

NEWSLETTER

15th June 2023

Principal's Report

Congratulations to our student performers in years 2, 3 and 4 for the fun and entertaining performances they put on for our audiences at the Cardinia Cultural Centre this week. Continuing on the wonderful tradition of student performances at PLPS, our students performed three shows of their "Monsters and Magic" Dance Concert with great energy and enthusiasm. Thank you to Tam Dahmen and Sarah Vanderveen, our Performing Arts teachers, for their efforts and commitment in working with, and preparing our children for their performances. Thank you once again to our school community for your support of our Performing Arts program through the provision of costumes and the purchase of tickets.

Throughout term 2 many of our Year 6 and 5 students have been participating in the Interschool Sport program. Tomorrow June 16th, weather permitting, the students will have the opportunity to compete in the Pakenham District Lightning Premiership Day.

We will have teams competing in the round robin events in the following sports; Soccer at IYU Reserve in Pakenham, Netball at Cardinia Life Sports Stadium and Teeball at Toomuc Reserve Football at Toomuc Reserve. We wish all our teams the best of luck in this day long competition. Parents are encouraged to come along and support our teams.

On Friday, June 23rd PLPS will have a team of 24 girls from years 5 and 6 participating in an AFL football day. They will be learning more about AFL and competing in a round robin competition. Parents are welcome to come along and watch our girls play.

On Monday afternoon, our students' June reports will be available to all families. These reports outline the growth and development achieved academically and in personal development over the course of the first semester this year.

Thank you to those parents who have accepted our offer and booked a time to participate in our mid-year student led or parent/teacher conversations being conducted on Wednesday, June 21st, commencing at 11:00am and concluding at 7:00pm. Bookings remain open and can be

completed via Compass for parents who have not yet secured a time.

Please note that on Wednesday, when our parent/teacher conversations are held, students do not attend school. If parents require assistance with childcare on the day, our OSHClub will be operating a full day program between their normal operating hours of 6.30am to 6.30pm.

Preparations have begun for our year 3 camp being conducted at Phillip Island Adventure Camp in term 3. The camp is scheduled for Wednesday August 23rd to Friday August 25th. Detailed information has been posted on Compass today.

A reminder to all year 6 students and families for confirming participation in our year 6 camp to Canberra. Final student numbers attending this camp need to be communicated to the camp staff early next term. Please ensure a response has been enacted via Compass. This is either providing consent, together with the corresponding payments to secure a place or declining the offer. If you have any difficulties with this process, please call our school office for assistance.

Our whole school photos for 2023 will be taken on Wednesday, July 26th. All orders for school photos will need to be purchased online, through Compass or by phoning MSP directly. Information with regards to our school photos will be communicated to our families on Monday, June 19th.

Term 2 will conclude on Friday, June 23rd. Please note that school will finish at the earlier time of 2:15pm. Parents are requested to make the necessary arrangements to have their child collected at this earlier time. Our OSHClub after school program will be operating from this earlier time for those parents who require this service.

Term 3 will begin on Monday, July 10th. I wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday break.

Kerrie Kingston-Gains
Principal

Admin News

DIARY DATES

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

Friday 16th June: Year 5/6 Winter Lightning Premiership - (selected students)

Monday 19th June: School Reports Go live on Compass

Wednesday 21st June: - Parent Teacher Conversations - (student free day)

Friday 23rd June: Girls Footy (AFL) Day - (selected students)

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

Monday 10th July: Term 3 Commences

Wednesday 26th July: Whole School Photos

Wednesday 23rd August - Friday 25th August: Year 3 Phillip Island Adventure
Camp

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.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION



In Physical Education, Years 3 to 6 have been participating in the AFL Primary Play Program. Representatives from AFL Victoria have been running clinics with the students to increase participation and the love of Australian Rules Football. Students have enjoyed the experience and learning the skills over the two weeks.



Mandarin (Chinese) at PLPS

The Mandarin curriculum is offered as a specialist subject to students in all year levels. It is aimed at introducing students to the Chinese culture.

From Prep to Year 6, students attend a weekly Mandarin session. They are also provided opportunities to join Chinese Art lunch club for different year levels across the terms.

Students' listening, writing and speaking skills are developed through songs, games, competitions and language activities. Students also have opportunities to use technology to develop their language understanding and build their cultural awareness.



Preps

Prep students were taught to use basic Mandarin greetings. They learnt about Chinese New Year, the story of the giant pandas, some fun facts and cultural knowledge of China. Students also observed handwriting in Mandarin characters and had opportunities to write a few characters in Mandarin by copying modelled examples.

Pakenham Lakeside
Primary School

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Year 1 and 2

Year 1 and 2 students were introduced to numbers and colours in Mandarin. Students were exposed to songs and nursery rhymes that used this counting. Students developed their understanding of Chinese culture by learning about Spring Festivals and other related traditions.



Year 5 and 6

Year 5 and 6 were introduced to basic Mandarin to use in conversations. Students described and provided information about themselves, their preferences, experiences, and interests in Mandarin. They also recognised the features of the Chinese writing system and applied their knowledge of the formation of characters in their writing tasks. Students used simple connectives and conjunctions in Mandarin, to connect ideas.

