St Brendan's Primary School 1581

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Newsletter No 40 December 14th, 2022



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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.

Wishing everyone in the St Brendan's School and community, a very Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and safe New Year.





Dear Parent/Guardian,

RE: End of the 2022 School Year

As the year comes to pass, we take time to reflect, take stock of our achievements and be grateful for the people we have met and the good times we enjoyed. Like the weather this year I feel as though we have worked through a variety of conditions. Coming out of the pandemic, we have worked hard to rebuild our stamina and to find better, more efficient ways to go about our practice. We have paid close attention to the needs of the students, working in partnership with The Resilience Project, re-teaching behaviours and overall making learning adjustments to set our students up for success.

Mid-year we were thrilled when the State NAPLAN results for 2022 were released. Our academic goal has been to meet and exceed the State NAPLAN mean of Victoria and we did so in six of the ten assessment areas. This is pleasing feedback to our staff and validation that we are on the right track. We are also seeing very positive trends in our PAT data and writing end-line data.

Across the school, our Whole School Approach to Positive Behaviour Support is really getting results as students appear so happy and content in their play. There is very little conflict in the yard and boys and girls play together regularly in games of four-square and soccer. In general, student confidence is

visibly on the way up.

At the end of this year we farewell Debby Milburn. Debby has been a wonderful teacher, colleague and friend over 21 years at St Brendan's. Her influence and contributions will not be forgotten and we wish her every success in her retirement. Amy Balcombe began her teaching career here and leaves after 10 years of service. Amy has left a lasting impression on many young lives and we wish her well in her move to Canberra. We also say goodbye to Jo-Lee Kennedy who has done a wonderful job in a number of roles for our school, most prominently as our art teacher over the last couple of years. We farewell and thank Ashleigh Wust, Kymberly Seccull and Rourke Delany for their dedicated work this year and hope to see Jo, Ash, Kym and Rourke back next year as casual relief staff.

In 2023, St Brendan's will receive funding to employ a Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader to promote a whole school approach to mental health and wellbeing for students, staff and families. The position of Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader will be funded at 0.4 FTE for all catholic schools who are eligible. We have approached Sarah McGuinness to fill this position and she has accepted. After many years in the classroom, Leesa Thompson will take up the role as Art teacher for 2023.



Being such a creative person, we are sure Leesa will thrive in this area.

Next year we are pleased to welcome Christiane Bromilow (Year Six), Madison Schulz (Year 1/2), Hannah Neal (Year 1/2) and Pauline McAteer returns from leave. We are excited to be working with all these people as they bring their own creativity and enthusiasm to their roles.

On Wednesday, 14 December we said goodbye and good luck to our graduating class of 2022 with a Mass and presentation morning. It was an intimate and appropriate send-off and during the ceremony we congratulated the following students with the subsequent awards.





Award Recipients for 2022: Father Shanley Bursary: Charlotte Richardson Sr Maureen Philps Award: Lachlan Ymer Sporting School Victoria Winner: Tayte Gibbs Wally Art Award: Aivah Bulmer





After a well-deserved break we look forward to next year with enthusiasm. In 2023, we will reintroduce the Parents and Friends Committee and invite all parents to join us in continuing to build on the healthy culture we have at St Brendan's CPS.

All students commence school on Wednesday, 2 February 2023.

For the beginning of 2023, foundation students are required to attend a beginning of year assessment interview on one of the following days: **Monday, 31 January or Tuesday, 1 February.** A letter detailing each student's interview time has been emailed to parents.

I wish you all a safe and rewarding holiday, and with any luck, plenty of sunshine. Best wishes,

Matthew Hamer



		Dates for the Calendar
Term 4	DECEMBER 2022	
Week 11	Thursday 15th	Last day of Term 4
Term 1	JANUARY 2023	
	Monday 2nd January	School Photos can now be ordered online.
Week 1	Thursday 26th	Australia Day
	Friday 27th	Teachers commence
Week 2	Monday 30th	Curriculum Day—No Students Foundation Assessment Days
	Tuesday 31st	Curriculum Day—No Students Foundation Assessment Days
	FEBRUARY 2023	
	Wednesday 1st	Students commence Term 1 – 2023
Week 3	Monday 6th	School Photos
Week 8	Monday 13th March	Labour Day—No school
Week 11	Thursday 6th April	End Term 2—2.15pm
	Friday 7th April	Good Friday

