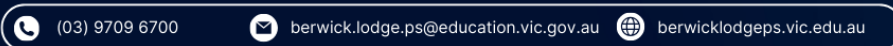




# BERWICK LODGE NEWSLETTER

MORE INFO:



NEWSLETTER NO 24

7TH AUGUST 2025

**ALL CANTEEN ORDERS MUST BE DONE ONLINE VIA THE Qkr APP BY 9:00am**  
**CANTEEN IS OPEN MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY**

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### STUDENTS TRANSFERRING OUT – END OF 2025

If you already know that your child/ren will be leaving our school at the end of 2025 (except our graduating grade 6 students), please inform the office as soon as possible as this assists us greatly with our forward planning for 2026.

### ENROLMENTS OPEN

Our enrolments for 2026 are currently being taken. If you have a sibling who will be starting Prep next year and haven't yet contacted the school, please do so as soon as possible.

### PFA TRIVIA NIGHT SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> AUGUST AT TIMBARRA COMMUNITY HALL

Our Parents and Friends Association (PFA) have planned a wonderful night of trivia and games on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August. If you would like to attend this 18+age evening, please see information further in our newsletter for booking tickets. Please come and support our school and enjoy a great night of fun with other parents.

### FUNDRAISING FOR BLPS - CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME – VICTORIA

Our school is registered to receive fundraising donations from "Return It" when 10c plastic bottles and cans are recycled at their facilities. Families can select to donate to the school with all money raised being utilised within our school environmental and educational programs. **If you wish to donate, please search for Berwick Lodge Primary School or use the ID code: C2000021153**



### GRADE 4 SWIMMING

Our grade 4 students will commence their swimming sessions from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August. Please ensure your child brings the necessary items to school each day for swimming.

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BERWICK LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

**LEARNING FOR LIFE**

# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

## EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL

Over the next fortnight we will hold an emergency evacuation drill. We are required by the Department of Education to complete these each term. This assists us with planning and improving our procedures in the event of an actual emergency.

## BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY

On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August we will be holding our Book Week Dress Up day. Students are encouraged to dress as their favourite book character. Parents are welcome to come to our afternoon assembly (weather permitting) to see all the wonderful characters.

## NAPLAN REPORTS

Our grade 3 and grade 5 families whose child completed NAPLAN, recently received their reports. The NAPLAN report is a snapshot from the day of testing, outlining where students are achieving for Reading, Grammar and Punctuation, Spelling, Writing and Numeracy. If you have any questions about your child's report, please speak to their class teacher.

## NEW SIGNS AROUND THE SCHOOL

Recently we had our signage around the school updated to assist with informing visitors how to find the office so everyone can sign in when visiting the school.

Kind Regards,

*Sandra McCrum*

# DIARY DATES

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Breakfast Club	Every Monday morning
Book Club Orders due by 5:00pm	Friday 8th August
Grade 4 Swimming Program Begins	Monday 11th August - Friday 15th August
Grades 3, 5 and 6 Author Visit	Monday 11th August
PFA Meeting	Monday 11th August
District Athletics Competition	Tuesday 12th August
Book Character Dress-up Day	Friday 22nd August
Prep - 2 Author Visit	Friday 22nd August
Grade 5/6 Hooptime Basketball Competition	Friday 22nd August
Grade 5 Camp	Monday 25th - Wednesday 27th August
Grade 1 PrimeSci! Incursion	Monday 25th August
Grade 3/4 Hooptime Basketball Competition	Thursday 28th August
PFA Trivia Night - 18 years+ Event	Saturday 30th August
Helmeted Honey Eater Ambassador Excursion	Tuesday 2nd September
Grade 3 Cranbourne Botanical Gardens Excursion	Thursday 4th September
Pyjama Dress Up Day and Fundraiser	Thursday 9th September

## CONSENT AND PAYMENTS DUE:

Grade 5 Camp Balance Due	Friday 8th August
Grade 5/6 Hooptime Consent & Payment	Wednesday 13th August
Prep - 2 Author Visit Consent & Payment	Friday 15th August
Prep Nursing Program Forms Due	Monday 18th August
Grade 1 PrimSci! Incursion Consent & Payment	Tuesday 19th August
Helmeted Honey Eater Ambassador Consent	Monday 25th August
Grade 3 Cranbourne Botanical Gardens Consent & P'ment	Monday 25th August

