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NEWSLETTER NO 28

7TH SEPTEMBER 2023

LAST DAY OF TERM 3 2:30PM FINISH - FRIDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER
FIRST DAY OF TERM 4 - MONDAY 2ND OCTOBER

LAST DAY OF CANTEEN FOR TERM 3 - FRIDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER
CANTEEN WILL REOPEN TERM 4 - MONDAY 2ND OCTOBER

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

PARENT HELPERS FOR EXCURSIONS & CAMPS

We really need your assistance – we always have, but now more so than ever. We have noticed a decline in the number of parents who volunteer to assist with attending excursions or camps. The situation regarding camps is critical because with the introduction of Time in Lieu provisions, we are restricted in the number of staff we can allocate to attend, beyond the minimum ratios required. Insofar as excursions are concerned, on any given day, we are quite likely to have teachers absent for whom our teacher replacement agencies cannot provide us with replacements. This impacts on our capacity for flexibility with staff and increases the need for parents to attend. If you are at all able to assist us when your child has an excursion/camp, please contact our office staff and/or complete the request form that we send out to families.

PREDICTED ENROLMENTS FOR 2024

It is that time of the year again when our attention turns to include a focus on grade planning for the next year. You would have received an email this week asking to inform us if your child will not be returning in 2024 or if you have a sibling child starting Prep next year.

Continued...

LEARNING FOR LIFE...



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

SOME REALLY GOOD NEWS

Earlier this week we received official notification that the Department of Education will continue to provide funding to all government schools for the next 2 years to continue the Tutor Learning Initiative (TLI). This will enable us to provide additional teaching and learning support for children who have been on the program to date.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. When will we know who will be our children's teachers next year?

A. That will happen towards the end of the year – most likely in early December. Currently we have begun the process of filling teaching vacancies for next year. This process could stretch out to the end of October, or even later, depending on the availability of suitable teachers whom we can employ. There is also always the possibility of an unforeseen change of circumstance for existing staff at any point in time – with the obvious impact on staffing certainty.

QUOTABLE QUOTE

'Procrastination is the dark twin of choice'

Henry Grosseck

DIARY DATES:

Premier's Reading Challenge Finishes-
books must be entered by
Divisional Athletics Carnival
Footy Dress-up Day
Last Day of Term 3 (2:30pm)
First Day of Term 4
Grade 6 Graduation Photo

Friday 8th September
Wednesday 13th September
Friday 15th September
Friday 15th September
Monday 2nd October
Tuesday 10th October

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER?

Please ensure you let the school office know if you have changed address or updated mobile phones with new numbers. This information alleviates stressful situations for students when they are ill and we cannot contact parents.

Assistant Principals' Report



SUNSMART – HATS ARE NOW REQUIRED FOR WEARING OUTSIDE

Berwick Lodge is a registered Sun Smart school. We are committed to ensuring our students are protected from too much UV. This is now the time that students are required to wear a Sun Smart hat when participating in any outdoor activities. Sun Smart recommends SPF30 or higher broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen be applied to any skin not covered by clothing. Teachers do not apply sunscreen for students, but we do support strategies to help remind students to apply sunscreen themselves before heading outdoors.

Please help support this message at home by:

- Supplying your child with SPF30 or higher, broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen for use during school hours
- Talk to your child about the importance of wearing a hat and using sunscreen regularly to help prevent skin damage and skin cancer
- Ensure your child knows how to apply their sunscreen independently and has had some practice so they will be all set to apply it safely at school
- Be a Sun Smart role model at home with sunscreen, hats, clothing, shade and sunglasses

LOST PROPERTY

We currently have a large amount of lost property laid out in our school corridors. Please encourage your child to come and look to see if they have lost anything. On Thursday 14th September, any remaining lost property will be sorted for our second-hand uniform shop, or non-uniform items will be donated to the local Op shop.

