



# Coburg West Primary School

1<sup>ST</sup> November 2024

## CWPS ACTIVITY CALENDAR

DATE	ACTIVITY	DETAILS
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Report Writing Day</b>	<b>Pupil Free Day</b>
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Melbourne Cup</b>	<b>Public Holiday</b>
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	Prep Transition #1 ACMI Excursion Battle Bots Incursion	2025 Preps 9:15 – 10:30am Grades 5R & 6K Grades 5 & 6
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	ACMI Excursion	Grades 6F & 6R
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Italian Excursion	Italian Extension Group
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Prep Transition #2	2025 Preps 9:15 – 10:30am
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	Battle Bots Incursion	Grades 5 & 6
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser	Whole School
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	Prep Transition #3	2025 Preps 9:15 – 10:30am
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	Battle Bots Incursion	Grades 5 & 6
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	ACMI Experience Day	Selected Grade 6 students
<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	Bush Day Excursion	Grade 1 8:30am – 6:30pm
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	Bush Day Excursion	Grade 2 8:30am – 6:30pm
<b>DECEMBER</b>		
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Monday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	Swimming	Grades 3 & 4
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Dinosaur Incursion	Grades 1 & 2
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Luna Park Excursion	Grade 6
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	Shore Reserve Picnic	Prep
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Meet the Teacher	Whole School
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	Graduation	Grade 6
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>END OF TERM 4</b>	<b>1:30pm Dismissal</b>

## VICTORIAN SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR 2025

	STARTS	ENDS	LAST DAY DISMISSAL
<b>TERM 1</b>	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	2:30pm Dismissal
<b>TERM 2</b>	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	2:30pm Dismissal
<b>TERM 3</b>	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	2:30pm Dismissal
<b>TERM 4</b>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	1:30pm Dismissal

Dear School Community,

It was wonderful to see so many of our families, along with members of the broader community enjoying our CWPS FUN FEST last weekend. While the weather was generous, it truly was a well organised event. Congratulations to our students who entertained the crowds with their performances as part of either the Choir, Drum Band or Rock Band. We must also congratulate all the volunteers on our CWPS Community Group, as led by Sharnee, who brought all this together to ensure it truly was fun for all ages.

## **PUPIL FREE DAYS REMINDER**

Please be reminded that this Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November is a Curriculum Day for our staff and as such, it is a student free day. Also, as Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November is the Melbourne Cup public holiday, students will not return to school until Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

## **PARENT CONSENT & PAYMENTS**

I wish to remind everyone of the importance of providing consent and making payments for student activities via COMPASS before the date of the actual event. It is becoming concerning that many families are waiting until the morning of an event to rush through payments and provide consent for their child to attend an excursion or participate in an incursion. This has caused chaos for teachers and office staff in the morning, when they should be focussed on calmly gathering their students and departing safely. We recently had a delayed departure of a bus due to such last-minute phone calls and payments.

Given the teaching staff provide notification via COMPASS several weeks prior to an event, I urge all families to monitor and complete the necessary processes prior to the closing date, which is usually the night before.

Such educational activities are optional, and as such if a family does not opt in for their child by the day prior, then the child will not be permitted to attend.

## **IS YOUR CHILD MOVING ON IN 2025?**

Term 4 is busy with planning for the 2025 school year. It is a time where we are planning grade structures, class sizes and staffing needs. As such, it is important that we have correct enrolment numbers to ensure our planning is as accurate as can be.

As such, I am urging any parents of students (other than grade 6s) who may be moving on from our school next year to notify the school office in writing as early as possible at [coburg.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:coburg.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au) . The earlier we can be notified, the better, as this greatly assists with internal planning and allows adequate time for the office to manage the transfer of your child's information to their new school.

## **SCHOOL SAVINGS BONUS**

Over recent weeks you would have read COMPASS Newsfeeds or emails regarding the School Savings Bonus being offered by the State Government. This initiative provides \$400 per child to every family to utilise in paying for 2025 school expenses. The most important thing now is to ensure that your email contact details are correct with the school. The Government will be using these details to email you directly regarding this payment and how you may access it. Therefore, if you have not done so already, please contact the school office to update your details and check your emails for correspondence from the State Government.

## **CELEBRATING MS BLATTI**

This Thursday evening, staff will be celebrating the retirement of Ms Blatti. While her teaching career spans across 40 years, much of it was as part of the CWPS school community. Joining the school in 1987, Ms Blatti has achieved many successes, while also supporting so many students to achieve their best. She has supported many teams of our students in winning Science Talent Search awards and even coached a Bat Tennis Team through to winning their first ever finals game against a school who had a 10-year winning streak. Most recently, Ms Blatti was honoured to be invited to Parliament House by past CWPS student, Anthony Cianflone MP, who stated in his maiden speech that she was the teacher who inspired him to do well. Please join us all in congratulating Ms Blatti on her wonderful career and wishing her well as she steps into her retirement.