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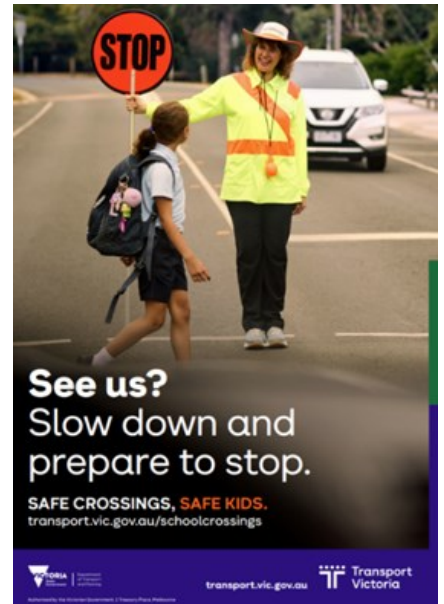
A graphic for '100 Days of Prep' featuring a rainbow where each band is made of binder rings. A red apple is in the center of the rainbow. Below the rainbow, the text '100 DAYS' is in large, colorful, block letters, and 'of Prep' is in a white script font.

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# Assistant Principals' Report



- ★ **SAFE CROSSINGS, SAFE KIDS**
- ★ The Department of Transport and Planning has launched a new road safety initiative for school crossings.
- ★ The [Safe Crossings, Safe Kids initiative](#):
  - ★ reminds road users of the special road rules that apply at school crossings
  - ★ promotes 8 safe behaviours at school crossings for drivers
  - ★ outlines how to identify a school crossing.
- ★ Throughout the term we will highlight an important safe
- ★ behaviour when approaching or using a school crossing.



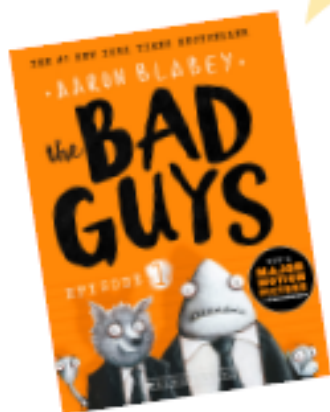
★ *Angela Maskery and Sharyn King*





# BOOK WEEK

## Book Week Dress Up Day!



Friday 22nd  
August



This year's theme is 'Book and  
Adventure!'

Dress up as book character that  
you love. Happy Dress-up day!

# IN OTHER NEWS...



Dear families,

The Smile Squad team from Monash Health are planning to return to your school this year.

Smile Squad is the Victorian Government free school dental program. This means all students can get a free dental check-up, preventive services, and treatment at school.

#### **How to access free dental care**

We need your consent before we can provide services. Consent is usually provided by a parent or guardian.

Sign up to Smile Squad at: <https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic>

OR use the below QR code:



#### **Do I need to attend my child's appointment?**

No, you do not need to attend your child's appointment for them to be seen at school. However, if you wish to attend you are welcome to make an appointment at your local community dental clinic.

The Monash Health Smile Squad team look forward to seeing your child soon.

