

Coburg West Primary School

Friday 10th November 2023

CWPS ACTIVITY CALENDAR			
DATE	ACTIVITY	DETAILS	
NOVEMBER			
Monday 13 th	Grade 4 Incursion	Science	
Wednesday 15 th	Italian Extension Excursion	Lygon St Carlton	
Thursday 16 th	Prep 2024 - Session 3	Transition 9.15am – 10.30am	
Monday 20 th	Grade 2 Bush Day Excursion	8am to 6pm	
Monday 27 th	Grade Prep Excursion	Werribee Open Range Zoo	
DECEMBER			
Monday 4 th	Grade 3 Excursion	Aquarium Excursion	
Wednesday 6 th	Whole School Concert & Picnic	Senior Yard 5:30pm	
Thursday 7 th	Grade 1 Excursion	Airoworld 10am – 12pm	
Friday 8 th	Grade 4 Excursion	Palace Cinemas, Pentridge	
Monday 11 th – Friday 15 th	Grades 3 & 4 Swimming	Swimming Lessons	
Tuesday 12 th	Grade 2 Excursion	ACMI	
Wednesday 13 th	Piano Concert	Small hall from 5:30pm	
Thursday 14 th	Grade 6 Excursion	Luna Park	
Friday 15 th	Meet the Teacher	Prep to Six	
Monday 18 th	Grade 6 Ceremony	Graduation Ceremony	
Tuesday 19 th	Grade 5 Excursion	Windy Hill Fitness Centre	
Wednesday 20 th	Last Day of Term 4	1:30pm Dismissal	

VICTORIAN TERM DATES FOR 2023			
	START	ENDS	LAST DAY DISMISSAL
TERM 4	Monday 2 nd October	Wednesday 20 th December	1:30pm Dismissal

Dear School Community,

With a little over five weeks remaining of this school year, there is a lot going on across our school.

STUDENTS STEPPING UP

Not only have we seen our 2024 Prep students stepping into our classrooms, but we have also seen our current Prep students getting their 'L' stickers. These stickers are awarded to the Prep students who show that they understand and demonstrate our school values, earning them the opportunity to play in the back playground before they get to grade one.

Today we also had twenty-two of our grade five students presenting their election speeches to students from grades four to six, teachers and parents. The students and teachers were then given the task of voting for their preferred candidate. The top ten candidates will then form our Student Leadership Group for 2024. From this group the whole school will then be asked to vote for our School Captains. For now, each candidate is to be commended on their wonderful speeches and their efforts in persuading the audience to vote for them.

Persuasion is something that is becoming quite familiar for many of our students, as is evident from the letters I have received from grade three students asking me to consider changing various things across our school.

ONLINE SAFETY OUT OF SCHOOL

It has come to my attention that once again we have students engaging in negative online activity outside of school hours, which then carries through to the school yard. It seems that students in upper grades are involved in chats,

which become threatening or aggressive, then carrying through to issues in the school yard.

I remind all parents that many of these apps and sites being used are not appropriate for children under 13 years of age. Therefore, if you are permitting your child to access these apps on social media, please ensure you closely monitor their usage and manage any inappropriate interactions immediately.

WORKS ACROSS OUR GROUNDS

The concrete base for our outdoor learning space has been laid and the shade cover is now in place. This will now allow us to finish off the space with the pavers and furniture put in place. Look out for news of an upcoming Working Bee for your opportunity to be part of these works.

Today work began on securing our Friendship Tree in the canteen courtyard. Part of the canopy was trimmed back to ease the load on the trunk and cables were set in place to support the trunks. More work will take place in the coming days to finish securing the trunk from splitting further. The old tree on the edge of the front courtyard was also removed, as it too had split and was beyond rescue.

PARENT PAYMENTS STILL OPEN

While we may be in the final school term for the year, there is still time for families to support our school by making the voluntary contributions for 2023. These Parent Payments 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.

With less than 60% of families having already made these payments, please be reminded that payments can still be made via the COMPASS App or directly at the Office.

As the weather improves, I wish you all a wonderful fortnight.

