BERWICK LODGE NEWSLETTER

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NEWSLETTER NO 9

GOOL-LEARNINGTOR LIFE...

28TH MARCH 2024

FIRST DAY OF TERM 2 - MONDAY 15TH APRIL

CANTEEN WILL REOPEN TERM 2 - MONDAY 15TH APRIL

ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

THANKYOU

BERWICK LODER

It certainly has been a very busy and productive term with English online for our Prep and grade 1's, NAPLAN for grade 3 and 5's, grade 3-6 Athletics day, Interschool sport Gala Day, Harmony Day, Chinese New Year celebrations, National Young Leaders Day, district swimming and our Prep Easter Hat parade to list a few events. Our students and teachers are to be congratulated on the wonderful achievements this term, focusing on learning, and enjoying all the opportunities at school. I would like to personally thank all our outstanding staff for their professionalism and dedication this term in assisting in making this a fantastic start to the school year. Thank you to parents who have volunteered within the school and supported their students, both at school and at home, we really value the partnership between home and school. I hope everyone has a lovely holiday break and finds some time to relax. We look forward to seeing everyone back at the start of term 2, Monday 15th April.

STAFFING CHANGES FOR TERM 2

Ms Nadine Giacotto, grade 2GM, is taking leave for the remainder of the school year and replacing her is Ms Min Mao, an experienced BLPS teacher currently sharing the grade, and Mrs Rachel Williams an experienced BLPS teacher who is returning from family leave. Mrs Natalie Reed, an Education Support staff member is moving onto another position outside our school, and we thank her for her contribution whilst at BLPS and wish her all the best for the future. Mrs Jacqui Wilkie who was working in 1/2K has commenced family leave and we wish her all the best when she welcomes her new baby into their family. We look forward to hearing her exciting news later next term. Mrs Alison McArthur has increased her teaching days and will be working on a Wednesday in 1/2K sharing with Mrs Sharyn King. For term 2, Mr Jim Tsekouras, one of our regular replacement teachers will be teaching in ILM on a Thursday.

Continued.

BERWICK LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

LEARNING FOR LIFE

ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

PREP EASTER HAT PARADE

Our Prep Easter hat parade is always a highlight to end the term. It was wonderful to see all the amazing hats and creations and the happiness on our students faces. There was great excitement when big white bunny footprints were discovered in our school corridor and Prep classrooms. What an exciting way to finish the term!



WHOLE SCHOOL HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY -TUESDAY 16th APRIL

The first Tuesday back of term 2, the 16th April is our whole school Prep to Grade 6 cross country day. All students are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing in their house colours and appropriate footwear to participate. We do require more parent volunteers, if you are able to assist, even for part of the day, please contact the office. All volunteers are required to have a working with children card and have completed our school induction.

CONGRATULATIONS

A huge congratulations goes to Ms Bernadette Kelly, who has just received notification from the Department of Education that she has been in the teaching profession, including her training, for 50 years! This is a wonderful milestone, and we thank Bernadette for her contribution to educating BLPS students over the years.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Q. Are enrolments open for 2025?

A. Enrolments open early in term 2 for 2025 places. If you have a child who will be starting Prep in 2025, please contact the office for further information or to book a personal tour.

QUOTABLE QUOTE

"The important thing is to not stop questioning. Curiosity has its own reason for existing." Albert Einstein

Sandra MeCrum

DIARY DATES:

First Day of School Whole School Cross Country Monday 15th April Tuesday 16th April

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.



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We have enjoyed an active term one! We've settled back into school, re-kindled old friendships and $^{
intermal{ imes}}$ explored new ones whilst re-adjusting to new classrooms and teachers. I would like to thank our \star school community for all their support this term and we are looking forward to a fantastic term 2, Illed with lots of activities and learning. Thank you for the respectful way in which you work with us and enjoy a wonderful easter break.

Term 2 will commence on Monday 15th April.