# SPECIALIST AWARDS

## Term 2



Maisie and Isaac PW

Kaihan IR and Ava IB

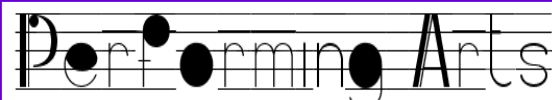
Joel 2LM and Evelyn 1/2W

Landon 3M and Madeline 3/4K

Archer 4P and Sabrina 4B

Carter 5B and Laylah 5B

Ruby W and Leo 6P



Hannah PN and Elijah PW

Kaihan and Maddison IR

Liam 2LM and Adelaide 2F

Ollie T 3W and Matilda 3M

Aria and Oscar 4P

Mauri and Evelyn 5K

Blake 6CR and Jasmine 6L



Amber PW and Tommy PN

Kit IB and Ivy IR

Connor 2LM and Wynter 1/2W

Sara 3W and Ranveer 3M

Bodhi 3/4K and Maitry 4B

Lola 5B and Boris 5LS

Ella 6L and Arya 6CR



Carter PW and Frankie PN

Leila IB and Wilka 1/2W

Noah 2C

Zoe and Gene 3W

Iyla and Felix 3/4K

Ayana 5B and Christopher 5LS

Anujini and Hudson 6P



## MANDARIN

Owen PW and Mehreet PN

Tyler 1/2W and Mia IB

Zak 1/2W and Charlotte 2LM

Senuli and Kaidyn 3/4K

Roman 3/4K and Sofia 4P

Lexi 5LS and Aarush 5B

Shepley 6CR and Ebony 6L



# STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

## PREP

Prep F – Eliza and Elijah

Prep N – Cody, Hannah and Isaac

Prep W – Milan and Yulia



## GRADE 3

3M – Evelyn and Baxter

3W – Maya and Isa

3/4K – Kaidyn and Francis



## 2026 ENROLMENTS

### School Tours are now open!

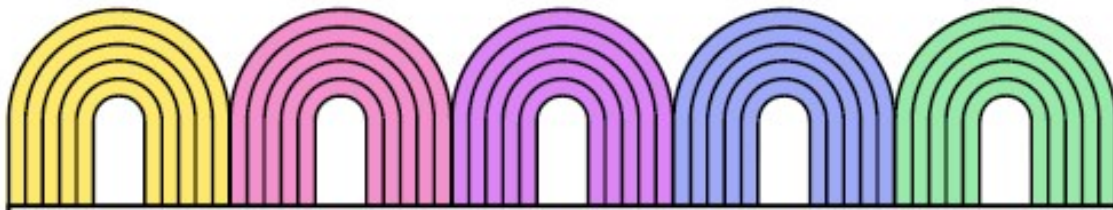
Tours will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.  
Bookings are essential, please contact the office on 9709 6700.

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](mailto:berwick.lodge.ps@education.vic.gov.au)



# PREP NEWS



## CELEBRATING 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL

Our Prep students marked a major milestone last week - 100 days of school! The day was filled with fun and excitement, we had a special parade and a morning tea their Grade 6 buddies, showing off some very impressive costumes as students dressed up as 100-year-olds.

The classroom was buzzing with creativity as students proudly shared their 100 Days of School projects, all looking absolutely fabulous! These wonderful creations are now on display in the hallway outside the classroom for everyone to enjoy - be sure to take a look!

To finish off the day, everyone hit the dance floor for a fun-filled dance party to celebrate this special moment in their first year of school. What a joyful way to celebrate 100 days of learning, laughter, and growth!



**YUMMY  
COOKIES!**



**PROJECTS**



# GRADE 1/2 NEWS

## GRADE 2LM & 2SM NEWS

We have been learning about the Water Cycle.



In Grade 2, we have started an exciting new Inquiry Learning unit called **'Water Works'**. Over the next few weeks, students will be learning where water comes from, how we use it in our daily lives, and why it is so important. We'll be exploring the water cycle, discovering different sources of water, and discussing simple ways we can save it. Through fun activities, experiments, and class discussions, students will begin to understand how to use water wisely and care for this precious resource now and in the future.

It's been so much fun experimenting with water and different foods.





# GRADE 3/4 NEWS

## Grade 3/4 Sport – Building Teamwork Through Play

Every Wednesday afternoon, our Grade 3/4 students come together for sport, and it's been fantastic to see them building strong teamwork and cooperation skills through a range of fun and active games.

Students have been participating in a variety of team-based activities including tunnel ball, kickball and four square. These games not only get everyone moving but also encourage students to take turns, communicate clearly and support one another.

Whether they're passing the ball through their teammates in tunnel ball or strategising as a group in kickball, it's clear that students are learning the importance of working together to achieve a shared goal. Four square has also been a hit, helping students practise fair play, resilience and friendly competition.

We're proud of the way our Grade 3/4 students are growing as active learners and team players each week. Keep up the great work!

