

NEWSLETTER

31st July 2025

Principal's Report

Welcome back everyone to the third term of our 2025 school year.

As we begin semester two, it is important to reiterate the importance of school attendance. One of the major influences on whether your child is likely to achieve their potential at school and then later in life, is their attendance patterns at school. Research indicates strongly that those students who are frequently absent or late to school are less likely to achieve the maximum potential with their learning. They are also at risk of becoming disconnected from their peers and this has the potential to impact upon their social development within our school community.

Students who arrive late on a regular basis are missing out on important discussion and community time that often helps to link learning sequences together, as well as missing out on important conversations about the day's learning program and instruction. Students who are frequently absent do not have the same opportunities to develop important teacher/student relationships which are a key feature of our student support. Also, students who are regularly late or absent may become socially disadvantaged as their friends and peers continue to develop friendship groups with others in their absence. Your child's desire to be punctual and attend school will be influenced by many factors. Our school will continue to support all our students and their families. If you are experiencing difficulties with your child around attending school, please contact the school so we can support you and continue to assist your child with their learning and development.

Recently our SRC representatives developed a set of posters highlighting the importance of attending school every day. They include statements and photos of our students and are displayed throughout our school.

At our next school assembly next Wednesday, we will be acknowledging the students who had 100% attendance in term two. Remember **"Every Day Counts"**.

Currently, all our staff are participating in presentations outlining their contributions to our school wide goals, the teaching and learning programs and the positive impact to student learning outcomes. Year level and specialist teams present to the Principal Class Team and Learning Specialists. The presentations began in the last week of term two and will continue over the next two weeks. The presentations provide an opportunity for teachers and education support staff to reflect on their work in semester one within their year level or curriculum area teams as well as sharing their next steps for our students throughout semester two with the school leadership.

Last Thursday our year 4 students had an enjoyable day at the Botanical Gardens in Cranbourne. The visit to the gardens was to support the students with their History unit and to develop a greater understanding and respect for Aboriginal culture. Students participated in learning that highlighted the importance of the environment to the Boonwurrung people and their connection to Country. The students were very interested in the up close encounters with indigenous artefacts, foods and beverages including lemon myrtle tea.

Today our prep staff and students were very excited and had an enjoyable day celebrating being at school for 100 days. It is incredible the amount of learning and growth our Prep students have demonstrated over this time. The students celebrated with a '100 Days Brighter' theme and participated in some special themed activities including making their own t-shirts to commemorate the day.

Earlier this year in March, our students in years 3 and 5 sat for their NAPLAN tests. Last week, each of these students received their individual report which indicates how they performed on the individual tests of Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation and Numeracy.

Also included on the report is a letter from ACARA which outlines to parents how they can read and interpret their child's performance.

It is important to remember that NAPLAN provides a snapshot of each student's performance at a particular point in time. It is just one tool that our staff uses to compile an overall assessment of each child's learning and growth. If you have any questions, please make the time to meet with your child's classroom teacher.

During term 3, the celebration of Book Week is one of the highlights of our school calendar. 2025 is also a milestone year for CBCA (Children's Book Council of Australia) as they celebrate **80 years of Children's Book Week!** The theme for this year is "Book an Adventure" and the celebrations will take place from Monday, August 18th to Friday, August 22nd. One of the highlights will be the opportunity for our students and staff to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on Tuesday, August 19th. Throughout the week, each year level will also organise some special activities or events within their learning space to promote the love of reading and books.

The 'Glasses for Kids' initiative began this week at PLPS for all students in year prep to 3 who elected to participate. The Department of Education has provided funding to State Schools' Relief (SSR) to facilitate the program that offers a free initial vision screening session and, if needed, further eye testing and free glasses for these students.

Year level newsletters for term 3 will be posted on Compass and distributed to students tomorrow, Friday, August 1st. This newsletter has been produced to share information with families regarding the teaching and learning that will take place in each year level this term. It will also outline special events students will have the opportunity to participate in during third term, including excursions and incursions.