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



Fri:	16/12	St Brendan's Anoi	Lakes Entrance nting Mass	3.00pm
Sat:	17/12	St Dymphna's	Buchan	9.00am
		St Joseph's	Swan Reach	5.00pm
Sun:	18/12	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00am
		St Colman's	Orbost	11.00am
Tue:	20/12	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30am
Wed:	21/12	St Coleman's	Orbost	9.30am
Fri:	23/12	St Brendan' s	Lakes Entrance	9.30am
Sat:	24/12	St Peter's	Mallacoota	12.00 Noon
		St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	6.00pm
Sun:	25/12	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00am
		St Colman's	Orbost	9.00am
		St Joseph's	Swan Reach	11.00am
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Thanks for buying books from



End Semester 2, 2022 reports. Parents can access the reports via PAM. In PAM, select your child, from the Profile Menu select Assessment Reports, Select report to download.



PAM users that do use SIMON Everywhere

Dear Parents,



In January 2023, your SIMON Everywhere /PAM account will be undergoing a major upgrade to provide greater security and other improved functionality.

During the week of the 16th of January 2023, your current SIMON Everywhere/PAM account will cease to function.

New PAM accounts will then be created by your school, and you will receive an email asking you to create new credentials for a new PAM account.

This will be as simple as:

- clicking on the link provided in the email
- following the prompts to create a new password for your new account.
- opening the SIMON Everywhere app and log out of your old account
- navigating to the "Tools" menu in SIMON Everywhere and then "Add School"
- finding your school on the list and clicking on the "Login" button for Parent Access
- using your new credentials to log into your new PAM account via SIMON Everywhere

Your username will be your email address.

Your SIMON Everywhere/PAM interface will not look any different, but you may receive an account per parent if you were previously sharing an account with your spouse.

PAM users that do not use SIMON Everywhere



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Please refer to the below FAQs for further information:

1. We have a single, family email address that is used by both parents. Is that still ok?

 If the parents both use the same email address, you will only receive a PAM account for one parent.

Example single email:

Parent 1 - Mother - Mrs Joanne Smith - jandcsmith@myemail.com

Parent 2 - Father - Mr Chris Smith - jandcsmith@myemail.com

A PAM ACCOUNT CAN ONLY BE ASSIGNED TO ONE PARENT, who can then share their login credentials with their spouse.

2. I do not have an email address OR have not provided my email address to the school.

Parents with no email address provided cannot have a PAM account

3. Will any historic data be lost in this process?

- While no data will be lost in this process, it is possible that some information may become disconnected from the new account, such as historic letters, historic excursion permission and historic parent notified absences.
- You may have to review your personal details (Medicare number etc) if you previously had split access with another parent to your child's medical information.
- You will definitely still be able to access historic student assessment reports and learning area assessment tasks. However, access to historical parent reflections may be lost if the school has chosen to not allow parents to see reflections by other parent accounts attached to that student.

4. What do I need to do now?

• This letter is to simply let you know about the changes that are coming. Right now, the best thing you can do is make sure that the school has your preferred email address on file.

5. What do I need to do in January?

- Be aware that your current PAM account will stop working as of the 16th of January.
- Look out for the email later in that week asking you to set up credentials for your new account (this may go to your junk/spam folder).

GOLDEN HONOUR AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students for receiving the Golden Honour Awards for Jerm 4, 2022