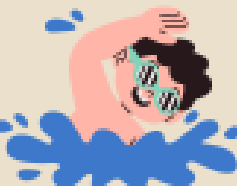


# GRADE 5/6 NEWS



## GRADE 5/6 NEWS

### Grade 6 Swimming



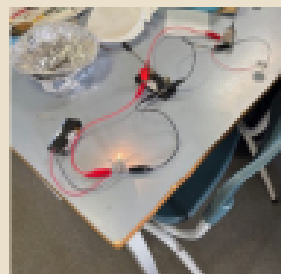
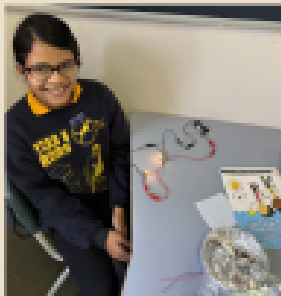
Our Grade 6 students recently took part in the Victorian Government-funded swimming program at Casey ARC. Throughout the sessions, students developed vital water safety and lifesaving skills, building their confidence in and around water. The program wrapped up with some well-earned fun in the wave pool! A huge thank you to our fabulous parent helpers who supported the program, we couldn't have done it without you!

### Upcoming Events

- District Athletics
- 5/6 Hoop time
- State School Spectacular
- Grade 5 Camp

### Science

Grade 6 Science - Spark of Learning!  
This term, our Grade 6 students are diving into the world of electricity! Through hands-on experiments and investigations, they're learning about circuits, conductors and insulators and how energy is transferred. It's been an electrifying experience so far.



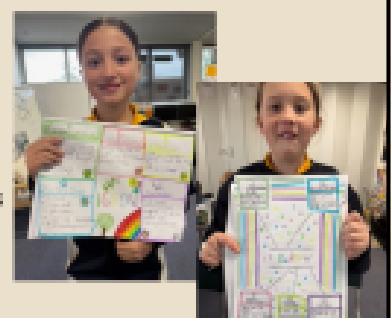
### Book Show Bag

Our book show bag project has commenced and we are seeing some fabulous front covers being developed. Here is a sneak peak at what they've been creating.



### In year five ...

Grade 5 students have been exploring IGROW, a personal learning tool that encourages Independent thinking, Growth mindset, Reflection, Ownership, and Wonder. They've been unpacking what each element means to them and how these skills can be developed and applied both in the classroom and in their lives beyond school. Through guided discussions and self-reflection, students are learning to take ownership of their learning journey and approach challenges with curiosity and resilience.



WRITTEN BY MRS FERNANDO ON BEHALF OF TEAM 5/6

# SCHOOL CHATS

We're excited to bring you *School Chats* — our brand-new podcast series designed to keep our school community connected, informed and inspired. Each episode features conversations with students, staff and special guests who share their stories, insights and experiences from around our school.

Whether it's interviews with student leaders, updates on upcoming events or fun behind-the-scenes glimpses of school life, *School Chats* is the perfect way to stay in the loop. It gives everyone a chance to be heard and to celebrate what makes our school so special.

Tune in every week for fresh episodes full of news, laughter and honest conversations. You can listen to the podcast on our website.

We invite all families, students and staff to join the conversation and be part of our school's vibrant community through *School Chats*.





# P.E NEWS

## Division Soccer

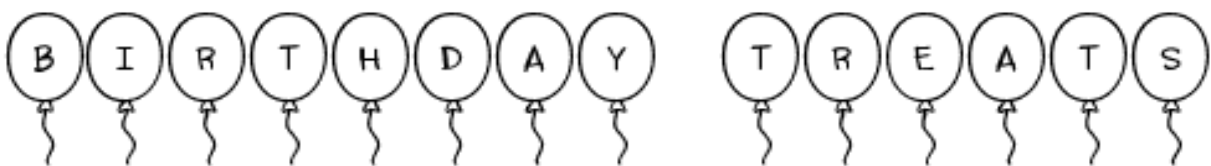
On Friday 1st August, Berwick Lodge had both their boys and girls soccer teams represent our Edwin Flack district at the Casey North Division finals held at IYU Reserve in Pakenham. Both teams progressed to these finals after winning our district competition.

The boys team consisted of Slavko 6CR, Elliot 6CR, Mikhael 6CR, Elijah 6CR, Farhan 6CR, Clement 6L, Pat C 6L, Pat M 6L, Avyukt 6L, Archie 6L, Lucas 6L, Leo 6P, James 6P and Josh 6P. The boys played competitively all day playing against Hallam P.S and Mary McKillop in their pool, winning both games and finishing on top of the ladder. They faced Brentwood Park in the semi finals and in a close game they lost by 1 goal. Such an amazing effort to make it to the semis. Well done!

