



Napoleons Primary School Newsletter #31

9th October 2025

Calendar

- 14th October** – 2026 foundation transition day (9-11am)
- 17th October** – Food fight colour run
- 24th October** – Swimming for Foundation – grade 3
- 28th October** – 5/6 Auslan excursion
- 31st October** – Swimming for Foundation – grade 3
- 1st November** – Bunnings BBQ

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3rd November – Assessment and reporting - Pupil free day

4th November – Melbourne Cup Holiday – No students

5th November – Students return

7th November – Swimming for Foundation – grade 3

13th – 14th November – Yr 5/6 Sovereign Hill costume school

14th November – Swimming for Foundation – grade 3

Year F/1

Cian J.

For his outstanding efforts raising money for the foot fight.

Well done!

Year 1/2

Holly R.

For always being kind, considerate, and helpful.

You are amazing

Year 3/4

Riley J-C

For being able to show the same money amount in different ways.

Well done!

Year 5/6 G

Tyce K.

Flynn W.

For persevering when solving division problems and gaining confidence in this

Year 5/6 H

Indiana

For persevering in maths with multiplication and division and gaining more confidence with these

Welcome back to everyone! It has been amazing to see everyone return to school this week. We have a number of exciting things happening this term – our last term for the year.



Today we had our basketball backboards replaced, thanks to a grant from the Buninyong Community Bank. There are no nets for the basketball rings as yet but these are coming.

We have also purchased some small 'shop front' cubbies with the support of Buninyong Community Bank and these should be up and being painted very soon.

We are also in the process of determining when our new Gaga Pit will be constructed. This will take about 3 weeks to complete and will allow us to play a game that has been requested by our senior students. The purchase and construction is being funded thanks to the hard work of our PFA and through families' generosity through fundraising. We look forward to everyone enjoying these new playground opportunities.

Term 4 is "Hats on Shoes on"

Even though today is a cooler day, please can all families remember that their children need broad rimmed hats for Term 4 and with the reduction of muddy grounds, students can leave their shoes on when they enter the school buildings. After this week, 'no hat' will mean 'no outside play' so please ensure your child/children have their hats. Broad rimmed hats are available for sale at the front office.



Today was our first coffee morning for our staff and parents. We have organised the Coffee Drop Van to visit us once each month from 8am to 9am for anyone wishing to treat themselves to a hot morning 'pick me up' or 'get me going' ☺. I will ensure that everyone has the next date as early as possible. It was delicious!

Auslan Café in Melbourne

Thanks to our amazing Deaf Café at the end of last term, we have raised enough money to take our students to a real, commercial Deaf Café in Melbourne in week 4. We will go down to Melbourne on the train and our students will experience how to order their lunch using Auslan in an authentic Deaf Café. There will be no cost for this excursion and notices have been sent via COMPASS and via paper. Thank you to all and well done!

Swimming for Foundation to Year 3 will begin on **Friday 24th October**. This should be a great activity for five weeks on Fridays from 11:45am at the Ballarat Aquatic Centre.



Kinder Transition Day #2

Our next session for Kinder Transition is next week on Tuesday 14th October. This session is for children only and begins at 9am and ends at 11am. We are very excited to get to know our new Foundation students for 2026.



Sue Izard
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 10

F/1

What a great start we have had for Term 4.

We have been learning about sharing and making groups in Maths, and what settings and characters are in Literacy. We have also been reading a class book about seasons which has been interesting!

Swimming will begin for our class in Week 3, on Fridays at 11:45am. There will be more information to follow about what to bring, etc, and keep an eye on Compass for permission notes too.

We are very excited for the Food Fight next Friday. A reminder to keep raising money, and it's not too late to begin. We are sending home notes again with children today. Thanks!

1/2

This week in maths I like how we have been doing "dividing by" where we divide one number by another to make it equal (Sienna D)

In speaking I liked learning about the sounds. This week the sound was "th" (Hollie S)

I loved doing division and trying to work out the answers. I also liked the division game (Adaline)

It was fun doing music and art and learning a new song (Ethan Ho)

We did digital portfolios with the highlights of term 3 (Ethan Ha)

I'm enjoying writing highlights of term 3 on the computer (Nate and Kendrix)

3/4

Welcome back to Term 4 getting back into routines

We have been learning about money in Maths while tracing notes and coins to make an amount. (Summer)

We have started a new class novel called Michaela Mason's big list of camp worries. One of Michaela worries is snakes. (Tiki)

We are looking forward to next Friday for the Food Fight. (Lucy)

5/6 G and H

It is great to see everyone back after our term 3 break! I hope that everyone had a time to relax and energise for yet another busy term for the grades 5 and 6s! This begins next week with the Food Fight on Friday 17th October and then on Tuesday 28th October we head to the Auslan Cafe in Melbourne. Details of both of these can be found on Compass. It is hard to believe that many of the grade 6s I taught back in Foundation are in their last term of Primary school (others I have taught over the past 2 years) and this year's grade 5s are gearing up to be the new leaders for next year! Mrs G returns next week after a well deserved holiday in New Zealand. We can't wait to hear about the adventures and highlights of her trip. Well done everyone on a great week 1! 😊



For 25 Nights

Ricky P.

