



# Coburg West Primary School

**FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2022**

DATE	ACTIVITY	DETAILS
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Meet the teacher	<b>GR 1 - 6 ONLY DISMISSED 1:30pm</b> <b>Interviews begin 2pm-7pm</b>
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Werribee Zoo	Grade 4 excursion
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Labour Day – Public Holiday	Student Free Day
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Forensic Science Incursion	Grade 6
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	SSV Tennis Division	Grades 3 to 6
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Parent Helpers Information session	Large hall 9am - 11am
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Chinese Museum	Grade 5
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Young Leaders Day	TBC
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	School Community Working Bee	TBC
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Mad about science	Grade 2 Incursion
Friday 8 April	End of Term 1	Dismissal at 2:30pm
Tuesday 26 April	Start of Term 2	Resume 9.00am
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	School Photos	Whole school
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Economics Incursion	Grade 6
Friday 24 June	End of Term 2	Dismissal at 2:30pm
Monday 11 July	Start of Term 3	Resume 9.00am
Friday 16 September	End of Term 3	Dismissal at 2:30pm
Monday 3 October	Start of Term 4	Resume 9.00am
Tuesday 20 December	End of Term 4	Dismissal at 1:30pm

## Dear School Community,

We have now reached the middle of Term 1 and everyone has settled into their learning with ease. Our Prep students are now attending fulltime and they have impressed everyone with how quickly they have adjusted and settled into classroom routines and learning.

## COVID Safe Measures

I remind all families that the third batch of Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT) have been distributed to your children and should be used twice weekly. I urge every family to ensure that each child is tested with a RAT every Monday and Thursday morning before coming to school. If your child should receive a positive result, they must be kept in home quarantine for 7 days, you must advise the school via phone or email and you must complete the online [Student COVID-19 Test portal](#).

Furthermore, if your child has any COVID symptoms, such as a cough, runny nose, sneezing, fever or sore throat, you must keep them home until symptoms ease. It would also be advisable to re-test them before they return to school. It is also a DET requirement that all students in Grades 3 to 6 wear a face mask while indoors, as do all school staff and visitors. I remind all families to ensure your children are coming to school with a face mask each day and are aware of the need to wear this indoors. It is also recommended by DET that children in grades Prep to 2 also wear a face mask while indoors.

## Meet the Teacher Meetings

This coming Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March we will be holding our Meet the Teacher Meetings for all students in grades 1 to 6. These meetings are scheduled for 10minutes and are meant as an opportunity to build the partnership between parent and teacher to support the child's learning journey for the year ahead. It will allow you to share any aspects of your

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child's learning needs or personality that you feel would assist the teacher in supporting your child. This is not a meeting to discuss academic progress, as it is too early in the school year.

Students in grades 1 to 6 will be dismissed at 1:30pm to accommodate meetings starting at 2pm. Bookings can be made via COMPASS (see Newsfeed for details) and all meetings will be held in the Gym. Given the current COVID Safe Restrictions, anyone attending these meetings, will be required to wear a face mask, provide evidence of vaccinations and keep social distances.

We also ask that you complete the Online Survey which was emailed directly to you during the week, before 4pm Monday.

### **Building Works**

Many students are getting excited as they stand at the windows and watch the walls going up in the grade 1 and 2 classrooms. I have been advised that a ventilation system will now be added to provide fresh ventilation to the central common areas between the classrooms. This system will include the latest in COVID safe filters.

I must also thank all those who have made (tax deductible) contributions to our Building Fund in recent years, as these funds are now being utilised to upgrade the floor coverings in these classrooms. So, with the structural upgrades, the carpets and vinyl floors will also be upgraded with thanks to your generous contributions.

Last week a meeting was held onsite with the company who will be installing our new shade structure. It has been agreed that a large shade canopy will be installed between the Gaga Pit and the Gazebo, to facilitate our outdoor learning space. Given these DET grants have created such a high demand, our project will not be commenced until later in the year. In the interim, Sonia will be working with the Buildings, Grounds and Sustainability committee to investigate possible ground coverings and seating options for the space.

### **Greek Language Program**

As reported earlier this year, we needed to find a teacher to take over this program from Ms Menikou. As such, we advertised the vacancy last November and while there were no applicants, we were fortunate to find Ms Nicolaou who was willing to step in to temporarily run the program. However, with great disappointment, she was not able to continue in the role and as such we are now undergoing the recruitment process again. As we go through this process, we are trying to facilitate the program with replacement staff but it is proving difficult.

There is currently a shortage state-wide of Casual Relief Teachers (CRTs), making it difficult to fill absences in classrooms let alone specialist programs. We are hoping that we will be able to recruit a Greek Language teacher in this our third attempt.