The girls team which was made up of Ava 6CR, Tilly 6CR, Amelia M-S 6CR, Isla 6CR, Phoebe 6CR, Matilda 6L, Bella Grace 6P, Maddison 6P, Shayla 6P, Kenara 6P and Sav 6P also played two games in their pool. Although the girls lost both their games they fought hard against tough opposition in Mary McKillop and Doveton P.S. Fantastic effort.

We are so super proud of both teams for not only representing our school but also the Edwin Flack district at division level. An amazing effort Lodgers!! A huge thank you to Ishleen Lamba for coaching both teams and to Kathleen McCulloch for her assistance as well as all the parents who came down to cheer on the Lodgers!

Thank you.  
Kylee Muccignat  
P.E Coordinator



**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

*Berwick Lodge Primary School*

## AUSSIE ICONS TRIVIA NIGHT

**SATURDAY  
30 AUGUST  
TIMBARRA  
COMMUNITY HALL  
DOORS OPEN 7PM  
TRIVIA FROM 7.30PM**



**AGE 18+  
EVENT**

**TICKETS  
\$20 EACH  
  
10 SEATS  
PER TABLE**

### PRIZES

**BEST DRESSED  
LUCKY DOOR  
TRIVIA WINNERS  
SILENT AUCTION**



**[WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/DEGAY](http://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/DEGAY)**

**BYO DRINKS & SNACKS**

*Bring your gold coins to join the fun games*

# PFA NEWS

## Next PFA Meeting – All Welcome!

Join us for our next PFA meeting on **Monday 11th August at 9am** in the Camp Australia building.

We'll be discussing all the exciting activities planned for the rest of 2025. Everyone is welcome, including younger children. We'd love to see you there!

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## BLPS Aussie Icons Trivia Night

Have you got your tickets yet? Don't miss out on our upcoming Trivia Night, a fun-filled evening celebrating all things Aussie!

Come dressed as your favourite Australian icon, test your knowledge, and be in the running to win some fantastic prizes, even if your table doesn't take out the top spot. With plenty of giveaways, a silent auction, and loads of laughs, it's going to be a night to remember!

 **Saturday 30th August**

 Doors open at 7pm | Trivia kicks off at 7.30pm

 18+ Adults only event

 BYO snacks and drinks

 Tickets are limited, get yours here: <https://www.trybooking.com/DEGAY>

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## Father's Day Stall – Volunteers Needed!

Our annual Father's Day Stall is coming up on **Thursday 4th September**, and we need your help! The stall will run from **9am to around 11.30am**, and we need our parent volunteers to make the morning a success.

If you're available to help, please email us at [pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au](mailto:pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au)

Volunteers must have a current Working With Children Check and have completed the school induction, our friendly office staff can assist if you need help with either process.

*Don't forget, Father's Day gifts can now be pre-purchased on Compass for just \$5 each!*

# PFA NEWS

## 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 [pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au](mailto:pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au).

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: <a href="mailto:pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au">pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au</a>										
Collection & Payment from Reception on Tuesday 3:30-4pm										
	Price	#	Size 4	Size 5	Size 6	Size 8	Size 10	Size 12	Size 14	Size 16
Top Blue Sports	\$5		7	0	5	5	7	7	4	1
Top Yellow Short Sleeve	\$5		3	4	8	8	4	6	1	3
Top Yellow Long Sleeve	\$5		2	0	7	1	1	6	3	0
Jacket Bomber	\$5		5	0	15	23	10	2	1	4
Jumper Crew Neck	\$5		6	15	12	6	3	3	3	3
Jumper Fleece Rugby	\$5		0	3	0	2	0	2	0	0
Trackpants	\$5		0	2	2	0	5	0	1	0
Trousers	\$5		0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
Sports Shorts/basketball all shorts	\$5		1	0	1	6	5	5	0	1
Shorts - Thinner Fabric	\$5		0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3
Shorts - thicker fabric			0	2	10	1	4	5	0	2
Shorts Pleated - girls	\$5		0	3	0	5	0	0	0	0
Skirt Netball	\$5		2	0	0	1	4	1	0	0
Skirt Sports Skort	\$5		0	1	0	1	0	3	0	0
Dress Summer	\$5		6	2	4	2	12	1	3	0
Dress Winter	\$5		0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
Backpack	\$5	2								

# 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



# IN OTHER NEWS...

## Outside School Hours Care Newsletter

7<sup>TH</sup> August 2025

Berwick Lodge



Your  
OSHC.



