



Coburg West Primary School

Friday 17th October 2025

CWPS ACTIVITY CALENDAR

DATE	ACTIVITY	DETAILS
TERM 4		
October		
Tuesday 21 st	Italian Extension Excursion	Italian Extension Students
Wednesday 22 nd	Water Watch – Edward's Lake	Grades 1 & 2
Friday 24 th	Basketball Gala Day	Grade 5
Wednesday 29 th	Prep Transition # 1	Prep 2026 9:15am – 10:30am
Friday 31 st	Basketball Gala Day	Grade 6
November		
Monday 3 rd	Curriculum Day	Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 4 th	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday	School Closed
Wednesday 5 th	Melbourne Zoo	Prep
Thursday 6 th	Prep Transition # 2	Prep 2026 9:15am – 10:30am
Mon. 17 th to Fri. 21 st	Swimming Program	Grades 1 & 2
Wed. 19 th - Thurs. 20 th	Sovereign Hill Camp	Grade 3
Thursday 20 th	Prep Transition # 3	Prep 2026 9:15am – 10:30am
December		
Tuesday December 2 nd	Extended Day – Wombat Corner	Grade 1
Wednesday 3 rd	Extended Day – Wombat Corner	Grade 2
Mon 8 th to Fri 12 th	Swimming Program	Grades 3 & 4
Friday 12 th	Luna Park	Grade 6
Mon 15 th to Thurs 18 th	Swimming Program	Prep
Tuesday 16 th	Meet the Teacher (2026)	Prep 2026 9:30am -10:30am Grades 1 – 6 9:15am – 10:45am
Wednesday 17 th	Graduation Ceremony	Grade 6
Friday 19 th	Last Day of Term 4	1:30pm Dismissal

Dear School Community,

Welcome back. I hope everyone had a nice break.

Thanks

I would like to thank Mr Copping and Ms Amerena for stepping up into the roles of Acting Principal and Acting Assistant Principal respectively while I was away on Long Service Leave. I know that in my

absence there were some ups and downs, but I am grateful for the way they and the staff worked through it all. I am also grateful for the ongoing support our school community provides. We are very fortunate here at CWPS.

Enrolments and Transitions

While our 2026 enrolments are still open, our Prep Transition program has begun. This past week, we had our Buddy Session, where the new students visited the Prep classrooms and engaged in a variety of activities being led by our Grade Three students. It was wonderful to see how well our Grade Three students interacted and started forming friendships with the younger students. Given they will be officially paired as Buddies when the new school year starts, it was nice to see that good connections were being formed and leadership skills already being demonstrated.

In the coming weeks, some of our Grade Five students will also have a similar opportunity with visits to a local Kindergarten to lead the little ones through various sports activities.

Finally, if you or someone you know is yet to enrol their child, please do so as soon as possible. Likewise, if you are planning to move your child/ren to another primary school please notify the office in writing as soon as possible. This will not only assist us in our forecasting and planning for the 2026 school year, but it will also assist the office team in managing your child's transfer between schools.

Gr P-2 Tabloid Sport Morning

Our first week back at school ended with a fun morning of Tabloid Sports for all students in grades Prep to two. While it may have been a windy morning, it was filled with fun and excitement as students worked in mixed age groups, moving through numerous sporting events. A big congratulations to our Grade Six Leaders who lead the groups through all the events and showed great skill in managing the groups, demonstrating and encouraging the younger students through each activity. Thank you to Mr Harvey for organising this fun filled morning and to all the parents who came along to support.

Choir Performance at Italian Festa

This Sunday(19th), our school choir had the opportunity to perform at the Italian Festa held at the Royal Melbourne Exhibition Buildings in Carlton. They were one of five schools selected to participate on Sunday in the second edition of the *Zecchino d'Oro in Melbourne*. An Italian children's song was selected for the choir to sing and perform in front of the audience. While I might be biased, our choir did an amazing job and certainly entertained everyone. I wish to congratulate every member of the CWPS Choir, Mina who leads the choir, Ms Sommers who got us involved and led the choir throughout and all the staff and families who came along to support and cheer for our kids.



Works Almost Complete

While there has been a range of works happening across our school for a good part of this year, it is almost coming to an end. We have started this term with limited access across our courtyard, as the screening is being installed along our upper walkways and bridges. While this may be an inconvenience, we are grateful this important work is being undertaken to help ensure the ongoing safety of our students. This work is due to be completed and cleared by the end of the coming week.

