

## **NEWSLETTER**

### **1st June 2023**

### **Principal's Report**

We had a lot of fun celebrating and showcasing the students at PLPS during Education Week recently. The special edition newsletter highlighted a snippet of the many learning opportunities our students are involved in and I hope you enjoyed sharing these with your children.

I would like to thank everyone who took the opportunity to visit our Book Fair which was set up in our school library. This was a great opportunity to purchase some books for your children to enjoy. Thank you also to those people who have purchased a book and then kindly donated it to our school library collection. We will be very pleased to acknowledge your generosity with a note inside these books. Through the commission on the sales of the books sold at our Book Fair, PLPS now has \$630 to use to purchase further titles that can be placed in our library for students to read and borrow. Thank you to our Librarian, Narelle McMillan for organising and operating the Book Fair throughout the week.

Teachers are currently collating our students' mid-year academic reports. The reports will be open to access on Compass on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup> in readiness for the parent/teacher conversations and the student led conferences on Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. Further information on parent/teacher conversations, including how to book your appointment times, will be posted on Compass for all families to access on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. Students in years 3 to 6 will be participating in student-led conferences and are expected to attend with their parents or carer. All families need to book a time for each child through Compass. **Bookings will open on Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at 4pm and close Wednesday, June 21st at 10am.** If parents and carers are having difficulties accessing Compass, please contact our school office as soon as possible. A reminder to parents that this is a student free day.

Yesterday, Pakenham Lakeside Primary School was represented by a number of our students at the Divisional level for Cross Country. Congratulations to Liam Rezen Kersevan, who has now qualified to compete at the Regional Cross Country to be held on June 14<sup>th</sup> at the Hastings Foreshore Reserve. Well done to all our runners yesterday in reaching this level of competition.

As we are nearing the end of second term, the dates for

our Years 2, 3 and 4 Dance Concert are drawing closer. This event will comprise of three performances being held over two days at the Cardinia Cultural Centre. Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> has 2 performances: one at 11:30am and the other at 7:00pm. The third performance is on the evening of Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, commencing at 7:00pm. Our students are currently preparing at rehearsals with great energy and enthusiasm under the direction of our Performing Arts teachers, Ms Dahmen and Ms Vanderveen. Once again parents and families have supported our Performing Arts program through the provision of costumes for their children and the purchase of tickets. The performances for both evening sessions are selling quickly, with more tickets available for our matinee show on Tuesday morning. We look forward to again enjoying entertaining performances from our students. Information was re-posted on Compass yesterday for families wishing to purchase a recording of the performance.

Our Year One swimming program will commence on Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at Cardinia Life, Pakenham. The students will be participating in an eight-day program concluding on Friday June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Further information regarding the program will be distributed to the students tomorrow, including specific dates and items required each day. There is no cost for the swimming program, as this is currently being subsidised by the Department of Education. For students to attend the swimming program, parent consent is required. Please consent to this event via the Compass App as soon as possible.

With term 2 school holidays fast approaching, a reminder to all our families that OSHClub will be providing a vacation care program for our students at PLPS. Please note that only students who are enrolled at our school will be eligible to participate in the vacation care program. Information with regards to the vacation care program will be posted on Compass early next week. Alternatively, inquiries may be directed to OSHClub on 0438 559 017.

A reminder, Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup> is the King's Birthday public holiday.

***Kerrie Kingston-Gains***  
***Principal***

# Admin News

## DIARY DATES

Friday 29th April - Friday 9th June: Yr 5/6 Winter Interschool Sports

Friday 9th June - Friday 23rd June: Year 1 Swimming Program  
(Year 1's do not attend swimming on Wednesdays)

Monday 12th June: King's Birthday Public Holiday

Tuesday 13th June & Wednesday 14th June: Monsters & Magic  
Yr 2, 3 & 4 Dance Concert

Monday 19th June: School Reports Go live on Compass

Wednesday 21st June: Student Free Day - Parent Teacher Conversations

Friday 23rd June: End of Term 2 - Early dismissal time 2:15pm

## Staff Carpark

*Our school carpark is for staff parking between 8.30am and 3.45pm on school days by order of the School Council.*

*During these times parents are not permitted to park in the school carpark.*

*The carpark is not permitted for use for dropping off and picking up students or for leaving your car unattended while collecting your children.*

*This is to ensure the safety of all students in the school.  
Thank you*

# Parking Around the School

Street parking is available along Shearwater Drive and Everly Circuit.

Please be courteous to our surrounding residents, when parking, dropping off or collecting students from school. Please obey parking signs and **do not park in or over driveways.**

We ask that you leave enough time to drop off and pick up children in a safe and legal manner.

If you need to drive to school, get your child into the habit of using the kerbside doors, away from traffic.



