



# PATCHWORK NEWS

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### JUNE

Tues 4th	Division Cross Country (Qualified Students)
Wed 5th	House Athletics Carnival - Morrison Reserve, Mt Evelyn
<b>Mon 10th</b>	<b>KINGS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>
Thurs 13th	Regional Cross Country
Thurs 13th	'Adults Only Night Out' at Burrinja - 7.30pm
Fri 21st	Student Reports Available on Compass
<b>Mon 24th</b>	<b>STUDENT FREE DAY - Parent/Teacher interviews</b>
Tues 25th	Winter Sports Gala Day (Yr 5/6)
Tues 25th	School Council Meeting - 7pm
Thurs 27th	Yr 5/6 Geography Showcase - Parents invited (5.30 - 6.30pm)
Fri 28th	Favourite Colour Dress Up Day Kindness Matters Buddy Bench Fundraiser (Qkr!)
<b>Fri 28th</b>	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM 2 - Early Finish</b> (2.20pm - Preps, Yr1 & Yr2) (2.30pm - Yr3/4 & Yr5/6)

### JULY

<b>Mon 15th</b>	<b>FIRST DAY OF TERM 3</b>
Wed 24th	Prep '100 days of School'
Fri 26th	Last day for 2025 Prep Enrolments to be submitted
Mon 29th	Yr 5/6 City Camp commences
Tues 28th	School Council Meeting - 6pm
Wed 31st	Yr 5/6 City Camp returns

## BELL TIMES

8:55am First Bell

9:00am Learning Begins

11-11:45am First Break

11:45-12pm Lunch eating time

2-2:30pm Second Break

3:20pm Prep & Yr1/2 Dismissal

3.30pm Yr 3-6 Dismissal





# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Hi everyone!

It is Week 8 already, but we still have 3 and a half weeks full of events left! This begins with our House Sports Carnival on Wednesday 5th June. I'm really excited to see all the students take part in a fun, active day of events. Plus, the weather forecast has improved – only up to 1mm rain in the afternoon, which is much better than last time!

Parent-Teacher Interviews are on the horizon with Monday 24th June a Curriculum Day to ensure we have more than enough time for every family to meet with classroom teachers. The online booking system will be sent out shortly for you to pick a time between 10am to 7pm. A reminder that Semester 1 Student Reports will be available on Compass on the Friday before, 21st June, so you can discuss your child's progress during the interview.

Building works have been making great progress lately. Our accessibility paths were completed at the front of the school, and the portion completed in our gardens has been opened up for students to resume using our gardens for lessons and exploring. The old Art portables were removed and earth works occurring for the new Art Centre. The foundations are already in for half of the new Learning Hub, which is still on track for end of year completion. And then the Stage 2 Roof Works have begun with the middle section deconstruction commencing. This stage should be complete in 6 to 8 weeks.

Back on the last day of Term 1 we had a Sod Turn for our capital works projects. To celebrate the Learning Hub, Art Centre and pathways projects, we had the Minister of Education, Ben Carroll, our local MP, Daniela De Martino, the Outer East Secretary, Clayton Sturzaker, and a number of other special guests attend the event. A big thank you to our current and former School Council members, including president Ange, for making these projects possible. We have been really fortunate to have so many of our wish-list grants for building works be approved. Many schools would love to have this opportunity for new buildings, and it will all feel well worth it soon when all of our students and school community are enjoying modern spaces that make the most of our nature-based focus.

Lastly, I wish to thank all the wonderful volunteers who supported our school at the recent Community Action Morning. So many enthusiastic families took part to tidy up areas and paint fences for us. I hope the pizza made it worth it! And, to all the volunteers that have helped us in other ways this term, we thank you for your support of our school.

Have a great June,

Jim



## REMINDERS

- Qkr! payments for the Yr 5/6 City Camp are due by Tuesday 18th June 2024.
- You will need to make arrangements to drop off and pick up students from Morrison Reserve Athletics Track in Mount Evelyn on Wednesday 5th June for the School House Carnival.
- Book Parent Teacher Meetings on Compass.
- Please make sure your contact / address details and photo permission are up to date with the office.

