

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Bush Dance Workshop & Evening Family Bush Dance

What a fantastic day. After some initial apprehension the students had a great time at all of the classroom sessions and this continued into the evening with the families. Thank you to our hardworking Parents' Association for organizing the event.

Parent Opinion Survey

The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will close **Friday 19th September 2025**. The survey is conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The link has been sent out via Compass. Please get on and have your say.

Footy/Sports Dress Up Day – Friday 19th September

This day is always a highlight to end Term 3. Children can come dressed in their sports colours. Students need to make sure that they are still compliant with our SunSmart policy and wear appropriate shoes (not footy boots with studs). Special canteen 'Footy Colours Day' lunches were pre-ordered. This will be the only canteen option available on this day.

2026 School Year

If you have a child in Foundation to Year 5 who will not be returning to NGPS next year, could you please inform the office via email ASAP. This will assist with planning for class structures and staffing for 2026.

End of Term Friday 19th September – Early Dismissal

Children will be dismissed at 2:30pm from their classrooms.

Spider Web

Thank you to the Parents' Association who have worked tirelessly with our School Council President to fundraise and liaise with Billabong Playgrounds to get this project organised and completed. The climbing pyramid should be replaced in the first week of the holidays.

Shane West
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

19th JSC Sports Day Dress Up
Last Day of Term 2.30pm Finish

OCTOBER

6th **First Day of Term 4**
8th Yr 5A & 1/2 5C Kids Helpline Incursion
10th Yr 5B & 1/2 5C Kids Helpline Incursion
Kitchen Garden 4C & 4B
11th Sunbury Show Battle Of The Bands
13th District Softball
Yr 5A Swinburne Kinder Visit
14th Yr 5B Swinburne Kinder Visit
16th Yr 5C Swinburne Kinder Visit
17th PA Meeting 9:00am– Staffroom
Kitchen Garden 4A & 4C
21st-22nd Yr 2 Lady Northcote Camp
24th PA Colour Fun Run
Kitchen Garden 4B & 4A
29th– 30th Yr 6 Preparation for Puberty Sessions
31st District Orienteering

Wellbeing

Kids Co-Design Healthy Places

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Kyneton Library	Mon 22 September	3:00pm - 4.00pm
Romsey Library	Tues 23 September	10:00am - 11:00am
Gisborne Library	Wed 1 October	11:00am - 12:00pm
Woodend Library	Friday 3 October	10:00am - 11:00am

Kids Co-Design Healthy Places

Get creative, have fun, and share your ideas for making our community healthier and happier! Join us these school holidays for a hands-on workshop where you help design awesome places for kids and families to enjoy. These workshops are designed for primary school aged children and their families.



youth@mrsc.vic.gov.au



Macedon Ranges
Shire Council



VicHealth



Goldfields
Libraries



SCHOOL CAN'T

WHEN:
SATURDAY 13TH
SEPTEMBER 2025

TIME:
11AM-12PM
Followed by a
Light Lunch

WHERE:
LAKESIDE
HOTEL
286 Napier Street
Bendigo

IS YOUR CHILD OR YOUNG PERSON STRUGGLING WITH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE?

Come along to this event and hear Tiffany Westphal, Director, School Can't Australia, talk about the experience of school can't.

Learn about tools, support, and resources to help you feel empowered and confident to advocate for your child.

REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE



www.trybooking.com/DEJNP



Chester Chatter

There's been lots of music and dancing as the end of Term 3 approaches. Firstly Chester enjoyed hearing the Year 3s sing and share their geographical knowledge of Australia. Then, still on the Australian theme, Chester put on his dancing paws and headed down to the gym to see the students dancing to the Billy Tea Bush Band. What a wonderful way to end a busy term!



PE - District Cricket

Boys Team

On the 3rd of September the cricket team went to Dixon field to compete against other schools to try and get to division. Our first game was against Mt. Macedon. We took 15 wickets and won the game. Our next game was against Gisborne. We also won that game with ease.

We versed St Brigid's next, which was one of our closest games and we won that by around 70 runs. Because we won all of our games, we were in the grand final against Braemer. It was our toughest game. It was a super close but unfortunately we lost by about 10 runs.

Lewis and Jimmy



Girls Team

We had a very good first game against St Brigid's. There were lots of good throws to the stumps by Milla and plenty of runs by Layla. We won 116 to 63.

Our second game against Gisborne was probably our best game. Zarli got a bunch of runs and Sofia got a lot of wickets. Overall, we had an amazing game and won 132 to 55.

