

26<sup>th</sup> March 2026

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## Calendar

2<sup>nd</sup> April - Last day - 2:30 finish  
3<sup>rd</sup> April - Good Friday  
20<sup>th</sup> April - Students return  
20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> April - Senior swimming all week  
24<sup>th</sup> April – School photo day  
8<sup>th</sup> May - Mother's day breakfast  
22<sup>nd</sup> May - World turtle day

26<sup>th</sup> May - National Sorry Day  
8<sup>th</sup> June - King's Birthday Holiday  
26<sup>th</sup> June - Last day - 2:30 finish  
17<sup>th</sup> July – National PJ day  
4<sup>th</sup> August – F-3 Gymnastics  
11<sup>th</sup> August – F-3 Gymnastics  
18<sup>th</sup> August – F-3 Gymnastics  
25<sup>th</sup> August – F-3 Gymnastics  
1<sup>st</sup> September – F-3 Gymnastics

### Year F/1 J

**Oliver**

For his improved focus during class time.

Keep working hard Oliver

### Year F/1 M

**Angus**

For being a wonderful leader in our classroom

### Year 2/3

**Sienna E**

For always having a bright smile and your growing confidence in class discussions

### Year 3/4

**Slade**

For his persistence and focus when learning how to use Canva to create his information report

### Year 5/6

**Chaz**

For his fantastic presentation of a famous Australian refugee – Anh Do

Well done!

It is hard to believe that next week is our last week of Term. It has certainly flown by. Next week we finish on Thursday at 2:30pm Bus times will be adjusted and our term will end with an assembly from 2pm prior to students being dismissed. As always, parents will be welcome to attend this assembly.



Thank you to those families who have donated items for the Easter Raffle. The PFA are still collecting donations. If you have items, you have not yet donated and wish to contribute, please drop these off at the front office.

Thanks also to our PFA for all their hard work this term – Easter Raffle, Hot Cross buns, Bulb drive and Bakery lunch – just to name a few items on their list.

### Grandparents' Day



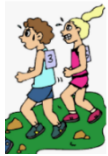
Thank you to all those Grandparents and Special people who came along on Friday afternoon last week. It was lovely to see so many people attend and to see the excited looks on students' faces when their special person arrived.

### 3-way conferences Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March



It was great to see so many families arrive with their children to participate in the 3-way conferences on Monday. These are a great opportunity for students to showcase their own learning and explain what they are proud of, what they have accomplished and what they are working towards.

## LDSSA Cross Country and Winter Sports



Today our Year 4/5/6 students will participate in our annual Cross Country event at the Linton Recreation Reserve. This is part of the inter school Winter Sports events that we participate in, with the Linton District Schools Sports Association (LDSSA). This year the day has been extended to include some tabloid sports to support building friendships amongst students between schools. It is a great opportunity to develop friendships that can be revisited at future events and that often become good connections when students move onto secondary schooling.

## Annual General Meeting – School Council

All are welcome to attend our Annual General Meeting (AGM) on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm**. This is generally a short meeting prior to the first meeting of the new school council. At this meeting, we will be presenting our Annual Report from 2025. Please note that AGMs are public events and anyone from the school community is welcome to attend.

Thank you to those people who have served on School Council throughout 2025. I am pleased to announce that we have finalised parent nominations for the 2026 School Council and have filled all the available positions. All School Council meetings are open to any parent member of the school community as observers. Throughout the meetings there are items that require voting and this is restricted to members of School Council, however unless a meeting is advertised as ‘closed’, then parent observers are welcome.

## Thank you for your support

On Tuesday this week AEU members took part in a Stop Work Action to lobby the Government to negotiate a range of items with respect to education in Victoria. Thank you to those families who sent in emails of support – these have been greatly appreciated. While the media may report that this action was all about staff salaries (teachers, ES and Principals), there were many more issues of contention including:

- Victorian public schools are the lowest funded in Australia, a Productivity Commission report this year shows that in 2023–2024 each Victorian student was funded \$2,325 less than the national average, and \$3,983 less than a student in New South Wales. Since that time, the funding gap and a significant lack of resources for students, have grown.
- In January 2025, there was a government commitment to fully fund Victorian public schools to 100% of the national Schooling Resource Standard, alongside increases by the federal government. A subsequent decision was made to delay this additional funding until 2031, meaning our schools will miss out on more than \$2.4 billion in much-needed resourcing, which would enable every student to receive more individual support.
- Full and fair school funding, which was originally meant to be provided to schools by 2019, is critical to ensuring that every child and young person can equitably access a high-quality education in their local public school. There continues to be a chronic shortage of school staff.
- There has been failed negotiations about these issues and others, relating to wage parity with other Australian states, and measures to address excessive workloads, since July 2025

Please be assured that we fully acknowledge that the decision to stop work was not one we took lightly, and we regret the impact it had on students and their families, however a day of inconvenience may be what was necessary to ensure improved funding and conditions for all students and all schools for years to come.