# Community Action Morning



What a fabulous morning we had on Saturday!

The sun was shining, the rain held off and the pizza oven was churning out pizzas to feed the masses.

In the briefest of moments, the gardens around the music room/eco-centre were lovingly restored, new plants replaced weeds, the igloo was dismantled and stumps arranged to provide nature-based learning spaces, the sandpit below the basketball court was renovated and filled with fresh sand, wood was split and stacked, cubby council signs were erected on the wetlands fence, the front school fence was partially painted, chook shed repairs were undertaken, paths were swept and leaves raked, pizza was prepared, cooked and eaten, and spirits were high – especially those of the children who were thrilled to explore, play, eat pizza and spend time being part of the action team making a difference.

Events such as these never fail to bring our community together and nourish our souls as we work alongside one another to make our school a better place.

Thank you for your generosity in offering your time, energy, enthusiasm, morning tea and pizza toppings, as well as your positive outlook and “can-do” attitude. The Patch school community always has, and always will be, the very heart of this school and Saturday morning was a great example of what this looks and feels like.

Thank you 😊

Michelle



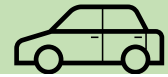




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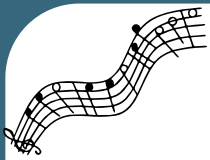
## Droff Off / Pick Up Reminder



To ease congestion and ensure a smooth flow of traffic that does not impact too greatly on our community please adhere to the following:

- Please move down as far as you can before dropping off or picking up your child/ren.
- Please do not arrive too early for pick up.
- If your child is not there, please continue around the ring road and do another lap to avoid holding others up.
- Please give way to those making a right turn into the school - this will help prevent traffic locking up in the driveway.
- Please adhere to the 10kph speed limit the whole way through the ring road for the safety of all.

Thank you all so much for your co-operation!



## NEVR CHOIR



We did it !

A magnificent performance last night at Hamer hall by 20 year 5 and 6 students as part of the North East Victoria region Choir and concert 'Sonic Canvas'.

We left travelled by train with Kallista PS (and our chameleon mascot) to a sound check and rehearsal in the morning and then headed to Southbank for sushi, ice creams and bubble tea for lunch. Next up was a walk along the Yarra and a play at Birrarung Marr playground, then back to the NGV for a quick visit and an impromptu performance as requested by one of the staff! We met our parents at 4pm and then met back together at Hamer hall at 6pm to get ready for the concert. We were blessed with gorgeous weather and very grateful to be involved in such an amazing event! So many incredible performances by secondary students in the concert.

Congratulations Patch students for all your efforts and to parents for supporting your students to be involved in making music. A huge shout out to Jess Dunn for supporting us at the event and rehearsals, to Angel for helping at the rehearsals at Parkhill and to Rebecca for helping out with supervision in for the afternoon. Leanne



## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS

Our school has an excellent extracurricular music program with 5 instrumental music teachers offering lessons on various instruments. All instrumental teachers are contractors, set their own fees and timetables. Music lessons can fill up quickly, so waiting lists are a possibility for some lessons. If you are interested in music lessons for your child/ren it is best to contact the teacher individually.

### Jess Dunn

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## Community Notices

Yarra Ranges Council

 Shape your future

# Have Your Say


2025-2029 Council Plan

Are you passionate about the Yarra Ranges and want to help shape its future? This year we will be developing our 2025-2029 Council Plan, as well as our longer-term Asset and Finance Plans, which will outline our high-level priorities for Council over the coming years. You can have your say or keep up to date with its progress by visiting [shaping.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/yarra-ranges-shape-your-future](http://shaping.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/yarra-ranges-shape-your-future).



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LEARN MORE ABOUT ART THERAPY WHILE ENGAGING IN THE MINDFUL PROCESS OF MAKING MANDALAS.

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ALL AGES WELCOME! CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.





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