



Coburg West Primary School

Friday 13th October 2023

| CWPS ACTIVITY CALENDAR | | |
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| DATE | ACTIVITY | DETAILS |
| OCTOBER | | |
| Wednesday 18 th | Grade 6 | Special Photo Day |
| | Grade 2 Excursion | Melbourne Museum |
| Thursday 19 th | Grade 5 Excursion | Botanical Gardens |
| | Prep 2024 - Play & Stay | 9.30am – 10.30am |
| Monday 23 rd – Friday 27 th | Grade 6 | Swimming Lessons |
| Wednesday 25 th | Grades 5M and 5R Excursion | Immigration Museum |
| Thursday 26 th | Grade 5T Excursion | Immigration Museum |
| | Prep 2024 - Session 1 | 9.15am – 10.30am |
| Monday 30 th | Grades 6F and 6R Excursion | ACMI |
| NOVEMBER | | |
| Wednesday 1 st | Grade 6A Excursion | ACMI |
| | Prep 2024 - Session 2 | 9.15am – 10.30am |
| Monday 6 th | Curriculum Day | Pupil Free Day |
| Tuesday 7 th | Melbourne Cup | Pupil Free Day |
| Wednesday 8 th | Grades Prep and 4 Excursion | Botanical Gardens |
| Monday 13 th | Grade 4 Incursion | Science |
| Thursday 16 th | Prep 2024 - Session 3 | 9.15am – 10.30am |
| Monday 20 th | Grade 2 Bush Day | 8am to 6pm |
| Monday 27 th | Grade Prep Excursion | Werribee Open Range Zoo |
| DECEMBER | | |
| 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 and 4 | Swimming Lessons |
| Tuesday 12 th | Grade 2 Excursion | ACMI |
| Thursday 14 th | Grade 6 Excursion | Luna Park |
| Friday 15 th | Meet the Teacher | 11.45am – 1.15pm |
| Monday 18 th | Grade 6 | 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,

Thank you for all the warm welcomes upon my return from leave this term. It was wonderful to see the smiling faces of students and parents entering the gates for the start of term 4. I was able to enjoy my travels through Malta, Greece, Turkey and Italy because I knew the school was in the good hands of Mr Copping and Ms Amerena who were willing to step up in my absence. I am grateful to them both for leading our school through to the end of term 3.

CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU

So much has happened in my absence:

- Well done to Ms Amerena on the great success of the Writers Festival and to all the children who submitted pieces for display and judging.
- Congratulations to Betsy and the Community Group for yet another wonderful family day out at the Shore Reserve Showdown, and further congratulations to the team of parents who battled it out to bring back the Golden Boot.
- A huge thank you to Sonia and the Buildings, Grounds and Sustainability group for the work gone into the improvements outside our Prep and Grade 1 classrooms. I am sure you will all agree that the decking, landscaping, and outdoors furniture make for some unique spaces for our children to learn and play. But also, a thank you to all the families who support our fundraising efforts through the year, as this is how we can fund such improvements.

PLANNING FOR 2024

As we commence this term, our planning for the new school year gets into full swing. I am working closely with Admin, Leadership, and staff as there is still a lot to sort through regarding staffing needs (both teaching and Educational Support), grade structures (how many classes) and what specialist/support programs we are able to offer, all of which is determined by the finances available.

A lot has changed across our community in recent years, and this is having an impact on our financial position. With a decrease in enrolments, a drop in school-based revenue, and an increase in expenses, we too are needing to make some changes as a school. I will endeavour to keep you all informed once we are able to confirm our plans.

Therefore, it is extremely important that if you or someone you know that lives within our school zone have not yet enrolled for 2024, please do so as soon as possible. Likewise, if you intend to move your child to another school to complete their primary school years, please notify our office as soon as possible.

Meanwhile, our Transition Program begins next week, and we're excited to welcome our 2024 Prep cohort and the new families joining our school community.

PARENT PAYMENTS STILL OPEN

One way families can continue to support our school is 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.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

This survey closed in my absence and results are now available. Having sent out 211 invites, we had a response rate of 11%, with a total of 32 parents completing the survey.

Some areas for improvement across our school are based around not enough communication from teachers about their child's progress, teachers not providing useful feedback/responding to the learning needs of their child, and children not being taught organisational skills to manage school/homework.

