

Newsletter

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School Council President: Nial Muecke

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

BYOD and school devices

Information went out last Friday to families in relation to our 2026 BYOD program. There are currently minimum recommendations for iPads on Compass. If you buy a new iPad, it will easily meet all our standards. Students cannot have a device that has cellular connectivity (No Sim cards). If you need any further assistance, please contact the office.

Lost Property

We continue to drown under a huge pile of unnamed lost property. If your child is missing any clothing, please pop in and have a look.

Inform and Empower

Raising Kids in a Digital World.

We are thrilled to be able to host this session on the 12th of November. There are lots of posters around the school for parents to register. Hear from the experts around social media, online gaming, cyberbullying, AI and lots more.

Yard Supervision

Our yard is supervised from 8:40am in the morning. Students who need to arrive before this time should be booked in to before school care. Our dismissal time is 3:20pm and parents should be onsite as close to this time as possible to collect their children. We supervise until 3:40pm in case of emergencies. If you are unable to collect your child at dismissal they should be booked in to after school care.

Transition

Lots of transition visits are currently happening between us and our local kindergartens, as well as the Secondary Colleges, as we prepare for 2026. We are looking forward to having our 2026 Foundation students visit for their first session on the 18th November.

Energy Breakthrough

There will be no assembly on the 7th November as we have our 'Cardboard Cart Regatta'. Students can come out of uniform on the day with a **gold coin** donation going towards Energy Breakthrough. We thank Mr Bell for all of his hard work and wish his team of parents and students all the best for the EB event between the 19th – 23rd November.

State Championships

We are all thinking of Baxter Starke in 4A today as he heads off to compete in the State Athletics Championships. We are very proud of him and hope he enjoys the experience!

Shane West
Principal



IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER

7th	Cardboard Cart Regatta
10th	Butterflies In Foundation
12th	'Raising Kids In a Digital World' Parent Information Night 7pm
14th	Performing Arts Sewing Party (after school) Kitchen Garden 4C & 4B
18th	2026 Foundation Orientation Session 1 & Uniform Fittings
19th	Yr 6C Preparation For Puberty Session (Rescheduled)
19th-21st	Energy Breakthrough Events
19th-24th	Book Fair
21st	Kitchen Garden 4A & 4C
25th	2026 Foundation Orientation Session 2 & Uniform Fittings
25th-26th	Guitar Concerts– Multipurpose Room
25th-28th	Keyboard Concerts– Multipurpose Room
28th	Foundation– Yr2 Athletics Day Kitchen Garden Yr 4B & 4A

DECEMBER

2nd	2026 Foundation Orientation Session 3 & Uniform Fittings Yr 4 Cosmodome Incursion
3rd	Yr 6 Funfields Excursion
4th	Parent Helpers Morning Tea
5th	Foundation Zoo Excursion
9th	Statewide Transition Day 2026 Foundation Orientation Session 4 & New Parent Information Session
11th	School Concert –commences 6pm
15th	Step Up Session
16th	Yr 6 Graduation
17th	Last Day For Students 3:20pm Finish Final Assembly

Wellbeing

RAISING KIDS IN A DIGITAL WORLD

Cyber Safety Seminar for Parents & Carers

Social media
Online gaming
Strengthening family communication
Impacts of screen time
Cyberbullying
Managing devices at home
Explicit/adult content
Artificial Intelligence

New Gisborne Primary School

Wednesday 12th November | 7.00-8.30pm



Register to attend:

bit.ly/newgisborne25

*This session is strictly for parents and carers only



Presented by
Martin McGauran,
primary teacher and
digital safety educator
and Carley McGauran,
psychologist and mum
to 3 school-aged kids.



An evening that provided some reality checks! A few new changes in our home this week! - Parent

Marty and Carley were simply sensational. Their presentation was relevant, honest and informative. A MUST for each school, every year. - Principal

Incredible session... Should be essential for all parents!
- Parent

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INFORM&EMPOWER

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This session will be in person and held at New Gisborne Primary School on the 12th of November. If you are having trouble registering using the QR code, there are posters with this QR code up on the office doors, on the noticeboards, on school gates, on the gym door and outside of OC.

The benefit of having a face-to-face session includes the opportunity to ask questions and hearing other parent's ideas and concerns.

