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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.



YOU ARE INVITED TO MOTHER'S DAY Breakfast

9
MAY



Please join us on
**Friday, 9th May at
8.00am** in the Mary
MacKillop Hall.
We would really love
to see you there!

Thank you to those who have kindly offered to provide Eggs and
Bacon for our Mother's Day breakfast. Please deliver goods to the
office before Thursday, 8th May. Thank you.

Tickets for the Mother's day raffle will be available in the
morning, with the raffle prizes drawn after breakfast.

MOTHER'S DAY STALL

Tuesday 6th &
Wednesday 7th May
\$1 - \$10 gifts
Raffle Tickets 50c each



Parents who have previously indicated
they will help with the stalls, your
attendance would be much
appreciated from 9.00am - 10:30am
on these dates.

*\$10 is a sufficient amount for students to bring for their gift and there is a limit of \$5 per student for raffle tickets.
If students are buying for a grandparent they may have more money.

Dear Families and Friends,

We had a terrific beginning to Term Two with our year three and four students at **camp in Gelantipy**. Yes, the weather was ordinary, but the students didn't notice, and they all appeared to have a wonderful time. There is nothing quite like getting up to the high country with the clean air, bush and mud! Many thanks go out to our teachers and the **Karoonda Park** staff for facilitating another very successful camp experience. As part of their rehabilitation of the area we have been involved in tree planting ceremonies on our last few visits. We now have several trees up there with a St Brendan's label.

On Friday, 25 April our school came together to march at the 11am **ANZAC day ceremony**. Our school captains, Sadie Williams and Leon Alwyn were asked to read a poem at the ceremony. Sadie and Leon prepared the poem and read with clarity. The words of the poem really captured the hearts of the Lakes community. We have included the poem in this newsletter for everyone to appreciate.

This week we welcomed **Emily Farmer** and her family to St Brendan's CPS. Emily joins our year three cohort and she has already made a positive start to her new school.

Confidence and Motivation

<https://lakesent.catholic.schooltv.me/newsletter/confidence-motivation-au>

Building confidence and motivation in young people is essential for their development and overall wellbeing. Supporting these traits means encouraging your child to set realistic goals, celebrate their achievements, and learn from setbacks. Confidence allows young people to believe in their abilities, face challenges with resilience, and feel empowered in their decisions. Meanwhile, motivation drives them to pursue interests, strive for personal growth, and stay engaged in school and other activities. By fostering a supportive environment at home, parents can help nurture these qualities, providing their children with the tools they need to navigate life's ups and downs and maintain a positive, proactive mindset.



"Confidence and motivation are two critical ingredients for young people's success. Supporting your child to help nurture these qualities allows them to believe in their abilities and navigate life's challenges with resilience and a positive outlook."

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg

We have plenty happening next week at St Brendan's. We are hoping for good weather as on Wednesday and Thursday we have **Denis Huffer** visiting school to run **lessons in athletics**. St Brendan's share a great relationship with Denis and our students are so lucky to be exposed to his teaching techniques and immense knowledge of the athletics discipline.

On Friday, 9 May we celebrate our **Mother's Day breakfast** which is always a lovely way to lead into the weekend. During the week we will conduct the Mother's Day stalls for students to purchase gifts for their mums. Thank you to the parents who have offered to assist us in running the stalls. Following the breakfast, we will roll into our **athletics carnival** which is one of the most enjoyable days on our calendar.

It is sure to be a fun week. I look forward to seeing you here.

Kind Regards,

Matthew Hamer

Up Coming Events

Term 2		
	MAY 2025	
Week 3	Monday 5th	Full Winter Uniform from today Division Cross Country
	Tuesday 6th	Mother's Day Stall
	Wednesday 7th	Mother's Day Stall
	Thursday 8th	3.30pm First Communion Parent Workshop
	Friday 9th	Mother's Day Breakfast St Brendan's Athletics Carnival
	Sunday 11th	Mother's Day
Week 4	Tuesday 13th	9.10am Year 3, 3/4 Prayer TACO TUESDAY
	Wednesday 14th	5.00pm Year 6 Melbourne Camp Information Session
	Friday 16th	9.10am Whole School Prayer : St Brendan's Feast 2.30pm Assembly - School Captains
CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK		
Week 5	Tuesday 20th	9.10am Year 6 Prayer
	Thursday 22nd	Maths Afternoon
	Friday 23rd	9.10am Year 2 Mass District Winter Sports
	Sunday 25th	First Communion Commitment Mass



**YEAR 7 2026
ENROLMENTS**

FILLING FAST!

SCAN HERE OR VISIT:
nagle.vic.edu.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSING
9 MAY 2025

Book Club LOOP
for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:
www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

Tues 6th May:	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am
Wed 7th May:	St. Colman's	Orbost	9.30 am
Fri 9th May:	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am
Sat 10th May:	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am
Sun 11th May:	St. Brendan's St. Colman's St. Peter's	Lakes Entrance Orbost Mallacoota	9.00 am 11.00 am 3.00 pm

EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION: After Friday 9.30 am Mass.

ST BRENDAN'S CHURCH, LAKES ENTRANCE will be open for:
PRIVATE PRAYER from 9am - 4pm Daily

EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION: St. Brendan's: After 9.30 am Mass on Fridays

RECONCILIATION: Before Mass at Lakes Entrance, Swan Reach & Orbost or by arrangement.

