# St Brendan's Primary School 1581

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We gather on Gunaikurnai Country. We pay our respects to their Elders; past, present and emerging. We also acknowledge the ongoing living culture and connection to Country of all First Peoples.





# Friday 25th October

Thank You!

Thank you to our teachers, leaders and support staff for Inspiring Faith and Inspiring Learning every day.



Dear Families and Friends,

To be honest, it is hard to believe we are at the end of October and the end of week 3. However, school life is fantastic in that I can see a real **commitment to learning** across the school. Each day I walk through the classrooms and there are always several examples of student progress that fills me with great pride!

Today is **World Teachers' Day** and I would like to take a moment to acknowledge all our St Brendan's staff who play such a pivotal role in shaping young minds. Our staff are all so dedicated to our goal of 'accelerating the rate of progress for all our students'. The work staff do in forming relationships is outstanding. Thank you!

This year's World Teachers' Day highlights the need to address the systemic challenges teachers face and to establish a more inclusive dialogue about their role in education. The 2024 celebrations will focus on "Valuing teacher voices: towards a new social contract for education", underscoring the urgency of calling for and attending to teachers' voices to address their challenges but, most importantly, to acknowledge and benefit from the expert knowledge and input that they bring to education. UNESCO

Last week, our athletics team braved the weather in Newborough to compete in the **Regional Track and Field championships**. As you would expect, they performed extremely well and Alexander Jackisch (hurdles), Oceanna Greaves (800m and 1500m) and Piper Crawley (shot put) have progressed to the State Championships. What an achievement!

Our year two students enjoyed their **camp experience** yesterday with an excursion to Eastern Beach park that finished at 5.30pm. They clearly had the time of their lives making sandcastles together. Their manners were impeccable, and it is a step towards their first overnight camp next year.

Today we acknowledged Day for Daniel with lessons that focused on child safety. Our students wore red and donated to the foundation which does an excellent job of providing teachers and parents with child safety resources. Should you be interested in access resources visit;

https://danielmorcombe.com.au/day-for-daniel/

Challenges and Choices is now available from the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

Our latest resource is an interactive, choose your own adventure animation that's FREE, fun and contains important safety messages about staying safe online in an engaging and age-appropriate way.

This educational game is designed for students to play individually, at school or at home and can also be shown to class groups to generate discussion around decision-making.

Challenges and Choices was developed with funding from the eSafety Commissioner.

Parents, please remember that **Monday**, **4 November is a school closure day**. We hope this provides an opportunity for your family to get away over the Melbourne Cup break.

Kind Regards, Matthew Hamer



		Dates for the Calendar
Term 4	OCTOBER 2024	
Week 3	Friday 25th	Day for Daniel & World Teachers Day 2.30pm Assembly - School Captains
	Sunday 27th	9.00am Reconciliation Commitment Mass
Week 4	Monday 28th	3.30pm Reconciliation parent/child workshop
	NOVEMBER 2024	
	Friday 1st	Whole School Mass - All Saints Day
Week 5	Monday 4th	Student Free Day
	Tuesday 5th	MELBOURNE CUP
	Wednesday 6th	State Athletics at Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park
	Friday 8th	2.30pm Assembly: Year 1
Week 6	Monday 11th	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 Remembrance Day
	Tuesday 12th	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3
	Wednesday 13th	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 9-10.30am & 12-1.30pm Foundation 2025 orientation
	Thursday 14th	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 3.30pm Baptism parent/child workshop
	Friday 15th	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3
Week 7	Monday 18th	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3
	Tuesday 19th	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3
	Wednesday 20th	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 9-11am & 12-2pm Foundation 2025 orientation
	Thursday 21st	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3
	Friday 22nd	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3
Week 8	Wednesday 27th	9am-2pm Foundation 2025 orientation