## Medication

There are times when your child will require medication during school hours. If this happens the medication needs to be brought to the office and a medical authority form must be filled out by a parent or carer. Students must not keep medication in their bags.

Thank you

## IMPORTANT MESSAGE

### Sharing of food

Sharing of food items is NOT permitted at PLPS, due to reasons associated with health, safety and family beliefs and choice. Food cannot be distributed to other students: this includes food items to celebrate birthdays.

Non-food items can be shared for birthdays, if so desired.

When food items are being used within the teaching and learning programs at school, communications will be posted on Compass to parents and carers outlining the food items being used. Parents will have the option to discuss implications for their child or opt out of these activities.



## LATE ARRIVALS

Every child arriving after the 9am bell **must** come to the school office to collect a Late Pass to take to their teacher.

## EARLY LEAVERS

Should parents wish to collect their child/children from school early, they must sign them out at the office. Please allow yourself extra time for collection as we only call students to the office once parents arrive.

Our lunchtime runs from 1:40-2:25pm and it can be extremely difficult for students to hear announcements whilst playing outside. If you need to collect your child during this time could you please arrange to collect them before or after lunch.

# YEAR 4 NEWS

We are LOVING our inquiry studies into Science this term. Two highlights of the term so far have been the Science Incursion and Science Challenge.

## Science Incursion



## 'Hands on Science'

This term, the Year 4's are learning about Physical and Chemical Science. We were very excited to have our 'Hands On Science' incursion earlier this term.

- ★ I had a great time experimenting at the *Hands On Science* incursion. I liked seeing all the different forces. - Joanne 4W
- ★ I liked using the magnets. I could make them move without even touching them by using magnetic force. It was good working in groups and learning new things - Wade 4W
- ★ The Newton cradle with the balls that swing was really cool to watch. I want one for Christmas! - Ruby 4A
- ★ I liked the activity where you slid the glass out from under a ball and the ball stayed in place demonstrating force. The Newton Cradle was my favourite. - Abi B 4C



# YEAR 4 NEWS

## Science Challenge

**Build a boat,  
make sure it floats!**

★ *Our Year 4's have been learning about materials and their properties. Their challenge was to build a boat that floats using selected materials. They needed to consider how to make their boat waterproof using minimal materials. They collaborated with their group to complete a design, observed their boats floating and then wrote about their results.*

★ *It was cool testing out our boat to see if it would float or not. We put objects on it to see if it would sink. - Oliver McLeod 4W*

★ *I liked working with my friends. Our design was really simple and it floated easily! - Ivy M 4A*

*I liked constructing and crafting my boat. - Kayson 4R*

★ *The building boats activity was fun because I got to collaborate with my team mates. My boat floated because we balanced it on both sides. - April 4G*



# **MONSTERS** and *Magic*

**Tickets for our Year Two, Three and Four Dance Concert are now on sale. Information was posted on Compass. If you would like to order tickets, please contact the Cardinia Cultural Centre via their phone or online.**

**First round sale is a limit of 3 tickets per family. Please purchase your tickets ASAP to avoid disappointment. Second round sale begins Friday 9th June if there are any tickets remaining. The concert performances are on - Tuesday 13th June Matinee @11:30am, Tuesday 13th June @7pm and Wednesday 14th June @7pm.**

# **THE WORLD OF Disney**

**If you would still like to order a recording of both nights performances of our Prep and Grade One Concert "The World of Disney"**

**Please call or visit the office on 5940 9532  
DVD for \$25 or USB for \$30**



# victorian premier's reading challenge

Dear Parents and Students,

Pakenham Lakeside Primary School proudly participates in the Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge initiative. It runs in yearly cycles and is a fantastic opportunity to get your children enjoying reading.

Our Prep, Year 1 and 2 students will be completing the challenge at school with their class. If you are in Year 3, 4, 5 or 6 and would like to participate in the challenge please fill out the expression of interest form in this newsletter and send it back to school and I will send you out more information.

Year 3 – Year 6 are required to read fifteen books. Ten or more must be from the challenge booklists. Booklists are available in the LRC and the majority of the library book collection are challenge books. You must finish reading your fifteen challenge books by the end of August.

On completion of the challenge all successful participants will receive a certificate of congratulations from the Victorian Premier.

Please visit [www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge](http://www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge) for more information.

Have fun reading!  
Narelle McMillan  
Library Technician

# 2023

victorian  
premier's  
reading  
challenge



WILD  
ABOUT  
READING

If you are in Year 3-6 and would like to participate in this year's VPRC please fill out this expression of interest and return it to the school office and Miss McMillan will send you more information.

Student Name(s) and Grade .....

