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November 24th, 2023



*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.*



Collaborative Conference interviews will take place on

Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th December
3.30pm—5.30pm

Our Semester Two Collaborative Conferences will take place in Week Ten of this term. These meetings enable us the opportunity to further inform you about your child's progress. Your child is also able to reflect on their achievements and set goals for the following year. You will also be able to speak with the teacher to reinforce information that will be handed over to your child's teacher for 2024.

This semester, the Collaborative Conferences are optional. If you require a meeting please make your booking through PAM, following the steps provided. Collaborative Conferences are face to face meetings. If for some reason you cannot make the meeting, please inform the office that you require an online meeting.

Booking are made on PAM.



Parent Teacher Interviews

[Click here to Enter](#)

Family
Barbecue

On **Friday, 8 December**, St Brendan's will host our Family Barbecue. The afternoon will be a great chance for our community to get together and participate in some family activities. The outline for the afternoon is as listed below:

- 4.30pm:** Art show in hall
- 5.00pm:** Carols and singing group performances
- 5.30pm:** Parent/Teacher versus Grade Six Students Soccer Match
- 5.30 to 7.00pm:** Dinner available - Shared Barbecue Dinner (Meat will be provided, parents are asked to provide a salad or dessert)



We are looking to recruit Year Six parents for the soccer match. Please advise your child if you can play. It should be a lot of fun.

Children should wear casual clothes. Please bring a camping chair or two.

For catering purposes please return note sent home by Wednesday, 1st December.

See you there!



		Dates for the Calendar
Term 4	NOVEMBER 2023	
Week 9	Monday 27th	Golf Division—Bairnsdale Year 5 Leadership afternoon
	Wednesday 29th	9.00am - 2.00pm Foundation Orientation
	Thursday 30th	9.10am School Captain Speeches
	DECEMBER 2023	
	Friday 1st	11.25am House Captain Speeches Year 1/2 Class Prayer
Week 10	Monday 4th	3.30–5.30pm Collaborative Conferences
	Tuesday 5th	3.30–5.30pm Collaborative Conferences
	Wednesday 6th	3.30–5.30pm Collaborative Conferences
	Friday 8th December	9.10am Whole School Mass of Thanks 2.30 pm GHC Assembly: 4.30pm Family BBQ—Soccer Match
Week 11	Monday 11th	Nativity and carols in the church
	Thursday 14th	9.10am Graduation Mass
	Friday 15th	Term 4 ends 2.15pm—Last day for students
Week 12	Wednesday 20th	Last day for staff

Reminder

Pay school fees!

A friendly reminder that school fees are now due. Also, families who hold a Health Care Card and receive the concession discount, are required to have their fees paid in full at the end of the year to be considered for this discount next year. Statements will be sent out this week. **School fee statements have been sent out via email. If you haven't received one in your inbox please check your spam folder otherwise please contact the school.**



Baby Congratulations to the Lawrence family, Jackson (Year 1) & Abbey (Foundation) on the arrival of their daughter and sister, **“George”**.

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

Sat: 25/11	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	No Mass
Sun: 26/11	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00am
	St Colman's	Orbost	11.00am
Tue: 28/11	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30am
Wed: 29/11	St Colman's	Orbost	9.30am
Fri: 1/12	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30am
	Calvary NH	Lakes Entrance	11.00am
Sat: 2/12	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30am
	St Joseph's	Swan Reach	5.00pm
Sun: 3/12	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00am
	St Colman's	Orbost	11.00am



November is a special month at St Brendan's Church, with All Saints Day and All Souls Day celebrated this week. There is a special cross in the church for families to come and put a memorial cross for their deceased family and friends.

Jay's Mission Melanoma Walk



On Thursday the 23rd of November, a group of people were walking from Merimbula to Melbourne, to raise money and awareness about the skin cancer Melanoma. They had a big mission to get to Lakes and they still have 8 days left to get to Melbourne.

As we were waiting for the people to come, the whole school lined up in two different lines leaving plenty of room for the walkers to come past. As they walked past many people got high fives as the whole of St Brendan's cheered.

After all of the Jay mission group walked past our school they entered the hall and all of St Brendan's sat down to listen about sun safety. There were 6 people who were a part of the walk and many others who were driving cars. Their names were Jay, Biancca, Jeff, Brad, Marissa and Lawrence. This was an amazing opportunity for St Brendan's to meet all these people who have in the past, been affected by Melanoma.

By Gabby Whelan and Aaliyah Jackisch







This year, St Brendan's will continue to support the East Gippsland Community Christmas Appeal. This Appeal provides food hampers and children's gifts to East Gippsland families at Christmas. It is about locals looking out for locals and acknowledging that Christmas can sometimes be a time of financial strain, especially with the challenges such as high interest rates. Not all families experience the joy of sharing a Christmas meal with family and friends.