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

11.00 am

Saturday 26th Oct	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am	
Sunday 27th Oct	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00 am	
	Commitment Mass Sacrament of Reconciliation			
	St. Colman's	Orbost	11.00 am	
	St. Joseph's	Swan Reach	5.00 pm	
	Vietnamese Mass			
Tuesday 29th Oct	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am	
Wed 30th Oct	St. Colman's	Orbost	9.30 am	
Friday 1st Nov	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.10 am	
Whole School Mass. All Saints Day Mass				
	Calvary Kalimna		11.00 am	
	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	6.00 pm	
Saturday 2nd Nov	Rosary before Mass.		8.45 am	
	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am	
All Souls Day Mass Lakes Entrance Cemetery Mass			3.00 pm	
	St. Joseph's	Swan Reach	5.00 pm	
Sunday 3rd Nov	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00 am	

Orbost

St. Colman's







Permission for Swimming Lessons has been released on PAM today.

Please complete at you earliest convenience. Thank you

# Water Safety and Survival Program times for Foundation, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3. Monday 11th - Friday 22nd November

	Year 3	Year 2	Year 1	Foundation
Depart School	11.10am	11.50am	12.40pm	1.25pm
Lesson starts	11.30am	12.15pm	1.00pm	1.45pm



Children are to wear their bathers under their uniform each day. It would be considered appropriate for children to wear their sports uniform for the duration of the swimming program.

Children should bring the following in a plastic bag, clearly labelled, which they will carry to the pool:

-Underwear

-Towel Goggles

-Brush/Comb

-Water Bottle

Parent helpers who hold a current **Working With Children** registration will be required to walk the children to and from the pool. We need at least one helper per day.

Please inform your class teacher if you can help. Thank you.

# Division Summer Sports

On Thursday, the 17 of October, the boy's basketball team went to Bairnsdale to represent St Brendan's at the Division Summer Sports. Our first game was against Lucknow Primary School. It was a close game but we unfortunately lost by 3 points. After the first game we didn't get a break and we had to play 2 games straight and we had to go against the strongest team, Bairnsdale West Primary School. We lost that game by about 30 points but after that we finally had a break for 2 games. After our break we played against Lindenow Primary School and we won that game by 40 points. It was a great day with lots of fun moments and some great moments on the basketball court.

# By Reide and Cooper

















On Thursday, 17th of October, we headed off to the Bairnsdale BARC to compete in the Division Summer Sports competition. At the start of the day we were all very excited and pumped with energy for our games. The people on our team were Piper Crawley, Isobel Mills, Haddie McLeod, Keelie Silver, Violet Lyon, Sal Milito, Oceanna Greaves and Billie Hayllar. It was very fun and we all had a blast playing basketball. Our first game we sadly lost by 2 points to Lucknow PS, but our next games were much better, winning them by over 10 points to Lindenow and Bairnsdale West. In between our games we played, cat, goat, cheese, pizza, and I think we were more competitive in that than in our games. We thank all the teachers that looked after us and helped us have a good time, we also thank Mrs Witherow and Mrs Mills for coaching us at this level. Good luck to the grade 5s next year in all summer sports.

by Piper Crawley and Isobel Mills

# Division Summer Sports

On Thursday, the 17 of October the Girls Cricket team travelled all the way to Bairnsdale to the field across from Bairnsdale Secondary College to the cricket division with Mrs Henderson and Fi along with a supportive team. On the bus ride there we all sang happy birthday to Miss Witherow.

The girls cricket team went to Bairnsdale to have fun and that is exactly what we did. We only played one team and that was Lucknow.

In the first game there was a practice round with one of the boy teams in district. When we played they won the toss and decided to field. It was hard but we tried our best. Mrs Henderson was the umpire and encouraged us throughout the day while Fi helped us to get ready and reminded us to stay hydrated. It was very tense but we all had fun and that is what matters.