EASTER HAT PARADE

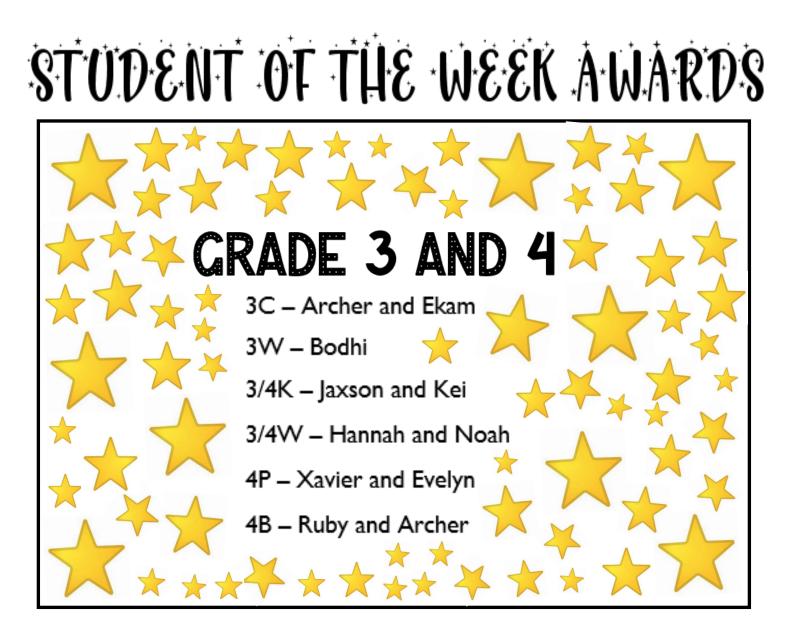
It was wonderful to see all the prep students during the Easter Hat Parade this afternoon! They all looked fabulous in their very creative Easter bonnets. They thoroughly enjoyed singing and performing the Easter Bunny song to everyone who came to watch and were amazed to see the large rabbit footprints along the main corridor this morning.

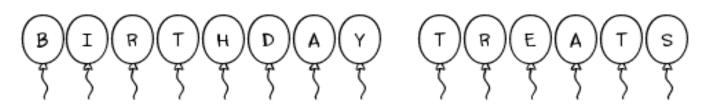


HEADLICE

Please use the school holidays to check your child's head for headlice. $otin \mathsf{F}$ For more information about headlice, please visit the following link: 🛧 Head lice & nits: children & teens | Raising Children Network

City of Casey \mathbf{x} Browse through the list of school holiday activities in the City of Casey Upcoming events | City of Casey \checkmark





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

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



GRADE 6 STORIES

Laying at the top of the hill, exhausted from running away from her homeland, from war. A refugee. She has exhausted her supplies. Weak and tired, she rested on the top of a hill, hoping the next day she would find a home. - Min Song

Miss Chloe was walking and suddenly it got cold so she decided to run to find a house. She saw a crusty, musty, moldy wood house it was broken apart, so she decided to step on the ladder that was split in half, and she saw a tv and a bed at least to hide in. It didn't have any doors or windows to lock so she had to lay in bed with no blanket or pillow. She wanted to watch the tv but it wouldn't work so instead she decided to watch the sunshine go down and feel the breeze while watching the stars come up and glow. -Chloe

There she was laying there depressed as ever, her anxiety was through the roof. The T.V was glitching as if she was controlling it. She had scars and bruises like she had been in a brutal fight and this old, crusty and half broken treehouse was her final resting place. -Summer

ROCK MONSTER

The rock monster had no friends with grass hair and stone teeth, maybe his toxic smell was the problem. As years passed the rock started to shatter in to pieces all he wanted was one friend by the end of his time. and one day when he least expected it a bird came and made a nest on the rock monster and after two days they became friends. -Hayden 6P



SEWING FEVER

This figure has a peculiar talent for sewing, he runs his twisted business, Lambrots, where he sews dainty, old clothes. His family consists of his ugly and smelly wife, Lucinda. Also his three wonderful triplets, George, Layke and Frolic. His generation has many layers as elves and also onions do.

