## 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.



## Water Safety and Survival Program times for Foundation, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3.

**Monday 18th - Friday 22nd November** 

Swimming Survival Day will be held on Friday, 22 November, the last day of the swimming program.

	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.

## Collaborative Conference interviews will take place on

Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th December 3.30pm—5.30pm

Our Semester Two Collaborative Conferences will take place in Week Nine 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 2025.

This semester, the Collaborative Conferences are <u>optional</u>. 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.



		Dates for the Calendar
Term 4	NOVEMBER 2024	
Week 7	Monday 18th	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3
	Tuesday 19th	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 5.30 Reconciliation Celebration
	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 Year 4 and 4/5 Class Prayer
	Friday 22nd	Swimming—Foundation , Year 1, Year 2 & Year 3 2.30pm Assembly: Year 3/4 Red
Week 8	Monday 25th	3.15pm - 5.00pm Year 1 camp experience
	Tuesday 26th	Nagle Transition Day
	Wednesday 27th	9am-2pm Foundation 2025 Orientation
	Thursday 28th	9.00am - 10.30am Indigenous Morning Tea
	Friday 29th	Year 2 Class Mass 9.45am Nursing Home visits Calvary Foundation Red / Opal Foundation Blue
	DECEMBER 2024	
Week 9	Monday 2nd	Collaborative Conferences
	Tuesday 3rd	Collaborative Conferences
	Wednesday 4th	Collaborative Conferences
	Friday 6th	Whole School Mass—End of Year



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.

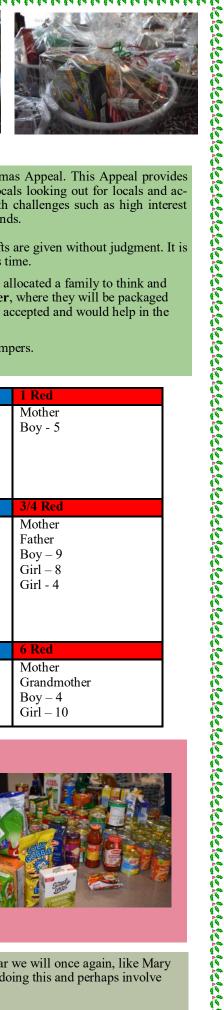
School fee statements have been sent out via email. If you haven't received one in your inbox please check your spam folder otherwise please contact the school.

Saturday 16th Nov	St. Dymphna's	Buchan	9.00 am
	St. Joseph's	Swan Reach	5.00pm
Sunday 17th Nov	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00am
	St. Colman's	Orbost	11.00am
Tuesday 19th Nov	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.10am
Celebration Sacrament of Reconciliation for St. Brendan's			
Prima	ıry School Students		5.30pm.
Wed 20th Nov	St. Colman	Orbost	11.30 am
	Requiem Mass for I	Nina Bensi	
Friday 22nd Nov	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30am
Saturday 23rd Nov	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	No Mass
Sunday 24th Nov	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00am
	St. Colman's	Orbost	11.00am
	St. Joseph's	Swan Reach	5.00pm
	Vietnamese Mass		









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 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 few weeks, 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 Monday, 2nd 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 Student Leaders will be coordinating the collection of goods for the hampers.

Foundation Blue	Foundation Red	1 Blue	1 Red
Mother Father	Mother Stepfather	Grandmother Grandfather	Mother Boy - 5
Girl – 5 Boy – 3 Girl - 2	Boy – 4 Girl – 2 Girl – 4 Boy – 2	Boy - 5	
2 Blue	2 Red	3 Blue	3/4 Red
Mother Boy - 4	Mother Boy - 4	Mother Father Boy - 1 Girl - 5 Girl - 9 Boy - 6 Boy - 11 Boy - 12	Mother Father Boy – 9 Girl – 8 Girl - 4
4/5 Red	5 Blue	6 Blue	6 Red
Mother Boy – 4 Girl – 6 Girl – 8	Mother Boy – 4 Girl – 9 Boy - 15	Grandmother Boy – 14 Girl – 10 Boy - 12	Mother Grandmother Boy – 4 Girl – 10

## 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 Student Leaders.



# DESIGN AND TECH EXCURSION

IT WAS A BEAUTIFUL DAY WHEN WE WALKED FROM SCHOOL TO THE FOOTBRIDGE MINI GOLF LAST FRIDAY ALONG THE FRONT LAKE. WE SAW SWANS AND PEOPLE FISHING.

