



Napoleons Primary School Newsletter #33

23rd October 2025

Calendar

24th October – Swimming for Foundation – grade 2

28th October – 5/6 Auslan excursion

31st October – Swimming for Foundation – grade 2

1st November – Bunnings BBQ

3rd November – Assessment and reporting - Pupil free day

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4th November – Melbourne Cup Holiday – No students

5th November – Students return

7th November – Swimming for Foundation – grade 2

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

14th November – Swimming for Foundation – grade 2

18th November – 2026 foundation transition day (9am-12:30pm)

Year F/1

Ezra

For his fantastic efforts in Sounds-Write.

Well done!

Year 1/2

Sienna E

For working well in class and writing a sentence with great adjective

Year 3/4

Tiki

For demonstrating our school value of 'Belonging'

Well done Tiki!

Year 5/6 G

Flynn

For his persistence and enthusiasm about writing his mysterious toy box story

Year 5/6 H

Matilda

For her creativity with pictures, text, and transitions for her Digital Portfolio



On Tuesday we received delivery of our brand new Ga Ga pit.

What is Ga Ga? We asked the same question. Students experienced a Ga Ga pit in the senior classes on a camp and were raving about the game which involved a ball and is a little bit like Dodge Ball. There are clear rules about going out and getting back in. Each class has gone through the rules to make sure everyone is playing fairly. We will be covering the interior with sand over the next week. We are able to purchase this thanks to the hard work of our PFA and their tremendous fundraising. Thank you to all families who have supported fundraisers as your support means we can add new opportunities for students in the playground.

BBQ at Bunnings

Speaking of fundraisers and family support, we would love it if more parents were able to sign up to the roster for the Bunnings BBQ on November 1st. This is an easy way for our school to raise money as we only provide food and accompanying accessories. Bunnings provide the rest. I understand this is a long weekend for students, however the PFA and our school would appreciate an hour or two of your time, very much. Thank you in advance. The sign up sheets are on COMPASS.

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.

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' ☺. Our next date is **Wednesday November 12th**.

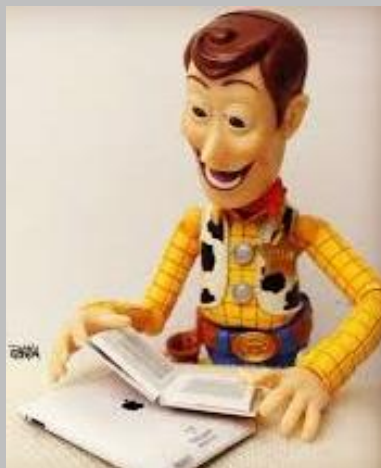
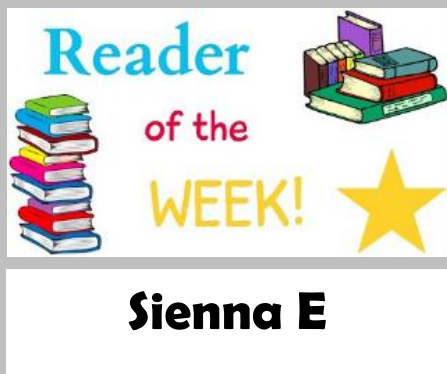


Auslan Café in Melbourne

Next Tuesday students in Year 5/6 (both classes) will travel to Melbourne on the train and experience how to order their lunch using Auslan in an authentic Deaf Café. Families will need to transport their children to the Ballarat train station where teachers will be waiting. We are due back in Ballarat at 3:20pm and parents are required to collect their children from the Ballarat train station.



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 4 Week 3

F/1

In ICT we got to play games like the number game (Darcy)

I'm excited to go swimming. It's the 1st one, I've never gone with the school before (Darcy and Bayleigh)

I liked on the computer playing roadblocks, and making paper planes in STEAM (Everlyn)

The children have been working on letters and spelling - We did the ABC's and how to spell my name (Everlyn)

I liked reading 'The Kite' (Evie)

In art it was fun using the boom whackers and tapping on the ground to make different noises (Evie and Piper)

I'm excited for swimming (Piper)

In PE the children have played modified netball where they're learning basic netball skills using a soft ball, and trying not to run while holding the ball, which is a challenge but lots of fun.

The children are also having a blast in PE playing 'Toilet Tag' – it's similar to normal tag however when tagged you turn into a toilet. When a hand it tapped it 'flushes the toilet' and the child can re-enter the game

1/2

In STEAM we are learning about materials. This week we made a house and towers out of straws, sticks, and playdough, and we had a partner with us to do it. (Sienna D)

In art we've been learning about music and using boom whackers and drumsticks and making songs. At the end of the year we might do a concert to show the whole school with something like 'Eye of the tiger' song

(Sienna D)

We have been learning how to put more detail in our writing and using more describing words. Food fight was so fun (Hollie. S)

Tomorrow we have school swimming and I'm very excited about it (Holly R)

Sienna E liked library and expressed how excited she was to borrow "Sleeping beauty" book and read it

I'm looking forward to swimming (Obie)

3/4

Last week we had an amazing Food Fight and we had lots of parents and teachers helping to slime the students. At the end, we slimed the teachers and it was disgustingly fun! Chaz and Jude

In Maths we have been learning about multiples of 2, 5 and 10 and we have been skip counting and following an algorithm (steps). Summer

In Wellbeing we have been learning about rights and responsibilities. Rights means that you're allowed to do it and responsibility means you have trust. Emily

For this term, we are reading a class novel called 'Michaela Mason's Big List of Camp Worries' and Michaela is scared of going to camp. She has 21 worries while she is at camp. Jude

5/6 G and H

Yet another busy week! The students are very excited about our trip to Melbourne next week (Tuesday 28/10/25) going to the Australian College for the Deaf to eat at the Tradeblock Cafe. Thanks to Lauren for organising this. Remember to meet at the Ballarat train station by no later than 8:30 am and our return to Ballarat is 3:20 pm. Another reminder is for grade 6s to have their signature toy preferences and money to the office ASAP and for all students who raised money for the Food Fight to get on and select their prizes.