Pleasingly, some of the areas parents feel that our school is exceeding in include:

- My child feels accepted by other students at school.
- This school provides opportunities for my child to develop a sense of responsibility.
- The school gives me opportunities to participate in my child's education.
- I feel this school values parent/caregiver/guardian contributions.

COLOUR RUN SUCCESS

A huge shout out to Mr Torpey, Mr Peric and Mr Harvey for their hard work in organising the whole school Colour Run Fundraiser event held last week. This fundraiser supporting the Alannah and Madeline Foundation was initiated by students and siblings, Estelle and Marcus who also worked hard in helping organise and promote this event. While I was very disappointed to be struck down by illness and not be able to attend, I am pleased that a fun day was had by all. It's also pleasing to hear that the total funds raised by our school has grown. Another thank you to Siddhesh, a parent from our school, who took some amazing photos on the day and has shared them with us.

While I am sure this final school term will fly by, I wish you all a great fortnight ahead.

Kind regards,
Mark COLAGRANDE
PRINCIPAL



COLOUR
RUN FUN



CWPS VALUES CERTIFICATES

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

| Grade | Student | Value | Presented by |
|--------|---------------------------|--|------------------------|
| Prep Y | Zac | We Are Learners | Ms. Youla |
| Prep L | Zoe R. | We Are Learners | Mrs Lebon |
| Prep S | Ashar | We Are Learners | Ms Zschunke |
| 1D | Audery | We Are Learners | Mr Peric |
| 1E | | | Ms Esposito |
| 2C | Vito | We Are Learners | Ms Cavoli |
| 2F | Evelyn | We Are Learners | Ms Fonte De Vos |
| 2N | Gianni R | We Are Safe | Mr Niciak |
| 3B | George N | We Are Learners | Ms. Blackman |
| 3R | Chiara Imogen Scott | We Are Learners We Are Respectful We Care About Each Other | Mr Robinson |
| 3S | Asha | We Are Respectful | Mrs Spiteri/Mrs Pavich |
| 4K | Ari | We Are Learners | Mr Krauss |
| 4M | Erol Harry | We Are Respectful We Are Respectful | Ms McKenzie/Ms Corn |
| 4P | Vivien Noah | We Are Learners We Are Respectful | Ms Preston |
| 5M | | | Ms Mardesic |
| 5R | Ava | We Are Respectful | Mrs Rigby |
| 5T | | | Mr Torpey |
| 6A | Ned P | We Are Respectful | Mr Aitken |
| 6F | Sabine T | We Are Learners | Ms Franco |
| 6R | Florence H | We Care About Each Other | 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.

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| | 13th October |
| Green House | Kaan 3R |
| Red House | Lucas 3R |
| Gold House | Ivy B 4M |
| Blue House | Brandon 6R |

Great Work in Maths!

As part of this term in Maths Tutoring this term Grades 1 and 2 are learning about fractions of amounts or collections. Students shared given amounts to show fractions of halves such as Half of 8 is 4 legs each. Later the students worked on quarters and eighths if ready. They all worked so very hard making the legs of their caterpillar fraction bodies. Please enjoy the photos that show halves and quarters. Enjoy

Fiona Currie - Maths Tutor Learning.





Another huge thank you to our wonderful school community. With a combination of fundraising from our Scholastic Book Sales in Term 3 and the approval of School Council to spend funds from the school Library Fund from which our families so kindly donate. I was able to purchase some new books to add to our wonderful school resources and they have finally started arriving.

These new resources include new Take Home Books for the Grade Prep to 2 students and some new sets of books for the Grade 3 to 6 students to use as part of guided reading and literature circles during class reading lessons. Additionally, new poetry books and Readers Theatre packs, where students can practice their oral language skills were also purchased.

We are all very excited to begin using these new resources.



Now having purchased these amazing resources, we need your help! If you are able to donate some time to process our new resources, it would be appreciated. This involves, stamping, labelling and organising them ready to be added to our reading rooms. Any time commitment would be greatly appreciated, if you are able to donate the time, please email the school email address coburgwest.ps@education.vic.gov.au and direct the email to me (Patricia Amerena) or approach me when you see me and I will direct you to what is required.

Kind regards

Patricia Amerena
English Leading Teacher





Features

- **Welcome to Term 4!**
- **Last term's National Day of Action Against Bullying. How our school is making connections, promoting caring for others, and standing against bullying.**

Welcome to Term 4!