Our school photos were taken yesterday. All the students had a portrait taken, as well as their class photo. Orders for portraits and class photos can still be purchased through the Compass portal until 11:59pm on Wednesday, 6th of August.

Kerrie Kingston-Gains
Principal

Admin News

DIARY DATES

Friday 1st August: Cardinia Division Teeball Finals (selected students)

Tuesday 19th August: Book Week Character Dress Up Day

Wednesday 20th August: Year 6 Graduation Photo

Wednesday 27th August: Year 2 Gumbuya World Excursion

Wednesday 3rd - Friday 5th September: Year 3 Phillip Island Adventure Resort

Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th September: Year 5 & 6 Senior School Musical 'Finding Nemo Jr'

Assembly Dates

Whole School Assembly will be held in the school gymnasium

Wednesday 6th August - 9am

Monday 18th August - 9am

Thursday 4th September - 9am

Friday 19th September - 9am

ATTENDANCE Matters



Being at school helps us stay connected to our learning and friends!

Pakenham
Lakeside
PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOLASTIC Book Club LOOP for Parents

Here are eight easy steps for ordering via LOOP:

- 1 Log in, or create a new account
- 2 Follow the Wizard to set up the child's profile
- 3 Click the ORDER tab, select the child's school & class
- 4 Add the child's first name and last initial
- 5 Enter the product item number from the Book Club catalogue
- 6 Apply any promotional codes that have been earned
- 7 Make a payment via credit card
- 8 Await order arrival at the child's school

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4th August

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To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:

www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



Important Information - Nearby Parking

Cardinia Shire Council's parking officers would like to remind the school community that it is an offence to park across a resident's driveway. This has become a regular problem around the school, but particularly in Radiata Cct.

Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated by the residents.

Book Week Character Dress Up Day Tuesday 19th August 2025

We will be celebrating BOOK WEEK from **Monday 18th August to Friday 22nd August** to highlight the importance of literacy learning.

Students will have the opportunity to participate in a whole school **Book Character Dress Up Day** which will be held on **Tuesday 19th August**. Students are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book character and can bring along a book to read. Individual year levels will celebrate the day in their respective learning spaces and run activities throughout the week.

We look forward to a successful and fun-filled week!



Enrol for lessons at P.L.P.S for 2025

Phone Jared Longfield: 0411 083 631

MUSIC LESSONS



Group Lessons

\$15 a week during school terms

Individual Lessons

\$25 a week during school terms

Learn keyboard or guitar during school hours.

Enrol at anytime.

Commencement date to be advised



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LEARNING THE SKILLS REQUIRED AS YOU TRAIN AND PLAY!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR TO REGISTER PLEASE VISIT US ON PLAYHQ, FACEBOOK
OR ON OUR WEBSITE**

TERM 3, 2025 SOCCER FUN FOR GIRLS & BOYS AGED 2-12!

STARTING FROM 26TH JULY

Free

**FIRST 30 NEW
ENROLMENTS RECEIVE
COMPLIMENTARY SHIRT AND SHORTS!**

FOR A **FREE** TRIAL P: 0413 781 900

- REFER A FRIEND & GET A FREE GHS BOTTLE! -

MITE-E SOCCER (2-3YO)

A great introduction to Soccer!
Children work with their parents to
learn new soccer skills and develop
their motor skills! Lots of fun games
in a non-competitive environment!

**40 MINUTE CLASSES
\$175 FOR 8 WEEKS**



PINT SIZE SOCCER (4-5YO)

Children take their first kicks in soccer! They'll
be introduced to shooting, dribbling, goal
keeping and more. Children get to play lots
of fun, skill based games. Grasshoppers get
introduced to Pint Size 1v1 Big Game!

**40 MINUTE CLASSES
\$175 FOR 8 WEEKS**



INTRO TO MICRO (5-6YO) MICRO (6-8YO)

The ultimate challenge for young
soccer players! They'll learn the rules
of the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game
and develop their skills in passing,
dribbling, shooting and more!