A few spooky themed writing tasks are being completed in the 5/6 classes this week and we have almost completed a revision week about 'time' in maths. We will be beginning our leadership speeches for next year's grade 6s in the next few weeks and the current grade 6s will begin working on Graduation stuff! We can't believe it is almost the end of the year!!

OSHC News with Danielle and Kristen

This week in OSHC, the children all participated in Food Fight followed by sliming several teachers. Harry enjoyed sliming Danielle. Milla has been making scary Videos for Halloween, and is looking forward to the Halloween party next week as they prepare activities and food for it. Flynn has enjoyed eating and talking to his friends this week. The children are excited about helping Danielle make a pumpkin patch of children. Milla had fun playing monopoly deal with her friends. Piper enjoyed passing items around the circle with 'little grabby things' and doing games and crafts

We look forward to a fun filled week ahead.



OSHC Award

Morgan

For showing strong leadership skills

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:

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:

6th November 20th November 4th December



Napoleons Playgroup

1 friend

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 – Volunteers needed

Napoleons Primary School PFA will be running the Bunnings Delacombe BBQ on Saturday, November 1st, and we need your help to make it a sizzling success!

We're asking families to volunteer for just a 1-hour shift between 8am and 5pm – it's a fun and easy way to support our school and help raise valuable funds for our students.

Many hands make light work, so please pop your name down for a time that suits you. Even one hour makes a big difference!

<https://volunteersignup.org/T3JHF>

Let's fire up the BBQ and show everyone the Amazing Napoleons community spirit!



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

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Food Fight



Wow – what a day! We hope everyone had the BEST DAY EVER at our Food Fight for Foodbank Victoria! Thank you to everyone who made the day special and raised \$5269!

Please make sure you have ordered your prizes as the link will close on October the 30th. Head to your profile and place your orders or click on the link that has been emailed through.

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

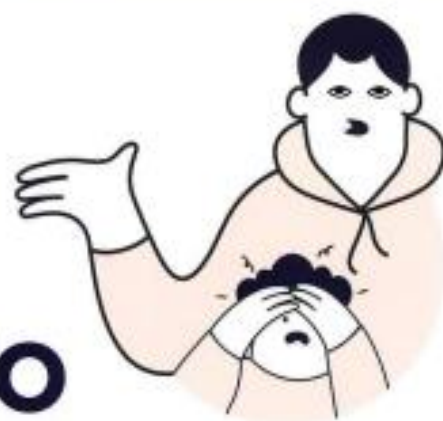
LARGE MILK CHOC OR STRAWBERRY	\$ 6.00
SMALL MILK CHOC OR STRAWBERRY	\$ 3.50
POP TOP - APPLE ,ORANGE , APPLE- BLACKCURRANT	\$ 3.50
WATER	\$ 3.00

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 | | ⊗ Threatening gestures |
| ⊗ Malicious or defamatory communications | ⊗ Harassment | ⊗ Threats |
| | ⊗ Intimidation | ⊗ Violence |

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



GOD'S CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Registrations are open for 2025

We are a not-for-profit charity
for families in need across
country Victoria.

We provide gifts for children
from 0 to 16 years of age.

If you need assistance this
Christmas please go to

www.godschristmasgifts.org.au

and click on Gift request and
follow prompts to register for 2025



God's Christmas Gifts
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

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

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2025 World Festival of Magic

The World Festival of Magic features world-class acts performing astonishing illusions, interactive magic, and comedy. Providing relaxed theatre performances for children, young adults and families in the Grampians Region.

Enjoy the "live performance" experience with a casual attitude to audience noise and movement in an accessible and inclusive environment, where you are welcomed and free to be yourself without restriction or judgement.

One hour shows. Suitable for all ages and accessible for people...

- with diverse abilities and backgrounds (wheelchair accessible)
- who might require a more flexible and inclusive environment when attending the theatre (sensory-friendly).
- who are facing hardship.
- are without access or opportunity to live theatre.

*Featuring moving and flashing lights, and upbeat, sometimes dramatic music.

ALL TICKETS ARE COMPLIMENTARY, including parent, sibling and carer tickets. Thanks to sponsorship from local businesses.

*Bookings from schools, organisations, carers and families are all welcome.

Scan the QR Code to visit the shows website and watch highlights from previous shows...



FOUNDERS THEATRE - FEDERATION UNIVERSITY

Chancellor Drive (off University Drive), Mount Helen Campus VIC

SHOW DATE	#1 SHOWTIME	#2 SHOWTIME
SATURDAY, 15 TH NOVEMBER 2025	11.30 AM	2.00 PM

To book tickets, please email your name, preferred showtime/s and ticket numbers to...

meredithnewman@showintent.com.au

or call / text 0404-367-782



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