*Sue*

**Sue Izard  
Principal**

# Class News

Term 1 Week 9

## F/1 J and M

On Monday, we loved celebrating our learning with our families at 3-Way Conferences. Thank you to our amazing families for coming along to share in the celebrations. In Maths, we have been learning about sorting data and created some gorgeous, colourful caterpillars - keep an eye out for them on display! We are learning all about sentences and that it's so important to have a capital letter at the beginning and a full stop at the end. We are looking forward to wearing casual clothes tomorrow for our Blazeaid Fundraiser! Remember a gold coin donation please.

I liked creating the caterpillars in Maths - Remi S F/1MF

I am excited that Mrs Jones is back - Zaiden F/1J

## 2/3

On Monday we had 3-Way Conferences. We loved celebrating our amazing work this term. We have continued our Maps unit and have enjoyed creating different rules for our directions game and practising giving different directions and features of maps. In Literacy we are currently creating a book review about our favourite books, we love reading and sharing our books. We have fun in our classroom. We always love doing all our work. - Talon, Everlyn and Neeko

## 3/4

In 3/4, we have continued our exploration of measurement in Numeracy but have shifted our focus to measuring length, both formally and informally. We are nearing the end of our next chapter book, 'The Worry Tree' and have enjoyed seeing how the characters are evolving and how the protagonist is learning to manage her worries. A highlight of this week has been learning how to use the program 'Canva' and publishing our information reports on it.

In my information report, I wrote about dogs. - Holly

In Auslan, I learnt how to talk about what I do on my weekends. - Summer

I have enjoyed learning how to use Canva and have made a poster about volcanoes. - Luca

## 5/6

After several weeks of exploring vocabulary, reading and discussion, our class has finished the novel *Boy Overboard*. This is what some students had to say about the book:

"I loved it. The end was both happy and sad. They weren't where they were supposed to be (in Australia), but they were reunited as a family." - Alex.

"I really enjoyed reading it because it was a mix of highs and lows, and there were lots of parts to the story. My favourite part was when Jamal pulls the ball from under the tank." - Flynn.

I like how chaotic the story was, it really hooked you in as a reader." - Sarah.

We have now begun our *Boy Overboard* activity grid, which encourages students to think more deeply about the text and analyse the characters, themes, events and messages within the story. Students have been exploring data in numeracy; collecting, representing, and interpreting information to uncover patterns and interrupt findings.



**Lawson R.**



**For 25 Nights**

**Amara R.**

**For 50 Nights**

**Darcy G.**

**Summer D.**

**Holly R.**

**Hollie S.**

# OSHC News with Danielle and Ace

Term 1 Week 9

This week at OSHC, we enjoyed a range of creative and relaxing activities. The children used pipe cleaners to create bubbles, explored their creativity with air-dry clay, and spent time relaxing in the quiet room.

On Monday, during our three-way conference, Aruni and James joined us. They supported the children as we explored and played outside, creating a fun and engaging environment for everyone.

We look forward to another fun and engaging week at OSHC!



## *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 price



## Quacktain Award

To Ricky

For always playing with me and helping me when I need support

To Ace

For making OSHC fun and being kind to me

## OSHC Award

To Morgan

For helping other children settle

Parents can make bookings via the following link:

[https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment\\_v2/centre/x59V4dmEiRga0ifjM94231W4yA?param=](https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment_v2/centre/x59V4dmEiRga0ifjM94231W4yA?param=)

## Before School Care Program Survey

Dear Families,

Napoleons OSHC is currently reviewing our **Before School Care program**, and we are exploring the possibility of **extending our morning hours** to better support families.