**INTRO - 60 MINS \$185 FOR 8 WEEKS
MICRO - 60 MINS \$185 FOR 8 WEEKS**



MICRO PLUS (8-12YO)

This program focuses on skill development and teamwork
in preparation for club soccer. Children
will enjoy all the favourite soccer based
games, fine tune their skills as well as
play the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game!

**60 MINUTE CLASSES
\$185 FOR 8 WEEKS**



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SCAN ME



Child's Name: _____ DOB: _____
 Parent/Guardians Name: _____
 Address: _____ Suburb: _____ P/Code: _____
 Phone: _____ Mobile: _____
 Email: _____
 How did you hear about us: _____

TERM 3 CENTRES: (Please Tick)

☐ NARRE WARREN SOUTH P-12 COLLEGE

79-125 Amberly Park drive, NWS, VIC 3805
 8 week program starting on Saturday 26th July

☐ PAKENHAM SECONDARY COLLEGE

1020 Princes Hwy, Pakenham VIC 3810
 8 week program starting on Saturday 26th July

☐ NARRE WARREN SOUTH P-12 COLLEGE

79-125 Amberly Park drive, NWS, VIC 3805
 8 week program starting on Sunday 27th July

☐ O'NEIL ROAD RESERVE

15 Janet Bowman Blvd, Beaconsfield, VIC 3807
 8 week program starting on the Sunday 27th July

☐ HERITAGE COLLEGE, NARRE WARREN

333 Centre Rd, Narre Warren South, VIC 3805
 8 week program starting on Thursday 31st July

PROGRAMS: (Please Tick)

MITE-E ☐
 (2-3 YO)

PINT SIZE ☐
 (4-5 YO)

INTRO TO MICRO ☐
 (5-6 YO)

MICRO ☐
 (6-8 YO)

MICRO PLUS ☐
 (8-12 YO)

CLASS TIMES	MITE-E	PINT SIZE	INTRO TO MICRO	MICRO	MICRO PLUS
NARRE WARREN SOUTH - SAT	9.00am - 9.40am	9.00am - 9.40am	9.00am - 10.00am	9.00am - 10.00am	9.00am - 10.00am
PAKENHAM SECONDARY - SAT	11.00am - 11.40am	11.00am - 11.40am	11.00am - 12.00am	11.00am - 12.00am	11.00am - 12.00am
NARRE WARREN SOUTH - SUN	9.00am - 9.40am	9.00am - 9.40am	9.00am - 10.00am	9.00am - 10.00am	9.00am - 10.00am
O'NEIL RD RESERVE - SUN	3.00pm - 3.40pm	3.00pm - 3.40pm	3.00pm - 4.00pm	3.00pm - 4.00pm	3.00pm - 4.00pm
HERITAGE NW - THURS	N/A	N/A	4.00pm - 5.00pm	4.00pm - 5.00pm	4.00pm - 5.00pm
TERM FEE	\$175	\$175	\$185	\$185	\$185

PAYMENT OPTIONS: CASH, BANK TRANSFER OR CREDIT CARD | (Grasshopper Soccer has a **NO REFUND** Policy)

Please Note: Payments with cc will incur a 1.7% processing fee

Name: **TTAR Investments Pty Ltd** BSB: **063 162** Acc: **1084 1538** Reference: Childs name

Credit Card Payment (please circle): Visa Master Card | Credit Cards processed as Grasshopper Soccer

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiry: _____ / _____ CVV: _____

ADD: Grasshopper Soccer Shirt & Shorts - Enrolment Special \$65 (Size - Please Circle)

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Parent/Guardian Consent: I hereby authorize Grasshopper Soccer to act on my behalf should my child require medical attention, and release Grasshopper Soccer from any liability for injury incurred by my child at Grasshopper Soccer programs. Photos/Videos of children attending these programs may be used for reasonable promotional purposes by Grasshopper Soccer.

Please Tick: Yes ☐ No ☐

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____



ENROLMENT SPECIAL \$ _____

TERM FEE \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____





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SCAN TO BOOK

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QUESTIONS? mychorale.au/contact