Community Service Agencies refer families to the Christmas Appeal and hampers and gifts are given without judgment. It is an opportunity for the community to work together to share their best wishes at Christmas time.

Over the next 12 days we will be collecting goods for this appeal. Each class has been allocated a family to think and pray about and to collect a hamper for. All items need to be in by Tuesday, 5th December, where they will be packaged ready for pickup. If you would prefer to give a small cash donation, it would be gratefully accepted and would help in the purchase of any missing items.

The Social Justice Committee will be coordinating the collection of goods for the hampers.

Foundation Red	Foundation Blue	1/2 Red	1/2 Blue
Mother Father Boy 8 Girl 7 Girl 3	Mother Father Girl 4 Boy 2 Girl 6mth	Grandmother Grandfather Boy 4	Mother Father Boy 11 Boy 9 Girl 8 Boy 5 Girl 4
1/2 Green	3/4 Blue	3/4 Green	3/4 Red
Mother Father Girl 7 Girl 5	Mother Grandmother Boy 13 Girl 8 Boy 3	Mother Father Girl 14 Boy 11 Boy 4	Mother Father Girl 5 Boy 4 Boy 6mth
5 Red	5 Blue	6 Red	6 Blue
Mother Girl 6 2x Boy Grown 1x Girl Grown	Mother Father Boy 6 Boy 3 Boy 1	Mother Father Boy 9 Boy 6 Girl 5	Grandmother Boy 12 Boy 11 Girl 9

Each hamper needs at least one (more for larger families) of the following;

- Christmas cake
- large tin of ham
- tin of peas
- tin of carrots
- tin of potatoes
- Christmas pudding
- custard
- Christmas shortbread
- long-life milk
- potato chips
- Christmas chocolates, e.g. chocolate stocking or box of chocolates
- 3 x extra grocery items, e.g. pasta, rice or soup

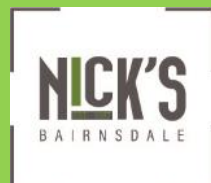


St Brendan's has been a strong supporter of this appeal for several years now and this year we will once again, like Mary Mackillop, try to put our faith into action. Please talk to your children about why we are doing this and perhaps involve them in choosing which item to donate. Thank you in anticipation.

Kind regards, Leonie Morrison and the Social Justice Committee



Orders due back by : Wednesday, 26th November



St Brendan's School Uniform can be ordered online!

Link to website for St Brendan's Uniform below:

<https://nicksbairnsdale.com.au/product-category/schoolwear/st-brendans-uniform/>

SPORTS SHIRTS

All St Brendan's sports shirts and socks that have been given out to children for school sports, need to be returned to school as soon as possible.



East Gippsland Kinship Carer Support Group

Are you caring for a child or children because a family member or friend is unable to? Would you like to meet others who are in a similar situation and will understand what you are going through? Would you like to be with people who will listen to your stories without judgement? All Kinship Carers are welcome and morning tea will be supplied

WHEN:

The third Thursday of each month
at 10:30am-12:30pm

WHERE:

The Hub
27 Dalmahoy Street
Bairnsdale

RSVP FOR CATERING:

Anita on 0475 740 927 or
kinshipcaregippsland@berrystreet.org.au
or use the following link to register
<https://forms.office.com/r/GxK2dgVsBu>

2023 MEETING DATES:

19th of January
16th of February
16th of March
20th of April
18th of May
15th of June
20th of July
17th of August
21st of September
19th of October
16th of November
21st of December



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SPECIAL REPORT: Gambling & Young People

The digital era has made gambling more accessible, and certain factors are elevating the risk of problematic gambling among young people. A new grey area is emerging, with smartphones at their fingertips blurring the boundaries between gambling and entertainment, especially within the realms of video games and social media. The current generation of young people are growing up in an unprecedented time and research highlights that a significant percentage of adolescents are involved in gambling activities.

Reports of young people gambling are frequent with many experiencing adverse consequences such as diminished academic performance and strained relationships. Today's youth are growing up in a digital age characterised by constant connectivity, and the gambling industry has evolved significantly during their formative years. Simulated gambling, such as in video games, can further increase the likelihood of teenagers transitioning to real-money gambling and developing future gambling-related problems.

It's crucial to foster open discussions about positive media choices to help children navigate through responsible online gaming and gambling. By encouraging a balanced approach to screen time and promoting alternative activities, will help set some clear boundaries to avoid potential gambling-related issues.

This Special Report provides guidance on how to empower young people to make responsible choices in this digital age. We hope you take a moment to reflect on the information offered, and as always, we welcome your feedback. If this raises any concerns for you, a loved one or the wellbeing of your child, please consider seeking medical or professional help.