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## **Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund Applications**

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

**If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.**

Payment amounts for 2023 are \$125 for eligible primary school students. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

It is important that funding made available in 2023 supports students to participate in school trips, camps and sporting activities this year rather than being held for future years. This funding can also be used in conjunction with any funding accrued from previous years.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you are new to our school this year or if you would like to apply for the first time, please complete an application form and return it to our school office as soon as possible. **Applications for the CSEF program for 2023 close on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023.**

You can also download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education and Training's Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page - <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/resources>.

Check with our school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kerrie Kingston-Gains', written in a cursive style.

**Kerrie Kingston-Gains**  
Principal



**CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM**

Pakenham Lakeside Primary School 5504

School Name

School REF ID

**Parent/carer details**

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

First name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town/suburb \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number \_\_\_\_\_

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

-  -  -  **OR**

Foster parent under a temporary care order\* **OR**  Veterans affairs pensioner (Gold Card)\*\*

\*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH).

\*\*Applicants must provide a copy of the Veteran Affairs Gold card

Is this an application for special consideration (no CRN needed)? Yes  No

**Student details**

Student's surname	Student's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DFFH will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DFFH and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the DFFH and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

## CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below are the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

### Criteria 1 – General eligibility

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or carer of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one
  - on the first day of Term two
- a) be a holder of one or more of the eligible financially-means tested cards **OR** be a temporary foster parent, and;
- b) submit an application to the school by the due date.

For the list of eligible financially-means tested cards refer to the CSEF Policy:

<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/policy>

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with the above.

### Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

### Special Consideration

A special consideration category exists for

- Families on a bridging visa, temporary protection visa, in community detention or are asylum seeker families
- Students in temporary out of home care arrangements, including statutory kinship care

For more information, see <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/guidance/eligibility>

### Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/carer concession card being validated successfully with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (30<sup>th</sup> January 2023) or term two (24<sup>th</sup> April 2023).

## PAYMENT AMOUNTS

### CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see:

[www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx)

**Year 7 government school students** who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents/carers so please register your interest at the school.

## HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

**NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN**

1. Complete the PARENT/CARER DETAILS section.

Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.

If you are claiming as a temporary Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.

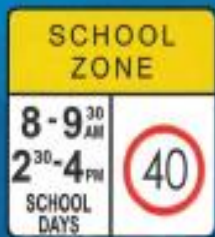
If you are seeking special consideration, mark this in the form and provide a copy of the relevant documentation.

2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.

3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. **The CSEF program for 2023 closes on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023**

# School Zone Safety Information

## Understanding the signs around school zones



### 40km/h sign

All school speed limits across the State are clearly signposted. Look out for the speed signs near schools and slow down to improve safety for children.



### No parking

It is important that you do not park in any area where this sign is displayed.



### Children crossing

When the flags are displayed at a children's crossing, you must stop for pedestrians who are waiting to cross or who have started crossing. You must remain stopped until the crossing is clear. These rules apply even if there is no crossing supervisor.



### No stopping

No stopping means you must not stop at the kerb for any reason.



### Yellow edge lines

Must not stop or park your vehicle next to a continuous yellow edge line.

## Understanding the rules at school crossings

- Please keep the children's crossing clear.
- Parking is not allowed within 20m before a school crossing or 10m after the crossing (unless otherwise signposted). Parking within this area makes it difficult for children and the crossing supervisor to get a clear view of the road.
- It is illegal to double park your car, ie. you are not allowed to stop next to a parked car.

## What you can do to ensure school zones remain safe

- Supervise children in or near traffic.
- Consider walking or cycling with your child to and from school.
- Respect the road rules and parking signs.
- Wait on the same side of the road as your child, to avoid your child dashing across the road to meet you.
- Get your child into the habit of using the car's kerbside doors, away from the traffic.





# Want to prepare your kids for a healthier future?

## BETTER HEALTH PROGRAM

Is your child...

-  Aged 7-13 years old?
-  In need of support to improve eating and activity habits?

*Better Health Program* is a **free**, 10-week, online program for eligible children and families.

There are weekly online sessions, **free** resources, including a Garmin watch, and weekly coaching calls. These are with a qualified health coach who gives you professional advice and helps keep



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**Sign up today!**

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 1300 822 953



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# 2024 YEAR 7 SCHOOL TOURS TERM 2

**BOOKINGS  
ESSENTIAL**

**School Tour bookings are open for students wishing to enrol in Year 7 2024 at Edenbrook Secondary College, for families residing permanently within our zone.**

**These tours will be conducted by a member of the College leadership team and will provide an opportunity to see our school.**

**To check eligibility for enrolment at Edenbrook, please go to <https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au/>**

**TOURS WILL RUN EACH TUESDAY  
THROUGHOUT TERM 2**

**PROMPTLY AT 9:00AM.**

**133 Henry Road, Pakenham 3810**

**P: 03 5943 9200 E: [edenbrook.sc@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:edenbrook.sc@education.vic.gov.au)**



**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL VIA COMPASSTIX**

**[HTTPS://COMPASSTIX.COM/E/ERR5F0BCY7](https://COMPASSTIX.COM/E/ERR5F0BCY7)**



# MID-SEASON ENTRY

**It's not too late to join the fun!**

Register for NAB AFL Auskick now for only \$55 plus receive an exclusive goodies pack! Auskick is all about fun and getting your hands on the ball.