We sadly didn't make it through but we all had a fantastic day and we were all supportive of each other. We all did very well and from that we got 114 runs but Lucknow got 142. We wish them all the best of luck at Regionals. It was Grade 6s last summer sports activity and we wish best of luck for next year's Summer sports participants. Thank you to all the teachers for coaching us and being amazing.

By Ashantii Hooper-Byrne and Grace Neander















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# Division Summer Sports



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On Thursday, the 17th of October, Division Summer Sports Volleyball was held at the Bairnsdale BARC for the Year 6 girls. Our team had one game which was with the Lucknow Primary School girls and it was a blast. Unfortunately, we didn't make it through but we enjoyed our time and had a great time playing.

- By Berlins Kirwa and Jessica Jarrett





# Year BBlue and 5/4 Red Olaw Prayer











# SCREEN TIME

Instead of how much screen time, ask these questions:



- What are they doing on screens?
- What effect is screen time having on them?
- What are they missing out on whilst on screens?



We are living in 'The Digital Age', and our kids might be spending more time on screens than we'd prefer. So, make sure their screen time is useful, productive, and supports their overall well-being.



**Collecting Students from School Grounds – Child Safety** As you would understand, child safety is the number one priority for schools. As circumstances evolve, we want to ensure we have the best possible practice in place. Please note the following requirements for collecting students at the end of the day.

# Collecting from the church gate - (New arrangements)

Students in years Foundation, One and Two will remain with their class teacher at the end of the day just outside their classroom. The church gates will be open at 3.15pm, at which time parents are required to enter the school grounds to collect their children from the class teachers. This action is in place to avoid situations where students leave the school grounds and run into the church gate car park area without an adult being present.

# Collecting from the administration office

Please enter the gates and collect your child from the junior classroom area or your child from years Three to Six may meet you just inside the gates. Students are not to leave the grounds and cross the car park area without an adult walking with them.

If dropping students off in the morning, you must also walk them into school. Please do not use the disabled parking bay without permission to do so.

# **Collecting from car line**

Typically, St Brendan's staff are there to organize students into cars at the end of the day. If you wish to park and collect your child, please use the crosswalk and an adult must walk with their child/ren. Drop off at the beginning of the day should take place at the bus stop area.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

# Thanks for buying books from

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# **Book Clubs**

they help build our classroom resources



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.



# **Uniform Reminders**



<u>JEWELLERY</u> 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.

<u>HAIR</u> 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.





# SCHOOL UNIFORM





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/

93 Main Street Bairnsdale Victoria 3875 Phone (03) 5152 1333







# Do you qualify for free home internet?



Our helpful team can check for you. Scan the QR code or call **1800 954 610** for more information.

National Referral Centre (Mon - Fir, 10am - 6pm AEDT). Caliback, webchat, translating and interpreting services available. Visit anglicansist organists dent-internet for more information.

# Get back to school ready with the School Student Broadband Initiative

Children who can access online learning at home as part of their education are more likely to engage in classroom activities.

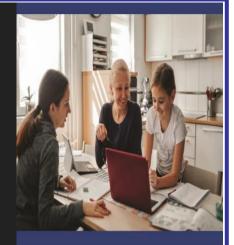
With broadband internet access your family will be able to access fast internet at home, which supports children to build their digital skills, learn how to safely use the internet and participate in a world that is more dependent on digital technology.

There is still time to sign up for the School Student Broadband Initiative (SSBI):

- For any families signing up now, this offer means free internet until 31 December 2025.
- For families who have already connected with SSBI, their free internet will automatically be rolled over until 31 December 2025.

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The holidays is a great time to check your child's uniform and purchase new items. A reminder that we will be going into Summer uniform on return to Term 4. Check dress length for girls and make alterations before returning.







Designed for kids to learn skills, exercise, and make friends.

Metung Swan Reach Cricket Club invite all 4-9 year olds to join our Blasters program.

Our sessions take place at 9.30am Saturday mornings from 12th

October until 30th November.