Looking forward to seeing you all there.

regards

Kerry Morris

Learning Specialist and Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader

Wellbeing

As we head toward the end of the year, it's more important than ever to keep our bodies healthy and full of energy! Eating a balanced diet with plenty of fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and healthy snacks helps our brains stay focused and our bodies strong, especially during these busy final weeks of school.

Don't forget to drink lots of water throughout the day, too! Staying hydrated keeps us alert, helps us concentrate in class, and supports overall wellbeing. Let's finish the year feeling our best by making smart food choices and keeping our water bottles handy every day!



regards

Kerry Morris

Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader

Chester Chatter

‘Wait. Let me get this straight...you’re telling me cardboard boxes can move around and race? I need to know more!’ Chester raced into classrooms to find out what was going on. ‘Oh! They’re *human powered* cardboard boxes - like the Human Powered Vehicles the Energy Breakthrough Team takes up to Maryborough later this month!’

Chester happily joined in with the students as they prepared their cardboard boxes for this Friday afternoon’s big race. ‘This is cool,’ he told them. ‘We get to hang out with our school community, celebrate the hard work the Energy Breakthrough Team have been doing *and* run around in the sunshine? Great stuff!’



Chester Chatter



Performing Arts

End-of-Year Concert

As part of our upcoming end of year concert, 6B will be performing their piece based on the world of *Harry Potter*! To help bring the experience to life, we would love to borrow any **Hogwarts or Harry Potter –themed costumes or accessories** you might have at home.

Items could include robes, scarves, ties, or any other Hogwarts-inspired clothing. Please ensure that all borrowed items are **clearly labelled** with your family name so they can be returned.



If you are able to lend anything, please send it to Ms Preaudet in the Performing Arts Room.

Concert USBs – Available on Qkr!

We're delighted to share that **USBs of the performance are now available for purchase via QKR!** In line with Department of Education guidelines, **no photos or videos may be taken on the night.**

We're fortunate to once again have **TOP HAT Productions** professionally filming the entire performance. This year, there's an **extra special feature** throughout the term, photos of your children will be taken during rehearsals and preparations, and these will be included on the USB!

These keepsake USBs are truly **one-of-a-kind mementos**, capturing both the magic of the performance and the moments leading up to it. We highly encourage all families to purchase one, students (and parents!) love reliving the memories year after year.

Costume Sewing Party

We're excited to announce our first **Costume Sewing Party!**

This event is a fun opportunity to work together and create as many costumes as we can using a simple production-line approach.

When: Friday, 14th November 3:20pm

Where: Multi Purpose Room

Refreshments provided

Please bring your **sewing machine** and **sewing equipment** you may need (scissors, machine bobbin, etc).

If you love to sew, we'd love to have you join us! If you don't sew but can **cut, iron, or help with preparation**, your assistance would be greatly appreciated — every pair of hands helps keep our assembly line running smoothly.

Please note, in line with the Department's Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) policy this is an adults-only event. After-school care is available through Camp Australia.

Any time you can offer will make a big difference. Please let Ms Préaudet know your availability:
carol.preaudet@education.vic.gov.au.

INDOOR ACTIVITIES

Monday

COLOURING &
QUIET ACTIVITIES

Tuesday

GARDENING
CRAFT

Chess Club -Mr Dwyer's Class
Room

Wednesday

CHESS

Thursday

CONSTRUCTION
ACTIVITIES

Friday

CARD GAMES

Everyone welcome!
Find us in the
Activities Room
(near the Year 3
classrooms)

MONTHLY
(October)
Canteen Crew

SHOUT

OUTS

TO THESE ABSOLUTE SUPERSTARS

For Their Amazing Assistance & Support This Month...

Jacquie Galea

Nial Muecke

Renee Rowlands

Stacey Robinson

Sarah Holland

Emma De

Yasemin Jusufovic

Rebecca Millard

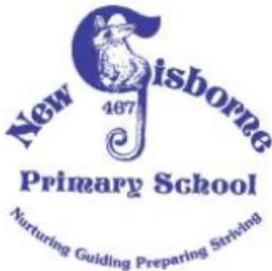
...Every Minute Helps!