For 100 Nights

Chaz T.

Tyce K.

For 150 Nights

Ruby L.

Charlotte V.

For 200 Nights

Matilda R.

For 250 Nights

Emily - Jane J.

Sarah G.

Joey J.

OSHC News with Danielle and Kristen

This week in OSHC we've been settling into the new term and enjoying the chance to share stories about our holidays and catch up with friends. A highlight of the week was receiving a generous donation from Ezra and their family — a gift that was warmly welcomed by all the children. Everything was quickly put to good use and sparked lots of imaginative play. Some of the donated items have also been shared with our Playgroup to help spread the joy throughout our wider community.



OSHC Award

Rylie P

For being mindful of safety within the school.

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/x59V4dmEiRga0jfjM94231W4yA?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:

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
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Food Fight

Our Food bank - food fight that is taking place
next Friday the 17th of October.

Students please wear white t-shirts and old
clothes for the day.

Parent helpers, parents and siblings welcome to
participate or watch.

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

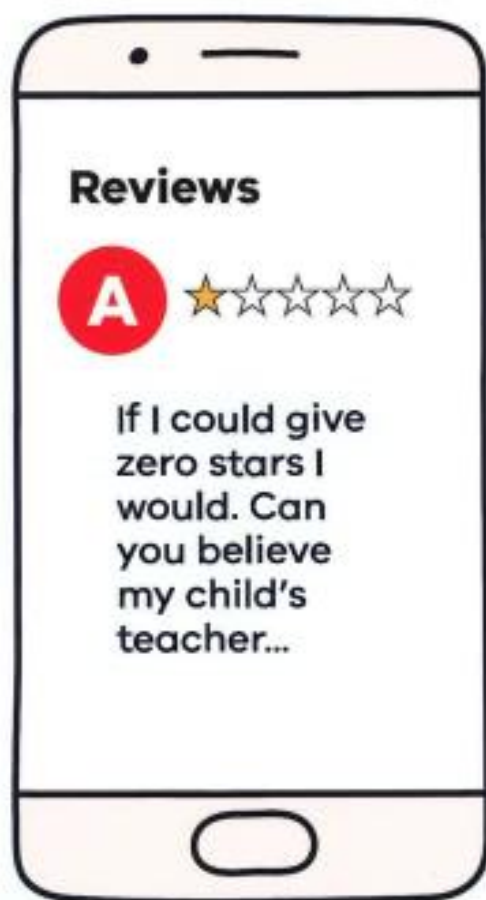
SNACKS

YO YO BISCUIT	\$ 2.50
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POTATO CAKE	\$2.00
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our school staff



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Family Life Church
1185 Geelong Road
Mt Clear Vic 3350
(ABN 26 340 023 022)



This program helps all families with Christmas gifts who need some assistance regardless of circumstances, Centrelink benefits, cards, etc not required – All eligible

Anonymous to all packers – Only child's gender and age is shown

Closing date for Ballarat is 7th December

After registration families will receive a confirmation message / email

When it's time to collect families will receive a call and message

Garibaldi Community Car Boot Sale

NOVEMBER 1 2025

9AM – 1PM Garibaldi Hall – Hardies Hill Road

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First 72 Hours Workshop - Buninyong

What would you do if you were in an emergency situation and couldn't receive professional help for 72 hours? The First 72 Hours prompts you to create an Emergency Plan for your business or household.

When: Sunday 12th October 1pm - 4pm

Where: Buninyong Fire Station - 611a Learmonth St, Buninyong

Cost: Free - but space is limited!

Register Online: <https://events.humanitix.com/first-72-hours-workshop-buninyong>



This workshop is being supported by the State Government of Victoria



For more information please contact:

Customer Experience

(03) 5320 5500

Farmer Resilience and Community Connection



Join us for a day of information sharing, skills building, and food on us!

Back for the second year the day will kick off with a Farm Safety Information session where you can hear from organisations including:

- CFA
- Victoria Police
- Victoria Farmer Federation (VFF)
- NBN
- EPA
- City of Ballarat

For those who would like to upskill your canine companions, the day will then continue on to a Working Dog Training Workshop.

There is space for 12 participants and their dog each day, and plenty of room for spectators (without dogs).

Register for a session at events.humanitic.com/frcc, or scan the QR code.

7.30 – 8.00

Breakfast and coffee

8.00 – 8.45

Welcome and
presentations

8.45–9.15

Q&A Panel

9.30–4.30

Working Dog
Training Workshop



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