Spring is here and we all started back at school fresh a week ago. Was it only a week ago? 😊

Teachers and students are already busy and getting back to work quickly. Term 4 is a busy term at CWPS, and it is important that both teachers and students are looking after their mental health and wellbeing in what is a busy 12-week term in the lead up to Christmas. It also will involve teachers giving student assessments and report writing to a deadline. Both tasks that can be a source of anxiety for both students and teachers.

Self-Care For Students and Teachers

This week we (Dan, Matt, and I) gave a presentation to staff on Self Care, in preparation for the term ahead. In counselling, building connections and having people that you love and spend time, with are called 'Protective Factors.' Having close friends and family would be protective factors. These factors help protect you as an individual from mental health issues arising and spending time with friends and family are also important as part of self-care. In fact, making connections has been shown to prevent mental health issues.

Why feeling connected to school matters

Feeling a connection to school is correlated with positive health and academic outcomes and is linked to positive emotional wellbeing including a reduction in levels of anxiety (Baumeister & Leary 1995). In addition, students with low levels of connectedness to school are more at risk of poor health and wellbeing and a higher risk of anxiety, depression, and low academic outcomes. Nurturing positive relationships between your child and their school really does matter, for their health and wellbeing, their mental health, their sense of belonging and their future.

The National Day of Action Against Bullying

The National Day of Action Against Bullying was held on Friday 18th August and both teachers and students worked hard to make the week in the lead up to it, impactful, educational and a lot of fun!

After meeting with the Wellbeing Team, we decided that the best way to promote it within the school was to work with the Year 6 students to reward students who were demonstrating positivity and inclusiveness towards others. The Year 6s devised a positive reward system to give book-marks for those caught being good in the yard and helping others. Grade levels across the school, worked on creating buddy activities that nurtured a sense of connectedness between different year levels and had a great time doing so! Here's some photos kindly provided by Andrew Aitkin and Natasha Fonte De Vos of some of their buddy activities on the day!

Make sure you take time to build connections and create some time for self-care in what is a busy term to come! 😊

Written By Allison Mckenzie



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CWPS Community Group News

What's happening in term 4

Big Hamper Raffle - A **HUGE** thank you to everyone who donated to our big raffle - we have recieved some amazing items and all the hampers look amazing (see flyer for more info) - Tickets \$5 each on Qkr now! Purchase tickets for the hampers you want to win!

Big Night Out - tickets available via Qkr now (\$30pp includes drink on arrival and DJ entertainment) Would love to see all of our new and outgoing parents there! **Silent Auction** on night and online prior (see flyer for some of the prizes and stay tuned for details on how to start bidding).

HAPPENING NOW!

- **Mangoes** - available to order on Qkr now until the **24th October**.
Delivery in early December
- **Crazy Camel Artwork** - online ordering available now until **20th October**, delivery mid to late November
(<https://www.crazycamel.com.au/10347>)
- **Scholastic Books** - Christmas Edition! Get all your book orders ready for Christmas. Orders open until **23rd October** for late November delivery. Order via LOOP

NOVEMBER

- **13th Nov - Gnoccheria Drive** - orders open for 3 weeks and will be delivered to school first week in December

Dates for the Diary Community Meetings

October - **7.30pm (Coburg RSL)**

Get involved

ecwpscg@gmail.com or join the
[Facebook group](#)

SWEET TREATS

Includes \$100 Koko Black voucher, \$75 Miss Penny Cakes voucher, \$100 Minot Gelato voucher and more

SPORTS & OUTDOORS

Includes \$300 Champion clothing bundle, \$80 Rebel voucher, outdoor games and more.

Term 4

CWPS BIG HAMPER RAFFLE

Choose your hamper

\$5 per ticket

Available on QKR and at the 'Big Night Out'.

TOYS & GAMES

Includes \$120 Games World voucher, \$100 Pictures and Pages voucher, board games and more

PAMPER & WELLNESS

Includes \$200 Beauty on Rose voucher, skincare and more

MOVIES & ENTERTAINMENT

Includes \$50 Readings voucher, \$140 Palace Cinema voucher, \$150 Post Mistress voucher, \$150 Bar Tabola voucher and more

HOME

Includes \$230 Bunnings voucher, tableware and more

GOURMET FOODS

Includes \$100 La Manna voucher, signed cookbook and cooking class from Masterchef contentest Pia Garva and more.

