



Napoleons Primary School Newsletter #35

6th November 2025

Calendar

7th November – Swimming for Foundation – grade 2

11th November – Remembrance Day

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)

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21st November – Swimming for Foundation – grade 3

21st November – F/1 Sleepover

21st November – 5/6 Camp out

24th November – School council at Red Lion

4th December – Year 6 Graduation

5th December – Professional practice curriculum - Pupil free day

9th December – Whole school transition day (9am-3pm)

Year F/1

Risha

For a wonderful start to her schooling at NPS

Year 1/2

Hunter

For Showing greatly improved focus and listening in class.

Keep up the good work

Year 3/4

Slade

For working hard during our Literacy Block!

Well done.

Year 5/6 G

Michael

For his enthusiasm and engagement in our toy box writing

Year 5/6 H

Ruby

For taking on feedback with her writing to uplevel her work to a fantastic result



Bunnings BBQ a success!

I would like to begin this newsletter with a massive thank you to our parents, staff and the organisation of our PFA for a tremendously successful Bunnings BBQ at Delacombe Bunnings last Saturday. Our efforts amounted to over \$2000 and we were required to do a few extra trips to the local supermarket to top up our bread and sausage supplies. While the timing meant people who came along to run the stall had a delay in beginning their long weekend, it was a beautiful day and a good opportunity to provide sausages to all those people who chose to head to Bunnings to get some odd jobs completed, perhaps while on their public holiday on Tuesday. An amazing job everyone – thank you!

Monday 3rd November – Pupil Free Day

While families had an opportunity to enjoy a long weekend with your children (at least we hope you were able to do this), staff returned to school to prepare for the upcoming reports writing process. This included a teacher moderating students work samples and ensuring our assessment schedule was all set to go to ensure we have the latest assessments in place to support our reporting timeline.

I hope that everyone enjoyed their long weekend and have returned for our remaining 6.5 weeks of the year feeling refreshed.

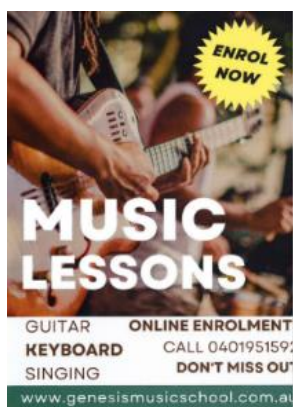
Sovereign Hill day camp for Year 5/6 students



Next week we have the 5/6 students heading to Sovereign Hill for their costume school experience. Please remember that parents are required to drive their children directly to Sovereign Hill on both Thursday and Friday mornings and they need to collect their children at the end of each day – this is not an overnight camp (Please see further information below). It is always great fun and I look forward to seeing all the photos of the children in their 1850s clothing.



Sue Izard
Principal



www.genesismusicschool.com.au

PLEASE FILL OUT AND SUBMIT THE
ENROLMENT FORM ON OUR
WEBSITE

ONCE WE RECEIVE YOUR DETAILS,
WE WILL CONTACT YOU.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, FEEL
FREE TO CONTACT US VIA EMAIL OR
PHONE.



info@genesismusicschool.com.au

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

Phone: 0401 951 592



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 5

F/1

Everyone has been enjoying our swimming program and we can't wait to go back again tomorrow. This week we started our information books about animals. We have been thinking of lots of interesting facts that we can write about. In MARC Van we read Phillip Bunting's book 'Wombat' and drew our own creative wombat pictures.

1/2

Today we have been doing writing and making something. We then repeated it and made it into a sentence and did a drawing with it (Hollie S) – The children were writing sentences using talking marks about their unifix building creations

I've been enjoying Auskick and swimming for last few weeks (Adaline)

Yesterday we had a maths test which I liked (Holly R)

In steam we made a dog that walks using paper, and we put it down ramps to see if it could walk. We all created our own kinds of dogs (Sienna D)

In swimming the highest it goes up to is a level 3 and we are that level (Adaline and Holly S)

My birthday is tomorrow (Thomas)

I enjoyed making creations out of unifix, and I made a cupcake (Nate)

Everyone is enthusiastic and excited for swimming tomorrow.