We knew our next game against Mount Macedon would be tough because this was the game that would get us into the grand final. We were really nervous but we ended up pulling through with the help of Evy's boundary blocks while fielding and Lilly's amazing batting. The final score was 108 to 70.

The grand final was against Riddells Creek and we tried our absolute hardest with every bat and bowl. Ruby bowled every bowl almost perfectly which helped us to get 8 wickets and gave us a massive lead. We then needed to try super hard for the batting. Addi had some amazing hits which lead to many runs. We ran to our coach Ebony to hear the scores. We all screamed with joy! We won 97-56 which means that we will go in to compete at division.

We couldn't have done it without Ebony and Ms Smith who took us on the day, as well as Ms Mason and Ms Anikeev who trained us.

Addi C and Ruby

Visual Arts

Year Three: Impressionist Painting



Indoor Activities



GARDEN CLUB

This term we were very fortunate to be granted trees as part of Western Water Trees for Schools Program. We had fun preparing the ground, learning about the different tree species, protecting and watering the homes of our new trees.



Indoor Activities

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)

Canteen

We're Getting the Term 4 Roster Together...



SHORT SHIFTS AVAILABLE

VOLUNTEERS DESPERATELY REQUIRED

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

- ➔ 9am-9:30am Receive & Sort Tubs/Food Prep x1
- ➔ 9:30am-10am Trolley up Frozen Food x1
- ➔ 10am-10:30am Prep Drinks Tubs x1
- ➔ 10:30am-11am Make Popcorn & Hot Chocolate 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 W.W.C.C.**

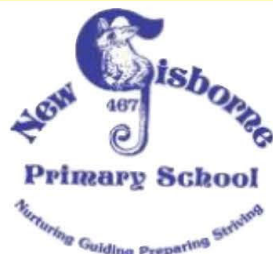
Bring a Friend*

So, Come On, Let Us See You Shake Your Tail Feather!

Please visit/contact Lana in the Canteen or email lane.sanford@education.vic.gov.au with your availability

Canteen

Your child loves seeing YOU in their Canteen... Will you help next 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			
WED 8 OCT	*	*	*	*
FRI 10 OCT	*	*	*	*
WED 15 OCT	*	*	*	*
FRI 17 OCT	Emma	*	*	*
WED 22 OCT	*	*	*	*
FRI 24 OCT	*	*	*	*
WED 29 OCT	*	*	*	*
FRI 31 OCT	Emma	*	*	*
WED 5 NOV	*	*	*	*
FRI 7 NOV	*	*	*	*
WED 12 NOV	*	*	*	*
FRI 14 NOV	Emma	*	*	*
WED 19 NOV	*	*	*	*
FRI 21 NOV	*	*	*	*
WED 26 NOV	*	*	*	*
FRI 28 NOV	Emma	*	*	*
WED 3 DEC	*	*	*	*
FRI 5 DEC	*	*	*	*
WED 10 DEC	Sarah H	*	*	*
FRI 12 DEC	Emma	*	*	*
WED 16 DEC	Sarah H	*	*	*
FRI 19 DEC	Sarah H	*	*	*

Uniform Shop

Lost Property

FREE BOMBER AND POLAR FLEECE JACKETS FROM LOST PROPERTY.

There are quite a few school jackets in lost property which are unnamed or have been handed down and not renamed.

There is also a lot of personal clothing in lost property including jackets, trackpants, a knee support bandage, a Swinburne Avenue sweater, numerous containers, lunch bags and drink bottles.

Please come by and have a look.

ALL ITEMS WILL BE DONATED AT THE END OF THIS TERM.

Please remember to label all clothing



Community



**SUNBURY
AGRICULTURAL
SHOW**

SUNBURY RECREATION RESERVE
CLARKE OVAL

OCT 11TH 2025

PROUDLY
SUPPORTED BY:
HUME CITY COUNCIL

SUNBURY SHOW.AU
FOR MORE INFORMATION

 **SUNBURY SHOW**





LYRICS BY
TIM RICE

MUSIC BY
ANDREW LLOYD
WEBBER

FRI. SAT. SUN
3 - 26 OCTOBER

BLUESTONE THEATRE, KYNETON

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GISBORNE

ALL CREATURES GREAT & SMALL

**SPRING
FAIR**

& BLESSING OF THE PETS @ 11AM

SATURDAY

4th October
10AM - 2PM

IN THE PARISH HALL
CNR FISHER ST & BRANTOME ST,
GISBORNE



THE MOUNT PLAYERS
PRESENTS

by special arrangement with Origin Theatrical

7 - 23 NOV 2025

PUFFS

OR

SEVEN INCREASINGLY EVENTFUL YEARS
AT A CERTAIN SCHOOL OF MAGIC AND MAGIC

A PLAY FOR YOUNG WIZARDS

WRITTEN BY **MATT COX**

DIRECTED BY **CRAIG LENANE-SMITH**

Tickets: www.themountplayers.com or call 0419 329052
Mountview Theatre, 56 Smith St, Macedon