Raffle will be drawn on Saturday 21 October at the 'Big Night Out'.

Big Night Out

**FEATURING LIVE SET BY
CWPS RESIDENT DJS DAVE-JACQUES-VU**

Saturday 21 October 7pm

**Parkview Function Room
Pirana Park, 19 Harding St, Coburg**

Parents only social event + major school fundraiser

LIVE AUCTION | RAFFLES | PRIZES

Tickets on Qkr \$30 includes entry + drink on arrival + more!

wear a touch of sparkle

Big Night Out

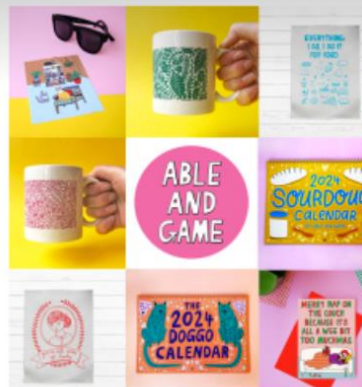
AUCTION ITEMS



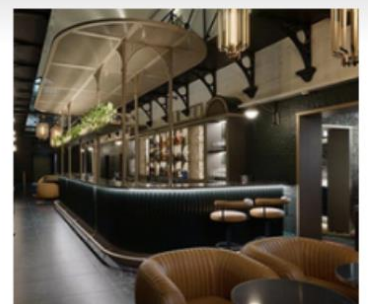
Rebecca Thompson PJs
Value: \$130



Able and Game Gift Giving Pack
Value: \$300



Luxury night away
Pentridge Adina
Value: \$250



1hr Skateboarding Lesson
with Pro-skater, Nick Boserio
Value: \$250



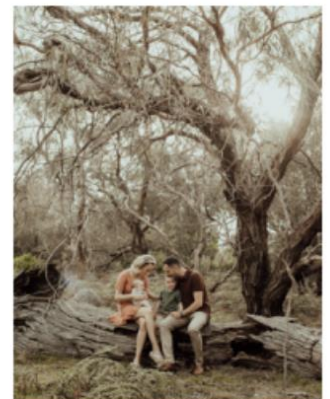
Craft Party with Miss Preston
Value: \$400



Mossman Clothing Voucher
Value: \$300



Family Photography Session
with Muka Portraits
Value \$300



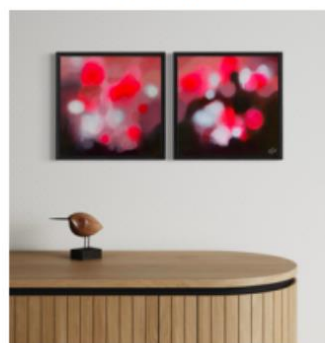
Quad Lock Voucher
Value: \$250



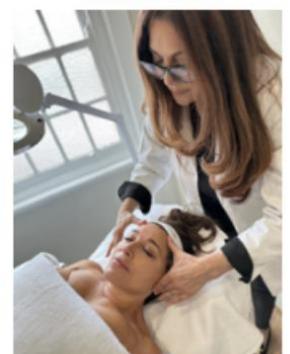
Original Aliko K Artwork
Value: \$1000



Original Jess King Artwork
Value: \$440



The MediSpa Deluxe
HydraFacial
Value: \$315



COBURG WEST PS

Save the Date: *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!

**more details to follow
including provisions
for rainy weather*



Australian Girls Choir Assessment Workshop

Australian Girls Choir will be holding an assessment workshop at school during lunchtime of Wednesday October 18th. Any girls who are interested will either need to return the form that was handed out last term or go online and register on:
<https://ausgirlschoir.com.au/schoolworkshop/>

All girls receive a personalised letter posted to their home address following assessment.



WEST COBURG ST ANDREWS CRICKET CLUB




West Coburg St Andrews Cricket Club are seeking junior players to join us for season 2023-24.

BOYS AND GIRLS TEAMS U10 & U12

ALL ABILITIES FAMILY FRIENDLY INCLUSIVE CLUB

No previous cricket experience necessary.

CONTACT TRISTAN PAGLIANITI-ROBERTS ON 0407 256 614 OR sign up via the link for junior cricket: <https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/e18ed9>



SENSATIONAL SPRING CLINICS 2023

FREE SOCCER BALL FOR EACH PARTICIPANT!