STATE SCHOOL SPECTACULAR

Well done to our students participating in State School Spectacular this weekend at John Cain arena. It was wonderful to see them perform at our Monday morning assemblies over the last few weeks in the lead up to the exciting show this Saturday. We wish them all the best and a big thank you to Mrs. Montgomery, Miss Reardon and Miss Mao for their assistance with making this an opportunity for our students to experience a wonderful live performance opportunity. We look forward to hearing all about the event next week.

HELMETED HONEYEATER AMBASSADOR REPORT FROM PARLIAMENT HOUSE VISIT

The four Helmeted Honeyeater ambassadors – Jackson, Sienna, Jasmine and Hudson shared this information at assembly on Monday.

Hudson: On Tuesday we went to Parliament House with Mrs. McCrum.

We took a train and it stopped at Parliament station and we went on Australia's longest escalator. It took 5 minutes to get up. I got caught by security at Parliament House for having a rubix cube in my bag. Funny story: there is a big statue and on it there was a big crack on its arm because the parliamentarians were playing cricket.

Sienna: We then went inside to the Queens Hall and then we went up the stairs we saw a huge garden that looked like it never ended!!! At the end when we finished in the garden, we saw a VERY fluffy bush that you can take a nap in.

Jackson: Later that day we had stockpiled over 300 plants to give away. We gave the plants to parliamentarians, guests, and camera crew. There was a nice library. I touched 24 Carrot gold.

Jasmine: There were 9 different types of plants that we potted. There was lettuce, basil, beef steak tomatoes, Roma tomatoes, sweet bite tomatoes, capsicum, spinach, and coriander. We were giving plants that we potted to politicians.

We had a great day.



LAST DAY OF TERM

A reminder to all of our families that Friday 15th September is the last day of term 3 and we finish school at 2.30pm. The first day of term 4 is Monday 2nd October.

Sandra McCrum, Angela Maskery and Sharyn King

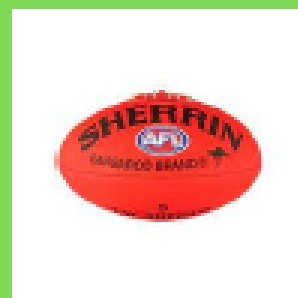


We're having a Footy Colours Day!

On Friday 15th September, come to school in the colours of your favourite football team. It can be AFL, NRL, Soccer or any team you support.

No gold coin donation is needed.

GAME ON



STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

GRADE 4

4L – Jackson

4P – Ebony S and Isabella

4W – Aysha and Isla

GRADE 3

3L – Meika

3M – Sehas

3V – Ryder

Congratulations to the following students who received class awards recently.

Please note- only students with publicity approval will be listed in the newsletter.

2024 ENROLMENTS

School Tours and 2024 Enrolments are now open!

Tours will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.
Bookings are essential, please contact the office on 9709 6700.

For all those families who have a sibling starting prep next year, please inform the office if you have not already done so.

If you know of any friends or family who are interested in attending Berwick Lodge next year, please ask them to contact the office on 9709 6700 or they can send an email to berwick.lodge.ps@education.vic.gov.au



SICKBAY NEWS

We would appreciate any donations of underwear in its original packaging for our sickbay. Please note, these must be brand new.

Do you have any clothing that your child may have borrowed from sickbay?

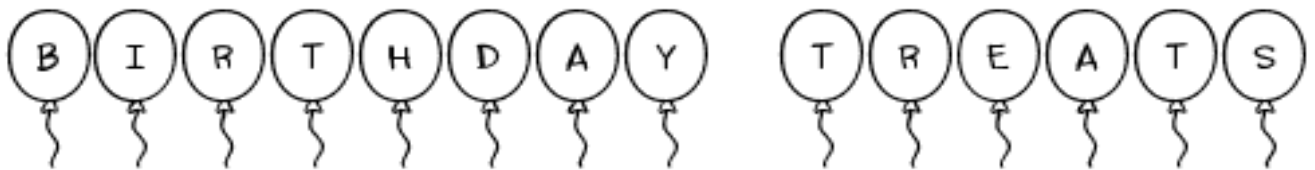
If so, can you please wash and return these items as soon as possible.



