

Calendar

8th May: Mother's Day Breakfast
13th May: GRIP Leadership
15th May: Tabloid Sports Year 4-6
22nd May: World Turtle day
26th May: National Sorry Day
8th June: King's Birthday Holiday
26th June: Last day - 2:30pm finish
17th July: National PJ Day

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4th August: F-3 Gymnastics

11th August: F-3 Gymnastics

18th August: F-3 Gymnastics

25th August: F-3 Gymnastics

1st September: F-3 Gymnastics

2nd September: Year 4/5/6 Anglesea camp

18th September: Last day - 2:30 finish

16th October: Junior swimming

Year F/1 J

Rossi

For amazing work in Maths when using ten-frames to count 2-digit numbers.

Fantastic effort!

Year F/1 M

Emric

For working hard and staying focused.

Great work!

Year 2/3

Lawson

For his creative ideas in our Literacy sessions and for always showing kindness.

Well done!

Year 3/4

Cassie

For working hard to master the use of dialogue in her narrative, including the correct punctuation.

Keep it up!

Year 5/6

Ella

For showing care and kindness towards others.

Well done!

Newsletter #12



ANZAC Day service

Thanks to our families and staff for donating the flowers and foliage for our ANZAC Day wreaths. These donations give us a lovely way to create a unique contribution to ANZAC and Remembrance Day commemorations. Mrs Fitz and a group of senior students put them together and did an amazing job. We laid one wreath as part of our school ANZAC service and the other at the Buninyong RSL ANZAC Memorial Service on Saturday morning.

Many thanks to our School Captains and Vice Captains who attended the Buninyong Service on Saturday morning. All four students proudly represented Napoleons Primary School – thank you to the families of Leroy, Matilda, Joey and Henry for bringing them along to participate.

Somers Camp for Year 5/6 students

We have been invited to submit numbers of interested students to attend this year's Somers Regional Camp. This is a nine-day camp and is only offered to Year 5/6 students every second year. Parents are invited to visit the campsite on the Sunday for lunch. There are usually about 150 to 200 students in attendance for our area and we are only offered a handful of places (4 to 6 only). Forms were sent home to families yesterday via Compass so if your child is interested, please fill them in.

If we have more students interested than places available, the names of all those who apply will be put into a draw to determine the final group. Having said that, we have been fortunate in the past and all those who have wished to attend, have been able to do so.

Our **Winter Sports is scheduled for Friday 15th May** for students in 4/5/6 – so please add this date to your calendars. The day will run a little differently this year and we only have one, longer day, instead of two shorter days this year.



Winter illnesses

While we have begun the term with some unseasonably warm weather, we have already had a run of students and staff away with the usual expected illnesses. Gastro, COVID and RSV are still around and so please remind your children about hygienic practices to ensure they are as well as can be expected as cooler weather approaches.

Please keep your children home to recover and rest if they are unwell.

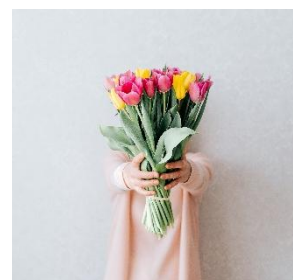
KESO Meet and Greet

This week we had the opportunity to welcome Zerene Webster-Morley, our KESO (Koorie Engagement Support Officer), who works as part of the regional team, to our school for a meet and greet. This provided a valuable chance to connect with Zerene, ask questions, and share ideas about strengthening and celebrating culture within our school community.

We are planning to make this a regular opportunity each term and look forward to continuing to build a strong, collaborative partnership that supports cultural understanding, inclusion, and connection for all students.

Mother's Day Breakfast

Next Friday 8th of May we invite all mums, grandmothers, carers and special people to join us for a Mother's Day breakfast at school 8 am onwards. It will be a great opportunity to share a bacon and egg breakfast and spend time together. We know every family is different, so whoever is special to your child is very welcome to attend.