Zack 6P



COMMON HOUSE BROWNIE



PFA Second Hand Uniform Shop

The PFA Second Hand Uniform Shop has incorporated an online ordering system. Below you will find what we currently have in stock. If you would like to purchase items please email through your request to <u>pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au</u>.

Orders will be ready for collection at Reception on Tuesday from 3:30pm - 4pm

Donations are currently being accepted at the office. Thank you for your support!

Place Order Email:	: pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au
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Collection & Payment from Reception on Wednesday 3:30-4pm

	Price	#	Size 4	Size 5	Size 6	Size 8	Size 10	Size 12	Size 14	Size 16
Top Blue Sports	\$5		9	8	7	11	1	12	4	4
Top Yellow Short Sleeve	\$5		5	16	14	13	9	15	3	5
Top Yellow Long Sleeve	\$5		3		5	3	3	2	4	4
Jacket Bomber	\$5		6	2	46	31	25	18	5	3
Jumper Crew Neck	\$5		5	15	6	9	3	2		3
Jumper Fleece Rugby	\$5			7	2	2	1	0	2	1
Trackpants	\$5		3	3	3	5	5	6	4	1
Trousers	\$5			1	2	1	2	1		
Sports Shorts/basketb all shorts	\$5		1		8	10	1	3	1	2
Shorts - thicker fabric			5	3	11	9	11	10	9	5
Shorts Pleated - girls	\$5		0	4	4	2	1			
Skirt Netball	\$5				1	1	4	1	1	
Skirt Sports Skort	\$5			4		6	6	10	2	1
Dress Summer	\$5		10	1	4		3	2	4	
Dress Winter	\$5									
Backpack	\$5	8								
Book bag	\$2	1								



Yellow Long Sleeve Top	Blue Sports Top	Yellow Short Sleeve Top
Blue Bomber Jacker	Blue Rugby Jumper	Blue Crew Neck
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Sports Shorts - Basketball Shorts - Thinner fabric	Shorts - Thicker fabric	Trackpants
Shorts Pleated - Girls	Skirt - Sports Skort	Skirt - Netball/Tennis Skirt
Summer Dress	K	Beanie

LIBRARY NEWS

Can all students please remember to return all of their books during the first week of Term 2? Remember to bring your Library Bag so you can borrow.

Our new books are on display and ready to borrow so come in, have a browse and choose something to take home to read. There are some great new Picture Story Books, books that continue some series and lots of new non-fiction as well.

Have a lovely break and enjoy some quiet reading time,

Mrs Tsekouras and Ms Taylor.



SICKBAY NEWS

Thank you to all the families who have returned their medical forms back for this year.

We are still missing a substantial amount of forms so if your child has Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Allergies or requires medication at school, please complete these forms and return them back immediately. If you require these forms again, you can find them on Compass in the 'School Documents' tab under 'Parent Resources'.

IN OTHER NEWS...

Outside School Hours Care



21/03/2024

Berwick Lodge Primary School

A message from your Coordinator

Hello <u>Eamilies</u> and friends of Berwick Lodge Primary School! Coordinator Kelly here with some exciting events happening through OSHC.

On Thursday 21st of March, OSHE were invited to part take in a self-defence taekwondo session through AMAF Inc - Kiai Spirit Program for Kidz.

The children involved had an absolute blast! They learned basic fundamentals and worked in groups to form team building.

Please reach out if you have any questions 😫











Activities coming up

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Your

- Easter Celbration
- Rocketeers program

Camp

ANZAC day

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

Book now

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at <u>pp.campaustralia.com.au</u> or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.







IN OTHER NEUS...

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

www.campaustralia.com.au/rocketeers

*Please note the fees on the following pages are only of the maximum Child Care Subsidy (CCS) a family may be entitled to. To find out your eligibility, simply log into MyGov and complete your CCS Assessment.



Child Care Subsidy (CCS) available for eligible families.

IN OTHER NEWS.