Kind regards,
Mark COLAGRANDE
PRINCIPAL



KOORIE FAMILY SERVICES & SUPPORTS (HUMA)

Organisation	THE PARTY WE STANDARD TO THE PARTY OF THE PA	VACCA Connected by culture	STREET Believing In Children, York STREET Believing In Children, York STREET Believing In Children, York Street, Stree
What they do:	Vahs.org.aU (hours - various) The Koori Kids team provides holistic and culturally appropriate mental health services for Aboriginal children, adolescents and their families. The Koori Kids team sees children and families for a range of issues including school issues, behavioural problems, depression and anxiety, stress and trauma and any other issues families are concerned about.	Vacca.org Office Hours Monday - Friday (9.00-17:00) The Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (VACCA) is a state-wide Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO) servicing children, young people, families, and community members. The largest of its kind in Australia.	berrystreet.org.au Hours Monday - Friday (9.00-17.00) Berry Street provides programs to more than 35,000 children, young people and families each year. Berry Street operates with a strong focus on reorienting the child and family system, family violence services and education system towards early intervention and prevention.
Programs & Services	- Family Counselling Service - Adult Social and Emotional Help - Koorie Kids Mental Health - COVID-19 Support & Assessment - Phone Consultation/Front-Door - Transport & Drop Off Services - General Practice & Dental	- Navigator Program (students 13-17 old) - Out of Home Care Support - Children's Services & Early Years - Family Support and Aid - Koorie Kids Stay @ School - Art Mentoring - Youth Empowerment	- Youth Engagement (Y-Change) - Therapeutic Services - Trauma Services & Post-care - Community Services & Advocacy - Parenting Services - Education Services - Family Violence Support
General Enquiries	238-250 Plenty Road, Preston VIC 3072 Phone: 03 9403 3300 Fax: 03 9403 3333	340 Bell Street, Preston VIC 3072 Phone: (03) 9287 8800 Fax: (03) 9287 8999 Email: vacca@vacca.org	Level 3, Building 9 588 Swan Street Richmond, VIC 3121 Phone: 03 9429 9266 Email: info@berrystreet.org.au

KOORIE FAMILY SERVICES & SUPPORTS (HUMA)

Organisation	the orange door	Wadja Aboriginal Family Place	DPV Health
What they do:	orangedoor.vic.gov.au Office Hours Monday - Friday (9:00-17:00) The Orange Door is a free service for adults, children and young people who are experiencing or have experienced family violence and families who need extra support with the care of children.	Wadja Aboriginal Family Place Clinic Hours Wednesday (13:30-16:30) A general medical outpatient clinic for Koorie children. The focus of the clinic is on the safe management of patients with complex health and social issues by a team - a paediatrician will see children together with an Aboriginal Case Manage with the aim of enabling a family to feel supported and culturally empowered.	dpvhealth.org.au Hours Monday - Saturday (various) DPV Health is a not-for-profit organisation that offers exceptional health care services to people of all ages. We are an inclusive organisation that celebrates the diversity of all people within our communities. We are passionate about helping to support people to lead happy healthy lives.
Programs & Services	- Family Violence & Counselling - Out of Hours Support - Crisis & Housing Support - Substance Misuse Services - Legal and Financial Aid - Grief, Isolation and Conflict Support - Men's Services - Employment & Education Services	Culturally Safe, Dedicated paediatrician service for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children Aboriginal Family Health Workers Medical Consultation/Practice and Emergency Services Social, Cultural and Emotional Assessments	- Eye Health for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community - General Health, Mental Health & Dental Services - Dedicated Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Consultative Services - Community Services - Turning In Kids & Youth Program
General Enquiries	1093 Pascoe Vale Road, Broadmeadows VIC 3047 21 Victoria Street, Coburg VIC 3058 Phone: 1800 271 151 after hours Email: hma@orangedoor.vic.gov.au	Royal Children's Hospital 50 Flemington Road, Parkville VIC 3052 Phone: (03) 9345 6742 Fax: (03) 9345 5034	Various Locations in the Hume Moreland Region (Contact Page) Phone: 1300 234 263 Call Back Form Inquiries Form

CWPS VALUES CERTIFICATES

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

Grade	Student	Value	Student	Value	Presented by
Prep L	Christian	We Care	Hendrik	We are Learners	Mrs Lebon
Prep S	Thomas	We Are Learners	Cleo	We are Learners	Ms Zschunke
Prep Y			Astrid	We are Learners	Ms. Youla
1D	Raffy	We Are Learners	Elliot	We Care	Mr Peric
1E	Samiha	We Are Learners	Scarlett	We Are Learners	Ms Esposito
2C	Mila	We Care	Mary	We Care	Ms Cavoli
2F	Eddie	We Care	Aizah	We Care	Ms Fonte De Vos
			Augie	We are Learners	
2N	Jack	We Care	Hazel H	We Care	Mr Niciak
3B	Oscar	We Are Respectful	George	We are Learners	Ms. Blackman
3R	Beadie	We Are Learners	Dimitri	We are Respectful	Mr Robinson
3S	Jack	We Are Learners	Julius	We are Learners	Mrs Spiteri/Mrs Pavich
4K	Milana	We Are Learners	Georgia	We are Learners	Mr Krauss
4M	Hudson	We Are Learners	James	We Are Learners	Ms McKenzie/Ms Corn
4P					Ms Preston
5R			Niko	We are Respectful	Ms Taylor
5M			Olivia V	We Care	Ms Mardesic
5T	Christian	We Are Learners	Peter V	We are Learners	Mr Torpey
			Matilda	We Care	
6A	Hannah	We Are Respectful	Charlotte	We are Respectful	Mr Aitken
6F	Jomei	We Are Learners	George	We are Learners	Ms Franco
6R	Lou	We Are Respectful	Leo	We Are Respectful	Mrs Rigby
			Elijah	We Are Respectful	

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.