WE WERE VERY EXCITED TO LOOK AT HOW THE COURSE IS STRUCTURED AND HOW THE BALL MOVES AROUND. WE WERE SHOWN THE 'BAZOOKA' AND HOW IT PUSHES THE BALL UP TOWARDS THE STAINLESS STEEL RAILS AND POLES THAT THE BALLS GO ALONG. THERE WERE OTHER THINGS THAT MADE THE BALLS SPIN AND TURN THAT THE OWNER, BEN, SHOWED US. HE TALKED ABOUT HOW IT ALL WORKED AND EXPLAINED HOW HE BUILT IT. HE ALSO TALKED ABOUT HIS KIDS AND THAT THEY WANTED A COURSE TO BE EXCITING TO PLAY ON SO THEY WOULDN'T GET BORED. THAT IS PART OF THE REASON HE BUILT THE MINI GOLF COURSE.

AFTER BEN FINISHED SPEAKING TO US WE SPLIT UP INTO SMALL GROUPS AND WERE ABLE TO PLAY 9 HOLES EACH. WHEN WE FINISHED THERE WE WERE VERY EXCITED TO GO AND PLAY ON THE NEW PLAYGROUND NEAR THE FOOTBRIDGE.

BY WILLOW N AND THEA 3/4 RED

FROM THE MINI GOLF WE CROSSED SAFELY AT THE LIGHTS IN TWO HALVES AND WALKED TO THE ROTUNDA TO EAT OUR MORNING SNACK. AFTER SNACK TIME WE WERE ITCHING WITH EXCITEMENT TO TRY OUT ALL OF THE NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT AND SEE HOW EVERYTHING WORKED. THIS WILL HELP US FOR WHEN WE DESIGN OUR OWN PLAYGROUNDS. WE NOTICED A LOT OF THINGS WE HAVEN'T SEEN BEFORE, LIKE THE HAMSTER WHEEL AND THE FUN SWAY, WHICH IS A BIT LIKE A SEESAW. THERE ARE A LOT OF OTHER FUN THINGS THERE, LIKE THE FLYING FOX AND ALL OF THE CLIMBING FRAMES.

IT WAS A WARM MORNING AND THE WATER PARK LOOKED FANTASTIC BUT WE WEREN'T ALLOWED TO GET WET. WE WILL HAVE TO GET OUR PARENTS TO TAKE US THERE TO PLAY ON THAT ANOTHER TIME.

WHEN WE GOT BACK TO SCHOOL WE WERE EXHAUSTED.

BY KOBE, TILLY AND BROK 3 BLUE

GRADES 3/4 RED AND 3 BLUE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE EXTRA STAFF THAT CAME AND HELPED US CROSS THE ROADS SAFELY AND TO BEN
AT THE MINI GOLF FOR SHOWING US HOW HIS COURSE WORKS.



















## FOUNDATION

## CONSTRUCTION WITH THE NEW MAKEDO KITS



















# A friendly reminder: The year 3-6 Screen time challenge is on

Friday 15th (today) to Sunday 17th
Students have been randomly assigned to a challenge group

## Open conversations

Chat with your child about their feelings around screen time this weekend. Your insights and support can help reinforce their learning.

## Encourage reflections

Remind your child to complete their journal about how they're spending their time and how they're feeling. These reflections will be the key to meaningful discussions in class next week.

## Alternative activities

This weekend is a great opportunity to help students explore activities beyond screens. Check out our list of screen free activities on the following page.

This challenge is all about discovering balance and recognizing how screens influence our daily lives.

Your encouragement and involvement are crucial in making this an impactful learning experience for each student! Thank you for supporting our students in this journey. We look forward to hearing all about their reflections next week!

