



# Coburg West Primary School

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2023

## CWPS ACTIVITY CALENDAR

DATE	ACTIVITY	DETAILS
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	Grade 1 Excursion	Bundoora Park
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	Grade 6 excursions	Lume & Botanic Gardens
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	100 days of Prep	
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	National Science Week	
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> – Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Grade 4 Camp	Mt Evelyn
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> August	Book Week	
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> August	Book Parade	9am
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Writer's Festival Assembly	9am to 11am
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Grade 6 Excursion	Parliament House
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Grade 6 Excursion	Parliament House
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Grade 6 Excursion	Parliament House
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Prep Excursion	Botanical Gardens
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Colour Run	Prep to Grade 6
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Curriculum Day	Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Melbourne Cup	Pupil Free Day
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Grade 2 Bush Day	8am to 6pm

## VICTORIAN TERM DATES FOR 2023

	START	ENDS	LAST DAY DISMISSAL
TERM 3	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	2:30pm Dismissal
TERM 4	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	1:30pm Dismissal

### Dear School Community,

Mr Copping and I would like to say thank you to all those who assisted in making this Principal's Day a special one. We were inundated with kind greetings, well wishes and lots of special cards, drawings and poems, all of which made our day.

### STAFFING UPDATES

As of Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August, I will be on Long Service Leave through to the end of term. In my absence, Mr Copping will be Acting Principal and Ms Amerena will be stepping up as Acting Assistant Principal. I am sure they will both ensure that our school continues to move along smoothly as I visit parts of Europe.

In addition, our Groundskeeper Tony is also on leave as of Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August. In his absence, we have Julian who will spend time in our school each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday to assist in caring for our school grounds until Tony's return in mid-September.

### SEWER PROBLEMS & ROOF REPAIRS

For those of you that are not yet aware, we have had some major problems with our toilets over the past week. Last Thursday morning we found that the student and staff toilets along the eastern side of our school had flooded. Given we have also had ongoing issues with toilets not flushing properly and blocking, I lodged an Emergency Maintenance call to the Department. Temporary toilets have been delivered and a team of plumbers have been in to investigate. They found that the main sewer trap on the school boundary has collapsed causing the blockage. Major repair works

We are Learners / We are Respectful / We are Safe / We Care

are now being planned but it will mean areas of our front playground will be closed off to students and the portable toilets will be in use until all the works are complete.

Also in the coming months, works will begin on repairs to part of the roof on the eastern tower, along with reinstatement works to a wall in 6F and the storeroom above it.

### **PARENT OPINION SURVEY**

As of Monday, our parents/carers will have the opportunity to provide their feedback about our school. This annual survey offered by the Department of Education is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. While the survey is optional, I encourage all families to participate. Our school will utilise the results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. An email will be sent to all families via COMPASS containing the link and code for families to access and complete the online survey. It should only take 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed on a desktop computer, laptop, tablet or smartphone at any time within the survey period. This survey will be open from Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023.

### **2024 ENROLMENTS NOW BEING FINALISED**

In accordance with the Department of Education's timeline for enrolments, we are now in the process of finalising enrolments for the 2024 school year. In the past week I have sent out letters of offer to families of future Prep students and have submitted indicative enrolment numbers to the DE. If you or someone you know has a child of age to start school next year, please contact the office to arrange enrolment as soon as possible.

Likewise, if your family is planning to move away or move your children to another school for the 2024 school year, please notify the school in writing at your earliest convenience. You can do this via email at [coburg.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:coburg.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

### **TRAM WORKS ALONG MELVILLE ROAD**

We have been advised that over the coming months, tram line works along Melville Road may impact how our students travel to and from school. Road closures and diversions will result in changes to traffic flow and lead to additional congestion in surrounding streets, particularly through drop off and pick up times. We have also been advised that there will be buses replacing tram services and crossings may be affected, as such families may need to allow extra time to walk, cycle or drive to school. Please note the materials being dropped in your letterboxes which provide greater detail to residents.