As a follow up to the Magnificent Matilda's tremendous performance at Soccer's World Cup, we are delighted to offer our clinics for 4-12 year old children!

Saturday morning clinics run during the school term for 8 sessions and involve 55 minutes of personalized tuition. There is an age and skill appropriate curriculum focus on the fundamentals of Soccer as well as an encouragement of social interaction to build skill levels and grow self esteem. Clinics begin on Saturday the 14th of October 2023

SESSION TIME & LOCATION:
9:00AM to 10:00AM at
Strathmore Secondary College,
Pascoe Vale Rd, Strathmore.

TERM 4 CLINICS BEGIN SAT. OCT 14th 2023

METHOD OF PAYMENT
Payment on first day of clinic 14/10/2023
Cheque or Cash \$150
Please register by Friday 13/10
to secure your child's place in the clinic.

TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____
Please make all cheques payable to Vic Cric and fill out participant/s information:

Name(s) : _____ DOB: _____

Clinics previously completed: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Name/s: _____

Email: _____

Current Primary School: _____

YOUR FREE GIFT IS A SOCCER BALL!

I do ☐ do not ☐ give permission for my child to be photographed
and for photos to appear on Vic Cric Social Media.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

For more information, call Mike on 0418303432 or email us at: viccric.northwest@gmail.com
Family discounts apply. Ask VIC CRIC team for more information. Disclaimer: Children play at their own risk. Vic Cric Pty Ltd accepts no liability.



JOIN WITH FRIENDS PLAY TOGETHER

JUNIOR BLASTERS
AGES 5-7 | 60 MINS | 8+ WEEKS

- Learn ball skills, including catching, throwing and teamwork, through fun game-based activities.
- Sign up now for your Starter Kit.
- Returning Junior Blasters score a Returner Kit with a ball, a backpack + one free add-on.



STARTER KIT



RETURNER KIT

JOIN YOUR NEAREST CLUB

West Coburg Cricket Club
Fridays 6pm - Shore Reserve
Ray Freeman

0402407831
juniordoord.westcobcc@gmail.com
Boys & Girls - Jnr Blasters age 5 - 7, U10s 7 - 9

MERCY COLLEGE

ABSTRACT EXPLOSION ART PROGRAM

FOR GIRLS IN YEARS 4 TO 6



An exciting four week art program where students will be creating an abstract painting as a way of understanding various painting techniques.

WHEN
THURSDAY 26 OCTOBER AND
THURSDAY 2, 9, 16 NOVEMBER 2023
4.00PM - 5.00PM

WHERE
MERCY COLLEGE
760 SYDNEY ROAD COBURG 3058
ENTRY VIA GATE 1

COST
\$20.00



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GIRLS SOCIAL SOCCER SATURDAYS 10-11AM DURING SCHOOL TERMS



Our girls-only social soccer program for ages 5 - 12 is beginner friendly, loads of fun & only \$12 per session.

Dunstan Reserve Brunswick West

For more info, contact
socialgirls@brunswickcitysc.com.au

Register here:
<https://form.jotform.com/223597642493871>



SOCIAL SOCCER



FREE FIRST SESSION
SATURDAYS 10 - 11AM SCHOOL TERMS

**BRUNSWICK CITY'S SOCIAL SOCCER PROGRAM FOR
GIRLS AND GENDER-DIVERSE YOUNG PEOPLE
AGED 12 - 16 BEGINNER-FRIENDLY, INCLUSIVE
AND HEAPS OF FUN.**

**BRING A FRIEND TO GET A TASTE FOR THE WORLD
GAME WITH A FREE INTRO SESSION.**

**REGISTER
HERE:**



**SOCIAL SOCCER
FOR ALL WOMEN
INCLUSIVE,
JUDGEMENT FREE FUN.
DURING SCHOOL TERMS
FRIDAYS & SATURDAYS**



Perfect for beginners and social players.
It's your time, where you're active, connecting with your community and learning new skills.

Fridays 5:45 - 6:45pm
Saturdays 10 - 11am

Dunstan Reserve, Brunswick West

Cost per session: \$10 for community

\$5 for Culturally Diverse community

Free for Brunswick City SC members

Register at
<https://www.gofootball.com.au/play/pick-your-location/Brunswick-City-SC>