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Foundation Red	Tate Bulmer	For your excellent engagement towards your learning. You're always willing to contribute and have a go!
	Kade Watson	For amazing progress in many areas, including writing reading and number.
Foundation Blue	Sophie Jarrett	For all your achievements this semester, especially in writing and reading! You have a wonderful approach to learning, always trying your best and having a go!
	Chester Morrison	For the fabulous effort you put into your learning. You complete all tasks to the best of your ability and have shown great growth in all areas!
1 Red	Anelia Wyllie	For displaying great positivity, determination and effort as she enthusiastically tackles all learning tasks.
1Blue	Ollie Connally	For demonstrating outstanding academic growth over the duration of the year. Congratulations for demonstrating a great attitude and dedication to your learning.
2 Red	Isla Strong	For her outstanding results across her learning this year. Keep up the amazing work Isla.
	Jesse Gilbert	For his incredible achievements with his reading and writin this year! Keep up the amazing work Jesse!
2 Blue	Willow Watson	For having a Growth Mindset and always displaying the 3 Rs. Well done on an awesome year.
	Shilah McCormick	For being a bright, friendly, motivated and hardworking student. She can be very proud of her accomplishments. Good luck at your new school.
3 Red	Sadie Williams	For actively engaging in all writing lessons and applying feedback to improve. Your work ethic and determination are evident with each task you undertake.
	Lacey Lee	For displaying a strong work ethic in all subject areas. Your enthusiasm and passion is visible as you undertake tasks with a positive mindset.
3 Blue	Sienna Johnson	For her positive approach to learning, her continuous respectful manner and kindness to all. You are a great role model.
	Leon Alwyn	For his excellent progress and enthusiasm in all areas of his learning. Your thoughtful ideas promote excellent class discussions.
4 Red	Lani Bulmer	For her active participation in explicit teaching groups and acting on feedback to improve her literacy skills.
	Savannah Guillott	For her respect for others and greater engagement in her learning.
4 Blue	Isobel Mills	For her fantastic growth in Maths and always working hard to achieve a high standard.
	Lyra Nowell	For her amazing growth in Reading. Outstanding!
5 Red	, Taylah Williams	For terrific leadership, initiative and displaying the 3Rs constantly.
	Zac Elfrink	For outstanding growth in reading, leadership and always showing the 3Rs.
5 Blue	Seth Bowtell	For always making key contributions to class activities, consistently working well in class and excellent behaviour.
	Gabby Whelan	For always making great contributions to class activities, completing her work to the best of her ability and always having a positive attitude.
6 Red	Daniyal Kashif	For always working to the highest of his ability in all subjects, contributing to all discussions and completing all work to an exceptional standard.
	Harrison Walker	For always giving 100% effort to his work, being inquisitive and driven to produce a high standard of work everyday. Well done!
6 Blue	Kye Piper	For his hard work and dedication to improving his learning and leadership skills. For persisting through challenges and not giving up.
	Ashita Chhabra	For dedication to learning and leading others. For always holding herself to a high standard with kindness.
Art	Jessica Jarrett	For working enthusiastically in a focused way particularly on her clay wizard.
	Kiara Bownds	For working conscientiously and doing a fantastic job of her String art.
Sport	Jacob Silver	For outstanding individual effort in Athletics and sport lessons.
CTEAA	Sadie Stevens	For always giving her best in sport through her entire schooling.
STEM	Ashantii Hooper-Byrne	For her excitement and passion when in STEM lessons.
Mandard	Mia Hamer	For her problem solving and critical thinking in STEM.
Mandarin	Harrison Walker	For your positive attitude towards learning and enthusiasm to speak Mandarin in class. You consistently demonstrate your learnt words and phrases.
	Izabella Macauliffe- Ashworth	For you willingness to contribute to Mandarin conversation, taking risks and consistently focusing in class.
Deputy Principal	Jack Fry	For outstanding manners and friendly way you greet everyone everyday.
Year 6 School Leaders	Anabelle Nelsson	For using great manners. Showing consideration for others and being a happy and positive person.











Congratulations

On the weekend, two of our community members took big steps in their faith.

Tanner O'Donnell was baptised into the Catholic Church and Rhiannon Drew began her journey through the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program. We send them

both our prayers!



Wishing you joy at Christmas!

As we come to the end of our school year, we would like to thank you all for supporting your children and our own and wider communities, as we strive to put faith into action.

Thank you for attending Masses and class prayers, donating to our local and overseas charities, supporting those making the Sacraments, joining in our end of year family picnic or even just working though the discussions and prayers in the Faith reading journals. All are wonderful ways to help build a strong and vibrant community.





School Photos



School Photos will be held on Monday, 6th February 2023. Orders can be placed **after** January 1st 2023.

Please use the code below:

X3091EL50S



Santa visit









2023 SCHOOL YEAR COMMENCEMENT

Teachers begin on the Friday 27th January 2023.

School will commence on Wednesday 1st of February, 2023 for Foundation to Year Six students at 9.00am.

STARTING ARRANGEMENTS FOR FOUNDATION STUDENTS

Foundation children will commence on Wednesday, 1st February, 2023.

There will be **no school** for Foundation students on the following **Wednesdays** during February – 8th February, 15th February and 22nd February.

Foundation students are required to attend a beginning of year assessment interview on one of the following days:

Monday 30th January or Tuesday 31st January

Foundation children attend school on a full-time basis from Monday, 27th of February.