### **COMPASS WHEN ON HOLIDAYS**

With us having the freedom to travel once again, it is wonderful to hear of so many families taking opportunities to go on holidays. If your child will be travelling through the school term, please ensure that you inform the school in writing via email and most importantly that you enter your child's absence on COMPASS as a family holiday.

### **PARENT PAYMENTS STILL OPEN**

For those families who have not yet done so, the 2023 Parent Payments are still open.

These voluntary contributions help cover the cost of all supplies and materials used by the children in their learning throughout the year. While this includes their daily use of stationery items such as pencils, glue, and paper, it also covers the costs of art supplies, maths or science resources and reading materials.

These payments can be made via the COMPASS App, please see the COMPASS Newsfeed for more information.

### **SHORE RESERVE SHOWDOWN MENTIONED IN PARLIAMENT**

I have just received word that our school was mentioned in State Parliament in the past week. Our local member State MP Anthony Cianflone, referred to his visit to our school, which also happens to be where he attended primary school and went on to talk about the Shore Reserve Showdown. You can listen in at this link [Anthony Cianflone MP: Member statement regarding Pascoe Vale Schools visits \(01/08/2023\). - YouTube](#) The Community Group pages following in this Newsletter provide more information about this football match which brings together the CWPS and the Pascoe Vale South Primary school communities, and I am sure it will be a great success.

Wishing you all a safe and happy rest of term and I look forward to seeing you all again in Term 4.

Kind regards,

Mark COLAGRANDE

PRINCIPAL

**We are Learners / We are Respectful / We are Safe / We Care**

# CWPS VALUES CERTIFICATES

**We Are Learners / We Are Respectful / We Are Safe / We Care**

Grade	Student	Value	Student	Value	Presented by
Prep Y	Nj	We Are Learners	Lily	We Care	Ms. Youla
Prep L	Sam	We Are Learners	Fletcher	We Care	Mrs Lebon
Prep S	Chloe	We Are Learners	Digby	We Care	Ms Zschunke
1D	Mia	We Are Learners	Grace & Peter	We Are Learners	Mr Peric
1E	Frankie	We Are Learners	Milana	We Are Learners	Ms Esposito
2C	Zoe	We Care	Ivy	We Are Learners	Ms Cavoli
2F	Olivia	We Are Learners	Elena	We Care	Ms Fonte De Vos
2N	Mila	We Are Learners	Ruth	We Are Learners	Mr Niciak
3B	Aley	We Are Respectful	Alex	We Care	Ms. Blackman
3R	Chiara	We Are Respectful	Remy	We Are Learners	Mr Robinson
3S	Philip	We Are Learners	Andrew	We Are Learners	Mrs Spiteri/Mrs Pavich
4K	Damian	We Are Learners	Orlando	We Are Learners	Mr Krauss
4M	Max	We Care	Michael	We Are Learners	Ms McKenzie/Ms Corn
4P	Dylan	We Are Safe			Mrs Chimirri
5M	Patrick & Sophie	We Are Respectful	Paige	We Care	Ms Mardesic
5R	Hugo	We Are Learners			Ms Taylor
5T	Avielle	We Care	Christian & Gus	We Are Learners	Mr Torpey
6A	Charlotte	We Are Learners	Daniel	We Are Learners	Mr Aitken
6F	Eric	We Are Learners	Angela	We Are Learners	Ms Franco
6R	Kristina	We Care	Will & Lou	We Care	Mrs Rigby

## CWPS GOOD CITIZENS

These students are acknowledged and thanked by their House Captains for being Good Citizens by exhibiting positive behaviours which reflect our School Values.