To help us understand what would work best for our community, we have created a short survey for families to complete. The survey asks about **preferred start times, potential extended hours, and pricing options**. Your feedback will help us determine whether an earlier start time (such as **6:00am or 6:30am**) would be beneficial and viable for our service.

The survey only takes a few minutes to complete, and your responses will play an important role in guiding future decisions for our OSHC program.

We would greatly appreciate it if you could take a moment to complete the survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/58YJ97Q>

Thank you for your ongoing support of Napoleons OSHC.

Kind regards,

Napoleons OSHC Team

**Danielle Edwards**

**OSHC**

**Coordinator**

# 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



## Breakfast Club

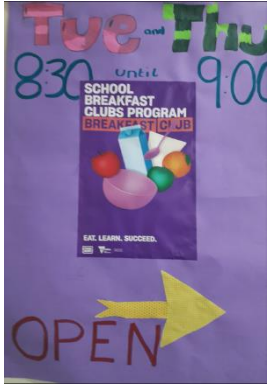


Breakfast Club will be running this year on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30am to 9:00am** in the OSHC room. This program provides children with a calm and welcoming start to their school day, ensuring they are settled, nourished, and ready to learn.

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 with peers in a relaxed environment while being supported by OSHC educators.

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.



## 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, 27 March 2026
- Friday, 24 April 2026



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.



**JUNIORSCHOOL COUNCIL  
PRESENTS**

**CASUAL CLOTHES DAY**

**BRING A GOLD COIN DONATION**

**FRIDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**

**HELP PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN  
AFFECTED BY NATURAL  
DISASTERS SUCH AS FIRES,  
CYCLONES, DROUGHTS AND  
FLOODS.**



## HELP US MAKE AMAZING THINGS HAPPEN FOR OUR STUDENTS!

Dear Families,

Our Parents & Friends Association (PFA) plays a big role in bringing our school community together while raising funds for extra resources, experiences, and opportunities for our students. We would love more families to be part of it!

### What does the PFA do?

Throughout the year we organise fun, family-friendly fundraisers and events that support our school community.

### Why join the PFA?

- Meet other families and make new connections
- Share ideas and be part of decision-making
- Support your child's school in a meaningful way
- Help create memorable experiences for our students

### Time Commitment

PFA meetings are held once per term (normally), and you can be involved as much or as little as suits you.

### Everyone is Welcome

New members are always welcome! Please contact the School Office or speak with a member of the PFA team to learn more.

Warm regards,

Napoleons Primary School PFA Team

**What does the PFA do?**

- Fun events & fundraisers for our school!

**Why Join the PFA?**

- ★ Make new friends
- Share ideas
- ◆ Support our school
- ★ Create memories!

**Time Commitment**

- ★ Monthly Meetings – Join in when you can!

**Everyone is Welcome!**  
Contact us to learn more!



## JOIN THE PFA

NAPOLEONS PRIMARY SCHOOL – PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

Dear Families,

Our PFA brings our school community together through fun fundraisers, events, and opportunities for students. We would love you to join us – everyone is welcome!

### WHAT DOES THE PFA DO?

We organise exciting fundraisers and community activities throughout the year to support students and bring families together.

### WHY JOIN?

- Meet other families and make connections
- Share ideas and help shape school events
- Support your child's school in a meaningful way
- Be part of a welcoming community

### MEETINGS

PFA meetings are held once a term (normally). You can be involved as much or as little as suits you.

### NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME

Please contact the School Office or speak with a member of the PFA team to learn more.

Napoleons Primary School PFA Team  
Together we make a difference for our students.



**Napoleons Primary School**

brought to you by Our Napoleons Primary School's PFA Team

## The Annual Easter Raffle 2026!

**Donations are Now OPEN**

We would love all donations to be received by the **30th March** please.

Raffle will be drawn on the **2nd April** at School Assembly.

If you have any questions about donations please contact the school office or a member of PFA, thank you.

New members to PFA are always welcome 😊



# FOOD FIGHT



## AMAZING!

### Napoleons Primary School

YOU slime slopping, fruit piffing LEGENDS created  
**10,808 MEALS**  
for people in need.

We can't thank you enough!

*Dave McNamara*  
Dave McNamara  
Foodbank Victoria CEO

*Margaret Messmaker*  
Margaret Messmaker  
Chief Slime Officer



**NAPOLEONS PRIMARY SCHOOL PFA**

**ANNUAL EASTER RAFFLE 2026**

**DONATIONS NOW OPEN**

Dear Families and Local Businesses,

Our Annual Easter Raffle is coming up, and we would love your support! The PFA is currently collecting donations to help create amazing Easter raffle prizes for our school community.

**WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR:**

- Easter eggs (any size)
- Chocolate or lollies
- Gift baskets or hampers
- Small toys or games
- Books or craft items
- Vouchers or small business donations
- Family-friendly prizes

All donations big or small are greatly appreciated!

**WHEN TO RETURN DONATIONS:** Please send all donations to school by: 30th March

**WHERE TO BRING DONATIONS:**

- School Office OR
- Directly to a member of the PFA Team

**RAFFLE DRAW DATE:** The Easter Raffle will be drawn on the 2nd April at School Assembly.

Remember to keep an eye out for raffle ticket books in your child's bag in the following weeks, so you don't miss out on a chance to win a prize!

**QUESTIONS?** If you have any questions about donations, please contact the school office or speak to a member of the PFA Team.

New members to PFA are always welcome!

Thank you for supporting our school community!

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**GEELONG AND DISTRICT  
POULTRY CLUB INC.**


# JUNIOR DAY

Join us for a day specialising in looking after and preparing poultry for exhibition!  
Recommended age group 8-15 Years - Parents welcome

11am-2pm 11 April  
2026

Free entry,  
BBQ Lunch provided  
The Poultry Shed, Geelong  
Showgrounds

**For more information :**

 [secretary@geelongpoultryclub.com](mailto:secretary@geelongpoultryclub.com)

 Geelong and District Poultry Club Inc.



BOOK HERE:



# Travel free



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



Buy a Youth myki



Transport Victoria

Authorised by the Victorian Government, 1 Treasury Place, Melbourne



## BOYS EASTER ADVENTURE CAMP!

FOR 8 - 12 YEAR OLDS!

4 DAYS OF AMAZING ADVENTURES!

13<sup>TH</sup> - 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026



## FREE CAMP T-SHIRT!

For Bookings and Enquiries - Contact Andrew - Camp Director  
Phone: 0414 538 131 ~ Email: [email@campwedgetail.com.au](mailto:email@campwedgetail.com.au)

Supported by: Adventure Kids Australia & Adventure Camps Australia



### Free health, wellbeing and development checks for prep students

The Primary School Nursing Program is a free health and wellbeing service offered to all Victorian students in their first year of school.

The program aims to assist with the early identification of children with potential health, wellbeing or development concerns which may impact on their education and offers screening which may include:



Hearing



Vision



Speech



Dental



Motor skills



Behaviour and social skills

The Primary School Nurse also provides advice, information and referrals to other health and support services.

**Please remember to complete:**

The Online School Entrant Health Questionnaire (which can be accessed through this QR code or link on your mobile device or computer)

[students.educationapps.vic.gov.au/sehq/s/](https://students.educationapps.vic.gov.au/sehq/s/)



A paper version of the School Entrant Health Questionnaire is available from your child's school if you would prefer.

# 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.





DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



# Somers School Camp

**A nine day residential outdoor and environmental experience for Year 5 & 6 students**

Focusing on developing the Victorian Curriculum Capabilities

- Personal & Social
- Ethical
- Intercultural
- Critical & Creative Thinking



Inspiring optimism and developing the consciousness and care of  
**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](http://www.somerscamp.vic.edu.au)

## Somers School Camp – Grade 5/6

This year is a Somers School Camp year and there will be places offered for 160 students across the Central Highlands Area.

The cost per participant will be \$350 and the experience includes a unique nine-day residential learning experience. We have had a number of students attend in the past and all have described it as an amazing experience. Please see the flyer attached and discuss the opportunity with your child. Usually schools are offered approximately four (4) places, although sometimes we get lucky and get a few extras. More details will be given shortly.

If wanting to submit an expression of interest, please see the office.