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Hope you all enjoyed an extra long weekend!

With the assessments we are doing we are learning about numbers. With each box they get harder and harder like a challenge. Tiki

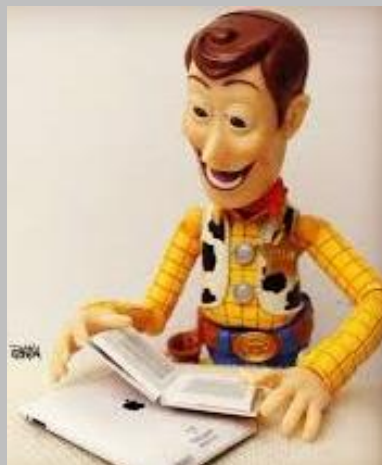
Michaela Mason went to her first camp and was so worried about going. She realised that camping wasn't scary and people always have feelings. Slade

On Monday night Alayna and I are attending the Mt Helen/Buninyong Lions Club Junior Public Speaking Contest. Morgan

In Auslan we have been studying different Deaflympians like: Sam Rickard, Patrick Lane, and Rebekah Fraser. Luca

5/6 G and H

We hope that everyone enjoyed their 4 day weekend. It is edging closer and closer to the end of the year! Our grade 6s have begun writing their graduation speeches and the grade 5s are writing speeches for leadership roles for 2026. We all head to Sovereign Hill next week which we are very excited about. The following week is the sleep out at school. We are busily doing assessments at the moment in preparation for the end of year reports. We hope to see the sunshine a bit more in the coming days to enjoy sitting outside in our grassed area that we are negotiating how to improve.



For 50 Nights

Rusty B.

For 125 Nights

Ethan Ha.

Hollie S.

For 175 Nights

Jude P.

For 275 Nights

Emily Jane J

For 300 Nights

Adaline K.

OSHC News with Danielle and Kristen

This week in OSHC we've been enjoying the short week by playing outside in the Gaga pit, which is still a group favourite!

We have also gotten crafty indoors with some play dough and lots of other fun things

We look forward to a fun filled week ahead.



OSHC Award

Tom C.

For being a good friend to his fellow OSHC students and sharing

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:

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!



Remembrance Day Wreaths

Remembrance Day Wreaths – greenery and flowers donations please



Students will be making wreaths for Remembrance Day (11th November) and would greatly appreciate any donations of greenery or flowers from your garden. **Please bring these to school on Monday, 10th November**, and place them on the senior building deck. Thank you for your support!

Grade 5/6 Costume School



Event Update: Grade 5/6 Costume School Experience
Thursday 13th and Friday 14th of November

We have been advised by Sovereign Hill of NEW drop off procedure for parents.

Please drop off (8:45am) and pick up (3.15pm) in the car park of the Centre for Rare Arts and Forgotten Trades (the old Gold Museum) in Bradshaw Street.

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

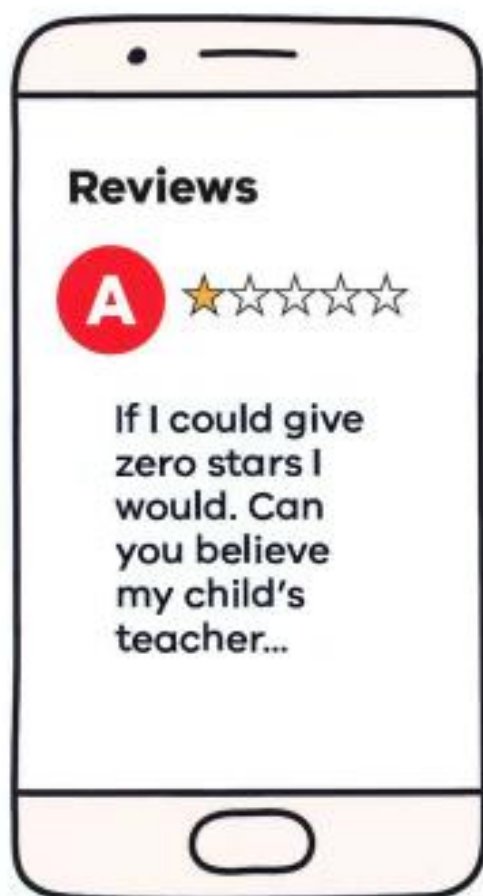
SNACKS

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



RESPECT

our school staff




"I can say
what I want
– I'm just
being honest."