	28 <sup>th</sup> July	4 <sup>th</sup> August
<b>Green House</b>	Ted 2N	Mila 2N
<b>Red House</b>	Angus 1E	Scott 3R
<b>Gold House</b>	Yasir 5M	Jack PS
<b>Blue House</b>	Imogen 3R	Niko 5R

**We are Learners / We are Respectful / We are Safe / We Care**



**Harry Potter**

# Book week

19–25 August 2023

READ  
GROW  
INSPIRE



## Book Parade

**When: Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> of August**  
**Time: From 9:00am**  
**Place: In The Large Hall**

THE DISNEY  
**BFG**

**Come to school dressed as your  
favourite book character!**  
**Who will you be?**

**Everyone is welcome to attend and watch the  
students share their costumes during our  
Book Parade!**



We are **Learners** / We are **Respectful** / We are **Safe** / We **Care**

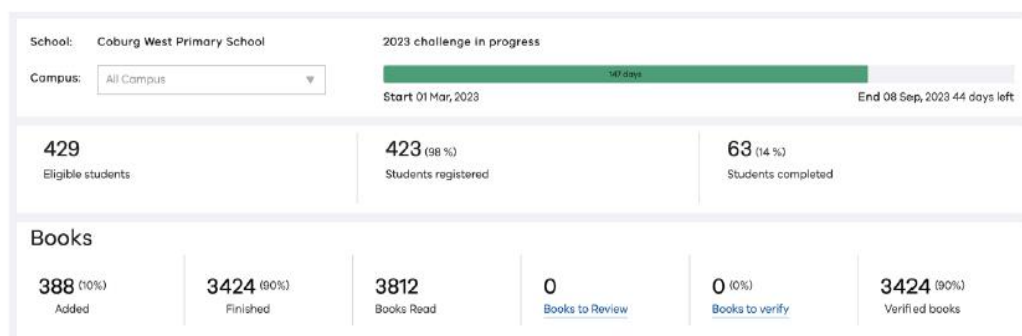


## 2023 PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Here's the Premier's Reading Challenge update, keep up the amazing efforts and keep logging those finished books!

That finish line is just around the corner!

Every book must be added by **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September**.



Here's a list of this week's top favourite titles as selected by the students of CWPS.

Wings of Fire By Barry Deutsch
Really Weird By Anh Do
Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney
Powcasso by Remi Lai
Real Pigeons Fight Crime by Andrew McDonald
Sisters by Raina Telgemeier
Mary Poppin by P.L. Travers
The Pigeon Needs A Bath by Mo Willems
Pig The Grub by Aaron Blabey
Dogman by Dav Pilkey

Patricia Amerena  
English Leading Teacher





**CWPS**

# **WRITERS FESTIVAL**

**A CELEBRATION OF  
WRITING IS COMING**

**TOPIC: FROM THE HEART**

**WHEN: ASSEMBLY LAUNCH ON  
MONDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2023**

**TIME: 9:00AM**

**VENUE: LARGE HALL**

Family

What are you passionate  
about?

Photography

Animals

Environment

Friends

**FAVOURITE  
THINGS**



**FOLLOWING THE LAUNCH, STUDENT WORK WILL BE ON DISPLAY  
IN THE SMALL HALL UNTIL THURSDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER.**

# Netball Division Finals

On Wednesday the 26th of July, the CWPS girls netball team attended the division finals at Macleod Stadium.

The Team included, Lia.C, Rachel.H, Charlotte.B, Katie.T, Alara.M, Penelope.Q, Grace, D, Nasia.P, Violet.W and Vera.C. At the division finals the team had lots of fun and lots of lollies.

The Team played their first game against St Marks Primary, the scores were 23-5 our way. In the second game we played Richmond Primary, the scores were 22-15 their way. The third game was the most competitive and close game by far against Carlton Primary the scores were 9-8 their way.

Special thanks to Catherine Hill and Sarah Tuckett for driving the team around. A very big thank you to Miss Franco for amazing coaching and the team for playing beautifully. We were so close to getting through to the next stage and are so proud of our achievement!