MISSION XIII PROGRAM

Berwick Lodge Primary School

Address: Mansfield Street BERWICK VIC 3806

Phone: 0403 050 165 Program Times: 06:30 am - 06:30 pm

Tue 02 Apr

Mission Takeoff XIII: Camp Explorers

Get set for an adventure-packed camping themed day! Master navigation with your handmade sundial and compass. Dive into Aussie tradition with damper bread making. Plus, team up for tent decorating fun with friends!

Full Fee \$102.00 | After Max. CCS* \$10.20



Escape to the countryside and experience the charm of farm life! Watch a cow milking show and sheepdog demonstration, then go on a scenic tractor ride and visit the animal nursery to get close to some cute and cuddly friends!

Full Fee \$127.00 | After Max. CCS* \$12.70

Special Event: Melbourne Mon 08 Apr City FC

You're invited to this exclusive clinic where you'll engage in a skills session with professional coaches and might even meet the players or the team mascot! Take home Melbourne FC merch as well as a FREE family game pass!

Full Fee \$139.00 | After Max. CCS* \$13.90

Wed Operation: Jungle Craftopia 10 Apr

Embark on a wild jungle adventure where you might craft paper chain pythons, have some jungle-themed sensory play, and explore the wild safari in various ways. Let the roars of the jungle ignite your imagination!

Full Fee \$85.00 | After Max. CCS* \$8.50

Fri Operation: Pyjama Party 12 Apr

Don your PJs for a day of fun at Base Camp! Let's have a blast with awesome sleepover themed activities as we munch on some classic sleepover snacks and dive into fun dreamy adventures. It's a sleepless party like no other!

Full Fee \$85.00 | After Max. CCS* \$8.50





Experience Takeover: Wed 03 Apr Forensic Investigations

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Extraordinary Holiday Advantures

Put on your detective hat and solve a mystery! You'll learn basic forensic science skills and challenge yourself to crack the case as you race against the clock. Gather the clues, analyse fingerprints, breakdown codes and solve the crime

Full Fee \$111.50 | After Max. CCS* \$11.15



Let's have a hauntingly good time as we dive into a day of spooooooky chilis and thrilis. You could be doing anything from ghost hunts, creepy slime crafts to skeleton building games - it's up to you and your Base Camp!

Full Fee \$85.00 | After Max. CCS* \$8.50

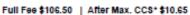






Big Art Day: Umbrella Art Tue 09 Apr Showcase

Get set to explore the theme of belonging through creativity! Dive into an engaging book before unleashing your artistic flair on a blank umbrella. Then, at the end of the day, showcase your vibrant art with a gallery exhibition hosted at Base Camp!



trivia and games for a party like no other! You'll get to take home a special Rocketeers rolling pin too!

Full Fee \$107.50 | After Max. CCS* \$10.75

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Base Camp Day

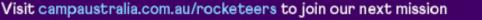
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COMMONINY ADVERTISING



Bees by Polyglot Theatre with Nature Play

Free families event at Cranbourne Gardens

This school holidays visit the Bushland at Cranbourne Gardens for a day of bee-inspired fun and nature play.

Experience the Beesperformance by Polyglot Theatre and explore the Woodland Picnic Area Nature Playground. Craft a creature from natural materials and get creative with a range of family friendly nature-based experiences.

Image credit: Theresa Harrison, Beles by Polyglot Theatre

Woodland Picnic Area Nature Playground

Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne

Thu 4 - Sat 6 Apr, 2024

10am - 2.30pm

Performances: 10.30am, 11.30am & 1.30pm (30mins)

FREE - no bookings required

For more info: rbg.vic.gov.au

Polyglot is supported by the Victorian Government through Creative Victoria







COMMONINY ADVERMISING



ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES, ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS AND NATIVE ANIMAL CARE Includes feeding animals, food prep and animal enrichment activities

Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment. For ages 7-14 years.

WEEK ONE - Tuesday 2nd - Friday 5th April | WEEK TWO - Monday 8th - Friday 12th April Cost: \$99.00 per day | Small groups of 16 | 9:00am start - 2:00pm finish

>> Inclusive Keeper Club Thursday 11th April | 2:00pm start - 4:30pm finish | Cost \$99 per day. Price includes one caregiver for each child The Inclusive Keeper Club program provides an opportunity for children who love animals but are unable to attend our mainstream Keeper Club program due to specialised learning or physical needs, and who may require additional support from a parent, guardian or carer. For ages 9-18 years.