Also, resin was injected under the eastern tower over the holidays to support and lift the foundations. While there were some unexpected complications, the last of these will be dealt with in the coming weeks when the ground cover will be repaired and levelled out, so the temporary fencing can then be removed. The last stage of this project will take place early next year, when they will repair the cracks and internal plaster work in the eastern tower.

I must commend our students who have managed so well and respected everyone's safety as they avoid these work areas. Thank you also to our staff and families who have shown great patience as we get through these works.

Voluntary Contributions

As we enter the final term for this school year, I wish to remind everyone that Voluntary Contributions can be paid using the Qkr App.

These payments help our school cover the costs of providing all materials and resources your children need to engage in their learning. Whether it be pencils, glue, workbooks, paints, sporting equipment, laptops, musical instruments, counters or books to read, payment of the Essential Learning Items helps us replenish these items as required for your children.

Other payments listed assist us in areas such as employing Sue our School Nurse and Tony our Grounds Keeper.

Then there are also the tax-deductible donations families can make to our Building Fund and Library Fund, which help us in replenishing reading sets and stocking the library shelves, while also working towards upgrades such as new carpets in classrooms.

Please see earlier Compass emails and Newsfeed for more information or go direct to Qkr to make payments.

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
00D	Will R.	We Are Learners	Dom	We Care	Ms. Zchunke
00L	Marcus	We Are Respectful	Isaac	We Are Safe	Ms. Lebon & Ms. Amerena
1/2E	Christian	We Are Learners	Finlo	We Are Learners	Ms. Esposito
1P	Emmett	We Are Safe	Maggie	We Are Learners	Ms. Parker
1Y	Tilda	We Are Learners	Jack Benjamin C.	We Care We Are Respectful	Ms. Tapper
2F	Indra	We Are Learners	Dorothy	We Are Respectful	Ms. Fonte De Vos
2S			Arabella	We Are Learners	Ms. Spiteri & Ms. Pavich
3A	Wren	We Are Learners	Kaylin	We Are Respectful	Mr. Aitken
3P	Esme	We Are Learners	Leon	We Are Learners	Mr. Peric
4P			Eddie Anais Hazel S. Evelyn	We Care We Are Learners We Are Respectful We Care	Ms. Preston
4R			Christian	We Are Learners	Mr. Robinson & Ms. Lontos
5/6C	Freddy Ivy	We Are Learners We Are Learners	Angus	We Care	Ms. Corn
5/6F			Will B. George N. Carla R. Aley S.	We Care We Are Safe We Are Learners We Care	Mr. Oberbichler
5/6M	Teddy D.	We Are Respectful	Amelia B.	We Are Learners	Ms. McKenzie & Mr. Niciak
5/6R	Georgia B.	We Are Learners	Pepe	We Are Learners	Ms. Rigby
5/6T	Lucas B. Anna P.	We Care We Are Learners			Mr. Torpey & Mr. Pyke
Vis. Arts					Ms. Kyrkillis & Ms. DiVincenzo
P.E.	Isabelle T. 2F	We Are Respectful	Dominic T. PD	We Are Learners	Mr. Harvey
Italian	Freddie P. PL	We Are Learners	Benjamin C. 1Y	We Are Respectful	Ms. Peterson & Ms. DiVincenzo
Perf. Arts	Ava R. 2F	We Are Respectful	Angus G. 1P	We Are Learners	Ms. Sommer

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.

	10 th October	17 th October
Green House	Lana PD	Poopy PD
Red House	Charlotte 2F	Massimo 5/6T
Gold House	Abigail 5/6M	Darius PL
Blue House	Doug 3A	Hannah 5/6M



BOGAN BINGO



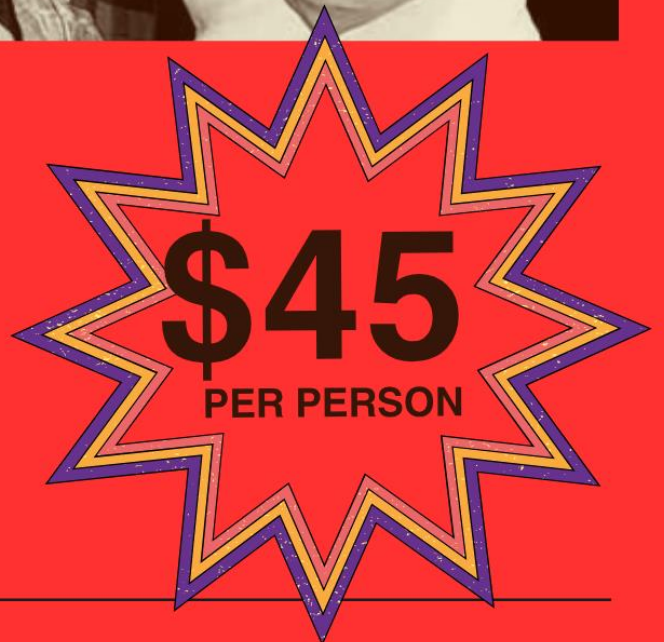
JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF LAUGHS,
MUSIC, AND QUESTIONABLE
FASHION CHOICES FOR PARENTS,
TEACHERS, AND FRIENDS OF
COBURG WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL!