By Rachel H and Charlotte B





# WRITING FOR WELLBEING IN GRADE 3

To start off Term 3, the Grade 3's have been exploring help-seeking strategies through the Education Department's Resilience, Rights & Respectful Relationships program. This program contains many engaging activities that teach a



broad range of elements within the social and emotional curriculum and I am pleased to share the latest chapter in our journey. The Grade 3 cohort had the opportunity to explore the value of seeking and offering help, culminating in the creation of unique picture story books with strong messages for our Prep students. These books not only kindled creativity but also served as vessels of understanding and compassion, bridging the gap between different age groups within our school community.

Below, Lux and Tayla from 3R beautifully articulate the writing stages throughout this learning and reflect on their understanding of leadership.

In writing wellbeing we made picture story books. We needed to write eight pages that were based on a character having a problem at school that maybe a prep would face.

First, we brainstormed problems that a prep might face at school and how they would react to the problem negatively and positively.

Next, we planned our ideas we each liked the most onto a story mountain.

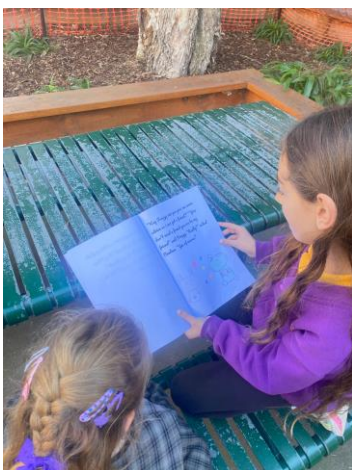
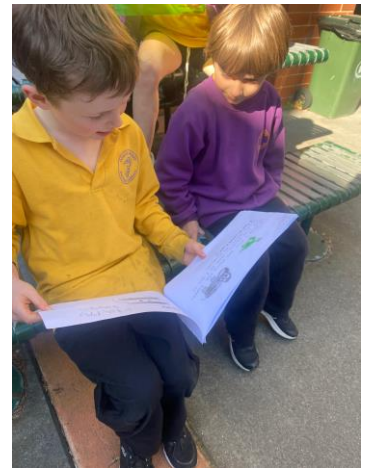
The first thing that was on the story mountain was about introducing the character.

Then we planned their bad experience, how they reacted to it, and how their negative reactions made the problem bigger or didn't solve it. For our endings we had to brainstorm good advice the character got from someone and how they used it. Then they would end up with their problem solved and how their body felt afterwards.

Once we finished our draft and publishing, we printed it out and illustrated.

One thing I enjoyed about this was probably showing the preps and sharing it.

- Tayla (3R)



In wellbeing writing the grade 3s made picture story books for the preps. I wanted to talk about how I was influenced by my little sister, Una.

Una was having trouble finding friends to play with, and that was the problem in my story. Una the Kookaburra was looking for someone to play with. That was what happened in real life. This was the second phase. Una asked Connie the Cockatoo, but she said: "You're too boring to play with!" And just like in the story, the same thing happened to Una. People had been saying she couldn't play with them, and she was really sad, and affected at home. In the story, she ran to a playground and hid in a tunnel, crying. This was probably what Una felt like doing. Then, Maggie came and told Una to stand up for herself, she did, and she played with Maggie. This was representing my incredible friends, **Tayla and Remy**, who helped my sister, and I would like to say thank you.

When **MOST** people had finished, we shared our stories with the preps and ate lunch with them. This was to build confidence, by speaking and making relationships with people who might be a bit scary to them. In the end, we had made a tiny but special difference for the preps, who now feel a little bit more comfortable speaking to people. I think it also helped us a little, because even though they're younger or smaller than us, most of the time speaking to anybody who you're not too familiar with can be scary to talk to.