Here is the link to your special report

https://lakesent.catholic.schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-gambling-young-people-au



SPECIAL REPORT

Gambling & Young People





St Brendan's Primary School - Lakes Entrance



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All users interacting with the St Brendan's Primary School Facebook or Instagram page, by either liking or commenting on posts, must do so using an account that clearly identifies them by their real name.

Users may not use students, teachers or any member of our community's names when commenting on posts. Share or Tag, but don't name.



Donations of
**BRIGHT
TILES**
required for
school
mosaic—
**Purple,
yellow,
orange,
green, blue,
bright
patterns,
cups and
saucers**



ST BRENDAN'S LUNCH ORDER

SUSHI ROLLS

SALMON & AVO	\$3.90
AVOCADO	\$3.50
CUCUMBER	\$3.50
TEMPURA VEGE	\$3.50
TERIYAKI CHICKEN	\$3.50
CHICKEN KATSU	\$3.50
PANKO PRAWN	\$3.90
TUNA & AVO	\$3.90

DRINKS

LIGHTLY SPARKLING MINERAL WATER CANS	\$3.00
LIME RASPBERRY, WATERMELON, MANGO.	

HOT FOOD

HONEY CHICKEN & FRIED RICE	\$10
TERIYAKI CHICKEN & FRIED RICE	\$10
CHICKEN OYSTER STIR FRY & FRIED RICE	\$10
FRIED PORK DUMPLING (GYOZA) WITH PLUM DIPPING SAUCE	\$7.50

SALADS & BOWLS

SALMON POKE BOWL	\$12.50
TOFU & VEGETABLE POKE BOWL	\$10
VEGETABLE SOBA NOODLE SALAD	\$9

MINI BANH MI

HALF SIZED BANH MI	
TH O.G	\$6
3 DIFFERENT TYPES OF VIETNAMESE PORK, MAYO, PATE, PICKLES, CUCUMBER, CORIANDER	
CRISPY PORK BELLY	\$6
CRISPY PORK BELLY, MAYO, PATE, PICKLES, CUCUMBER, CORIANDER	
CRISPY CHICKEN	\$6
CRISPY CHICKEN, MAYO, PATE, PICKLES, CUCUMBER, CORIANDER	

Uniform Reminders

JEWELLERY is restricted to the following - a wrist watch, no more than **one** small matching pair of studs or sleepers in the ear lobe - gold, silver or gemstone, a religious medallion on a chain to be worn under clothing.

Fashion jewellery, make-up and nail polish are not permitted.

HAIR is to be kept neat and tidy at all times. Hair longer than collar length, must be **tied back completely**. This is to help restrict the spread of nits and lice and for student safety. Headband, hair ties, ribbons, scrunchies and clips must be **blue, black or brown**.

It is not appropriate for children to come to school with dyed or inappropriate hair styles as deemed by the Principal.



Tech Savvy Workshop

Introduction to Social Media



Join us for our introduction to social media workshop!

Find out how you can participate in the connected world of social media.

The Introduction to Social Media workshop will cover the following topics:

- What is social media?
- Main functions of social media
- Different types of social media
- Twitter and Facebook

Bookings are essential as places are limited.

Thursday 14 Dec.
Paynesville Service Centre
2.00 pm - 4.30 pm

Thursday 14 Dec.
Bairnsdale Library
2.00 pm - 4.30 pm

Thursday 14 Dec.
Lakes Entrance Service Centre
2.00 pm - 4.30 pm

Monday 18 Dec.
Omeo Service Centre
9.30 am - 12.00 pm

Thursday 21 Dec.
Orbost Service Centre
2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

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



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Kidz Club

FRIDAYS
3:30 - 5PM

BAPTIST CHURCH
141 PRINCES HWY, LAKES
ENTRANCE VIC 3909

GRADE

Library Speechies Talk



Join us for a Library Speechie Talk this November!

Do you have a child between 0-5 years old? Would you like to help develop their language and literacy skills?

Speech pathologists work with children and families to help to build the foundations on which literacy skills develop and help support a healthy transition into literacy.

Meet your local speech pathologist, enjoy a reading of one of Speech Pathology Australia's Book of the Year 2023

winning books and find out more about how you can support your child's language and literacy development at home.

(As we only received pairings for two locations due to volunteer speech pathologist interest in the area, this program is only being held in Bairnsdale and Lakes Entrance.)

Monday 13 November
Lakes Entrance Service Centre
4.00 pm - 5.00 pm

Tuesday 28 November
Bairnsdale Library
11.30 am - 12.30 pm
Phone 5152 4225 or book in person at the library for this FREE event.