NEVER BEEN TO BOGAN BINGO?

PICTURE THIS: ONE BINGO CALLER, ONE DJ,
AND A WHOLE LOT OF 80S AND 90S BANGERS
THAT RHYME WITH THE NUMBERS. ADD IN
SOME CLASSIC AUSSIE HUMOUR,
SPONTANEOUS AIR GUITAR COMPS, AND A
CROWD READY TO PARTY — AND YOU'VE GOT
ONE CRACKER NIGHT

DRESS CODE: FULL BOGAN OR JUST A TOUCH



8 NOV 2025

6:30 - LATE

TICKETS ON SALE VIA QKR!



WE NEED YOU

**CWPS
COMMUNITY
GROUP**

After years of keeping CWPS buzzing with events, our Community Group Office Bearers will finish up at the end of 2025.

Unless new people take on the formal roles (not just help on the day or run single events), all the favourites will stop — Moonlight Cinema, Book Drives, Kids Disco, Shore Reserve activities, School Fete, Parents' Night Out, Food Drives... all of it.

There's a treasure trove of events ready to go, with plans, budgets and an army of experienced volunteers — but they need people to step into the formal positions and represent the Community Group on School Council. You can share a role with a friend, and the outgoing team will hand everything over and support you.

If you've ever thought about getting involved beyond volunteering at events, now's the time. Reach out and we can chat.

EMAIL US FOR MORE INFO | CWPSCG@GMAIL.COM

COMMUNITY PROGRAM

AGES 4-7



Your child will learn basic footy skills, and enjoy mini-games, all while experiencing NAB AFL Auskick in a fun & supportive environment.



AGES 7-12



Get a taste of NAB AFL Superkick, with a mix of skill development and modified match play in an environment where fun & buddies collide.



COBURG AND SURROUNDS

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON 5PM-6PM

BEGINS WEDNESDAY 29th OCTOBER

SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER



A Lemon for Safiya: Twilight Picture Book Launch

A memorable evening for adults and children

Join author of A Lemon for Safiya, Jemima Shafei-Ongu, in a nurturing evening of conversation, craft, and connection.

A Lemon for Safiya is a picture book about a little girl and her family who help a lost and confused stranger find her way home, a moving story about compassion, culture, aging and identity.

This evening will involve a story time to nourish your soul, a Q&A session with Jemima, delicious snacks inspired by the story, craft activities that the whole family can enjoy, and a raffle for prizes, which includes a lemon tree!

This is a free event, but please register for catering purposes.

Pictures & Pages will be there with books for you to purchase books, and book signing will also be available on the night.

When:
6.30pm
Thursday 30 October

Who:
All ages

Where:
Glenroy Library
50 Wheatsheaf road,
Glenroy

Scan to book
your ticket



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Paws for Calm: Managing difficult emotions

Join us for a double book presentation including fun activities for Aslan and Benny by Jemima Shafei-Ongu and Sit, Stay, Grow by Angelika Von Sanden; two therapists and authors whose books feature dogs to help children and adults better manage difficult emotions, especially their fears.

Aslan and Benny is a bubbly picture book about a boy with the heart and the name of a lion, who loves playing with his cousins. But when they get a dog, he doesn't feel so fearless anymore. Through connection and courage, Aslan learns what it means to be brave.

Sit, Stay, Grow: How Dogs Can Help You Worry Less and Walk Into a Better Future, is an illustrated coffee table book for dog lovers and deep thinkers alike. With warmth and wisdom, readers are invited to slow down, see through the eyes of their four-legged companions, and learn to hold thoughts lightly while navigating life's challenges.

When:
4.30pm
Thursday 30 October

Who:
All ages

Where:
Glenroy Library
50 Wheatsheaf road,
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"Everyone should know about Children's Rights"
Article 42 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)

PLAY YOUR WAY

Children's Week? RAWR!!

A day of fun where every child can choose their own adventure!

What's on the day

Gardening Crafting LEGO play Video Games Collaborative tree mural

Wednesday 22 October
3pm - 5pm
Sussex Neighborhood House
7 Prospect St, Pascoe Vale