### **School Council Thank You for Service**

As reported in the previous edition of our Newsletter, our School Council Elections were completed and the four vacancies were filled. However, with this comes the time to farewell and thank the outgoing members of School Council. As such, on behalf of the entire CWPS School Community, I wish to thank Josh Rowe (outgoing President), David Morson (outgoing Vice President) and Joshua Wolter, for their contributions and support over recent years in ensuring our school progresses in the best possible way to support all students. I know that they will all continue to be very busy with their respective careers and families but I am grateful that they will each continue to be supportive members of our School Community.

### **Grade 6 Camp Thank You**

With the return of our Grade 6 students from Portsea Camp this afternoon, it was pleasing to see how happy they all were, despite the sleepy eyes and dragging feet. School camps are always an exciting time for the students, but they could not occur without the generous support of teaching staff. We are fortunate that we have staff members who are willing to give up three days and two nights away from their own families, to look after the safety and wellbeing of our students while on camp. I know that they too have had little sleep and been on 24-hour duty for three days, so I ask that you join me in thanking; Ms Franco, Mr Jenkins, Mr Kashani, Mr Torpey, Ms Bindloss, Ms Amerena and Mr Copping.

As the rains approach, I wish everyone a safe and comfortable fortnight ahead. I look forward to seeing many of you at our Meet the Teacher Meetings on Tuesday.

Kind regards,

**Mark COLAGRANDE**  
**PRINCIPAL**

# CWPS VALUES CERTIFICATES

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Grade	Student	Value	Student	Value	Presented by
<b>PREP L</b>	Liv	We Are Learners			Ms Corn & Mrs Lebon
<b>PREP P</b>	Scarlett	We Are Learners			Mr Pennington
<b>PREP Y</b>	Mia A-P	We Are Learners			Ms Youla
<b>1B</b>	Hazel S	We Are Learners			Miss. Bindloss
<b>1D</b>	Hazel H	We Are Learners			Mr. Peric
<b>1P</b>	Sebastian S	We Care	Max C	We Are Learners	Miss. Amerena
<b>2A</b>	Orlando	We Are Respectful	Rosina & Lyla	We Are Respectful	Miss. Alihos
<b>2F</b>	Jacob H	We Are Respectful	Massimo G	We Are Learners	Ms. Font De Vos
<b>2N</b>	Genevieve G	We Care	Marcus K	We Are Learners	Mr. Niciak
<b>3B</b>	Noah	We Care			Miss. Blackman
<b>3R</b>	Eleni	We Care	James	We Are Learners	Mr. Robinson
<b>3S</b>	Oliver	We Are Learners			Mrs.Spiteri & Mrs. Pavich
<b>4K</b>	Rima Y	We Are Learners	Paige T	We Are Learners	Mr. Krauss
<b>4M</b>	Natasha	We Care	Rose B & Ethan P	We Are Learners	Miss. Mardesic
<b>4R</b>	Nicholas R	We Are Respectful	Rosie F	We Are Respectful	Mrs. Rigby
<b>5B</b>	Mila R	We Are Learners			A.Blatti & Ms.McKenzie
<b>5R</b>	Alex R	We Are Learners	Christian J	We Are Learners	Ms. Roberts
<b>5T</b>	Katie T	We Are Learners			Mr. Torpey
<b>6F</b>	Max G	We Are Learners			Ms. Franco
<b>6J</b>	Giulia A	We Are Learners			Mr. Jenkins
<b>6K</b>	Charlie T-A	We Are Learners			Mr. Kashani

## 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.

	25 <sup>th</sup> February	4 <sup>th</sup> March
<b>Green House</b>	Hugo Prep L	Zara 3B
<b>Red House</b>	Bill 6F	Grace 5T
<b>Blue House</b>	Jomei 5T	Amelia 2F
<b>Gold House</b>	William 3R	Maddie 5T

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COBURG WEST COMMUNITY GROUP

# HOT CROSS BUN DRIVE

Support our school and Bakers Delight  
Coburg with our very first fundraising  
event for the year!!