Your Time & Effort is Truly Valued & Appreciated

Thank you

Canteen

Your child loves seeing YOU in their Canteen...
Will you help this term?



Canteen Roster

TERM 4, 6TH OCTOBER - 19TH DECEMBER 2025

To join us, please visit Lana in the Canteen or email Lana.Sanford@education.vic.gov.au

DATES	OUR AWESOME CANTEEN CREW			
FRI 7 NOV	Renee	*	*	*
WED 12 NOV	*	*		
FRI 14 NOV	Renee	Jen	*	*
WED 19 NOV	*	*		
FRI 21 NOV	Renee	*	*	*
WED 26 NOV	*	*		
FRI 28 NOV	Renee	Jen	*	*
WED 3 DEC	*	*		
FRI 5 DEC	Renee	*	*	*
WED 10 DEC	Sarah H	*		
FRI 12 DEC	Renee	Jen	*	*
WED 17 DEC	Sarah H	*	CANTEEN CLOSED - Clean Up Only	

Even if only for a short half hour shift, please help replace our roster's * with names

Upon arrival, please remember to sign in at the kiosk as visiting Lana, & have your WWCC handy

Canteen



VOLUNTEERS DESPERATELY REQUIRED

RECESS WINDOW SALES
10:50am-11:20am
WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS

To increase student's play time by reducing their wait time, volunteers are needed to help serve...

Can you pop in for a single or regular (weekly/fortnightly/monthly) 30-minute shift?

Prepare & Distribute 250ish Lunch Orders
EVERY FRIDAY

What's Involved, What Times, How Many Are Needed?

- ➔ 9am-9:30am Receive & Sort Lunch Tubs/Food Prep x2
- ➔ 9:30am-10:15am Label & Prep Lunch Bags x2
- ➔ 10:15am-11am Prep Drinks Tubs x2
- ➔ 11am-11:30am Recess Window Sales x2-4
- ➔ 11:30am-12:40pm Prepare Lunches (Rolls, Toasties, Nachos, Burgers, Hotdogs, Noodles) x2-4
- ➔ 12:40pm-1:15pm Bag & Tub Up Orders x2-4
- ➔ 1:15pm-1:30pm Distribute Lunch Tubs x2
- ➔ 1:30pm-2:15pm Lunch Windows Sales x2

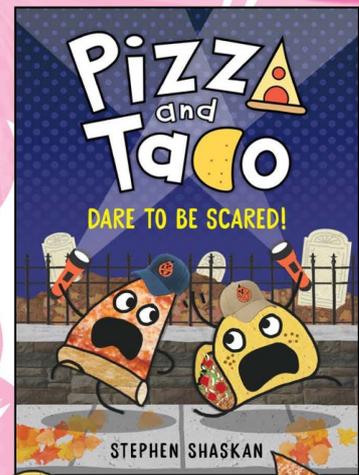
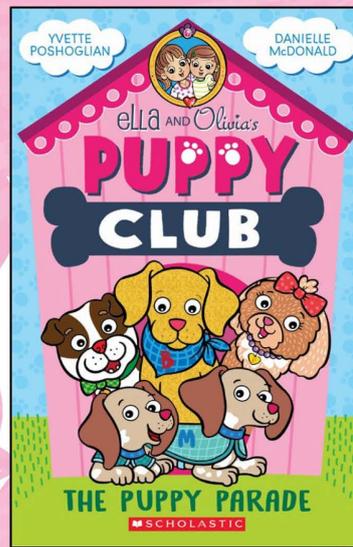
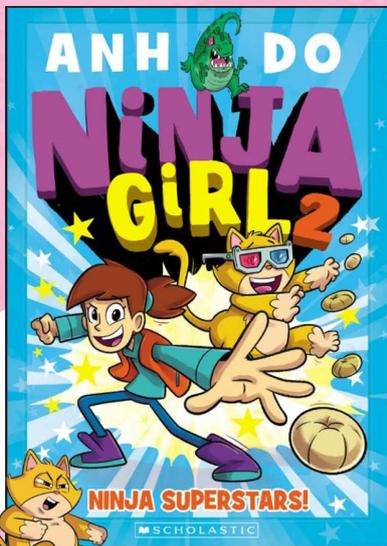
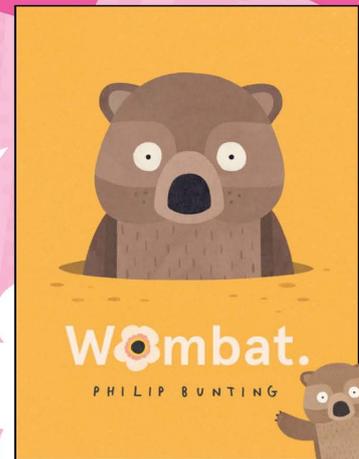
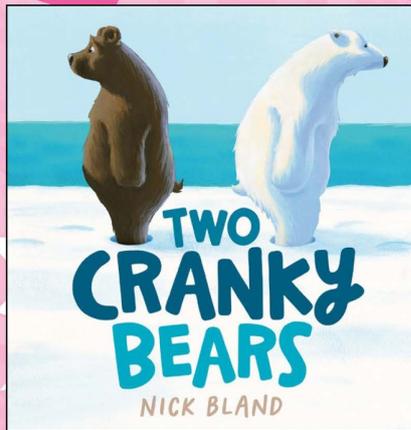
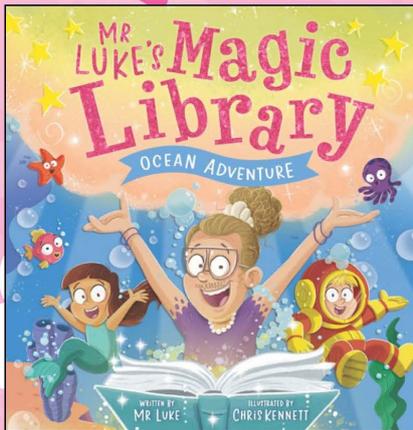
***All volunteers must hold a current WWCC**

