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We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather today, the Gunaikurnai people. We pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging. We extend that respect to all people. We would especially like to acknowledge the land on which our school stands and ask everyone to show respect to the environment and all that it includes.



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- Launch Simon Everywhere and register with your name and mobile number
- Click Add School and locate your school from
 the list
- Enter your existing PAM credentials





Dear Families and Friends,

Welcome to the beginning of a new year, a fresh start for all! While there are still restrictions in place, we feel confident that they will ease providing the return to school is without a major increase in positive COVID cases. It is the Victorian government's policy to use remote schooling as a last resort this year so we have some confidence that student's learning will be less disruptive in 2022.

As we begin a new year we have many **new faces around school**. We would like to offer a big welcome to the following students and their families; Charlotte Wheeler in Year 3 Blue, Lucas Brownette in Year 3 Red, Austin Brownette in 5 Blue, Harper-Jade Squires in Year 4 Blue and Sarah-Jane McIlroy in Year 6 Red. We also welcome the following students in foundation.

Eden Beshay	Tate Bulmer
Kobii Condon	Alexandra Drew
Jaimie Corrie	Baylee Fredricks
Parker Costigan	Lashani Hayes-Squires
Annabelle Coventry	Max Howden
Jesse Downing	Charlotte James
Evie Friend	Darby Kenworthy-Smith
Allira Grech	Jackson Lawrence
Oliver Grech	Rocco Mazzitelli
Thomas Hayes	Evelyn McMillan
Sophie McTighe	August Neal
Chester Morrison	Ella O'Rourke
Abel Nally	Maddison Pick
Tanner O'Donnell	Chad Richardson
Charlotte Pollard	Mahlee Roberts
Brooklyn Richards	Harper Scicluna
Ella Wright	Kade Watson
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Our staff are extremely well-organised and are looking forward to delivering an exciting curriculum to our students. Each year level began superbly this week and we look forward to a prosperous year. This year we welcome one new staff member, **Melissa Terry in Year Six Blue**. Melissa is an outstanding young teacher with particular strength in delivering learning adjustments to students. We are excited to have her join our team and I know you will join us in making her feel welcome. Parents will get the opportunity to meet with their child's teacher in week 6 during our Collaborative Conferences. Parent Curriculum Evenings will not be conducted this year.

We are very much looking forward to working with a stellar team of year six leaders. All students will be involved in a leadership role this year including Events, Social Justice and Environment Leaders. Our school/House Captains for 2022 are:

Indigenous School Captain: Jaxom Hooper-Byrne

School Captains: Tulli McLeod and Daniyal Kashif

Blue House Captains: Lucas Hanckel and Connor Guillot

Green House Captains: Lachlan Ymer and Sadie Stevens

Red House Captains: Kye Piper and Sophie Lina

Yellow House Captains: Jade Frost and Lily Mills

The leadership badges will be presented to students at our first assembly.

This year, lunch orders will be available from **Nick's Restaurant**. Lunch orders are required to be in on Thursday morning. We look forward to working with Eddie and the team and hope your child will experiment with the food on offer.

Parents, in relation to pickup at the end of the day, please consider the following requests:

- Please make sure your child knows the pick-up arrangement for the end of each day. If for some reason your circumstances change you need to let our office staff know before 12.00pm. Late notices can be disruptive to students and staff.
- If using car line at the end of the day, please be considerate of our neighbours on Eastern Beach Rd. Try to avoid parking in front of driveways.
- Please wait at gates if using the office, highway or church entrance pick-ups. For child safety reasons, parents are not allowed to enter school grounds until 3.15pm

Due to current restrictions, we have had to schedule our **swimming carnival** at an open pool in Bairnsdale. While this carnival will be conducted to prepare our team for the District Carnival we will aim to provide a novelties and short course swimming carnival late in the term.

Please remember to collect your Rapid Antigen Test kits from our office. When the second round of kits arrive, we will inform all parents of the collection times.

Please remember to send your child to school in the correct uniform, this prevents them being questioned about it during the day.

Have a terrific year,

Matthew Hamer



Social and Emotional Wellbeing

As part of my Wellbeing role, I am available to meet with children on a regular basis to talk about any issues or concerns they might have and to discuss some strategies that could help.

The sessions will be delivered to individuals or in small groups of 2-4 children, depending upon need. The sessions aim to build self-esteem and an awareness of feelings and emotions. We do this through discussion, art, mindfulness and meditation.

If you think your child would benefit from these sessions or you have any questions please contact me at school.

Debby Milburn

		Dates for the Calendar
Term 1	FEBRUARY 2022	
Week 3	Tuesday 8th	Cyber safety sessions 3-6
	Wednesday 9th	Foundation Pupil Free Day
		Swimming Competition 3-6 - Bairnsdale
Week 4	Monday 14th	Cyber safety sessions 3-6
	Wednesday 16th	Foundation Pupil Free Day
	Thursday 17th	District Swimming Carnival
	Friday 18th	2.30pm Assembly : School Captains

THE OFFICIAL SCHOOL HAT IS COMPULSORY and is to be worn by every child during all outdoor activities in Term One and Four. **No Hat - No Play** Please name your child's hat.