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HORSIN' AROUND

Holiday Workshops and Sessions

10am 'til 2pm \$200

ARRANGE A CUSTOMISED SESSION

Fun Equine Assisted Learning Activities

Workshop: Tuesday 30th September - Tylden/Kyneton
 Individual, shared & group sessions available throughout holidays & school term
 A great way to learn life & social skills along with good horsepersonship skills in a small supportive group environment, outdoors in nature with horses.

- * catching & leading
- * led obstacle courses
- * horse communication
- * grooming & decorating
- * pony themed games
- * mounted riding activity

Equine Assisted Learning can help with self regulation, over coming anxiety, gaining confidence, increased social participation, boundary consciousness, improved physical/motor skills, positive/kind thinking and behaviour.

Contact Mel: 0402 842 233
 mel@applewoodequine.com.au
 Certified EAL Practitioner
 applewoodequine.com.au

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 Equine Assisted Learning

Living with wildlife Fledglings (baby birds)

Have you seen baby birds on the ground?

A fledgling is a young bird that has left the nest but is still learning to fly.

Did you know?

- Most fledglings don't need rescuing – their parents are nearby collecting food and watching them.
- Common fledglings you might see are magpies, ravens, butcherbirds and magpie-larks. They can spend up to two weeks on the ground.
- Birds like noisy miners, honeyeaters and wattlebirds usually stay in shrubs or lower branches of trees.
- Unlike other birds, Tawny Frogmouth fledglings should not be on the ground. It may have fallen from its nest. Call Wildlife Victoria for more information.



If a bird looks injured or you're unsure:

Contact Wildlife Victoria on (03) 8400 7300.
 Let's look after our local wildlife!

For further information, visit wildlifelifevictoria.org.au or mrsc.vic.gov.au/enviro



FIRE SEASON IS COMING ARE YOU READY?

Living in the Macedon Ranges means living with fire risk. With large forests, open farmland, and dry conditions, our region is highly vulnerable to fire — especially with the current rainfall deficit.

What you can do today:

- ✓ Slash long grass
- ✓ Rake up leaves, bark, and debris
- ✓ Remove woody weeds like gorse & blackberry
- ✓ Clear gutters, rubbish around homes, sheds and fences
- ✓ Keep your property maintained all summer
- ✓ Create or review your Fire Plan
- ✓ Have a plan for the first 72 hours

Preparation reduces risk — but it doesn't remove it. On hot, windy days, fire can still occur. That's why it's critical to have a Fire Plan and be ready to act early.

PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY | PROTECT YOUR FAMILY | START PREPARING TODAY



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 (Council resources)



Macedon Ranges
 Shire Council



cfa.vic.gov.au
 (Fire safety & planning)

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Term FOUR

Ford aussie hoops x MRBA

AUSSIE HOOPS

BEGINNERS 5 - 11 YEARS OLD

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

**8 WEEKS - 45 MINS SESSIONS
INTRODUCTION TO BASKETBALL**

SESSIONS

GISBORNE - MRSP
 WEDNESDAY - 4:30PM - 5:15PM
 WEDNESDAY - 5:15PM - 6:00PM
 - NEW ALL GIRLS SESSION -
 SATURDAY - 8:30AM - 9:15AM

WOODEND - BUFFALO
 FRIDAY - 4:45PM - 5:30PM
 SATURDAY - 8:30AM - 9:15AM
 SATURDAY - 9:15AM - 10:00AM
 - NEW ALL GIRLS SESSION -



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT - AUSSIEHOOPS@MRBA.ORG.AU

GIRLS & WOMENS COME AND TRY DAY




Come along for a fun,
no-pressure
introduction to
cricket!

 21st of September

 10:30-12pm

 Gardiner Reserve



AFL PLAY

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SORTED

SUNBURY

TUESDAY 23 SEPT, 9AM-3PM

BOARDMAN RESERVE OVAL 2, SUNBURY




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AFL PLAY

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SORTED

ROMSEY

THURSDAY 2ND OCTOBER, 9AM-3PM

ROMSEY RECREATION RESERVE, ROMSEY




PLAY.AFL/HOLIDAYPROGRAMS