Moonlit Sanctuary Wildlife Park 550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd. Pearcedale | Phone 5978 7935 www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au Open daily between 10am and 4pm





KEEPER CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAMS 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.

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

Additionally, Inclusive Keeper Club is running on 11th April for junior keepers who need some extra support (for ages 9-18).



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

COMMONITY ADVERTISING

YOU'RE INVITED TO YOUR CHILD'S

CELEBRAII

Date: 16th April 2024 Time: 6pm- 8pm Location: HeadStart Early Learning Berwick

KINDERGARTEN

Best Start Best Life



Scan here to reserve your place A SPECIAL INTRODUCTION TO OUR KINDER PROGRAM!

PLUS!

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Local primary school representatives have been invited to join us at our Centre event. Join us to learn about our approach to School Readiness.

Transition News



Maximising the potential of each student

Year 7 2025 Transition Information Evenings Thursday 18th April, and Tuesday 23rd April *Time: 4:15pm-7:00pm Location: Kambrya College's Theatre*

Kambrya College would like to invite prospective parents and carers of 2025 Year 7 students to attend **one*** of our Transition Information Evenings.

The night will provide the chance for attendees to learn about the excellent education and opportunities the school provides to all our students. In addition, information will be provided on the exciting programs we have available for students in 2025.

Further information regarding the programs will be provided at the start of Term 3 on our website: www.kambryacollege.vic.edu.au/year7-transition/

To attend <u>one</u> of the Transition Information Evenings - <u>Bookings are essential, each family member attending the</u> <u>session must have a ticket (up to 4 tickets per family)</u>

As spaces are limited, please carefully choose the date you wish to attend and <u>only book 1 session</u>. Bookings can be made via our website and using this link: <u>https://compasstix.com/e/izowrlsgyp</u>

Session Timetable:

4:15-5:00pm	School Tours
5:15-6:00pm	Formal Presentation
6:00-7:00pm	Program Presentations
	Athlete Development

- Athlete Development Program (ADP)
- Musician Development Program (MDP)
- Select Entry Accelerated Learning Program (SEAL)

2025 Kambrya School Zone

(School Zones are subject to change by DE at any time in Term 1 each year**):

Priority enrolments are provided to students within our current School Zone^{**} as set out by the Department of Education. We foresee that students living within our school zone or with older siblings enrolled for 2025 will most likely bring the school to full capacity in Year 7 for 2025. Those living outside our school zone are still invited to attend the transition evening for more information, however due to our current Enrolment Implementation Plan, enrolment applications from outside our zone are unlikely to be successful. <u>This applies to all students, including those wishing to apply for specific curriculum/sporting/other programs (SEAL, ADP, MDP).</u>

For additional information please refer to the following websites: <u>https://www.kambryacollege.vic.edu.au/zone/</u>

https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au

<u>Grade 6 only school tours in Terms 1 and 2</u>: Bookings are essential and places limited. Please refer to our website for details:

https://www.kambrvacollege.vic.edu.au/school-tours/ or use this link to book: https://compasstix.com/e/cllvzegiu2

* As each session is identical please note you will only need to attend one session to gain all the required information.

Transition News





Basketball Academy National Champions BOYS—Third straight State Champion title GIRLS -State Champions USA Tours

> High Achievers' Program Instrumental Music



2024 Parent Information Evening Wednesday 1st May 6:00pm Elite Programs 7:00pm



Dance Academy State Schools Spectacular DanceLife Unite-National Champions New York Dance Study Tour



BERWICK College commenced in 1977 with the motto 'Crescam', Latin for 'I shall grow', and today, through our strong emphasis on excellence in teaching and learning, our students enjoy a comprehensive curriculum and many career specific pathways.