**ENROL NOW**

# MUSIC LESSONS

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

[www.genesismusicschool.com.au](http://www.genesismusicschool.com.au)

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

# DRAGONS

BASKETBALL

## 2026 WINTER REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN.

**DON'T MISS OUT!**

# JOIN NOW!





[DRUMMODRAGONS.COM.AU](http://DRUMMODRAGONS.COM.AU)

# BASKETBALL HOLIDAY CAMPS

**MEET AND LEARN FROM THE MINERS, MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND HAVE FUN**

WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> & THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
TUESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> & WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

SELKIRK STADIUM - 9AM TO 3PM

**SIGN UP NOW**

[BALLARATBASKETBALL.COM](http://BALLARATBASKETBALL.COM)




**FREE MINERS TICKET**

Free kids ticket to the Ballarat Miners when you sign up to any day of our Power FM Holiday camp

SCAN HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION



\*Actual tickets will be handed out at the camp on the day



## GOLDEN PLAINS SKATE PARKS AUTUMN 2026

FREE SKATEBOARDING WORKSHOPS WITH EQUIPMENT AND EXPERTISE PROVIDED

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

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](http://revolutionise.com.au/vsa)  
Follow @AllAboardSessions on facebook and instagram for all event updates and content.






# FREE School Holiday Program

Ballarat Primary School Students

**Build confidence, connection and capability - this school holiday.**

Since 2022, Paw Pals has partnered with local Ballarat schools to support student wellbeing through therapy dog-assisted learning.

We're excited to bring our school holiday program to Ballarat! Our free program builds on the foundation of Paw Pals with fun, engaging activities designed to strengthen peer connection, boost self-confidence, and foster independence.

“Thankyou so much for making me happy and making me enjoy my time”  
Past Student

**\$ Free to Attend, Limited Spots**

**🏫 Grades 4-6**

**📅 April 7th, 9th, 10th, 10AM -2PM**

**📍 Lucas Community Hub, 17 Coltman Plaza, Lucas**

Activities are based on the Paw Pals Curriculum, which aligns with the general capabilities in the Victorian Curriculum.

**Applications close 20th March. Get in touch with us today to secure your place.**

**Contact: Kate Maddocks**

📞 0484 366 996

✉ Kate.Maddocks@mackillop.org.au

🌐 mackillop.org.au/programs/paw-pals

This holiday program is made possible thanks to the generous support of



Mackillop Family Services acknowledges the Traditional Custodians and their Elders in each of the communities where we work. Mackillop celebrates and draws strength from diversity and respects the dignity of all people. We value an inclusive culture where everyone gets the most from their work, gender diverse, trans and sexual people (GSM) have the right to be safe.



Animal Assisted Education

## Paw Pals School Holiday Program Expression of Interest (EOI)

Paw Pals has been partnering with local schools and students in Ballarat since 2022. Building on this strong foundation, our school holiday program offers fun, engaging activities that strengthen peer connection, boost self-confidence, and support students in developing greater independence.

### PROGRAM DETAILS

- 👥 Grades 4-6** **💰 Free**
- 📅 April 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>**
- 🕒 10 AM-2 PM**
- 📍 Lucas Community Hub, Lucas**
- 👤 Max. 8 Students per Group**

### KEY FOCUS AREAS

The program provides targeted activities to enhance students' **self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making**. Based on the Paw Pals Curriculum, which aligns with the general capabilities in the Victorian Curriculum. Topics include:

- **Understanding social cues** (e.g., taking turns, teamwork, problem-solving)
- **Coping with mistakes and building resilience**
- **Practice and persistence for success**
- **Mindfulness for wellbeing**, inspired by the way dogs live in the moment and spread joy

### STUDENT INFORMATION

Full Name			
Date of Birth			
School	Year Level		
Parent/Guardian Name	Contact Number		
Email Address			

Does your child have any additional learning or support needs? <i>(Please provide details)</i>			
SESSION DELIVERY			
How many days will your child attend? <i>(Multiple days welcome)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> April <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> April <input type="checkbox"/> Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Would you like to explore 1:1 support sessions? <i>(Outside of the School Holiday Program)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
How did you hear about the Paw Pals School Holiday Program?			
<input type="checkbox"/> School referral <input type="checkbox"/> Social media	<input type="checkbox"/> Word of mouth <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____		
PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT			
I confirm that I am the parent/guardian of the above-named student and give permission for them to participate in the Paw Pals School Holiday Program. I understand that submitting this Expression of Interest does not guarantee placement in the program, and I will be contacted regarding further details.			
Signature _____		Date _____	

**Applications Close 20 March | First-Come, First-Served**

Please email completed form to

✉ Kate.Maddocks@mackillop.org.au



**Kate Maddocks**  
Paw Pals Operations Coordinator

This holiday program is made possible thanks to the generous support of

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