

Calendar

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)

21st November – Swimming for
Foundation – grade 3

21st November – F/1 Sleepover

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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)

17th December – Whole school
activities day

19th December – Last day – 1:30

Year F/1

Everlyn

For amazing
listening in all
lessons.

Well done Everlyn

Year 1/2

Nate

For his
outstanding
effort with his
numeracy

Year 3/4

Nirvana

For helping the
junior classes
with logging into
the laptops.

Well done!

Year 5/6 G

Leroy

For preparing
and presenting a
speech at the
Lions Club Junior
Public Speaking
Contest

Year 5/6 H

Matilda

For preparing
and delivering a
fantastic speech
at the Buninyong
/ Mt Helen public
speaking
competition



Remembrance Day

Thank you to all those who donated some fresh flowers of greenery for our Remembrance Day wreaths. We delivered one wreath to the Buninyong RSL service to be presented on our behalf, and one wreath was laid as part of our Napoleons Primary School service. We had to hold this inside, because of the rain, however it was a lovely service with some of our Year 6 Captains and Leaders leading some of the reading.



Congratulations to Napoleons PS students who participated in the Lions Club Public Speaking Context in Buninyong on Monday night.

Congratulations to Alayna, Morgan, Matilda and Leroy for the presentation of their prepared speeches as part of the Lions Club Public Speaking context. Each person was given \$10 Community Gold to be spend in participating shops in Buninyong.

We were so proud of the way you spoke with confidence, great eye contact and with well researched and imagined presentations. Special thanks to families for helping their children prepare and getting them there. Thanks also to Mrs McKay, Mrs Gartlan and Mrs Hutt for their work and support with both preparation and on the night. Great work everyone!

Free Public Transport from 1st January 2026

From 1 January 2026, people aged under 18 can travel free on all Victorian public transport services using a new youth myki card. This includes trams, trains, buses and coach services.

To access free travel, they must tap the myki card on and off each time they travel. For areas that do not use myki cards, they must show their myki card to travel free.

More information about the youth myki card will be available later in Term 4, 2025 – refer to the myki types webpage on the Transport Victoria website [myki types - Transport Victoria](#).

For more information about other travel options to school, and support for eligible students, refer to the Travelling to school webpage on the Victorian Government website [Travelling to school | vic.gov.au](#).

Respectful, safe, engaged: shared expectations to support student behaviour

The Department of Education has released an updated statement on the expectations for schools in terms of respectful, safe and engaged behaviours. Please read the information attached to this newsletter. This statement supports the work already undertaken at Napoleons Primary School with our School Wide Positive Behaviours and our Respectful Relationships program.



Sovereign Hill day camp for Year 5/6 students

Today the 5/6 students are experiencing a costume school experience at Sovereign Hill. It is always great fun and I look forward to seeing all the photos of the children in their 1850s clothing.



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 6

F/1

This week we continued working on our information books about animals. We have been working really hard on these, and we can't wait to show them off when they are finished.

Everyone is starting to get excited about our F/1 sleepover which is happening next week, Friday November 21. Over the next week we will do lots of talking and planning about this exciting event. We can't wait!

1/2

I'm excited for swimming (Kayden)

In STEAM we did Scratch Junior and we got to make our own places and then had free time on the iPads (Sienna D)

I liked doing Scratch on the iPads in STEAM (Ethan Ho)

Learning about half past and o'clock in maths (Rylie and Thomas)

In MARC Van making paper birds (Ethan Ho)

I enjoyed doing essential assessments (Nate)

It was really fun doing the assessments for grade 2 this week (Sienna D)

3/4

On Tuesday for Remembrance Day we went to the OLA building and we stood in silence for a minute to remember the soldiers. We also have a poppy displayed outside our classroom to remember. Ruby

Today is World Kindness Day and we are making jars and putting pieces of paper that have kindness words written on it into the jars. You can choose who you would like to make one for. Ruby

We finished our class novel Michaela Mason's big list of Camp Worries' and... today and our whole class have enjoyed the whole book, some are sad it has come to an end. Cassie

In STEAM we have been exploring on scratch. Scratch is a game that you code to make games, videos and music. Jude

On Tuesday we got to see Jack, who is our old Chinese Teacher. He came to visit and he brought in food for us to try. Steph