2023 TERM DATES

Term 1	Friday, 27th January	Friday, 6th April
	Friday, 27th January	Staff commence
	Wednesday, 1st February	Foundation to Year 6 students commence
Term 2	Wednesday, 26th April	Friday, 23rd June
Term 3	Monday, 10th July	Friday, 15th September
Term 4	Monday, 2nd October	Wednesday, 20th December

SCHOOL HOURS

8.57 am	Line up music
9.00 am	Classes commence
10.35 am	Morning recess
11.10 am	Classes resume
12.55 pm	Lunch recess
1.35 pm	Classes resume
3.15 pm	Dismissal

Together we achieve

	2023 SCHOOL FEE STRUCTURE			
	1 CHILD	2 CHILD	3 CHILD	4CHILD
	FAMILY	FAMILY	FAMILY	FAMILY
SCHOOL FEES	\$ 912.00	\$ 999.00	\$ 1082.00	\$ 1166.00
TUITION LEVY	\$ 188.00	\$ 376.00	\$ 564.00	\$ 752.00
INC.STATIONERY				
EXCURSIONS	\$ 53.00	\$ 106.00	\$ 159.00	\$ 212.00
CAPITAL LEVY	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
TOTAL	\$1183.00	\$1511.00	\$1835.00	\$2160.00

Payments for fees may be made either by EFTPOS, cash, cheque or direct debit. Please enquire at the office if you wish to set up a direct debit. If you are experiencing difficulty paying fees feel free to contact the Principal to discuss alternative arrangements.

Payment Breakdown of School Fees Only:				
PER	FAMILY \$912	FAMILY \$999	FAMILY \$1082	FAMILY \$1166
WEEK Based on 40 school weeks	\$22.80	\$24.98	\$27.05	\$29.15
FORTNIGHT Based on 20 school fortnights	\$45.60	\$49.95	\$54.10	\$58.30
MONTH Based on 11 months	\$82.90	\$90.82	\$98.36	\$106.00
TERM Based on 4 terms	\$228.00	\$249.75	\$270.50	\$291.50

Fee Concessions – Health Concession Card holders are eligible to apply for fee concessions. Please notify the office if you are a current card holder. A letter will then be sent home notifying eligible families of the procedure.

Last payment date for Tuition Levy, including Stationery is Wednesday, 8th February, 2023.

Last payment date for Excursion & Capital Levy is Friday, 24th February, 2023.

Fee Statements will be sent to families at end of March, June, August and October

Last payment for School Fees: Friday, 24th November, 2023.





Stay connected with *your child's* learning through *Seesaw*.

Seesaw



St Brendan's Op Shop has second hand school uniform available. School uniform available \$3.00 per item unless otherwise marked

Open 10am-3pm Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.



	If you have a disability and live in the East Gippsland region, we welcome you to come and join in on one of our open days where you will explore a bunch of exciting activities. Snacks will be provided! *Please note: Parent/carer supervision is required*					
	Date	Time	Activity			
	Friday 19th August	3pm - 5pm	Science Activities			
1	Friday 9th September	3pm - 5pm	Arty Party!			
	Friday 21st October	3pm - 5pm	Master Lego Competition			
	Friday 18th November	3pm - 5pm	Fun with Food!			
	Friday 16th December	3pm - 5pm	Christmas Party			

FRI-YAY'S

COME AND TRY NOW

Why MyTime?

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MyTime is for parents and carers of a child with a disability, chronic medical condition or other additional needs including developmental delay.

FIND US AT:

Bairnsdale Uniting Church 710 Lanes Road Lucknow

CONTACT:

Meet Fridays fortnightly 10am- 12pm and 12.30-2.30pm Ph Rose McKenna 0466107092



MyTime

Bairnsdale

Unwind and

share experiences

with others who

understand





PlayConnect Playgroup

REGISTERED NDIS PROVIDER

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Is a weekly facilitated playgroup for children aged 0-6 with Autism Spectrum disorder characteristics or a Developmental Delay. This group is available to support families, their child and siblings. Your child does not need a diagnosis to attend

Wednesdays, 10.00am - 12.00pm

Uniting Church Bairnsdale 710 Lanes Road Lucknow

Enquiries to Kirralee : 0409096587

Come along to connect with other families for information on services whilst participating with your child/children in activities specifically suited to children with additional needs.



mytime.net.au



Picnic at the Park and WynCity HOP East

Enjoy your packed lunch and a play at the Newman Park Playground in Traralgon before heading to WynCity Morwell for a game of bowling, a round of Glow in the Dark Mini Golf and some Arcade fun!