## Screen free activities



Play at the playground Head to the beach and build a sandcastle Go bike riding Have a dance party Build an indoor fort Make slime Do a science experiment Have a nerf battle Make an obstacle course Make and fly a kite Play hide and seek Make playdough Bake a cake Kick a ball Jump on the trampoline Have a scavenger hunt Begin a garden Draw with chalk Make origami Have a picnic Make a fairy garden Play board games Have a water fight Make icypoles Have a tea party Do a puzzle

## **Under 10's Pelicans**

On the weekend we (under 10 boys) went to Southern Peninsula to play a basketball tournament. We played some strong teams like Barnsdale Bullets and Sorrento Sharks.

The players on the Pelicans were Jesse, Kade, Jackson, Paddy, Levi, August, Josh and Ethan.



Jesse got the MVP for the tournament. Slick is our coach for the Pelicans. We won every game and we beat the Sorrento Sharks in the Grand Final.



When the siren went for the Grand Final we all ran to each other for a huddle and then we jumped in the air to celebrate our win! We shook the other team's hands and said thanks for a good game:)

From August and Kade







**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

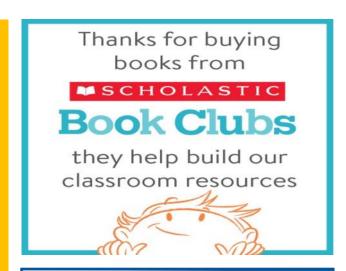
Please enter the gates and collect your child from the junior classroom area or your child from years Three to Six may meet you just inside the gates. Students are not to leave the grounds and cross the car park area without an adult walking with them.

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.



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.

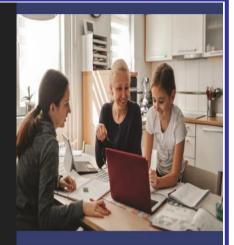
With broadband internet access your family will be able to access fast internet at home, which supports children to build their digital skills, learn how to safely use the internet and participate in a world that is more dependent on digital technology.

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.





## 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







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 Novemb

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



### **SIGN UP TODAY!**

Q Play Cricket

PRESENTED BY







SUNDAY 17TH NOVEMBER

Ninjas will race against the clock in a series of challenges that will test their agility, strength, speed & determination.

All Participants will be awarded a medal to celebrate their achievment.

WHO: Everyone aged 5 years plus

You don't need to be currently enrolled to join!

WHEN: Sunday 17th November

Session 1 @ 9am - 11am (5-8yrs)

Session 2 @ 11.30am - 1.30pm (8+yrs)

**COST: \$40** 

ENTRIES CLOSE: Friday 8th November



## SCAN FOR MORE INFO

Your session time will be confirmed once entries are finalised





## 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.

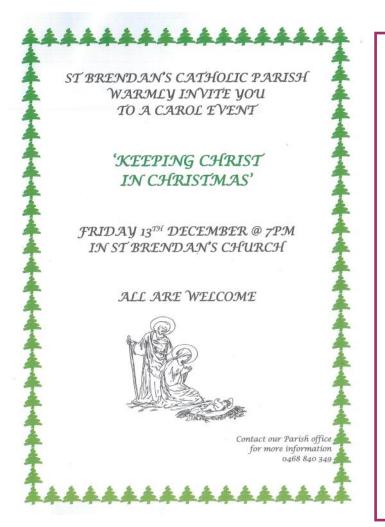
#### Important Dates:

- 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





#### 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 Sparkling Mineral Water
Lime, Raspberry,
Watermelon, Mang

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#### HOT FOOD

Honey Chicken + Fried Rice	\$10
Teriyaki Chicken + Fried Rice	\$10
Chicken Ovster Stir frv + Fried rice	\$10

### RICE PAPER ROLLS

(2 roll + sauce)

Tofu	\$9
Lemongrass Chicken	\$9
Pork	\$9
Prawn	\$9
Dock & Deaves	ŧ0

**Lunch Order**