Learn teamwork, leadership, and how to support others on and off the court
- Make new friends and have an unforgettable basketball experience!

Register here: www.ballaratbasketball.com/holiday-camp

For any further details, please contact Zack Cummins at programs@ballaratbasketball.com or call (03) 5338 1220.

The first week of LA (LAVIC) will be Friday, October 10th (Week 1 of Term 4).



AUSSIE HOOPS

JOIN IN ALL THE FUN

Aussie Hoops is our introductory basketball program for children aged 4–11, providing a fun and safe environment to learn the game. Through engaging sessions, kids develop fundamental skills like ball handling, passing, shooting, defence, and footwork, building confidence to transition into domestic competition.



Scan here for more info



5 REASONS why you should register for Little Athletics!

Meet new people and spend time with your family and friends.

Participate in a variety of different events at your weekly meets.

Improve your physical fitness and mental wellbeing.

Achieve your personal best and continue to improve your skills.

Have the opportunity to participate in local club meets and competitions.

REGISTER TODAY at

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GOOD CLEAN FUN

PLAY.AFL/AUSKICK

NAPOLEANS AT AUSKICK PROGRAM

Napoleans at School Auskick

Monday's 4-week Program - \$55

3.30 PM after school - School Oval

Starting - Monday 20th October

5-12 years of Age, great football fun learning the fundamental skills of football for boys and girls

Registered Participants get a FREE Football!

REGISTER TODAY