Sue

**Sue Izard
Principal**

Maths Magic Award

To Obie

For your persistence with adding and finding missing addends.

Keep up the wonderful work!



For 25 Nights

Kendrix
Tiki
Ricky
Leroy

For 75 Nights

Michael
Adaline
Jude

For 100 Nights

Jude
Matilda
Lucy



Class News

Term 2 Week 12

F/1 J and M

This week, our F/1 students had a fantastic Week 2. They have been very busy with their learning and have shown great enthusiasm across all activities. Students began learning about the Frayer Model, focusing on how to write a definition, include a picture, and use the word in a sentence. In literacy, we have been reading *Mad Magpie* and learning how to write facts. In maths, students have been developing their counting skills using LEGO blocks.

I enjoyed writing about a dog. – **Joe (F/1MF)**

I liked learning about capital letters and full stops. – **Brody (F/1J)**

I enjoyed learning about Wombat Stew. – **Amara (F/1J)**

I had fun learning maths this week. – **F/1MF Skylar**

2/3

In maths we are using addition to get to the number 20 – **Dylan**

We read a book about the black bird and the black bird became a colourful bird after a fire that happened and he wanted more colours, so he set up a fire and a rainbow came. The fire became too big, and he had to get away from the rainbow - **Risha** (This book was called 'The Cunning Crow' and is an Indigenous Dreamtime Story.)

Yesterday we got a piece of paper, and we all got a card and put them in the right order. We were exploring the Catastrophe scale and working out if problems were micro, medium or a catastrophe - **Evie**

3/4

This week we have been learning about multiplication and are finding different ways to show and work out the answers. We can use arrays, groups of and even use easier facts such as x5 to help us work out trickier problems.

In our book, 'The One and Only Ivan', we have learnt more about Ivan and discovered that he is an artist. He likes to draw pictures of bananas and eat the crayons when he is bored.

We have also been learning how to punctuate dialogue correctly and had fun coming up with new and crazy reasons for a character's bad knee after reading the picture book, 'On the Way Home'.

5/6

This week we have read a few more chapters of the Last Bear. The main characters are April who is an 11 year old girl, April's father and of course a polar bear! They are traveling to Bear Island which is in the Arctic Circle.

We have also been writing recounts about last week's swimming with a focus on using interesting words such as exhilarated, enthusiastic, scoping and shiver!

In maths we have been learning about BODMAS - Brackets, Order, Division, Multiplication, Addition and Subtraction, as well as doing some Essential Assessment testing.

Have a great weekend!

OSHC News with Danielle and Ace

Term 2 Week 12

This week in OSHC the children had a fantastic time baking delicious cookies, taking turns to measure, mix, and roll. It was wonderful to see their teamwork in action, with students encouraging one another and sharing responsibilities to achieve a tasty result.

We also created some giant bubbles. This activity sparked lots of excitement as the children experimented with different techniques to make the biggest bubbles possible.



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.

Cost is as follows:

\$24.20 BSC and \$33 ASF

These costs are before CCS is applied which drastically lowers the total price.



OSHC Award

To Lottie Gillett

And Tilly Smith

For making us delicious cookies!

Parents can make bookings via the link below:

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



Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will be running this year on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30am to 9:00am** in the OSHC room. This program provides children with a calm and welcoming start to their school day, ensuring they are settled, nourished, and ready to learn.

Children can enjoy a variety of breakfast options including cereal, toast, fresh fruit, fruit cups, milk, and occasionally yoghurt. Breakfast Club also offers an opportunity for children to socialise w All students are welcome – There's no need to book, just come along.



If your child arrives at school hungry on other days, breakfast can still be provided **upon request** in the OSHC room between **8:40am and 8:55am**. Please encourage children to let staff know if they need support accessing breakfast with peers in a relaxed environment while being supported by OSHC educators.