Think before
you post

**Be the role model
your child deserves.**



Department
of Education

Whatever the emergency



HEATWAVE

STORM

FIRE

Expect the unexpected

Emergencies can be hard to predict and emergency services may be unable to reach you in a disaster.

What will you do for the first 72 hours if you have no services, such as:



NO POWER



NO WATER



NO GAS



NO RECEPTION



NO ROAD ACCESS



LIMITED FOOD

Be Prepared

Prepare yourself and your family for a stressful emergency situation.

For 24/7 crisis support call Lifeline 13 11 14 or Beyond Blue 1300 22 4636

Develop a Plan

Use your plan and support network to help you through this time.



For more information about preparing for, and responding to emergency events visit <https://www.ballarat.vic.gov.au/city/emergencies>

The First 72 Hours workshop was supported by the Victorian Government.

Collaboration between:

Alpine & Moira Shire Councils

In conjunction with:

Country Fire Authority
Victoria State Emergency Service
Albury Wodonga Ethnic Communities Council

In consultation with:

Hume Region Municipal Emergency Management Enhancement Group

Thankyou to Corangamite Shire Council for the initial work



What are you going to do?



You can handle any emergency better if you are prepared!



1. Make an emergency plan



2. Back up information



3. Prepare a kit



4. Stay informed



WHO ...

do I need to consider?
do I need to tell?

WHAT ...

do I need to know?
do I need to do?

WHERE ...

will I go?
do I get information?
do I keep my plan?

HOW ...

will I get there?
will I get there - plan B?

WHY ...

do I need to make a plan?

TO SUPPORT PLANNING:



To prepare for fire
cfa.vic.gov.au



To prepare for flood and storm
ses.vic.gov.au



Set up a watch zone
emergency.vic.gov.au



Rediplan
redcross.org.au/prepare

Important things to save:

- ☐ Your emergency plan
- ☐ Identification (to prove who you are)

DOCUMENTS

- ☐ Insurance policies
- ☐ Property documents
- ☐ Medical information and prescriptions
- ☐ Financial records

HOME INVENTORY

- ☐ Photos of possessions
- ☐ Photos of house assets
- ☐ Receipts, warranties etc.

CONTACT LIST

- ☐ Family
- ☐ Utility providers
- ☐ Other:

Gather and store items ready to support you and your family for 72 hours:



WATER

MEDICATION

RADIO & BATTERIES



TORCH



DOCUMENTS



FOOD



FIRST AID



CLOTHES



TOILETRIES



MONEY



PHONE & CHARGER



PET'S NEEDS



CHILDREN'S NEEDS



GLASSES



WHAT ELSE?

WARNINGS AND ADVICE

It is important to tune into official and accurate information channels to stay informed with the facts before, during and after an emergency.



VIC
EMERGENCY

emergency.vic.gov.au
Hotline: 1800 226 226

Press 9 for interpreter



EMERGENCY RADIO
BROADCAST

107.9FM | 102.3FM | 103.1FM | 584AM | 774AM

Warnings – It's important to read the whole warning for information on evacuations, Emergency Relief Centres and more.



FLOOD STORM
EMERGENCY
132 500

2025 VIP SALE

Beleza Ballarat

22 Doveton St South, Ballarat VIC 3350

Trading Hours

Mon to Fri: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Sat: 10:00am - 1:00pm

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SATURDAY
29TH NOV

20%
OFF*
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*CONDITIONS APPLY

Cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer, voucher, or discount.

Discount available on full priced Beleza branded items only



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FREE 1-hour Online
gambling/gaming awareness
sessions for Parents and
Carers

Understand the blurred line between gambling and gaming, the tactics used in popular online games, and practical ways to keep your children safe!



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BOOK NOW

Mon, 10 Nov 2025 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Thu, 13 Nov 2025 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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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

Lions Club of Ballarat proudly presents International Entertainment Australia's...

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



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



PLAY