Kind regards,  
**Mark COLAGRANDE**  
PRINCIPAL

# CWPS VALUES CERTIFICATES

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

Grade	Student	Value	Student	Value	Presented by
PL	Owen C	We Are Learners	Vivienne	We Are Learners	Ms Lebon & Ms Amerena
PD	Ingrid	We Are Learners	Ellis	We Are Learners	Ms Zschunke
PY	Grace M.	We Are Learners	Emmett	We Are Learners	Ms Youla
1D	Dakota Alexandra	We Are Learners We Are Learners	Chloe	We Are Learners	Mr. Peric
1P	Mina	We Are Learners	Archie	We Are Learners	Ms Parker
1/2E	Isaac Ava R.	We Are Learners We Are Learners	Charlotte	We Are Learners	Ms. Esposito
2M	Leon	We Are Learners	Iver	We Are Respectful	Mr. Munari
2W	Flora Angus	We Are Safe We Care	Wren	We Are Learners	Ms. Winzar-Taylor
3A	Gianni	We Care	Aurora	We Are Learners	Mr. Aitken
3N	Elena	We Are Learners	Grace Harvey	We Are Respectful We Are Learners	Mr Niciak & Ms Currie
3/4S					Ms.Spiteri & Ms.Pavich
4B	Abi	We Are Learners	Jacob	We Care	Mr. Blackman
4P	Scott	We Are Respectful	Tully Molly	We Care We Are Learners	Ms Eve Ms. Preston
5C	Vivien	We Are Learners	Pepe	We Are Safe	Ms. Corn
5R	Jude	We Are Respectful	Ewan Martha	We Are Learners We Are Respectful	Mr. Robinson
5T	Xanthe R.	We Are Learners	Hayman Harry M.	We Care We Are Learners	Mr. Torpey
6F	Niko F	We Are Learners	Stefan A.	We Care	Ms. Franco
6K	Maraiah	We Are Respectful	Steph	We Are Learners	Mr. Krauss
6R		We Care			Ms. Rigby
Vis. Arts					Ms. McGregor & Ms. Kyrkillis
P.E.			Noah A.P	We Care	Mr. Harvey
Italian			Xanthe W.	We Are Learners	Ms. Petterson & Ms. DiVincenzo
Perf. Arts					Ms. Wositzky-Jones

## 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> October	1 <sup>st</sup> November
<b>Green House</b>	Isabel 4P	Kunjan 5C
<b>Red House</b>	Sonny 5T	Oscar 6R
<b>Gold House</b>	Irah PD	George PL
<b>Blue House</b>	Jacob 4B	Imogen 4P

# CWPS Resource Smart School Update

We are a ResourceSmart School



At the end of Term 2, Coburg West Primary School submitted our first Resource Smart Schools module (the 'Core Module') to Sustainability Victoria and were granted our first star.

In order to achieve this, we worked together as a school to complete the following tasks:

- entering and tracking all water, waste, electricity and gas bills for the last 2 years
- creating our Schoolwide Environmental Management Plan (SEMP)
- creating sustainability goals to work towards over the next 4 years in the areas of waste, water, energy and biodiversity
- creating and ratifying our Sustainability Policy
- Reviewing the curriculum and documenting opportunities for learning about sustainability through reading, writing, maths and inquiry
- giving students opportunities to demonstrate environmental leadership
- staff members attending sustainability based curriculum development



## What is the Core Module?

**Core** The Core module sets the groundwork for our school's sustainability journey. The Core module assists us to evaluate what we are currently doing, where we want to get to, and how we will get there.

## Where To Next?

This week, we submitted our Biodiversity Module to Sustainability Victoria and it is currently being reviewed. The Biodiversity module helps schools to protect and improve the land (school grounds and surrounds), the local ecosystem, and plant and animal habitats. We have worked very hard on planting more indigenous plants throughout the school over the last 2 years and increasing student awareness and understanding of the importance of planting native vegetation. We hope that this will be approved and we will achieve our second star before the end of the year

A big thank you to all staff, students and our wider community who have been so supportive in making our school a more sustainable place!



Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am excited to announce that **Coburg West Primary** are participating in Jump Rope for Heart this in Term 4. This is a fantastic fundraising and physical activity program by the Heart Foundation.

By participating in Jump Rope for Heart this term, I'm expecting to get our students moving. We'll have skipping ropes available on the school grounds and are encouraging everyone to help raise funds for lifesaving research and support programs.

Over the coming weeks your child will learn new skills, increase their physical activity, and learn about heart health. The program will end with our school wide 'Jump Off Day' on Friday 15 November, this is where your child gets to show off their new skipping skills to their friends.

When you register your child online, you'll get access to additional skipping resources to help give your child a great reason to get away from the screens and get outdoors. Register and create your own secure webpage at [www.jump rope.org.au/parents](http://www.jump rope.org.au/parents).

By signing up online, you and your child/ren can:

- Easily raise funds online.
- Track skipping skills progress and earn virtual badges along the way.
- Post updates to your page so family and friends can follow their progress.
- Access additional skipping resources.

Your child should have a 'Parent and Guardian Guide' flyer to take home, which includes further information on the program. If you didn't receive this, visit [www.jump rope.org.au/parents](http://www.jump rope.org.au/parents) for all the information that you need.