DATE

📀 Tuesday 17th January 2023

LOCATION

 Interchange Gippsland East, Newman Park Traralgon, WynCity Morwell

OUT OF POCKET COST

- 🤣 \$30
- NDIS plan charges will be discussed with you to ensure your specific support needs are met

WHAT TO PACK

- Medication and medication forms
- 👩 Packed lunch
- Weather appropriate clothing (hat and sunscreen)
- Mone
- Water bottle





Time Table

ICG Office	Drop - off	Pick - up
Bairnsdale	9:30am	4:30pm

NDIS Benefits and Outcomes

- Social participation in the community
- Meet new people and develop friendships
- Increase your capacity to access your local community
- Development of your life and independent living skills
- 📀 Improve and develop your communication skills
- Opportunity to access new activities and try new things Selfcare for carers and participants





HOP East

Movie Morning and Picnic in the Park

Enjoy a movie on the big screen and lunch and a play at the playground!

DATE

📀 Tuesday 10th January 2023

LOCATION

Interchange Gippsland Bairnsdale office, Sun Cinema Bairnsdale, All Abilities Playground Bairnsdale

OUT OF POCKET COST

- 🧑 \$25 (for cinema ticket, small drink and popcorn
- NDIS plan charges will be discussed with you to ensure your specific support needs are met

WHAT TO PACK

- Medication and medication forms
- o Packed lunch
- Weather appropriate clothing (hat and sunscreen)
- 🥥 Water bottle



Timetable



NDIS Benefits and Outcomes

- Social participation in the community
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- Increase your capacity to access your local community
- Development of your life and independent living skills
- Improve and develop your communication skills
 Opportunity to access new activities and try new things
- Selfcare for carers and participants
 - For further information please contact us or

scan the QR code

📢 1300 736 765 🛛 🔲 www.icg.asn.au









FEES

Subsidy. This subsidy will determine your actual fees. Please contact the Family Assistance Office (FAO) on 13 61 50 to find out more about your entitlements.

Additional payment is required for excursions and some incursions. Please note: These costs will be added to your child's fee,

HOURS OF OPERATION

8am to 6pm

WHAT TO BRING



Drink Lunch

Shoes Clothes

Spare



Bag



Vacation Care Program January School Holidays 2023

Operating from the Lakes Entrance Primary School (Lambert street access).

PH: 5144 6952 info@gumnutselc.vic.edu.au

WEEK ONE

Monday 16th January: Water play day

Summer is here, which means so is the warmer weather. Today we will be having a water play day where the children can bring in water pistols, we will have a slippery slide set up and water stations to refill modes of water equipment. Please send your child with bathers, towel and a hat, lunch and snacks to last the day.

Tuesday 17th January : Tie dye day

Let's be creative and make bold and bright colourful clothing. This is an experience that can't be missed. We will have a white t-shirt for each child, but you're more than welcome to bring in other items of clothing to tie dye Please send lunch and snacks for the day. Cost \$10pp

Wednesday 18th January: Eastern Beach playground and beach

We will walk to Eastern beach playground and engage in some games and play on the playground, before heading over to the beach to build sandcastles and wet our feet in the water. Please send a change of clothes and towel in case they get wet, lunch and snacks for the day.

Thursday 19th January: Aquadome and inflatable

We will walk to the aqua dome, leaving the service by 10am. When at the aqua dome the children will have access to the inflatable slides and climbing equipment. Please pack lunch and lots of snacks for energy for this day as we will be eating at the pool. We will then leave the pool at 3pm. Children can be collected at the pool prior to 3pm or back at the service after 3.30pm. Cost \$10pp

Friday 20th January: Arts and craft/sports

Today the children will have full access to all things craft and also the sporting equipment for those children that love to be outdoors. We will enjoy a BBQ lunch for this day so play just send lots of snacks to refuel throughout the day. Lunch will be provided. \$50p

WEEK TWO

Monday 23rd January: Cooking

The children will be involved in cooking our healthy snacks and lunch for the day. We have engaged Andrea from GLCH (Stephanie Alexander program) to help with delivering an educational cooking experience. For those children not interested in cooking there will be alternate activities to engage in, with full access to all equipment. \$5pp

Tuesday 24th January: Water play day

Summer is here, which means so is the warmer weather. Today we will be having a water play day where the children can bring in water pistols, we will have a slippery slide set up and water stations to refill modes of water equipment. Please send your child with bathers, towel and a hat, Lunch and snacks for the duration of the day.

