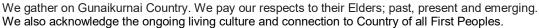
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SELVIDAN'S LAKES EN

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.



Please be advised that Monday, 4
November is a school closure day at St
Brendan's Catholic Primary School.
This day precedes the Melbourne Cup
public holiday Tuesday, 5 November.

We hope this does not cause any inconvenience and that you enjoy the mid-term break.

		Dates for the Calendar	
Term 4	NOVEMBER 2024		
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 9.45am Nursing Home visits Calvary Year 4-5/ Opal Year 5	
Week 7	Monday 18th	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3	
Tuesday 19th Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3		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	



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.

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

Rosary before Mass.		8.45 am
St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am
Mass Lakes Entrance	Cemetery Mass	3.00 pm
St. Joseph's	Swan Reach	5.00 pm
St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00 am
St. Colman's	Orbost	11.00 am
St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am
St. Colman's	Orbost	9.30 am
Opal Mass	Lakes Entrance	11.00 am
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Do you know what day for Daniel is? If not, Day for Daniel is a safety awareness day that we participate in every year here at St Brendans on the 25th of October. Our entire school dressed up and each class and winners got either a downball or a

poster! On this day we also wear red for child safety awareness created by the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. Our school ate lunch all together on the Shanley Oval. The Daniel Morcombe Foundation is a charitable organisation founded by Daniel's parents. They're trying to raise awareness about child safety.

We sent them a photo of our school wearing red to show our support.

BY INDI RIJS & VIOLET LYON



## Year 2 Camp Experience

On Thursday 24th of October the Year 2s set off on their camp experience to Eastern Beach. At 3:30pm we left school and began our walk down to Eastern Beach. When we arrived at the park, we got to enjoy some yummy fruit kebabs we prepared earlier in the day. We then headed over to the beach where we participated in our sand castle building competition. We worked really hard in our teams to create some amazing designs which led to lots of hungry tummies! Thankfully while we were busy making our creations, Mr Hamer was hard at work cooking up sausages for our dinner. After eating dinner, we got to enjoy some time playing on the playground and before we knew it, it was time to head home!

- · The sausages were really good. Thea
- My favourite part was when we got to build our sand castles. - Parker
- · We had lots of fun making the sand castles and eating. Max
- · It was nice that we could spend time on the beach Jaimie
- · We got to go on the playground Ryder



Mr Chef (Hamer) made yummy sausages - Eden













The sandcastles we made were brilliant. - Charli













It was really fruity! Because we had lots of fruit skewers - Brooklyn













It was super fun! - Oliver

# YEAR 2 BLUE INQUIRY

- We put all of our ideas together to make one big idea. - Evie M
- We had to take turns listening to each other. - Sophie
- We had to make sure that we let others have a turn. - Maddy
- We all had to agree on one thing, so sometimes we had to compromise.
   Parker
- We had to work together. August

To help prepare for our camp experience, in our inquiry sessions we have been learning about questioning skills and how to work well in teams. Before going on our camp experience, we created teams of three and had to work in these teams to create a design for our sand castle competition.

We had to consider how to work in our teams to come up with a design for our sandcastle, as well as problems that we could encounter - for example, not having enough wet sand!



Parker, Oliver, Ollie

Charli, Noah, Eden





Ella O, Evie M, Jaimie

August, Chad, Kade



## Wellbeing

Today Ashantii, Sophie, Eli and Noah planted spinach and green onion in the garden beds on the oval. Gardening gives us the opportunity to learn new skills like how far apart to plant things, how much to water them and when they are ready to pick. When I am outside I feel connected to nature and relaxed.

We all feel grateful to be outside having fun with each other

and learning new things.

## By Ashantii







## Benefits of reducing screen time By 3/4 Red



Less mad (better mood)





Less attracted to screens



Stronger friendships (socialising face to face)



## Less frustrated



Better sleep



Manage emotions better



Increase creativity



LESS FRUSTRATED

BECOME MORE RESILIENT

HAPPIER MOOD

MORE RELAXED

BETTER SLEEP MORE EMPATHY

HEALTHIER EYES

FEEL LIGHTER
AND WANT TO GET
OFF THE COUCH

SENEFITS OF SCREEN

FEEL HEALTHIER

MORE CREATIVE



CREATE BETTER
FRIENDSHIPS
PLAY FACE TO FACE



BY YEAR 3 BLUE

### A SPECIAL REPORT: Navigating AI Relationships

Despite governments globally moving towards raising the minimum age for social media access due to mounting concerns about the negative effects on youth mental health and wellbeing, there's now an even newer challenge on the horizon - the rise of romantic and companion AI bots. These virtual companions are becoming increasingly popular with young people, raising serious questions about privacy, ethics, and the future of relationships in the digital age.

The rise of AI-powered relationships is offering a new frontier in human interaction. Initially emerging in the gaming world, AI companionship has evolved into mainstream culture, with apps providing personalised experiences that range from platonic friendships to romantic encounters. These interactions can blur the boundaries between real and virtual relationships, creating confusion and potential psychological harm.

Criminologists warn that children as young as 12 are accessing dating apps, often bypassing age restrictions, exposing them to sexual content and predatory behaviour. Researchers have also found that many adolescents are turning to virtual partners for validation, risking unhealthy emotional attachments that can affect real-life relationships.

As AI reshapes social dynamics, it's crucial to stay informed and engaged. While AI can enhance education and creativity, it also presents challenges around privacy, mental health, and misinformation. This Special Report will help you foster an open dialogue and balanced approach to help young people navigate this evolving digital landscape.

We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this Special Report, and as always, we welcome your feedback.

If you do have any concerns about the wellbeing of your child, please contact the school for further information or seek medical or professional help.

Here is the link to your special report: <a href="https://lakesent.catholic.schooltv.me/wellbeing\_news/special-report-navigating-ai-relationships-au">https://lakesent.catholic.schooltv.me/wellbeing\_news/special-report-navigating-ai-relationships-au</a>

SPECIAL REPORT



A School IV topic supporting modern-day parenting





**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

**₩**SCHOLASTIC

## **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.

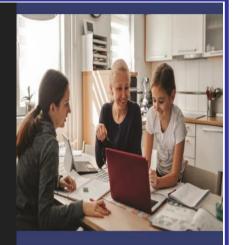
With broadband internet access your family will be able to access fast internet at home, which supports children to build their digital skills, learn how to safely use the internet and participate in a world that is more dependent on digital technology.

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.
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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.





## 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







#### Join Woolworths Cricket Blast

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 Novembe

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



### **SIGN UP TODAY!**

Q Play Cricket

PRESENTED BY















### 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 November



Garments to be 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 ponsored by



Entry forms available at 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)

+0

- 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

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

#### DRINKS

Lightly S	parkling
Mineral 1	Water
Lime, Ra	spberry,
Waterme	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
Dork & Brawn	¢c

# Lunch Order