**For every 6 pack of buns ordered (\$8),  
we receive \$2!! So start thinking about  
your favourite flavour.....**

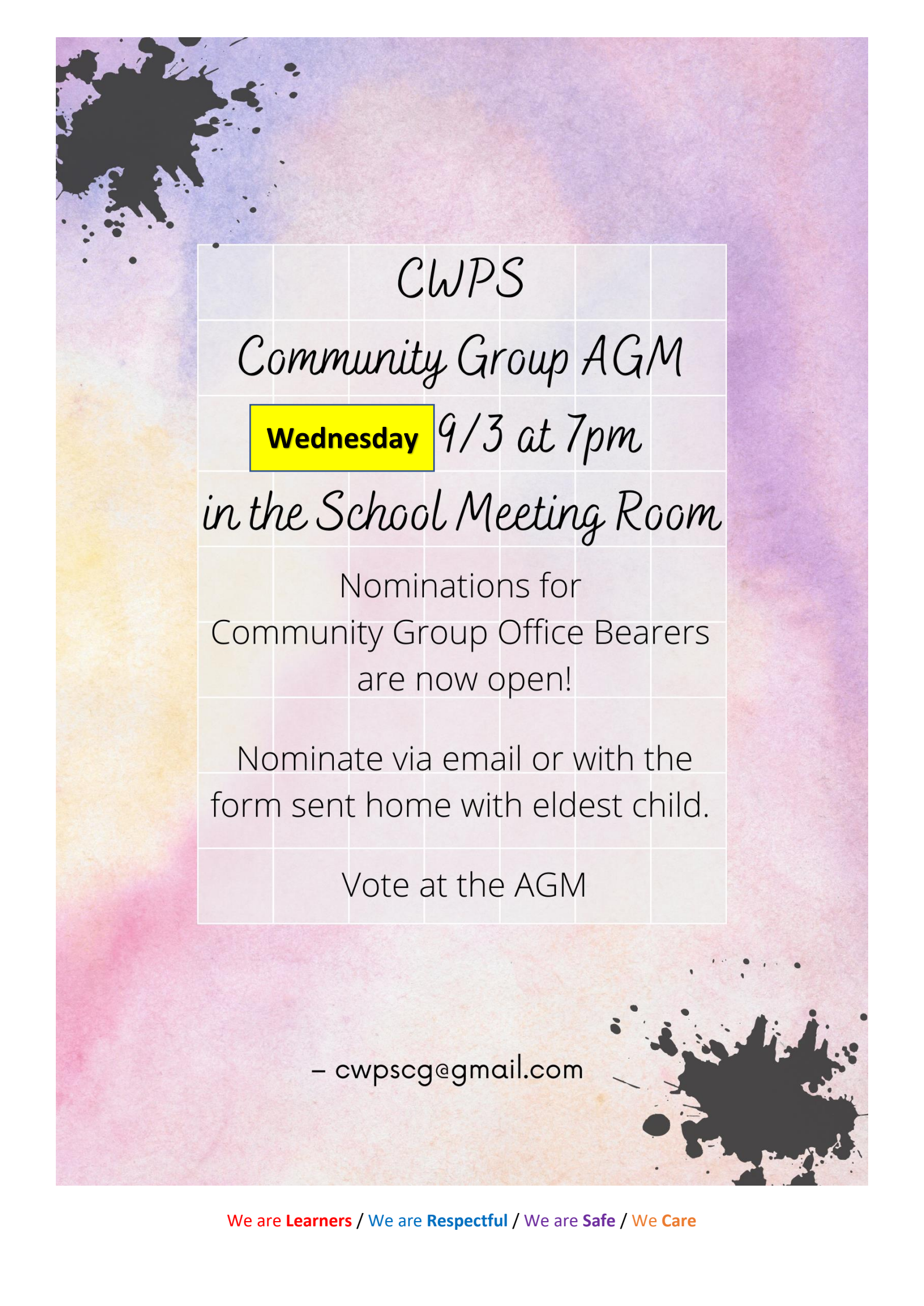
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**TRADITIONAL  
APPLE & CINNAMON  
CHOC CHIP  
MOCHA  
FRUITLESS**

**Hop over to Qkr and order  
yours today!!**

Order by 31st March for 7th April delivery





			CWPS		
			Community Group AGM		
			<b>Wednesday</b>		9/3 at 7pm
			in the School Meeting Room		
			Nominations for		
			Community Group Office Bearers		
			are now open!		
			Nominate via email or with the		
			form sent home with eldest child.		
			Vote at the AGM		

– [cwpsc@gmail.com](mailto:cwpsc@gmail.com)



# CHILL N' GRILL

COMMUNITY BBQ

THANK YOU TO THE  
CWPS PARENT VOLUNTEERS



[CWPSCG@GMAIL.COM](mailto:CWPSCG@GMAIL.COM)

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# Community Group

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contact: cwpscg@gmail.com

## THANK YOU FROM OUTGOING CWPS COMMUNITY GROUP PRESIDENT MEG BREESE

*It has been a pleasure to represent the CWPS Community Group in various capacities over the past 5 years. I have been part of organising committees of three major events that raised funds for the bike sheds and play space at the front of the school. The ongoing volunteer efforts of parents continue to contribute to upgrades and improvements to the day to day school environment our children enjoy.*

*Nominating and joining the Office Bearer team has truly been a rewarding experience. I have learned I'm far more resilient than I realised, and despite frustrations and setbacks ... And a global pandemic! We found solutions or trialed different approaches to engage with the school community, and raise money for our wonderful school.*