Bring a Friend*

Book Fair



You're invited to our
SCHOLASTIC Book Fair



Date 19th-24th November Time 8:15-9am and 3-4pm

Place Multipurpose Room (at front of school)

Find these books and more at the Fair!

EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL

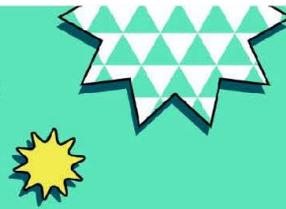


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Outside School Hours Care Newsletter

7/11/2025

New Gisborne Primary School



A message from your Service Leader

Term 4 - October 2025!

Dear New Gisborne Primary School Parents and Community Members,

Welcome back to Term 4 at Camp Australia OSHC! The first few weeks have been fantastic and we're off to a great start. Our children have settled in wonderfully, enjoying engaging activities and continuing their learning adventures with enthusiasm.

Halloween:

Spooky Week was upon us this week and our OSHC children had a frightfully fun time getting ready for our big Halloween party on Friday afternoon! Throughout the week, the children created their own spooky decorations for our display board, from pumpkins and witches to ghosts and even a few haunted houses.

On Thursday afternoon, the children worked with Ava to craft some wonderful witches' hats to wear for trick-or-treating. We wrapped up the week with a fun-filled Friday afternoon of Halloween crafts, games, and decorating. A fantastic celebration to end Spooky Week! 🎃 🦇 🕷️ 🦉



Coming up:

During Next week, we will be learning about the significance of Remembrance Day and what it means to the Australian community. The children will have the opportunity to reflect on this important day through a variety of creative activities, including making poppies, medals, and wreaths to honour and remember those who have served.



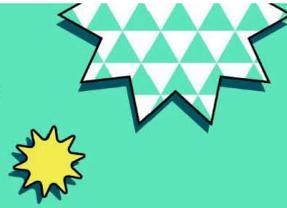
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Your
OSHC.



Term 4 Reminders:

As we begin a new term, we kindly remind all parents to review and confirm your children's enrolments to ensure their place in our program and enable them to participate in the upcoming activities and adventures we have planned! Your prompt attention to this matter will help us ensure a smooth transition and allow your children to dive right into the excitement and learning opportunities awaiting them.

We welcome parents and caregivers to come and view our service, please come in Before School Care as our Educators will have time to discuss the program and help you with any question you may have relating to the service. Our Educators are on site between 6:30am - 9:00am each morning, so please pop by or give us a call!