Please contact Mark for more information on 0408088587 or metungswanreachcc@outlook.com



### **SIGN UP TODAY!**

Q Play Cricket

PROUDLY Presented by









# LAKES ENTRANCE CRICKET CLUB

# JUNIOR CRICKET **PATHWAY**



Start your cricket journey at YOUR local club!

## **REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN**

- Under 13 Competition Cricket
- Woolworths Cricket Blast









# **NATIONAL CATHOLIC** SAFEGUARDING STANDARDS



# Standard One

Committed leadership, governance



# Standard Two

Children and adults are safe. informed and participate.



# Standard Three

Partnering with families, carers and communities.

# Standard Four



Equity is promoted and diversity is



## Standard Five

Robust human resource

# Standard Six

Effective complaints management.



# Standard Seven

Ongoing education and training.



# Standard Eight

Safe physical and online environments.



## Standard Nine

Continuous improvement.



## Standard Ten

Policies and procedures support the safety of children and adults.

#EveryConversationMatters









students & adults or individuals/groups. Create a piece of wearable fashion from recycled

materials. Anything is possible!! Be creative, colourful & inventive





## This years theme: The Great Outdoors

Requirements: Materials use must be recycled and relate to the theme use any binding product (tape, glue, hay band, thread etc)

You must be able to wear and walk in your costume in the fashion parade

Designer & model must be present on show

Saturday 9

at the show grounds 10am for judging. Parade at 11am

Free workshops available to help you with your creation: Tues 24th Sept 10.30-12.30 Schoolworks Tues 1st Oct 10.30-12.30 Bairnsdale Art Gallery



Entry forms available at Schoolworks or scan QR to download





# The Get Active Kids Voucher Program is now open!

Get in quick as applications only remain open until the allocation is exhausted.

If your family or child has a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, you may be eligible for up to \$200 to put towards the cost of your child's participation in sport and active recreation activities.

### **Important Dates:**

- Applications open from 9 October 2024 until the allocation is exhausted.
- Reimbursement expenditure dates: from 1 July 2024 until submission of application
- Vouchers expiry date: Tuesday, 29 April 2025.

The Get Active Kids Voucher Program helps eligible families get their kids involved in organised sport and active recreation activities by providing financial support for the cost of membership and registration fees.

Special consideration also applies for children residing in care services, as well as temporary or provisional visa holders, undocumented migrants, or international students.

www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers





Friends of the Library Lakes Entrance

**Book Review Competition** 

Friends of the Library Lakes Entrance invite

Primary school students (grades 1-6) Secondary students (years 7-12)

to

- borrow a book from the Lakes Entrance Library,
- · collect an entry form and
- · write a short review and
- return the book and review to the Library

All reviews will go into the monthly draw for a gift \$20 voucher for "Lakes Books and Games" store and be displayed in the Library.

### ST BRENDAN'S STUDENT LUNCH ORDER

### SUSHI ROLLS

Salmon & Avo	\$4	
Avocado	\$4	
Cucumber	\$4	
Tempura Vege	\$4	
Teriyaki Chicken	\$4	
Chicken Katsu	\$4	
Panko Prawn	\$4	
Tuna & Avo	\$4	

### SALADS & BOWLS

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Salmon Poke Bowl	\$12.5
Tofu & Vege Poke Bowl	\$10
Vege Soba Noodle Salad	\$10

### DRINKS

Lightly	Sparkling
Mineral	Water
Lime, R	aspberry,
Waterm	elon, Mango

# T. T. C. H. E.

### HOT FOOD

Honey Chicken + Fried Rice	\$10
Teriyaki Chicken + Fried Rice	\$10
Chicken Oyster Stir fry + Fried rice	\$10

### RICE PAPER ROLLS

(2 roll + sauce)

Tofu	\$9
Lemongrass Chicken	\$9
Pork	\$9
Prawn	\$9
Pork & Prawn	\$0

# **Lunch Order**