*By far the best thing this experience has given me are the friendships. People I shared the office bearer responsibilities with and the amazing people who I organised events with, whom I otherwise would never have got to know.*

*This experience has also opened my eyes to how intricate the running of a school actually is. We are fortunate to have such amazing staff who get behind the community group, lead by Mr.Colagrande and Mr.Copping, thank you so much for all your support and encouragement over the years.*

*I implore everyone to get involved and support the 2022 fundraising efforts by volunteering for events or joining a committee to coordinate an event.*



## COBURG DIVISION TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP 2022



The Coburg District Tennis Championship were held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at West Brunswick Tennis club. We had seven students representing Coburg West Primary School for their age group division.

Alessio A, Wilbur W, Stephan P, Jake P, Zac T, Bill D and Mary D.

All students did an outstanding job of representing the school and using their school values. Well Done!

Chris Harvey  
Sports Coordinator



## COBURG DISTRICT SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

The Coburg District Swimming Championship were held on Thursday 24th February at the Elite Swimming, Pascoe Vale Pool. The following students are to be congratulated on their outstanding participation and efforts:

Emily R, Amelia S, Astrid B, Benjamin H, Benjamin H, Stefan A, Jack B and Georgie H

All team members performed extremely well and represented the school in an amazing way. Unfortunately, no students have progressed to the Inner North / Moreland Division Swimming Championship.

Thank you to the parents who arranged transport and participation so that the students could have this opportunity.

Well done!

Chris Harvey  
Sports Coordinator  
Coburg West Primary School





# CWPS Instrumental Teacher

## Contact Details 2022



INSTRUMENT	TEACHER	CONTACT DETAILS
PIANO / KEYBOARD INDIVIDUAL LESSONS:	Jennifer Hanna	0458 219 537
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FLUTE	Molly Jenkins	<a href="mailto:molly.jenkins.jenkins@gmail.com">molly.jenkins.jenkins@gmail.com</a>
GITAR	Mariella Callegari	0451 536 208
SAXOHPONE	Mitch Hand	<a href="mailto:mjhand98@gmail.com">mjhand98@gmail.com</a>
VIOLIN / VIOLA	Marianne Rothschild	0417 550 924
CELLO & VIOLIN	Katiana Molina	0433 971 172
DRUMS	Ryan Williams	0413 112 036

If you are interested in any of the above lessons for your child, please contact the teacher directly to arrange lessons.

Many Thanks,  
Ms Meta.

# MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS ARE OPEN.

For a term of free lessons please apply by filling out these details and emailing to Marianne at [violinmaz@gmail.com](mailto:violinmaz@gmail.com)

Instruments available

Cello ( Katy Molina)

Violin (Katy Molina)

Flute / recorder ( Molly Jenkins)

Clarinet ( Mitchell Hand) (grade 4 students and above only)

Saxophone (Mitchell Hand) ( grade 4 students and above only)

Parent name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student year level / class: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent email: \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument interested in: \_\_\_\_\_

The scholarships will include a term of group lessons. Instruments can be hired through the school or by other arrangement or students can use their own.

Applications close: 25th March 2022.

Lessons will begin in term 2.

Any questions please text Marianne on

0417 550 924 or email [violinmaz@gmail.com](mailto:violinmaz@gmail.com)

COBURG WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

# WORKING BEE

# Sunday 3 April

# 2022

Get to know your school, meet the community and fellow parents and carers.

Details to follow on the Coburg West Primary School Community Group on Facebook, the school newsletter and Compass.

## BRUNSWICK SECONDARY COLLEGE TOURS

Brunswick Secondary College invites prospective students and their families to enjoy a 45 minute tour of the college facilities, conducted by a member of the Leadership Team in conjunction with current students.

**Bookings are essential** – and tours are limited. Please [BOOK HERE](#) to guarantee your place. We look forward to informing you about living and learning at Brunswick Secondary College. *Note that, to enter school buildings, parents and carers will be required to show proof of full vaccination, as mandated by the Victorian government.*

Regards,

LINDEL BELL  
Executive Assistant  
03 9387 6133



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*We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we work and learn, and pay respect to the First Nations Peoples and their elders, past, present and future.*



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- Friday Night Games**
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- Individual and Team Photos, Trophies**



**Contact Vanessa: 0400 063 027**  
**Rebecca: 0488 990 960**





## St. Pauls Basketball Club

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**COST:** \$320 per child (Term 2 & 3) Inc training fees, game entry fees & use of Club uniform).

**GAMES:** Saturday Mornings

**TRAINING** Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays

**TIME:** Between 4pm-7pm, @ Coburg Stadium, Coburg High or Coburg West Primary