Service Number: 0405 449 832

Warm regards,

Jasmin Roberts – Service Leader

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

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If you would like to make any changes to your child's aftercare bookings, they can be made through the Parent Portal on our website or app, or via the Customer Care Team on 1300105 343. Our Customer Care Team is available to assist you with any questions or concerns you may have.

We would appreciate it if you could keep us informed of any changes in your child's aftercare arrangements so that we may update our records accordingly.

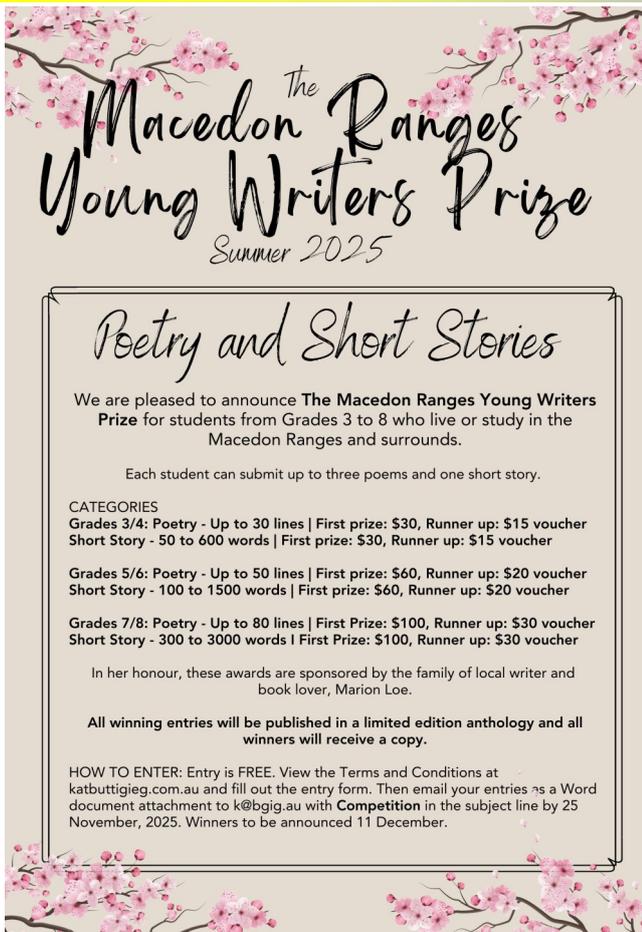
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To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campastralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



Find out more and book now at www.campastralia.com.au

Community



The Macedon Ranges Young Writers Prize Summer 2025

Poetry and Short Stories

We are pleased to announce **The Macedon Ranges Young Writers Prize** for students from Grades 3 to 8 who live or study in the Macedon Ranges and surrounds.

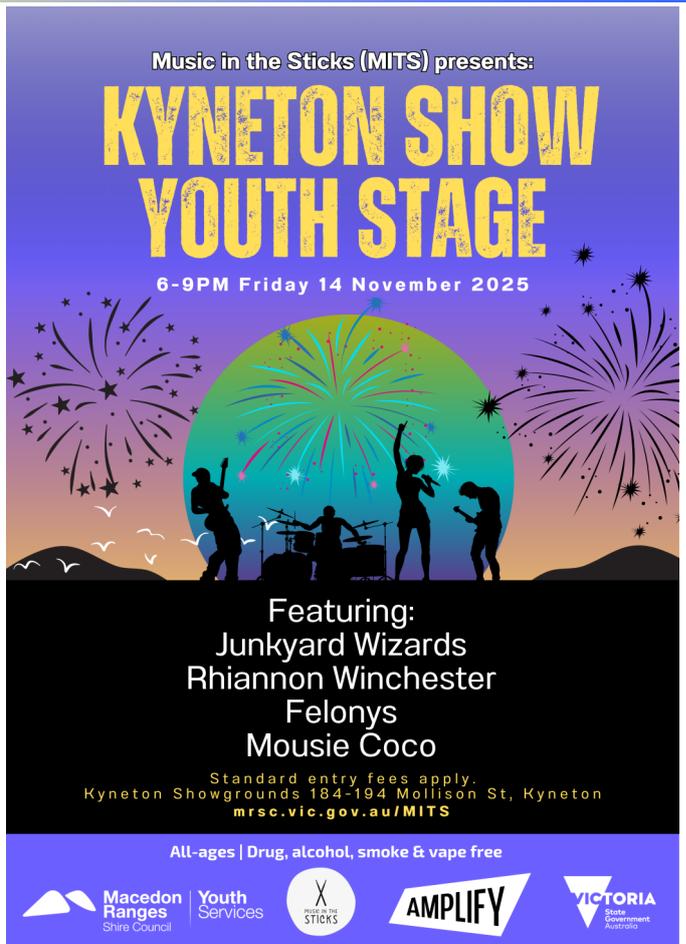
Each student can submit up to three poems and one short story.