CANTEEN NEWS

If your child forgets their lunch, and a sandwich is provided by the canteen, please note that this will incur a charge of \$2.

The money needs to be handed to the office as soon as possible.



Parents may bring in food treats to celebrate their child's birthday.

However, this treat **must be** individually commercially packaged with ingredients listed (ie: fun-size chocolate) and distributed to students at the end of the school day.



PFA NEWS



Yellow Long Sleeve Top



Blue Sports Top



Yellow Short Sleeve Top



Blue Bomber Jacker



Blue Rugby Jumper



Blue Crew Neck



Sports Shorts - Basketball
Shorts - Thinner fabric



Shorts - Thicker fabric



Trackpants



Shorts Pleated - Girls



Skirt - Sports Skort



Skirt - Netball/Tennis Skirt



Summer Dress



Winter Dress



Beanie

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FINALS FEVER

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS
SEPTEMBER 18 - 28**



**20+ LOCATIONS
ACROSS SOUTH
EAST MELBOURNE**

**WEAR YOUR AFL/
AFLW COLOURS**

**LEARN FROM
VFL & AFLW
PLAYERS**

**PRIZES FOR
BEST DRESSED**

**\$77 EARLY-BIRD
(BOOK IN AUGUST) \$88 REGULAR PRICE
(BOOK IN SEPTEMBER) SUITED TO GIRLS & BOYS
5-14 (GROUPED ACCORDINGLY) ALL DAYS RUN
9AM - 3:15PM**

TO SEE ALL DATES AND LOCATIONS VISIT: **WWW.BSSPORTS.COM.AU** BRAD: **0406 415 709**

BOOK NOW: 



Splash's

learn to swim

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACCELERATE PROGRAM 25-28 Sept.

It is a well researched fact that a short burst of intensive learning accelerates motor skill development

Berwick
9707 5922

Clyde Nth Dandenong
7009 4030 9792 5461

Pakenham
9701 3225

www.splashs.com.au



Brentwood Park
Community Centre
21A Berrysyde Drive
Berwick 3806

LYNN'S LEARNING

MATHS & ENGLISH TUITION

Berwick Centre Opening!

- Build Confidence
- Easily Learn New Techniques
- Increase Retention
- Improve Concentration
- NAPLAN & Assessment Prep

Call now for a FREE Assessment

0490 213 089

Enrol during term 3 and save with no joining fee!

☆☆☆☆☆ 5 stars on google

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**SMASHING
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EARN NEW SPORTS IN TERM 4



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25
YEARS

Have heaps of fun with your friends while playing a range of dynamic and active sports throughout term 4.

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INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

MULTI-SPORT PROGRAMME

Program runs weekly on one day a week for one hour.

This term we will focus on the following sports:

- ✓ Cricket
- ✓ Lacrosse
- ✓ Athletics
- ✓ Crazy Games
- ✓ European Handball

This weekly program gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

For Prep – Grade 4 students.

\$136 FOR AN 8 WEEK PROGRAM

Sign up anytime and only pay for the weeks remaining in the term

No session November 6th due to school curriculum day

School: Berwick Lodge Primary School

Day: Mondays

Start Date: 9th October

End Date: 4th December

Time: 3:40pm - 4:40pm

BOOK EARLY & SAVE

Book by the 15th September to save \$17! That's one session free!

Website: kellysports.com.au/metro-south-east

Contact: Paul Battershill & Natasha Kalweit

Email: natasha@kellysports.com.au

Phone: 0413 080 025

Facebook: Kelly Sports Metro South East-Melbourne



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Image: Summer Svenson



For ages
5-12 years

FREE!

TERRACOTTA POT PAINTING



Set against the backdrop of the beautiful Nobelius Heritage Park, children will have the opportunity to draw inspiration from the natural surroundings as they paint their own 11cm squat plant pot to take home, complete with a planted seedling.