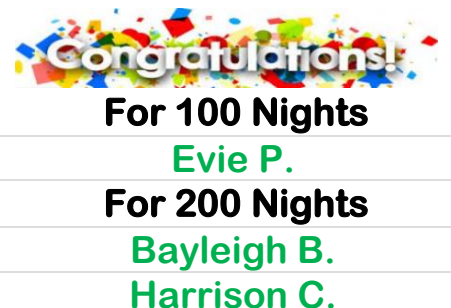
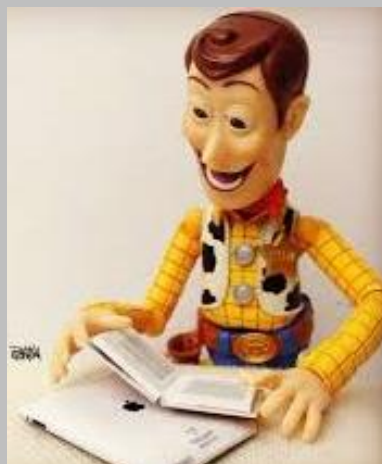
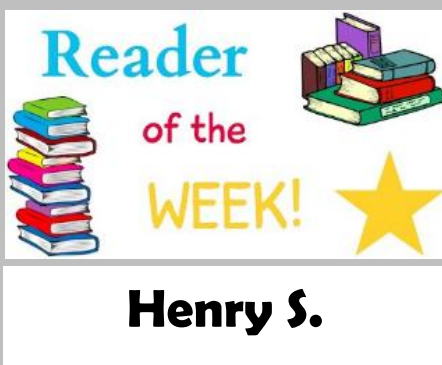
On Monday night Alayna and I spoke in the Lions Club Junior Public Speaking Competition. We lost but still won \$10 from the Community Gold Bank. I really enjoyed it - Morgan. I had fun speaking at the competition and I got second place. Alayna

5/6 G and H

We're continuing to enjoy our class novel *Spylark* each week, and with only a few chapters to go, the suspense is building! What will happen to Tom? Will his friends manage to rescue him—or will the bad guys succeed?

There are plenty of questions still to be answered in the coming weeks.

This Thursday and Friday, we'll be stepping back in time to the 1850s as we attend St Peter's Denominational School at Sovereign Hill. In preparation for our role-play experience, we've been developing character profiles and completing mini research projects about the Ballarat Gold Rush. We can't wait to dress in costume, take some photos, and share them with you!



OSHC News with Danielle and Kristen

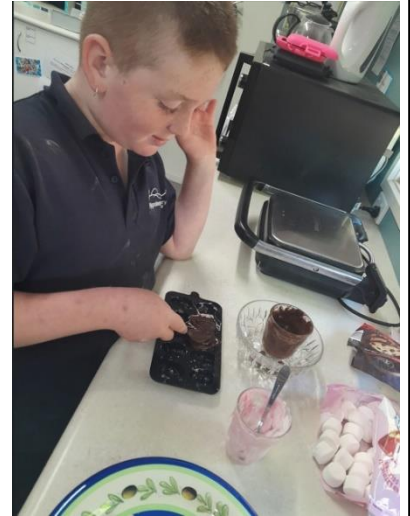
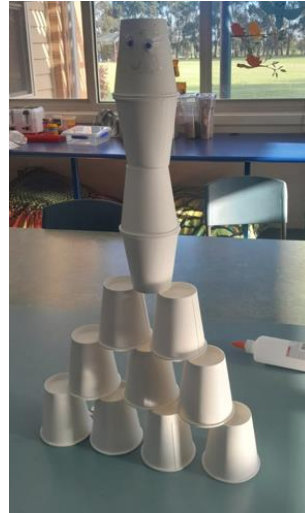
This week in OSHC we've been engaging in and enjoying lot of card games, a favourite being 'uno no mercy' - they aren't lying when they say no mercy. When we've caught glimpses of sunshine, we've found ourselves out in the gaga pit, we have really enjoyed seeing some of our older students stepping up to make everyone feel included in this. To top it all off we've had some cooking and loom banding.

OSHC Award

Henry

For

Every time you're with us you ensure everyone is included, heard and safe. You are a great leader and 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:

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!



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CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

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2025

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

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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.