CATEGORIES
Grades 3/4: Poetry - Up to 30 lines | First prize: \$30, Runner up: \$15 voucher
 Short Story - 50 to 600 words | First prize: \$30, Runner up: \$15 voucher
Grades 5/6: Poetry - Up to 50 lines | First prize: \$60, Runner up: \$20 voucher
 Short Story - 100 to 1500 words | First prize: \$60, Runner up: \$20 voucher
Grades 7/8: Poetry - Up to 80 lines | First Prize: \$100, Runner up: \$30 voucher
 Short Story - 300 to 3000 words | First Prize: \$100, Runner up: \$30 voucher

In her honour, these awards are sponsored by the family of local writer and book lover, Marion Loe.

All winning entries will be published in a limited edition anthology and all winners will receive a copy.

HOW TO ENTER: Entry is FREE. View the Terms and Conditions at katbuttigieg.com.au and fill out the entry form. Then email your entries as a Word document attachment to k@bgig.au with **Competition** in the subject line by 25 November, 2025. Winners to be announced 11 December.



Music in the Sticks (MITS) presents:

KYNETON SHOW YOUTH STAGE

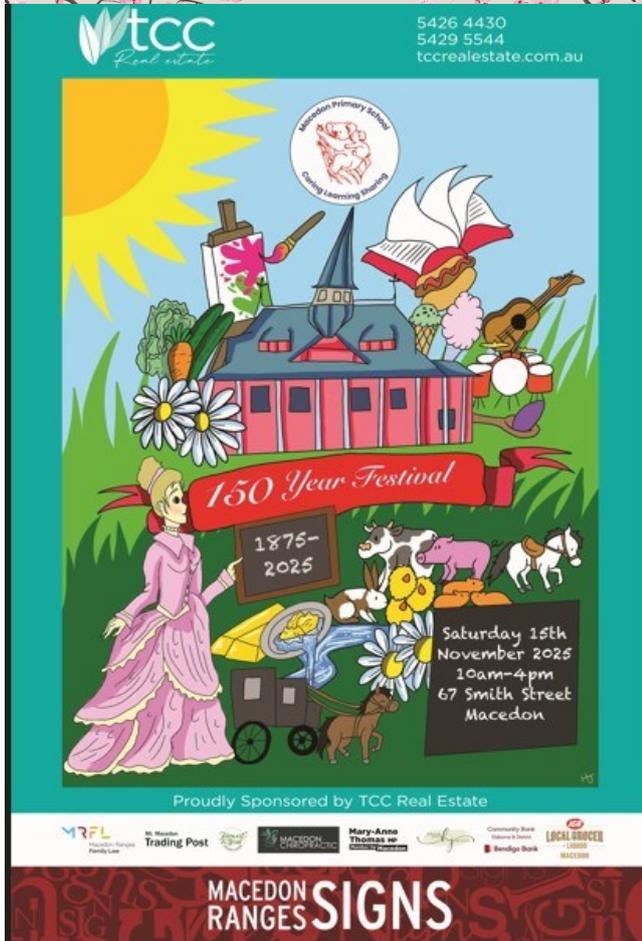
6-9PM Friday 14 November 2025

Featuring:
 Junkyard Wizards
 Rhiannon Winchester
 Felonys
 Mousie Coco

Standard entry fees apply.
 Kyneton Showgrounds 184-194 Mollison St, Kyneton
mrsc.vic.gov.au/MITS

All-ages | Drug, alcohol, smoke & vape free

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