-Lux (3R)



# SHORE RESERVE SHOWDOWN 2023!



## HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- **BECOME A PLAYER!** - You don't have to play AFL to get involved! Anyone is welcome irrespective of skill
- **SPONSOR THE TEAM** - You can either sponsor a player or the whole team. (scan the QR code)
- **VOLUNTEER ON THE DAY** - On the day we will need volunteers to help support the stalls and activities - from bbq, cake stall, face painting and more!  
<https://signup.com/go/mvqBVBc>



# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

SHORE RESERVE SHOWDOWN –  
Cake Stall, Face Painting....  
<https://signup.com/go/mvqBVBc>

AND

APPRECIATION STALL For  
Fathers and Special People  
<https://signup.com/go/rDNQVee>

27  
AUG  
&  
31 AUG  
23

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER  
1ST FROM 2PM

Dad's  
Day Out

BOWLS, BBQ AND BEVERAGES  
WEST COBURG BOWLS CLUB  
TICKETS \$50 VIA QKR



# Save the Date



## PARENTS' NIGHT OUT SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER

festivities, silent auction and  
*a touch of sparkle*

details to follow..

# ArtisticCat

## FANTASTIC ONLINE ART CLASSES

Brilliant artists and instructors take the classes in real-time on Zoom.

- Easy to organise - we make it simple for you.
- The kids produce amazing work and are really proud of their art!
- All age groups covered!
- Super affordable
- To see the activities planned for the classes click visit our website.  
[www.artisticcat.com.au](http://www.artisticcat.com.au) There are some amazing art ideas planned!

# FIRST CLASS FREE!

Just \$13.50 a class (exc GST)

The full price varies depending on the number of classes in the term.

## LIMITED PLACES BOOK NOW!

To book go to  
[www.artisticcat.com.au](http://www.artisticcat.com.au)







**\$234.50**  
**for 3 days!**  
Offer ends August  
20!



## THREE DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMPS!

Improve your sporting skills with friends this Spring!  
AFL, Netball, Basketball and Soccer on offer!

### Program includes

- ✓ 9am to 3pm each day
- ✓ Delivered by experienced coaches
- ✓ Suitable for all ages and skill levels
- ✓ Guest appearances at selected programs



### Locations

Moonee Ponds  
Maribyrnong  
Parkville



Contact Us 1300 914 368

[admin@australiansportscamps.com.au](mailto:admin@australiansportscamps.com.au)





IT'S TIME  
FOR OUR  
ANNUAL



BRUNSWICK NORTH WEST  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



# Winter Magic Market



AMUSEMENT RIDES - ART AUCTION - BAKED POTATOES  
BARBECUE - BEER - CAKES - CHAI - CIDER - COFFEE  
CURRY - DISCO - FAIRY FLOSS - FIRE PITS  
GLITTER TATTOOS - HAIR FEATHERS - LEMONADE  
LIVE MUSIC - MULLED WINE - PANCAKES  
SECOND HAND BOOKS & TOYS - SWEETS

**SATURDAY 12 AUGUST 2023**  
**1 - 7 PM**

**CULLODEN STREET, BRUNSWICK WEST**

# AIKIDO FOR KIDS

0409 187 637



## *Children*

Aikido classes for children are intended to be fun physical exercises using Aikido principles, mixed with age appropriate disciplined practice of self defence techniques. The grading system we use for children provides them with regular rewards for small achievements, plus new coloured belts for more substantial accomplishments.



## *Pat Aliotta*

2<sup>nd</sup> dan Aikikai Japan

I am incredibly humbled to lead and teach our young "**samurai warriors**". I'm passionate about upholding the traditional Japanese Aikido practice while overlaying modern strategies to guide and mentor our children. At **Aikido for Kids**, we nurture and develop our young "**samurai warriors**" to be present in the moment, while strong in mind, body and spirit.

Parents are welcome to jump on the mats and train alongside their children. Join us for 2 complimentary sessions at St Alban's Church Hall 250 Reynard Street Coburg.....

No joining fees, No annual fees.....Term 4 Enrolments now open.....Mobile:0409 187 637.....[kaizen-aikido@outlook.com](mailto:kaizen-aikido@outlook.com)

**We are Learners / We are Respectful / We are Safe / We Care**