Year 6 students were also provided opportunities to play with Chinese tangrams and enhance their numeracy skills through modifying shapes in a friendly competitive environment.



Year 3 and 4

During semester one, students in Year 3 and 4 were introduced to the topic of food in China by exploring the differences between food cultures. Students also learnt and used adjectives to describe items in Mandarin and short phrases. Students were also provided with multiple pathways to explore the background stories of Chinese food. Students participated in several activities to demonstrate their understanding by comparing Chinese/Western food.

你好 谢谢 不客气
对不起 没关系 我爱你
澳大利亚 中国



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 23rd 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 (30th January 2023) or term two (24th 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

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.

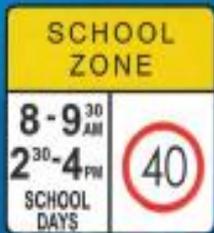
If you are seeking special consideration, mark this in the form and provide a copy of the relevant documentation.

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 23rd June 2023**

School Zone Safety Information

Understanding the signs around school zones



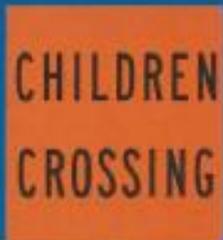
40km/h sign

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.





FOR OUR ELDERS

2-9 JULY 2023

Biik Bundjil - Learn About Boonwurrung Culture



It's almost time for NAIDOC Week!! Come along and learn about Boonwurrung culture and stories from Jaeden Williams, proud Yalukut wilam man of the Boonwurrung, founder and director of cultural organisation Biik Bundjil.

Pakenham
Library

Tues 28 Jun
2pm - 3pm

All Ages



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winter holiday programs @ pakenham library

Animal Fun with Aussie Wildlife Displays

All Ages
Mon 26 June
2.30 - 4pm



Playdough Crazy with Jojo

All Ages
Thurs 29 June
2 - 3pm



Biik Bundjil - Learn about Boonwurrung Culture

All Ages
Tues 28 June
2 - 3pm



Cyanotype Art Workshop

Ages 10-17
Mon 3 July
2-3pm



Rubbish Truck Story Time with Cardinia Shire Council

All Ages
Wed 28 June
11am - 12pm

Toddler Craft and Move

Ages 1 - 3
Tues 4 July
11am - 12pm



Build Big with Big Build

All Ages
Thurs 6 July, 10am - 2pm
Fri 7 July, 9am - 2pm
drop in

myli.au/events-pakenham





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Is your child...

-  Aged 7-13 years old?
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Edenbrook
SECONDARY COLLEGE

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



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

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

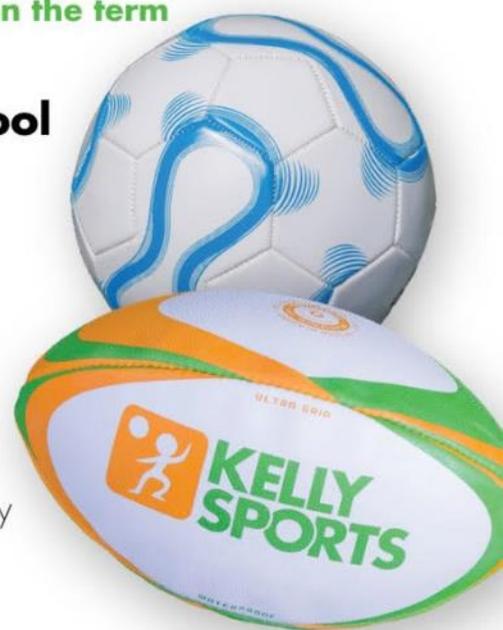
Start: 15th July, 2023

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

Contact: Paul Battershill or Natasha Kalweit

Email: natasha@kellysports.com.au

Phone: 0413 080 025

Facebook: Kelly Sports Metro South East- Melbourne

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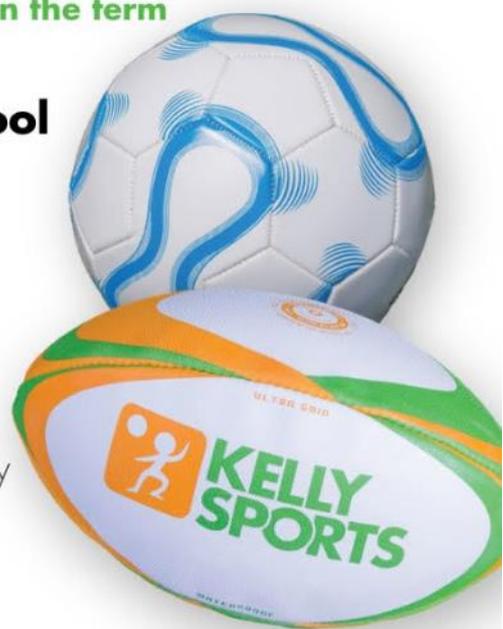
Time: 10:00am-11:00am

Start: 15th July, 2023

End: 2nd September, 2023

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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

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

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