Christmas Craft Session

For Kids



Get into the holiday spirit with an afternoon of Christmas arts and crafts!

Come along and join in the fun with Christmas stories and make your very own Christmas stocking to take home for the holidays! All materials are provided.

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



Tue. 12 December
Bairnsdale Library
4.00 pm - 5.00 pm

Tue. 12 December
Paynesville Service Centre
3.45 pm - 4.45 pm

Wed. 13 December
Omeo Service Centre
3.30 pm - 4.30 pm

Wed. 13 December
Lakes Entrance Service Centre
3.45 pm - 4.45 pm

Wed. 13 December
Mallacoota Service Centre
3.45 pm - 4.45 pm

Wed. 13 December
Orbost Service Centre
3.45 pm - 4.45 pm

COME & JOIN US FOR

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

with the best selling author

● **Zana Frallion**
"The Way of Dog"

Zana will join us via Zoom. If you have already read the book, you are able to submit a question to Zana prior to the event .
Borrow or purchase a copy of the book from Schoolworks
Tea, coffee & light refreshments provided

Friday 24 November at 5pm

To register & other information email readingforkidsgippsland@gmail.com


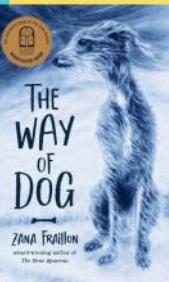



FREE EVENT!

SCHOOLWORKS SUPPLIES

Find out about the book

Teacher Notes

See a mini review by Karyn Walden-blythman

Meet Leigh Hobbs

Author & Illustrator

Bookings Essential

Wednesday 6 December 4-5pm

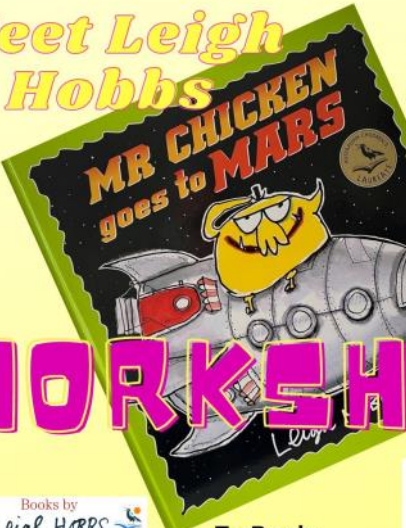



WORKSHOP!

To Book:
Scan the QR
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or book in store

Leigh is reading his new book 'Mr Chicken goes to Mars'
Discuss his books, tips on how to write a great story PLUS learn how he illustrates. Draw your own Mr Chicken!
Book signing & photo opportunities

20% off RRP of Leigh Hobbs Books Refreshments included

SCHOOLWORKS SUPPLIES

WTF

what's their future?

ART
bringing the seriousness and urgency of climate change into everyday focus for one and all.

SCIENCE
facts from trusted sources.

Can you imagine a new climate story?

Award winning artists respond to the big climate change questions in

an Art Exhibition and Expo of Information presented by East Gippsland Climate Action Network

at the Butter Factory Art Space,
Bridge St (enter from start of Paynesville Rd), Bairnsdale
25 January to 2 April, 2024.
enquiries 0412 930 816

what sort of a future can our children look forward to?





St Brendan's Op Shop has second hand school uniform available.

St Brendan's School uniform available \$3.00 per item unless otherwise marked.

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



ROUND 8

SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER

FREE ENTRY!

KIDS HALF TIME SHOOT OUT! PRIZES UP FOR GRABS

5PM WOMENS & 7PM MENS

Pelicans vs Southern Peninsula Sharks

LAKES ENTRANCE YOUTH RECREATION CENTRE.

TIP OFF





Children's Christmas Workshop



Prepare for Christmas with singing, a short movie with popcorn and a craft to make and take. A light snack and drink are provided.

Free Event

Register here:
Lakes Community
Church website or
via QR code



For: Pre and Primary aged children
(parents are welcome to stay)

When: Friday 15th December

Time: 4pm until 5:30pm

Where: 125 Palmers Road
Lakes Entrance

For enquiries contact Church office 03 5155 3277
or Coordinator, Caroline Simpson 0405 215 362



•• Hosted by Lakes Community Church ••

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are open for
2024

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to book your tour



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CONTINUE LEARNING AT HOME



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Open to all children with disability and/or developmental concerns aged 0-6 years, their families, carers and siblings. No diagnosis is required. All sessions will be facilitated by qualified professionals.

Venue: Bairnsdale Uniting Church, 9 Lanes Rd Lucknow
Day/Time: Wednesdays, 10am – 12pm
Contact: Rose McKenna 0409 096587



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