Thank you for getting involved in Jump Rope for Heart!

Yours sincerely,

Teacher: Chris Harvey  
Jump Rope for Heart Coordinator





# IS YOUR CHILD STRUGGLING WITH ANXIETY, FOCUS, OR BIG EMOTIONS?

**WE'RE HERE TO HELP!**

**As a parent**, watching your child struggle with feelings of anxiety, difficulty focusing, or overwhelming emotions can be difficult. At **Creative Healing**, we offer specialised art therapy, counselling to help children just like yours confidently navigate these challenges.



## COMMON CHALLENGES WE HELP WITH

- Social anxiety or trouble making/keeping friends
- Focus and concentration struggles in the classroom
- Emotional outbursts or difficulty regulating feelings
- Transitioning to high school or new environments
- ADHD, Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), and managing big emotions

## WHY PARENTS CHOOSE CREATIVE HEALING

We combine psychological support with art therapy strategies, offering a safe space for children to express themselves and work through their challenges in ways that feel comfortable and empowering. Our focus includes ADHD, ASD, emotional regulation, and life transitions.

## THE BENEFITS OF OUR THERAPY

- Develop better focus and coping strategies for the classroom
- Build social skills and navigate friendships with more confidence
- Manage big emotions and reduce meltdowns
- Equip your child with tools to handle the transition to high school
- Receive personalised support for ADHD or ASD-related challenges.

## AFFORDABLE CARE WITH MEDICARE REBATES

Access up to 10 Medicare-rebated therapy sessions through the Mental Health Care Plan, making essential support more affordable and accessible for your family. We also support students who have NDIS funding.

## IS YOUR CHILD WORRIED ABOUT GOING TO HIGH SCHOOL NEXT YEAR?

We offer counselling, psychological support and art therapy to help children build confidence, manage stress, and develop the skills they need to thrive during this important transition.

## DON'T WAIT—GET YOUR CHILD THE SUPPORT THEY NEED!

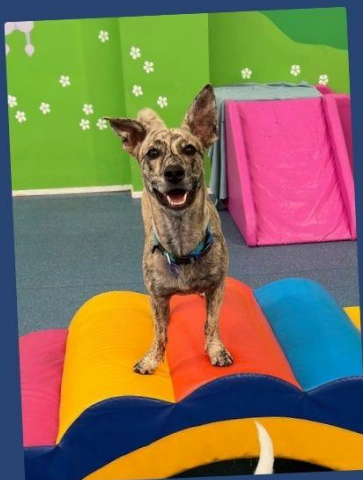
We know it's hard to see your child struggle, but it's never too late to make a difference. With the right support, your child can develop the tools they need to thrive both inside and outside the classroom.

**Reach out today to learn more or book an initial consultation!**

**CONTACT US AT [CREATIVEHEALING.COM.AU](https://www.creativehealing.com.au)**

Email: [info@creativehealing.com.au](mailto:info@creativehealing.com.au)  
Phone: 0425730692

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# JOIN US FOR: I CAN® ONLINE

Our online mentoring programs offer safe, supportive spaces where neurodiverse and Autistic young people can connect with peers to share interests and common experiences.

## WHEN

6 x 1 hour sessions Monday to Friday.  
Afternoon 5pm - 6pm & Evening 6:30pm - 7:30pm

## WHAT

We offer general groups which compliment our I CAN School® program as well as special interest groups such as:

- Embracing Autism
- Executive Functioning
- Drawing & Art
- Minecraft
- Gaming
- Roblox
- LGBTIQ+ (13-22 yrs)
- Harry Potter
- AFL

\*Special interest groups vary to meet client demand. Check our website for details.

## WHO

Up to 9 "mentees" join two I CAN mentors.  
All of our staff are trained and at least one member sometimes both are Autistic.

## HOW

Complete an expression of interest form and when a spot becomes available you will be offered an enrolment.

## PRICE

\$306 AUD, GST free x 6 Sessions  
\$291 - School holiday Programs  
NDIS Reports \$174.00 excl. GST

### \*PLACED WITH SIMILAR-AGED PEERS

Groups are facilitated by two trained I CAN Mentors. All staff have completed our child protection training and hold current Working With Children Checks.



*"We do fun activities and check up on how we are going at school. It's like another family"*

I CAN Mentee - Nick

## APPLY FOR TERM 4

Now Open:

Cycle 5 x 6 sessions

Oct 28th - Dec 13th, 2024

Express your interest by using the QR code below or visit our website to view our full schedule details.



VISIT OUR WEBSITE:

[icannetwork.online/online](https://icannetwork.online/online)



## East Coburg Cricket Club **CRICKET BLAST**

Starts: Wednesday 6 November 2025  
5.00 – 6.00pm  
Brearley Reserve, Pascoe Vale  
10 Sessions

Girl & boys aged 4-9  
We'll take care of the equipment



Register via Play HQ – Search for East Coburg  
<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/2d8875>

Contact Frank Rechichi [eastcoburgcricketclub@gmail.com](mailto:eastcoburgcricketclub@gmail.com)  
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