Date: Wednesday, 27 September 2023

Time: Two sessions | 10am- 11am and 12pm-1pm

Location: Emerald Museum, 5 Crichton Rd, Emerald VIC 3782

What to bring: A paint shirt or smock



Bookings essential! Register today.

Scan the QR code to sign up or go to
emeraldmuseum.org.au/events



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ONLINE ONLY EXCLUSIVE FROM 1/09/2023 TO 15/09/2023 11:59PM AEST
DISCOUNT OFF RRP | NO FURTHER DISCOUNTS APPLY

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PLAYGROUP EVENT



Discover, Learn, Play

PlayDaze



Families with children 0 - 5years, join us for free, fun activities
at PlayDaze!

DATE: Thursday 14 September, 2023

TIME: 9.30 am – 11.30 am

LOCATION: **Coral Park Primary School Gym**
145 Coral Dr, Hampton Park
Meet in the School Gym.

This is a free event. Bookings are not required. Bring your own snacks and water.

Contact the City of Casey:

Web: casey.vic.gov.au

Email: caseycc@casey.vic.gov.au

Phone: 03 9705 5200

Post: PO Box 1000, Narre Warren VIC 3805

NRS: 133 677 (for the deaf, hearing or speech impaired)

Customer Service Centres:

Narre Warren: Bunjil Place, Patrick Northeast Drive, Narre Warren

Cranbourne: Cranbourne Park Shopping Centre, Cranbourne

ABN: 43 320 295 742



TIS: 131450 (Translating and Interpreting Service) مترجم الفوري 翻译 مترجم شفاهي १३१४५० १३१४५०

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GO WILD THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

JUNIOR KEEPER CLUB



ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES, ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS AND NATIVE ANIMAL CARE

Includes interactions with kangaroos, pythons, feeding animals, food prep and animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment.
For ages 7-14 years.

Spring Holiday Program

Week 1: Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th, Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21st, Friday 22nd September
Week 2: Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28th, Friday 29th September
Cost: \$99.00 per day | Small groups of 16 | 9:00am start - 2:00pm finish



Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Park
550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale | Phone 5978 7935
www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au
Open daily between 10am and 4pm. Keeper Club runs from 9:00am-2:00pm.



Moonlit Sanctuary
the best way to see Aussie animals

KEEPER CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAM GO WILD THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

If you have some junior wildlife lovers looking for fun over the holidays, check out Moonlit Sanctuary's Keeper Club holiday program.

In a day full of fun hands-on activities, kids get up close to many animals including kangaroos and pythons and learn how their keepers work to keep them happy and healthy.

Places are limited, so book early and make your junior keeper's day!

For ages 7-14 | Cost \$99 | 9am-2pm
See our website for more info.



moonlitsanctuary.com.au | t. 5978 7935 | e. bookings@moonlit-sanctuary.com
550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale

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Variety Heart Scholarships

Variety Heart Scholarships exist to support Victorian children with a demonstrated talent who are living with disability, illness or experiencing disadvantage, to reach the next stage of development in their talent.

Scholarships of up to \$5,000 are awarded for talent in the arts (including visual and performing arts) or sport (including esports). Funding is to support the cost of travel, accommodation, equipment, coaching, competition fees and much more.



Variety Heart Scholarships support talent in:

- **Physical sports** including ball sports, athletics, cycling, gymnastics, swimming, martial arts
- **Motor sports** including cars, bikes, boats
- **Animal assisted sports** including equestrian
- **Other sports** including board games, card games, e-sports
- **The arts** including visual, performing and literary



Applications now open for 2024 Scholarships!

1 August - 20 September

Apply today by scanning the QR code, or visit fundraise.variety.org.au/how-we-help/heart-scholarships



COMMUNITY NEWS

City of Casey

TEENAGE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM Spring 2023



Week One

Bookings close **Thursday 14 September 2023**

MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

Escape Room - Online Activity

Time: 10:30 am – 11:30 am

Cost: FREE

Online links will be provided after registration.

TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

Wildlife Adventure

Venue: Werribee Open Range Zoo, Werribee

Time: 11:00 am – 02:30 pm

Cost: \$5

Transport included (see back of flyer)

BYO: lunch and/or money, snacks, water bottle, hat and sunscreen. Wear comfortable shoes

WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

Sensory Day at Wilson Botanic Park

Venue: Wilson Botanic Park, Berwick

Time: 10:30 am - 02.00 pm

Cost: \$5

Transport included (see back of flyer)

BYO: lunch and/or money, snacks & water bottle

THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

Skirmish Laser Strike

Venue: Skirmish Laser Strike, The Basin

Time: 11:15 am – 03.00 pm

Cost: \$15

Transport included (see back of flyer)

Individual waiver forms required.

BYO: lunch and /or money & water bottle.

Wear comfortable shoes

FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

Youth Information Centre Open Day

Venue: Narre Warren Youth Information Centre

Time: 02:00 pm – 04:30 pm

Cost: FREE

Transport not included.

Week Two

Bookings close **Thursday 21 September 2023**

MONDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

Webinar - How to Be a Green Teen

Learn how to reduce your food waste and turn it into wealth!

Join us for a free webinar with the experts from Casey.

Time: 11:00 am – 12.00 pm

Cost: FREE

Online links will be provided after registration.

TUESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

Cape Schanck - Coastal Wander

Venue: 420 Cape Schanck Rd, Cape Schanck

Time: 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

Cost: \$5

Transport included (see back of flyer).

BYO: lunch and/or money, snacks, water bottle, hat and sunscreen. Wear comfortable shoes.

WEDNESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

Multisports Day Clinic

3X3 Basketball, Netball and Volleyball

Time: 10:00 am – 1:30 pm

Cost: \$5

Transport Included (see back of flyer)

BYO: lunch and/or money, snacks and water bottle.

Wear runners/ comfortable shoes.

THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

The Lume Melbourne

Venue: The Lume Melbourne

1 Convention Centre Pl, South Wharf

Time: 11:00 am – 3.00pm

Cost: \$15

Transport included (see back of flyer).

BYO: lunch and/or money, snacks and water bottle.

Bookings are essential.

visit casey.vic.gov.au/holidays

Contact the City of Casey

Web: casey.vic.gov.au/youth

Phone: 9705 5200

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Contact event organiser

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City of Casey Youth Services

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COMMUNITY NEWS

City of Casey TEENAGE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM Spring 2023



Week One

Transport

Tuesday 19 September

Werribee Zoo	PICK UP	DROP OFF
Cranbourne	07:35 am	05:45 pm
Narre Warren	08:05 am	05:25 pm
Hampton Park	08:20 am	05:10 pm
Doveton	08:40 am	04:50 pm
Endeavour Hills	08:55 am	04:35 pm

Wednesday 20 September

Sensory Day	PICK UP	DROP OFF
Cranbourne	08:45 am	03:55 pm
Narre Warren	09:10 am	03:35 pm
Hampton Park	09:25 am	03:20 pm
Doveton	09:40 am	03:05 pm
Endeavour Hills	09:55 am	02:50 pm

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Week Two

Transport

Tuesday 26 September

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Endeavour Hills	08:30 am	05:10 pm
Doveton	08:45 am	04:55 pm
Hampton Park	09:00 am	04:35 pm
Narre Warren	09:15 am	04:20 pm
Cranbourne	09:35 am	04:00 pm

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Pick up and drop off points

Narre Warren Youth Information Centre
52 Webb Street, Narre Warren

Cranbourne
Lyal Street Bus Stop, Cranbourne

Doveton
Autumn Place Shopping Centre, Paperbark Street, Doveton

Endeavour Hills
Endeavour Hills Shopping Centre Bus Stop, Endeavour Hills

Hampton Park
Stuart Avenue Bus Stop, Hampton Park

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 City of Casey Youth Services



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CASEY ABORIGINAL GATHERING PLACE
20 AGONIS STREET DOVETON

Youth Program

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FOR AGES 10 - 25

EVERY MONDAY
DURING THE
SCHOOL TERM

4 PM - 6 PM

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