	3 rd November	10 th November
Green House	Lukas 3R	Daniel V 6A
Red House	Ari B 4K	Murphy 5M
Gold House	Jacob 3S	Peter 5T
Blue House	Fletcher PL	Amber 4M

COBURG WEST PS <u>Save the Date</u>: Wednesday December 6th from 5.30pm

2023 End of Year Concert and Picnic (held on the outside sports courts)

Come, relax and celebrate a fabulous 2023, as your children perform a dance with their class, starting with Prep and proceeding to Grade 6.

Rock Band to finish the evening with a short set also!



School Holiday Program January 2024

Brunswick South West

South Daly Street, Brunswick West (enter via Jordan Street) Ph: 0417128337 (only operational during program)



For more information check out website

https://www.merri-bek.vic.gov.au/community-health/children-and-families/primary-school-holiday-program/





Who has time to cook in this busy season of concerts, parties etc?

You don't have to, thanks to our **Gnocheria Fundraiser!**

Enjoy the convenience of delicious homemade, preservative free gnocchi, pasta and pizza from your fridge or freezer. Dinner will be on the table in 5 minutes.

Gluten free and vegan available.

Order on QKR by Friday 24th November.

Pick up near canteen Friday **December 1st between 3pm and 4.30pm.**

Example Prices:

Gnocchi	\$13.50
Sauces	\$11.00
Lasagnes	\$26.00
Pizza Bases	\$4.50

CWPS Student Sustainability Update

Photos by Addie and Christian

Indigenous Garden

by Sacha and Josephine



Earlier this year the grade 3's started an indigenous garden with CERES in the school. We already have made a rule that we can't touch the plants.

A few weeks ago we received a \$500 grant from The Schools Garden program to add a few more plants. Lots of kids from different class' have helped to plant these in the last 2 weeks.

It is out the front near the gate at the entrance to the school.

Why did we want indigenous plants in our school? We wanted indigenous plants because it helps biodiversity.



Compost Bins

by Gus, Hayman and Christian

This term we have started composting at school. When food scraps go to landfill it will release a gas called methane. It's also very stinky. Composting food scraps stops this gas and we can use the compost on our gardens. Each class has a black or white bucket to put the Composting in which then goes towards a big green bin out the back. You put some Fruit scraps in the compost bin. One of them I know is a bananas and apples. Putting other stuff as well as Plastics in the Composting bin is not ok the compost bucket is for fruits or Vegetables no plastic

Terra Cycle Soft Plastic

by Gemma, Claudia and Harvey



This year we have started recycling soft plastic. Each classroom has a soft plastic bin on which they put any recyclable plastic in. These bins get empty into a box and are sent off to Terracycle. Terracycle will transform these plastics to another product. Imagine how much plastic is not ending up in landfill, but given a second life!! Terracycle will break down the plastic and create new packaging, wrappers and other soft plastic examples. We are very happy with all the plastic being recycled and hope to keep it up in the following years!

In term one the sustainability leaders started a new program for the school it was the soft plastic project, how it works is: each sustainability leader was given a bin which they took it to their classroom and throughout the weeks the the classes

filled up there buckets and each sustainability leader meeting the sustainability leaders would bring their boxes and tip it into the big box that Miss Blackman keeps in her room and by now three terms later we have filled up four massive boxes of soft plastics including glad wrap and,ziploc bags.

Container Deposit Scheme

by Lyla



My family and I found out you can actually recycle your cans, drinking bottles and plastic bottles and in a different way. The fun part about recycling your cans and bottles there is you get a voucher or cash.

If you live near a bottle shop like I do, take them there and get

Each can is worth 10c. The bottles/drinking MUST have a 10c refund symbol to be able to be recycled. You can find your nearest bin by searching: container deposit scheme locations. The BEST PART IS IT'S FREE!



RSVP online at placemaking-festival-rsnh.eventbrite.com.au





November 18th, 10am - 3pm Robinson Reserve, Reynard St, Coburg

With thanks to:











We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the Coburg area in which we work, the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people. We recognise their continuing connection to land, skies, waterways and community. We pay our respects to them and their culture, and to their Elders past, present and future.



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