[play.afl/auskick](https://play.afl/auskick)



Programs run weekly on one day a week for one hour.

**This term we will focus on the following sports:**

- ✓ Basketball
- ✓ Hockey
- ✓ Rugby
- ✓ Softball

# GIRLS ONLY

This weekly program gives girls 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 – Year 4 girls.**

## \$136 FOR 8 WEEKS!

**Sign up anytime, and only pay for the weeks remaining in the term \$17 per week**

**Where: Pakenham Lakeside Primary School**

**When: Saturdays**

**Time: 9:00am-10:00am**

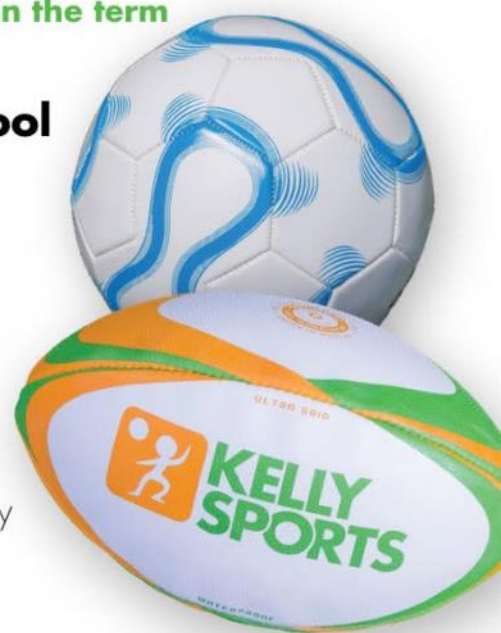
**Start: 15th July, 2023**

**End: 2nd September, 2023**

Female coach for all sessions (unless unwell).

The sessions will need a minimum of 10 children booked to go ahead.

The last two weeks of the term will be used for making up any sessions cancelled (if needed).



## BOOK EARLY & SAVE

Book before June 16th, 2023 and get 1 session FREE!

**Website:** [kellysports.com.au/metro-south-east](http://kellysports.com.au/metro-south-east)

**Contact:** Paul Battershill or Natasha Kalweit

**Email:** [natasha@kellysports.com.au](mailto:natasha@kellysports.com.au)

**Phone:** 0413 080 025

**Facebook:** Kelly Sports Metro South East- Melbourne

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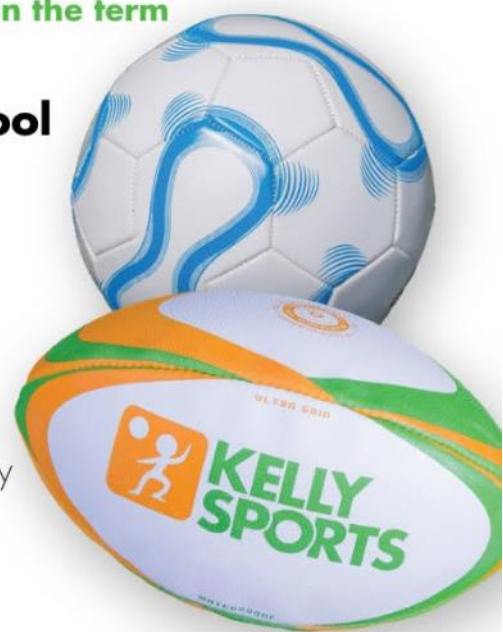
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# INFORMATION

FOR PARENTS

# BASKETBALL & SOCCER PROGRAM

Program runs weekly for 45 minutes.

**This combined Basketball & Soccer program will have the**

- Following:**
- ✓ Skills Practice
  - ✓ Modified Games
  - ✓ Suitable Equipment
  - ✓ Teamwork
  - ✓ Ideal for beginners but does grow on previous terms' work as well

This weekly program gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm and participation and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them increased confidence in the future.

The first four weeks will focus on basketball and the last four weeks will focus on soccer.

**For boys and girls in Prep- Year 4.**

**\$136 FOR AN 8 WEEK PROGRAM**

Sign up anytime and only pay for the remaining weeks in the term at \$17 per session.

**SCHOOL: Lakeside Primary School**

**DAY: Saturday**

**START DATE: 15th July**

**END DATE: 2nd September**

**TIME: 11:00am to 11:45am**

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