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	YO YO BISCUIT	\$ 2.50
SMALL MILK CHOC OR STRAWBERRY	\$ 3.50	ICY POLE LEMONADE	\$ 2.50
POP TOP - APPLE ,ORANGE , APPLE- BLACKCURRANT	\$ 3.50	POTATO CAKE	\$2.00
WATER	\$ 3.00	MINI MUFFINS	\$2.80

SNACKS

Playgroup

We are excited to welcome Playgroup back this year at the kindergarten. Playgroup will run **Every second Friday morning from 9:00am to 11:00am**, making use of the kindergarten's excellent facilities and outdoor spaces.

Upcoming Playgroup Dates:

- Friday 8 May 2026
- Friday 22 May 2026
- Friday 5 June 2026
- Friday 19 June 2026



Napoleons Playgroup

1 friend

Playgroup provides a relaxed and supportive environment where young children can explore toys, engage in creative play, develop social skills, and build confidence in a play-based setting. Sessions are designed to encourage early learning through play while allowing children to interact with others in their community.

Parents and carers are invited to stay and participate in the session, providing a valuable opportunity to connect with other families, share experiences, and build relationships within the school community.

Playgroup will be facilitated by **Danielle from OSHC** at the start of the year. We are currently seeking a volunteer to take over facilitation of the program later in the year. If you are interested in supporting this program or would like more information, please contact the OSHC service on 0494 322 830.