College Tours available Wednesdays at 9:30am Bookings essential via www.berwickcollege.vic.edu.au Ph. 8768 1000

COMMONINY NEWS

Casey Aboriginal Gathering Place

Koorie School Holiday Program Autumn 2024



The Koorie School Holiday Program is catered for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people aged 10 - 17 years, living within City of Casey.

Traditional Games and Sporting Activities Join the Gathering Place and Wanyara for a fun fuelled day filled with traditional games and other sporting activities.

Date: Friday, April 5th Venue: Casey Aboriginal Gathering Place 20 Agonis Street, Doveton, 3177 Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm Age: 10 – 17 years Cost: FREE

For Bookings: https://forms.office.com/r/vu4SdDvK3k Indigenous Hip Hop and Games Circuit Turn up the music and put on your best dancing shoes! Join the Gathering Place and Indigenous Outreach Projects, Hip Hop Group in a series of dances, followed by a range of games to enjoy.

Date: Monday, April 8th Venue: Casey Aboriginal Gathering Place 20 Agonis Street, Doveton, 3177 Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm Age: 10 – 17 years Cost: FREE

For Bookings: https://forms.office.com/r/vu4SdDvK3k

Caribbean Rollerama

Choose between roller-skates or rollerblades and glide across the skate floor. Enjoy the music while skating, doing speed races and an assortment of skating games.

Date: Wednesday, April 10th Venue: 1298 Ferntree Gully Rd, Scoresby, 3179 Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm Age: 10 – 17 years Cost: FREE

For Bookings: https://forms.office.com/r/vu4SdDvK3k Bookings are essential and <u>MUST</u> be completed using this TryBookings link or via the QR Code. Please note that each child will need to be booked via TryBookings seperately.

Lunch and transport is provided for program.

Registrations open from Thursday, March 21st at 9:00am

Register via the QR Code or the below link https://forms.office.com/r/vu4SdDvK3k

If you have any questions about the program, please contact Kiah Mills.



Contact the Gathering Place Team:

Web: facebook.com/CaseyAboriginalGatheringPlace Phone: 03 9792 7378

NRS: 133 677 (for the deaf, hearing or speech impaired) TIS: 131 450 (Translating and Interpreter Services

Contact Program Organiser:

Email: kimills@casey.vic.gov.au

Gathering Place Programs and Partnerships Officer



Mobile: 0448 402 804



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COMMONINY NEWS

Casey Aboriginal Gathering Place

Koorie School Holiday Program Bus Timetable – Autumn 2024



WEEK ONE

Friday, April 5, Traditional Games and Sporting Activities

	PICK UP	DROP OFF
Cranbourne	9:00am	2:40pm
Hampton Park	9:25am	2:20pm

WEEK TWO

Monday, April 8, Indigenous Hip Hop and Games Circuit

	PICK UP	DROP OFF
Cranbourne	9:00am	2:40pm
Hampton Park	9:25am	2:20pm

Wednesday, April 10, Caribbean Rollerama

	PICK UP	DROP OFF
Cranbourne	8:25am	1:10pm
Hampton Park	8:55am	12:55pm
Doveton	9:25am	12:35pm

Pick up and drop off points.		
Cranbourne	Lyall Street Bus Stop, Cranbourne	
Hampton Park	Stuart Avenue Bus Stop, Hampton Park	
Doveton	Casey Aboriginal Gathering Place, Doveton	



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Contact Program Organiser:





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COMMONINY NEWS

YOUTH COUNSELLING & SUPPORT SERVICE

YOUTH SERVICES

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT AND COUNSELLING

What we do We are a free and confidential service that provides ongoing support by appointment. We offer telehealth (phone and video) services in addition to face to face counselling.

Who we support

Youth Counselling

 Individual counselling for young people aged 13 - 25

Parent Support Sessions

 Adolescent parenting skills, strategies and mental health information

Parent Assisted Therapy

 Support for young people aged 10 - 12 with the participation of their parent or guardian

How to commence

For more information or to request a service: Call 9792 7279 to speak to an intake worker or Text 0417 347 909 with your name and number