### A message from your Coordinator

Hi everyone,

To those that haven't met me, I am Brooke, the new coordinator at Berwick Lodge, I plan to continue the amazing work done before me and continue to make positive changes that will ensure the childrens' growth and independence.

If you ever have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to have a chat 😊

### Activities coming up

- Science Week - Week 4
- Book Week - Week 5
- Big Art Comp - Every Friday



### 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 [pp.campaustralia.com.au](http://pp.campaustralia.com.au) 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.



Find out more and book now at [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)

# COMMUNITY ADVERTISING



## Parenting Adolescents Narre Warren

This 6-week program offers an opportunity to reflect on parenting and adolescents, and how you can support your child in having the experiences you hope for as they grow. It is suitable for parents and carers of children aged 10 to 17 years.

The Bringing Up Great Kids Parenting Adolescents program supports you as a parent or carer to:

- explore your parenting style.
- learn more about brain development during the adolescent period and its influence on the adolescents thoughts, feelings and behaviour.
- explore new ways of communicating with your adolescents.
- discover ways to take care of yourself, practice self-compassion and how to find support when needed.



This program is designed for caregivers residing in the City of Casey, Cardinia Shire, and Greater Dandenong. Please be aware that children cannot attend the sessions, and childcare services are not provided.

**COST**  
Free

**DATES**  
Every Monday  
4<sup>th</sup> August to 8<sup>th</sup> September

**TIME**  
10:00 am – 12:30 pm

**VENUE**  
Uniting Narre Warren  
55 Webb St,  
Narre Warren VIC 3805

*Light refreshments will be served*

**Bookings Essential**

**ENQUIRIES**  
P: 9704 8377  
E: [groupwork.south@uniting.org](mailto:groupwork.south@uniting.org)

**REGISTER**  
<https://forms.office.com/r/6uL7Z9Scay>



**Uniting**



## Tuning in to Kids™ Doveton

This engaging six session parenting program is designed for parents and carers of children aged 2-10 years.

Based on an easy-to-follow five-step emotional coaching approach, Tuning in to Kids™ empowers families to build stronger relationships and support children's emotional well-being.

Join us and make a lasting impact on your family's well-being!

By participating, you'll learn how to:

- Understand and nurture your child's emotional intelligence.
- Confidently coach your child through big feelings by tuning in to their emotions.
- Equip your child with tools to manage emotions, solve problems, and navigate challenges.
- Teach your child healthy ways to handle conflict and build resilience.

**COST**  
Free

**DATES**  
Tuesdays 29<sup>th</sup> July, 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> August and 2<sup>nd</sup> September  
2025 [6 weeks]

**TIME**  
10:00am until 12:30pm

**VENUE**  
The Doveton Library  
25 Autumn Place,  
Doveton VIC 3177

*Light refreshments will be served*

**Bookings Essential**

**ENQUIRIES**  
P: 9704 8377  
E: [groupwork.south@uniting.org](mailto:groupwork.south@uniting.org)

**REGISTER**  
Via the link or QR code:  
<https://forms.office.com/r/vqVt6cqb>



**Uniting**



PARENTZONE

This group is open to parents/carers living within the City of Casey, the Cardinia Shire, or City of Greater Dandenong only.



## Parenting Groups.

Join a parenting group for practical strategies and support.

We can help if you are looking for support to:

- Develop your parenting skills
- Build confidence as a parent

We offer free group programs to provide support and information to strengthen parent-child relationships and provide practical knowledge and skills development to support you with the challenges of parenting.

Our groups create a safe space for you to build connections with other parents. Engaging with others through parenting groups and sharing common issues with other parents can help to build on your support network and reduce any feelings of isolation.

### Further Information:

To find out more about the different parenting groups we deliver and receive information about upcoming groups click the link below or scan the QR code to register your interest:

<https://forms.office.com/r/6uL7Z9Scay>



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