Respectful, safe, engaged: shared expectations to support student behaviour

When schools, families and students work together, we achieve the best outcomes. These partnerships are essential to creating school environments that support all students to belong, learn and thrive.

At Napoleons Primary School all students are expected to be respectful, safe, and engaged. These behaviours help make our school a place where everyone can achieve their best. As a parent and carer, you play a vital role in helping your child to understand and meet shared behaviour expectations.

Students meet behaviour expectations by being:

Respectful

- Following staff instructions and school rules.
- Caring for school property and others' belongings.
- Using respectful language.

Safe

- Keeping themselves and others safe from harm.
- Speaking up or seeking help from an adult if they or someone else is being treated unfairly.
- Only bringing safe and necessary items to school.

Engaged

- Going to school every day, being on time, and ready to learn.
- Taking part, doing their best, and asking for help when they need.
- Knowing and following the school's policies, including the mobile phone policy.

Napoleons Primary School is supporting our students to meet these expectations by being:

Respectful

- Teaching and demonstrating school rules and positive behaviour expectations to students.
- Explicitly teaching, modelling and acknowledging expected respectful behaviour.
- Engaging collaboratively and positively with all students, parents and carers.

Safe

- Having clear policies and procedures to prevent and respond to bullying and keep students safe.
- Offering additional supports to students proactively and supporting students to speak up and seek help.
- Proactively identifying and addressing problems to maintain a physically, socially and culturally safe school environment.

Engaged

- Delivering evidence-based, inclusive education that meets the needs of all students.
- Empowering students to have a say in decisions that affect their learning and school life.
- Building strong, trusting relationships to ensure all students feel seen, heard and valued.

How parents and carers can help

By modelling and encouraging positive behaviour, you help your child build the skills and habits they need to be successful at school. This can include:

Respectful

- Knowing the school's rules and supporting them at home.
- Modelling respectful behaviour in how you speak to and about school staff, families, and others both in person and online.
- Making use of the school's processes to raise and resolve concerns early.

Safe

- Working together with staff if your child is having problems at school to understand and resolve the issue.
- Ensuring your child knows it is okay to ask for help from a trusted adult at school.
- Ensuring your child stays safe online by talking with them and addressing concerns early.

Engaged

- Helping your child to attend school every day - every day counts.
- Communicating with school staff and working together to support your child's learning and wellbeing.
- Talking with your child about their day and how they are feeling and encouraging their learning by noticing their effort and progress.

The [Respectful, safe, engaged: shared expectations to support student behaviour statement](#) is available on the department's website.

Further information, resources and support are available at [Supporting positive behaviour in Victorian government schools](#).

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

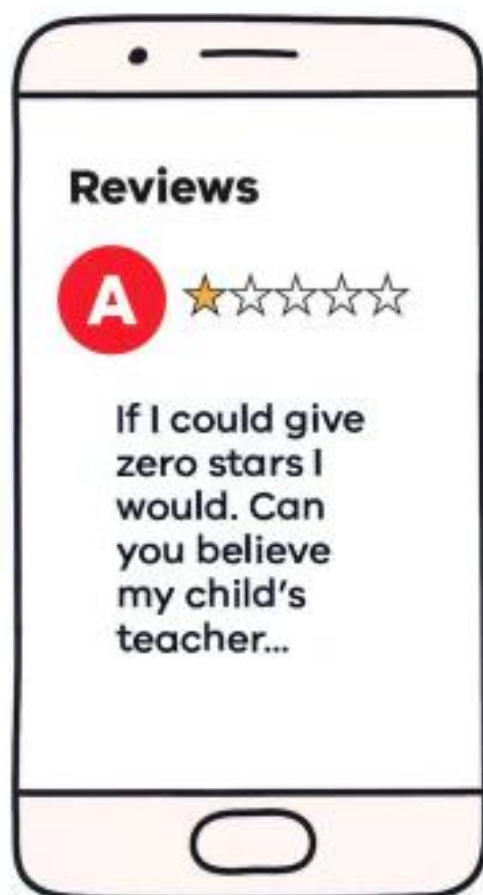
SNACKS

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

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

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

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1. Make an emergency plan



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

2. Back up information



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:

3. Prepare a kit



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



4. Stay informed



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.



emergency.vic.gov.au
Hotline: 1800 226 226
Press 9 for Interpreter



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.



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!



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 30th November

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...



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