



Newsletter

Principal's Message

Tuesday, 12th March

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you all had a wonderful long weekend and stayed nice and cool in what was, quite the scorcher!

This week will be the beginning of NAPLAN. Our students have been preparing for NAPLAN and the use of the online tools over their previous year of schooling, and more intensively during this first 5 weeks of school this year.

What is NAPLAN?

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit each year. It is the only national assessment all Australian students have the opportunity to undertake.

As students progress through their school years, it is important to check how well they are learning the essential skills of reading, writing and numeracy.

NAPLAN assesses the literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through the school curriculum and allows parents/carers to see how their child is progressing against national standards.

NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process. It does not replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance, but it can provide teachers with additional information about students' educational progress.

NAPLAN also provides schools, education authorities and governments with information about how education programs are working and whether young Australians are achieving important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy.

What can I do to support my child?

Students are not expected to study for NAPLAN. You can support your child by reassuring them that NAPLAN is a part of their school program and reminding them to simply do their best. Some explanation of NAPLAN is useful to help students understand and be comfortable with the format of the tests; however, it is not necessary for parents/carers to do this. Teachers have ensured that students are familiar with the types of questions in the tests and will provide appropriate support and guidance.

1. Have a positive and encouraging conversation about it. Ask your child what they are worried about and why. This will help you understand their concerns better and give you an opportunity to provide support with positive guidance ahead of the NAPLAN tests.
2. Eat well and rest well. Getting plenty of sleep and keeping to a healthy diet can have an impact on both physical and mental wellbeing. It's important that your child is feeling calm and confident leading up to the NAPLAN tests, so they feel their best on the day, inside and out.
3. Celebrate the effort, not the outcome. The most important thing is that they 'gave it a go' and did their best with what they knew on the day. It's about praising their efforts rather than focusing on the results. Students should know that the test is only about their abilities on one day, and not who they are as a person.

Warm regards,

Regards,

Bri Simpson

Principal

Students of the Week and School Values





Breakfast Club each Wednesday



back for...

2024

Breaky Club

Wednesdays
8:15 - 8:45am

We extend our welcome to all
Glengarry community members.
Please join us for breaky, games,
and social joy to start the day.



Our successful 'Breakfast Club' program has started back and is running each Wednesday from **8:15am - 8:45am**. All Glengarry community members are invited to join us in the Riversdale building for breakfast every Wednesday morning.

The intention of this program provides access to a nutritious breakfast and positive community connections. Healthy food and a sense of belonging are the most powerful fuel for the mind, we strongly believe the overall well-being of our community can be improved through this program.

We would like to thank the **Glengarry Angling Club** for their immense support in setting up this initiative. Through their partnership we are set to continue this program for the term ahead and long into the future. As we watch this take off, any support from our wonderful community is greatly appreciated including any home grown fruit donations or volunteers who would be available from 8 - 9am to help set up/pack up.

Term 1 Dates

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PLEASE NOTE, THAT KEY DATES ARE ALSO IN THE NEWSFEED ON COMPASS FOR EASY ACCESS

- Wednesday 13th March - **NAPLAN testing begins for year 3 and year 5**
- Wednesday 13th March - **School Council @ 6pm**
- Tuesday 19th March - **Easter Casual Clothes Day**
- Wednesday 20th -Friday 22nd March - **Grade 5/6 Camp to Sovereign Hill**
- Thursday 21st March - **Harmony Day**
- Friday 22nd March - **STEM Excursion for 3/4H to Biotech Yinnar**
- Monday 25th March - **Ride to School Day**
- Monday 25th March - **Years 3-6 Interschool Athletics**
- Wednesday 27th March - **Easter Raffle Drawn**
- Thursday 28th March - **School Athletic sports and last day of term 1**



Latrobe PPCC provides free care to people who need urgent care, but not an emergency response.

No appointment is needed, and treatment will typically be quicker than a hospital emergency department.

Opening hours:

7 days per week, from 8am to 10pm

Address: 42-44 Fowler Street, Moe

Phone number: 5127 9111

Learn more: Google "Latrobe PPCC"



New emergency care option for the Latrobe Valley

Latrobe Priority Primary Care Centre (PPCC) provides free GP-led care to people who need urgent care, but not an emergency response.