Wednesday 25th January: Cinema and all abilities playground

We will be catching a bus to Bairnsdale cinema to relax and enjoy a movie with popcom and a drink. The children will need a packed lunch for this day and plenty of water and snacks to keep refuelled as we will be stopping at the all abilities playground for lunch and a play before heading back to the service. Cost \$30pp

Thursday 26th January: Public holiday (no care available)

This is a public holiday so we will be closed

Friday 27th January: End of holidays party/Disco It's always nice to finish the holiday program with a party day. We will have popcorn and a movie, disco with disco lights and a jukebox and karaoke machine. We will enjoy party food for lunch so please pack snacks to last the day. \$15pp

If you need to contact the Vacation Care directly, we can be contacted on 0493 364 179

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PLEASE NOTE:

During the program children participate in spontaneous and planned cooking experiences which may include light lunch servings or afternoon tea items. <u>On these</u> days your child will still need to bring their own lunch an enough food to last the whole day.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: If your child does not attend on a day they have been booked in, you will still be charged for the day unless 48hours notice is given for a cancellation.

Please ensure that your child has a sufficient amount of food packed to keep them sustained for the day. We also encourage children to bring a drink bottle filled with water only. (Please refer to our Healthy Eating policy.)

This program is <u>subject to change</u> depending on the following circumstances: *Covid-19 restrictions*, severe/code red weather, numbers of children and availability of extra-curricular activities. Prices for excursions may also change. <u>Staff will notify you of any changes</u>

To book a place for your child in our Vacation Care program, please contact our office on 5144 6952

> Alternatively, please contact us via email at: info@gumnutselc.vic.edu.au

ADVENT SEASON 2022



The beautiful Season of Advent is approaching. Let us make the most of this precious time to gather in our parishes and communities to prepare for the coming of Jesus. Amid the flurry of Christmas preparations, it is good to look for practical ways to observe the holiness of the season in our everyday lives. Your invited to come join us in these 1-hour gatherings in person or via Zoom over a 4-week period.

We will be using an Advent Companion called Stay Awake! Prepare for the Coming of Christ issued by the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, which we will give to you either as a hard copy or electronic version. If you can participate in only some of the sessions your attendance is always welcome. For further details or enquiries, please contact Michelle Grimsted at the Parish Centre on 5152 2942.

In Person:

Where: St Mary's Church, Bairnsdale in the Chapel

When: Wednesday 23rd November, 30th November, 7th December, 14th December Time: 9.45am – 10.45am, after Mass

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Over Zoom

When: Wednesday 23rd November, 30th November, 7th December, 14th December

Time: 7pm – 8pm

To receive a link: email Michelle at stm.michelleg@gmail.com

ADVENT REFLECTION MORNINGS

'LOOKING AND LONGING FOR CHRIST'

You are warmly invited to attend St Brendan's Advent Reflection mornings.

When: The four Saturdays before the Sundays in Advent

- > Saturday 26th November
- Saturday 3rd December
- Saturday 10th December
 Saturday 17th December
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Time: 10am

Where: St Brendan's Parish - Hobby Room



We will take time to quieten ourselves and reflect on the readings of Advent Year A. All are welcome. A light morning tea will be provided.

There is no need to book but some indication of attendance would be appreciated so we have enough supplies out in a timely manner.

Parish Office Secretary – Helena Wilson 5155 5232 or 0456 877 899 <u>stbrendan@bigpond.com</u>

Joan Micah - Co-ordinator - 0431 438 034 joanemicah@gmail.com



Outside School Hours Care (OSHC)

'Where every child is an active participant in their individual learning'

What is Gumnuts OSHC?

Gumnuts OSHC is a service that provides professional, fun and safe care for children outside normal school hours. We provide before school care and after school care at Lakes Entrance Primary.

Our educators will drop off your child to school and we pick them up after school. Before school care starts at 7am, After school care finishes at 6pm. We provide a healthy breakfast and afternoon snack for the children.