Have you moved? Have you changed your mobile number? Do you have a new email address?

If so, please contact the school and update your details.



March 5th

School Absences:

To report a student absence please use the **Parent Notified Absences** function on **PAM**.



Baptism Information Sessions for 2022 for babies & preschoolers

Saturdays @ 11am in St Brendan's Church

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Parent Notified Absences Click here to enter.

Please do NOT reply to you absence reminder text. Go to PAM and lodge a parent Notified Absence.

April 2ndMay - nilJune - nilJuly 2ndAug 6thSept 3rd

Oct 1st Nov 5th

St Brendan's & St Colman's Catholic Church - Mass Times

1.00pm

11.00am

9.30am 9.30am 9.30am 9.00am 11.00am

Mon:	7/2	St Colman's	Orbost	
		Funeral Prayers - Aileen Stevens		
Tues:	8/2	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	
		Funeral Mass - Ivor Foenander		
Wed:	9/2	St Colman's	Orbost	
Fri:	11/2	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	
Sat:	12/2	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	
Sun:	13/2	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	
		St Colman's	Orbost	
		St Peter's	Mallacoota	

St Peter's Mallacoota 3.00pm COVID-19..... REGIONAL VICTORIA: Religious gatherings and ceremonies—COVID protocols include wearing of masks indoors and QR code or manual registration is required.



2022 SCHOOL FEE STRUCTURE

TOTAL				
CAPITAL LEVY	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
SCHOOL FEES TUITION LEVY EXCURSIONS	1 CHILD FAMILY \$875.00 \$180.00 \$ 51.00	2 CHILD FAMILY \$960.00 \$360.00 \$102.00	3 CHILD FAMILY \$1040.00 \$540.00 \$153.00	4 CHILD FAMILY \$1121.00 \$720.00 \$204.00

PAYMENT BREAKDOWN OF SCHOOL FEES ONLY:

PER	FAMILY \$875	FAMILY \$960	FAMILY \$1040	FAMILY \$1121
WEEK Based on 40 school weeks	\$21.88	\$24.00	\$26.00	\$28.03
FORTNIGHT Based on 20 school fortnights	\$43.76	\$48.00	\$52.00	\$56.06
MONTH Based on 11 months	\$79.55	\$87.28	\$94.55	\$101.91
TERM Based on 4 terms	\$218.75	\$240.00	\$260.00	\$280.25

Last payment date for Tuition Levy (including Stationery): Friday, 4th February.

Last payment date for Excursion & Capital Levy: Friday, 4th March.

Last payment date for School Fees: Friday 25th November.

2022 BOOKLISTS

The cost for the Tuition Levy (including Stationery) for 2022 will be **\$180.00 per child.** You are required to pay for the Tuition Levy by **Friday, 4th February.** Please note the school will be open from Monday, 31st January. Please come and update medical forms and other relevant contact details to ensure all details are correct to commence the school year.

As the orders have been placed on a grade basis, your child's teacher will distribute the items within the first week of school. These items are basic requirements and are compulsory for each child.

Teachers have specific needs they have catered for within their planning - e.g. - pencil type and size, paper and line sizes. We have also been able to take advantage of bulk buying prices. We are certain you will be more than happy with the quality of goods and the value for money.

We trust that parents will make every effort to pay for their child's requirements by the date mentioned above. The school will be invoiced within the first week of school so we seek your assistance in paying promptly.

<u>COMPULSORY ITEMS TO BE SUPPLIED FOR</u> <u>EACH CHILD BY PARENTS.</u>

(The following items are not included in ordering by the school)

Please ensure your child brings the following to school on the first day of Term 1:

- An Art Smock/Shirt with sleeves
- Colouring activity book (to be used on wet days (Year 1-4)
- Library Bag (available from the school office \$8.00 each)
- Pencil Case (Pencils will be provided at school)

Please note that a reminder letter will be sent in Week 4 if these items have not been received as it is essential all parents send these items in.

UNIFORM

This is an important requirement and must be worn by every child each day.

Your support in this matter is paramount to its effectiveness.

We pride ourselves on our uniform and need the support of all families in ensuring that this policy is strictly adhered to.

UNIFORM ITEMS - Available from Nick's in Bairnsdale

Most items are regulation, meaning that the school has determined the style or manufacture.