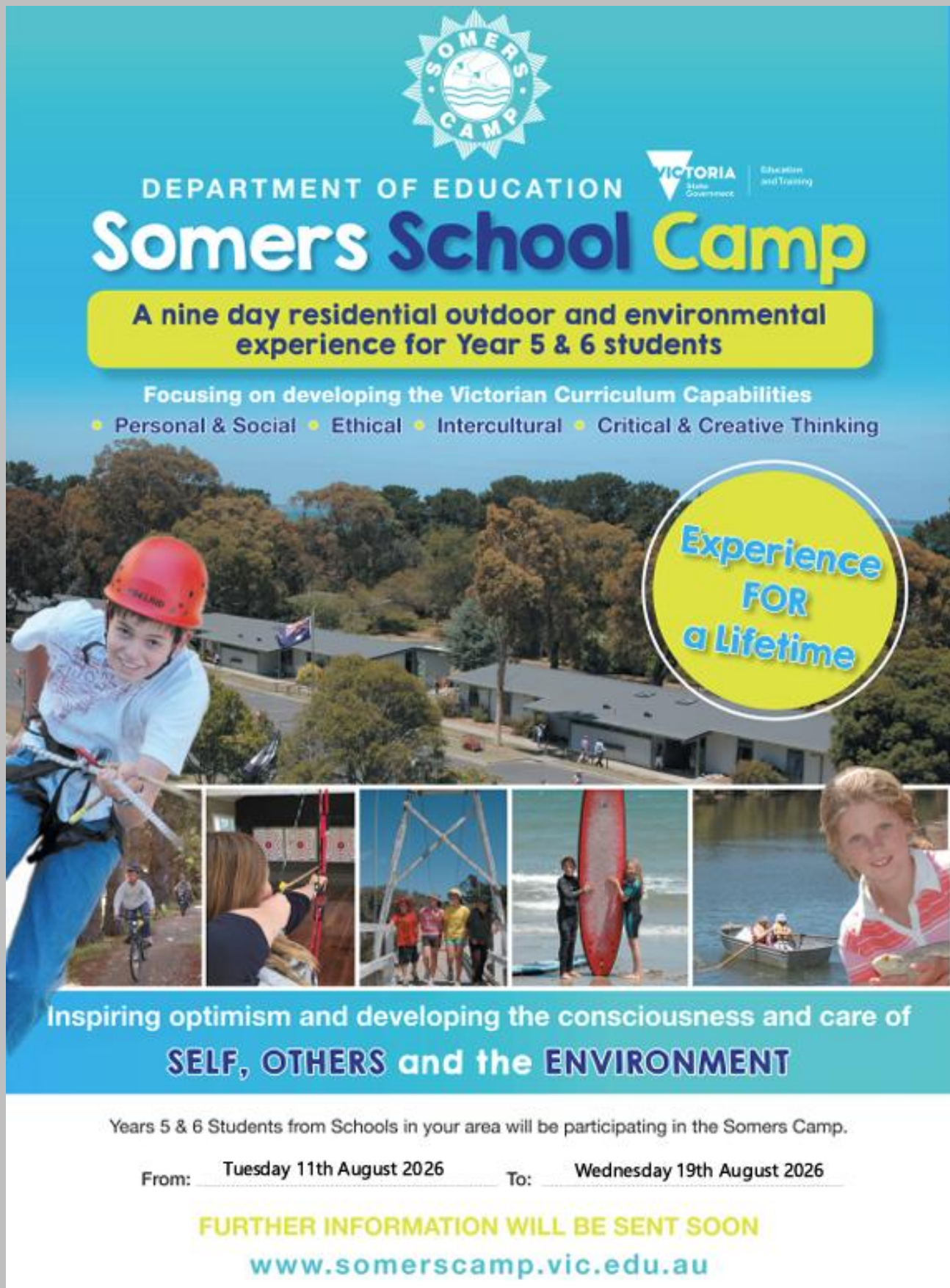
Somers School Camp – Grade 5/6

This year is a Somers School Camp year, with 160 places available for students across the Central Highlands.

The cost per participant is \$350 and includes a unique nine-day residential learning experience. Students from our school who have attended in the past have consistently described it as an amazing and rewarding opportunity.

Schools are typically allocated around four places, although additional spots are sometimes offered. Further details will be shared as they become available.

Please see the flyer below for more information. If you would like to submit an expression of interest, please complete the application form available on Compass no later than **Monday 11th May**.



The flyer features a blue background with a white gear-shaped logo at the top center containing a sun, waves, and the text 'SOMERS CAMP'. To the right is the 'VICTORIA State Government Education and Training' logo. The main title 'Somers School Camp' is in large white and yellow font. Below it, a yellow banner contains the text 'A nine day residential outdoor and environmental experience for Year 5 & 6 students'. Further down, it states 'Focusing on developing the Victorian Curriculum Capabilities' followed by a list: 'Personal & Social • Ethical • Intercultural • Critical & Creative Thinking'. A large yellow circle on the right says 'Experience FOR a Lifetime'. The bottom section has a collage of photos showing students participating in various activities like ziplining, cycling, archery, and kayaking. At the bottom, it reads 'Inspiring optimism and developing the consciousness and care of SELF, OTHERS and the ENVIRONMENT' and provides dates: 'From: Tuesday 11th August 2026 To: Wednesday 19th August 2026'. It concludes with 'FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE SENT SOON' and the website 'www.somerscamp.vic.edu.au'.

SOMERS CAMP

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Somers School Camp

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Focusing on developing the Victorian Curriculum Capabilities

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- Ethical
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SELF, OTHERS and the ENVIRONMENT

Years 5 & 6 Students from Schools in your area will be participating in the Somers Camp.

From: Tuesday 11th August 2026 To: Wednesday 19th August 2026

FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE SENT SOON
www.somerscamp.vic.edu.au

Australian Government recommends 60 minutes of movement every day.

For the month of May Napoleons is getting moving! Movement challenges and a calendar to record our movement. Aim for 60mins a day. Just record your movement and the time spent. Eg. Netball 60 minutes

Thursdays in PE our movement for the week will be checked by Miss Daws.



MOVEMENT MAY CHALLENGE

Prizes will be handed out at the completion of the challenge.

- 1 class will win an EXTRA HOUR of PE
- 10 Individuals will be regarded with a piece of sporting equipment
- Every participant will be given a certificate







Movement can be anything.

Walking, Running, Jumping, Bike Riding, Horse Riding, Gymnastics, Dirtbikes, Netball, Basketball, Running, Hiking, Football, Skipping, Cricket, Games outside, PE, Weight lifting, Yoga, Be creative!