If you would like more information please contact Gumnuts Early Learning Centre on (03) 5144 6952 or by email gumnutselc@netspace.net.au

DON'T MISS YOUR WOOLWORTHS CRICKET BLAST SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM!







LibrariesConnect

Library School Holiday Program

Children aged 5 - 12 are invited to take part in East Gippsland Shire Library's free School Holiday Program.

Bookings are essential for some events and can be made in person at the library, by phoning 5152 4225, or by emailing library@egipps.vic.gov.au

There are seven events running over the School Holidays:

- Bird Feeders and Sun Catchers Activity Session (bookings essential)
- DC: League of Super Pets Movie Screening (bookings essential)
- Wildlife Show Black Snake Productions (bookings essential)
- LEGO Club (bookings essential)

For more information about this **FREE** event, phone **5152 4225** or ask staff at the library

- STEAM Fun Come and Try Day (no bookings required)
- Xbox and Board Games Day (no bookings required)
- . Illustrate a Book Day (bookings essential)

EAST GIPPSLAND

Wildlife Show

Black Snake Productions



Orbost Service Centre Monday 9 January 10.00 am - 11.00 am

Lakes Entrance

Service Centre

Monday 9 January 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm

Black Snake Productions is conducting school holiday wildlife shows!

This presentation looks at the diversity of wildlife found in the Australian bush, including a range of reptiles, frogs, invertebrates, birds, mammals and supials.

'heir goal is to bring these amazing animals to ou and share their passion for Australasian vildlife. They also hope to raise more awareness urrounding the plight of so many of them.

Phone 5152 4225 or book in person at the library for this FREE event.

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Bairnsdale Library 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm

Omeo Service Centre Wednesday 11 10.00 am - 11.00 am

Paynesville Service Centre Tuesday 10 January 11.00 am – 12.00 pm

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School Holiday LEGO Club

Junior LEGO enthusiasts are invited to attend our school holiday LEGO Club session in the new year!

This session will be held in Meeting Room 1 at the Bairnsdale Library, and will incorporate freestyle creativity and themed construction activities.

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

Phone 5152 4225 or book in person at the library for this FREE event

Bairnsdale Library Tuesday 17 January 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm

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School Holiday Movie Screening DC: League of Super Pets



Join us for the screening of DC: League of Super Pets!

Krypto the Super-Dog and Superman are inseparable best friends, sharing the same superpowers and fighting crime in Metropolis side by side.

When Superman and the rest of the Justice League are kildnapped, Krypto must convince a ragtag shelter pack consisting of Ace the hound, PB the potbellied pig. Merton the turtle and Chip he squirrel, to master their own newfound powers and help him rescue the Super Heroes



Lakes Entrance

Phone 5152 4225 or book in person at the library for this **Bairnsdale Library** Friday 6 January 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm FREE event, Libraries Change Lives EAST GIPPSLAND

School Holiday Activity Session **Bird Feeders and Sun Catchers**

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Mallacoota Service Centre Library

Omeo Service Centre

Friday 13 January 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm

Tuesday 17 January 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm

Wednesday 18 Jan 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm

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School Holiday fun has arrived at your Library!

Here's another one of the library's popular school holiday activity sessions for you to enjoy.

Come along and create your own wooden window bird feeder and colourful wind chimes. Hang them outside to hear the music made by nature and see what birds come to visit for a feed

Bring along your family or friends and have some fun these school holidays!

Lakes Entrance Service Centre Tuesday 24 January 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm

Paynesville Service Centre Tuesday 24 January 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm

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Illustrate a Book Day



Children in the 5 to 12 age group are invited to join in on Bairnsdale Library's Illustrate a Book Day coming in January 2023!

Come along to the library, relax and listen to a story,

assist you in your creation, and young artist prizes will be awarded.

So, come along and give it your best go!

Bairnsdale Library Tuesday 24 January 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm

Phone 5152 4225 or book in person at library for this FREE event



Enjoy some school holiday time playing Xbox games and board games at your library!

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This is not a supervised event. Parents may consider staying with their younger children.

The Xbox games provided are suitable for the 5 to 12 age group for which this event is being held.

5152 4225 or enquire in person at the library about this FREE event.

Paynesville Service Centre Monday 16 January & Tuesday 17 January 9.00 am - 5.00 pm

Omeo Service Centre Wed. 11 January & Thursday 12 January Monday 23 January & Tuesday 24 January 9.00 am - 5.00 pm

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School Holiday Games Session Xbox & Board Games