They provide urgent care for injuries and illnesses including:

- mild to moderate infections
- fever
- pain when urinating
- suspected fractures and sprains
- back and muscle pain
- minor cuts, burns, and insect or animal bites
- heartburn, vomiting, nausea
- headaches, migraines and brief fainting
- constipation, diarrhoea, abdominal pain
- allergies and rashes
- light bleeding in the first trimester of pregnancy
- mild to moderate asthma attacks, coughs and other respiratory symptoms

No appointment is needed.

The Latrobe PPCC may prove a better alternative to the hospital emergency department for you and your family if you need urgent – but non-life threatening – care.

The key details are:

- Opening hours: 7 days per week, from 8.00am – 10.00pm
- Address: 42-44 Fowler Street, Moe
- Phone number: 5127 9111
- Billing: **Bulk Billed**
- Learn more: <https://www.lchs.com.au/services/general-health/latrobe-priority-primary-care-centre-ppcc/>



Let's get ready to Stroll & Roll!

We are proud to be part of the Stroll & Roll active travel to school program!

This is a great opportunity to start forming new healthy habits and to promote the many benefits that active travel has for our students and families.

Students can walk, ride, skate or scoot to school and be alert and ready to learn for the day. The program includes road safety education for students, the use of active travel passports and incentives for reaching active travel milestones.


We will have the support of Latrobe City Council for the duration of the year and look forward to addressing barriers to active travel and see more students walking or riding to school each day. Keep an eye out as there are more details to come.

For more information scan the QR code or visit www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/StrollandRoll




TRARALGON REDSOX

BASEBALL JUNIOR CLINICS




COME AND TRY

STARTS 28 FEBRUARY


CLINICS RUN 4 - 5 PM

4 WEEKS OF COACHING CLINICS FOR JUST \$50
 FOCUSING ON SKILL DEVELOPMENT, GAMES AND FUN
 ALSO INCLUDES A STARTER PACK WORTH \$75
 WITH A CLUB T-SHIRT AND HAT, GLOVE AND BALL



KEVIN LYTHGO PARK
 Gathercole Drive, Traralgon

Limited spots so scan the code today to sign up



Hop into Mid V for Easter fun!



WIN a \$1000 Easter Shopping Spree!
 Shop at Mid Valley and scan the QR code in stores to enter



Meet the Easter Bunny

Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28th & Saturday 30th March, 10am - 1pm daily
 Hop into the Easter Garden near ALDI to meet the Easter Bunny and enjoy FREE Easter activities.
 Plus... Snap a fun Easter photo and share your pic on social media #midvalleymorwell for a chance to WIN 1 of 3 Easter prize packs!



Easter Rhyme Time

Wednesday 27th March, 10.30am - 11.30am
 Easter story time, dancing, music making and more!
 Plus... A visit from the Easter Bunny with a special Easter treat! No bookings required.



Easter Market

Thursday 28th March from 9am
 Indoor market showcasing local produce, crafts and more!



POT & PAINT FREE WORKSHOPS

Saturday 30th March
 Grow your imagination by painting a pot and planting a seed to take home.
 Hosted by Latrobe City Libraries.
 Sessions: 10am, 10.30am, 11am & 11.30am
 LOCATED NEAR RIVERS

No bookings required. 20 participants per session. Ages 3+. Parental supervision required.

WE'RE OPEN UNTIL 9PM ON EASTER THURSDAY!



Mid V FREE holiday fun!

WEEK ONE

KAISERCRAFT Canvas Painting



Kids can get creative and paint their own canvas art to take home.

Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th April
 Workshops at 10am, 11am & 12pm each day
 Located in Centre Court, near Cotton On

BOOKINGS ARE REQUIRED.
Parental supervision required. Recommended for Ages 3+.

SCAN THE QR CODE to book or visit:
www.midvalleyshoppingcentre.eventbrite.com

WEEK TWO

The Mad Hatter's Magical Tea Party



MAGIC SHOWS!

You're invited to the most outrageous tea party show with illusions by magician Tim Ellis that will drive you mad!

Monday 8th to Friday 12th April
 Two Shows at 11am & 1pm each day
 Located in Centre Court, near Cotton On

NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED.
Parental supervision required.



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