If you need an extra calendar- grab one from the front office. Family members can join in too, they just wont be eligible for the prizes!

NAME :

MOVEMENT MAY 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 PE TODAY 	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 PE TODAY 	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 PE TODAY 	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 PE TODAY 	29	30	31

Music lessons will be held on a **Wednesday** for those students who have enrolled



ENROL NOW

MUSIC LESSONS

GUITAR ONLINE ENROLMENTS
 KEYBOARD CALL 0401951592
 SINGING DON'T MISS OUT

www.genesismusicschool.com.au



GOLDEN PLAINS SKATE PARKS AUTUMN 2026

FREE SKATEBOARDING WORKSHOPS WITH EQUIPMENT AND EXPERTISE PROVIDED

3pm - 5pm for the following locations and dates...

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|------------------------|--------------------|
| Bannockburn Skate Park | Saturday, 14 March |
| Teesdale Skate Park | Saturday, 21 March |
| Lethbridge Skate Park | Saturday, 28 March |
| Meredith Skate Park | Saturday, 4 April |
| Smythesdale Skate Park | Saturday, 11 April |
| Dereel Skate Park | Sunday, 12 April |
| Enfield Skate Park | Saturday, 18 April |
| Bannockburn Skate Park | Sunday, 19 April |
| Lethbridge Skate Park | Saturday, 25 April |
| Meredith Skate Park | Saturday, 2 May |
| Smythesdale Skate Park | Saturday, 9 May |
| Bannockburn Skate Park | Saturday, 16 May |
| Lethbridge Skate Park | Saturday, 23 May |



Register Here



For full details, registration and weather updates use the QR code or visit revolutionise.com.au/vsa
 Follow @AllAboardSessions on facebook and instagram for all event updates and content.

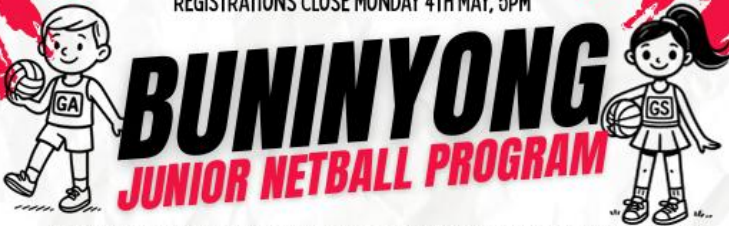


TUESDAYS | 4:15PM-5:10PM

BFNC COURTS

STARTING TUESDAY 5TH MAY (8 WEEK PROGRAM)

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE MONDAY 4TH MAY, 5PM



BUNINYONG JUNIOR NETBALL PROGRAM

Designed by BFNC Head Coach Katrina Daws, this 8 week structured program is perfect for young players wanting to build their skills, confidence and love for the game. For \$90 kids get maximised participation and exposure to key netball skills aligned with the Netball Australia Framework.

WHAT'S INCLUDED?:

- 🎯 Weekly structured sessions led by experienced coaches & players
- 🎯 Split age groups (5-7 & 7-10) for the right development
- 🎯 Welcome pack (activities, stickers, fun extras + vouchers)
- 🎯 Weekly Prize giveaways
- 🎯 Exclusive BFNC long sleeve training top
- 🎯 Certificate on completion
- 🎯 Presentation night + hot dog & drink

TO REGISTER- SCAN THE QR CODE OR USE THE LINKS ON OUR SOCIALS

BUNINYONG FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

@ BUNINYONGFNC

[HTTPS://BUNINYONGFNC.COM.AU](https://buninyongfnc.com.au)

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, EMAIL: ADMIN@BUNINYONGFNC.COM.AU
 OR CALL: 0405 631 219 OR 04191632938



Travel free



Under 18s **travel free** on all public transport with a Youth myki



Buy a Youth myki



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:

- ⊗ 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.