Regulation Summer Uniform:

Boys

Girls

Boys Blue Short Sleeve Shirt Stubbies shorts (grey) Bomber jacket (with emblem) Polar Fleece Jacket (with emblem) Royal blue school hat (with emblem) Grey socks (**no logos**) Black leather school shoes/boots

Summer dress/Summer shorts and shirt

Bomber Jacket (with emblem) Polar Fleece Jacket (with emblem) Royal blue school hat (with emblem) White school socks (**no logos**) Black leather school shoes or Buckle/lace-up/T-bar



Regulation Sports Uniform:Boys and GirlsBlue polo shirt with emblem (Short Sleeve)Navy track pants (in winter) without logosBlack Basketball shorts (in summer), Skorts GirlsBomber Jacket Polar Fleece Jacket (with emblem)White sports socks – below ankle footlet style not acceptable—no logos.Running shoes (not skate or fashion shoes)

BLACK LEATHER SCHOOL SHOES are to be worn with dress uniform on Monday and Tuesday. Tennis/sports socks **are not** permitted to be worn with school shoes. Black pull-on boots are acceptable. High heeled shoes are not acceptable as they pose a health risk for children.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM - Some second hand uniform is available from St Brendan's Op Shop in Bulmer Street



PLEASE NOTE CHANGE TO SOCKS: STUDENTS ARE NOT TO WEAR SOCKS WITH LOGOS. SOCKS MUST BE ABOVE THE ANKLE (NO ANKLE OR FOOTLET SOCKS)



Swan Reach Football Netball Club

The Swan Reach Football Netball Club is delighted to be heading into the 2022 season and would like to invite everyone to get involved and join us to play this year! We are affiliated with the Omeo & District Football Netball League, and will be fielding the following junior teams to play alongside our Senior Football & Netball program:

FOOTBRUL NETBALL

- Under 16s Football
- Under 18s Netball
- Under 12s Netball

If you're interested in playing this year, please contact Jaide Stevens on 0408 157 114, or at <u>srfnc.secretary@gmail.com</u>. Or come along to training on Wednesdays at 6pm from 9th Feb.

We are looking forward to seeing you on the field this year!

2023 Scholarships at Nagle College are now open. Full details of our Scholarship program can be found on our website at <u>https://www.nagle.vic.edu.au/enrolment/scholarships</u>.

Applications will be accepted until the closing date which is Friday 4 March 2022.

Families with children currently in Year 5 need to apply for the 2023 Scholarships.



Dear families,

The best gift any parent can give a child is the love of books and the joy and benefits of independent reading for fun. Children who read at home, or are read to, have a head start on reading success in school.

Our school is participating in Scholastic Book Club this year. Up to twice a term, during the school year, we will send home the Book Club catalogue with a different selection of books offered for all ages.

You'll find award-winning books and bestsellers, as well as old and new favourites. We recommend them because the books span a wide range of children's reading levels and interests and are inexpensive (some books cost as little as \$2).

It is easy to order. The Book Club LOOP platform for parents allows you to pay by credit card. Your child's order is submitted directly to school and the books will be delivered to class. You can place your child's order at scholastic.com.au/loop or by using the LOOP app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

Owning your own books is something special! We hope that you will encourage your child to order books this year. Each order helps earn free books and teaching materials for our school, however there is never any obligation to order. We know of no better way to encourage reading than to allow children to choose the books they want to read.

Kind regards,

Katrina Wykes (Library)

Book Club Coordinator







LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents. To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP







Junior LEGO enthusiasts are invited to attend our after-school LEGO Club sessions

The sessions incorporate freestyle creativity and themed construction activities. **Donations welcome**

The library will glodly accept donations of old or new LEGO brand pieces for our LEGO Club collection.

Children aged six and under must be accompanied by an adult.



Lakes Entrance

Service Centre 3.40 pm – 4.40 pm Every Wednesday Except School Holidays

For more information, phone 5152 4225 or ask in person at the library about these FREE sessions.

GET YOUR KIDS VACCINATED AGAINST COVID-19 AT

Bairnsdale Primary School

COVID-19 vaccines are now available to children aged 5 to 11

Bairnsdale Primary School will be hosting a COVID-19 vaccination clinic where children aged 5 to 11 can get vaccinated in a safe, welcoming environment.

The school is located at 330 - 370 Main Street, Bairnsdale with the clinic operating on: • Saturday 5 February 9am - 3pm

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 Sunday 6 February 9am - 3pm

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This clinic is accessible to people with disabilities.

Bookings and walk-ins are available.

Children aged 5 to 11 will receive a smaller dose of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. Parents and guardians can also receive their booster doses, if they are eligible. Medical staff and experienced immunisers will be on hand to make your

child's vaccination a positive, comfortable experience. Getting kids vaccingted against COVID-19 does more than protect them

Getting kids vaccinated against COVID-19 does more than protect them from serious illness – it helps protect their parents and carers, friends, school and community.



To make a booking

Scan the QR code to make a booking online.

Log in or create an account. Book by searching for school name: Bairnsdale Primary School

You can also book by calling the Victorian Coronavirus Hotline on 1800 675 398.