ST. BRENDAN'S - ROSARY: 1st Saturday of the month 8.45am before Mass.
Next Rosary Morning **3rd May 2025**

VISITATIONS: Please contact the Parish Office to request a home visit or to raise any other concerns in confidence. ph: 5155 5232 / 0468 840 349 or email stbrendan@bigpond.com

MORNING TEA Morning tea **Sunday 11th May** after Mass in Hobby Room.
All are most welcome.

PARISHES IN PARTNERSHIP

UNIFORM

This is an important requirement and must be worn by every child each day. Your support in this matter is paramount to its effectiveness. We pride ourselves on our uniform and need the support of all families in ensuring that this policy is strictly adhered to. Generally summer uniform is worn in Terms One and Four and **winter uniform is worn in Terms Two and Three**. There is changeover period for uniforms at the beginning of Term Two and Term Four.

UNIFORM ITEMS - Available from Nick's in Bairnsdale Most items are regulation, meaning that the school has determined the style or manufacture.

Regulation Winter Uniform:



BOYS

Sky blue long/short sleeve shirt

Grey trousers



Bomber Jacket (with emblem)

Polar Fleece /Jacket (with emblem)

Grey socks - above ankle (no logos)

Black leather school shoes/boots



GIRLS

Winter Tunic (Year F,1,2,3)

Winter Skirt (Year 4/5/6)

Blue long sleeve blouse

Bomber Jacket (with emblem)

Polar Fleece Jacket (with emblem)

Navy tights/white school socks –above ankle (no logos)

Navy 'Midford' Pant

Black leather school shoes or buckle/ lace-up/T-bar



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BOYS & GIRLS

Blue polo shirt with emblem (Short Sleeve)

Navy track pants without logos

Bomber Jacket / Polar Fleece Jacket (with emblem)

White sports socks (above ankle) – below ankle footlet style not acceptable (no logos).

Running shoes / sneakers (**not skate or fashion shoes**)

(Black Shorts may be worn under tracksuit pants for sport and outside play.)



Uniform reminder: Students are required to wear jumpers and tracksuit pants to school on sports uniform days. Many students are presenting to the office in the morning, cold, requesting jumpers. **Please ensure your child brings a jumper to school each day.** Thank you.

HAIR - 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.

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.

TACO TUESDAY AND FREE DRESS DAY

ON TUESDAY, 13 MAY OUR YEAR SIX CAPTAINS HAVE ARRANGED FOR TACO TUESDAY LUNCH, WITH FREE DRESS DAY, INCORPORATING A MEXICAN THEME - **RED**, **GREEN**, **ORANGE**. PONCHOS AND SOMBREROS ARE ACCEPTED, BUT PLEASE DO NOT GO TO TOO MUCH TROUBLE FOR THIS EVENT.

TACO TUESDAY LUNCH WILL BE HELD FOR THE CHILDREN AT APPROXIMATELY 12.40PM.

TACOS WILL CONSIST OF BEEF MINCE OR REFRIED BEANS WITH THE OPTION OF LETTUCE, CHEESE AND SALSA.

Price:

1x Taco and Icy pole \$5.00

Extra Taco \$2.00

DONATION WILL BE TO THE CARITAS FOUNDATION.
PLEASE RETURN THE ORDER FORM WITH THE CORRECT MONEY BY FRIDAY, 9 MAY.

KIND REGARDS,
MATTHEW HAMER & THE SCHOOL CAPTAINS

RSVP
FRIDAY
9TH
MAY

TUESDAY
13TH MAY

ANZAC Day March

On the 25th of April we attended the ANZAC march. The school captains, Sadie and Leon read a poem. There was also a band that played and sang songs to help us remember the ANZACS who fought for our country. The band did very well in the hot weather. We are so happy that lots of people from St Brendan's and other schools were able to come.

We all had a wonderful time at the ANZAC march and it helped us remember those who fought in World War 2.

Written by Josie, Sienna & Billie





On Friday 25th April, we attended the ANZAC day commemoration ceremony. Mr Hamer walked us up to the RSL Lakes Entrance President and we introduced ourselves. His name was Tony. Tony gave us a seat at the front for our poem, and handed us a brochure of the timetable for the ANZAC day ceremony. As the ceremony went on our hearts began to race. We were amazed by how fluently others before us spoke.

Finally the time came for us to deliver our poem. The first few paragraphs of the poem were very scary. As we kept reading, the rhythm of the poem sunk in and we were in sync. The scary part was, as I was reading a big bug crawled up my arm. It crawled up my back and Sadie standing behind me was just glad it wasn't on her.

As the ceremony came to an end, it was concluded with the laying of the community wreaths. Callum, Leon and myself laid the wreath for St Brendan's primary school. It was a day of great importance and had many valuable teachings. Lest We Forget!



Written by Leon Alwyn & Sadie Williams

ANZAC DAY

Beneath the rising sun they stand,
Side by side, defending the land.
The brave, the bold, with hearts of flame,
Their sacrifice etched in time's eternal frame.

Below the trenches, soldiers wait,
Facing the war that seals their fate.
A tempest roar, leaving all in wrack,
Yet onward they march, no turning back.

Through skies of ash, their courage burned,
For freedom's light, their lives turned.
The drums of war rang loud and clear,
Binding their souls, beyond fear.

'Boom'—the trigger tore through the air,
The bravest fell, beyond repair.
He fought for love, for life and for grace,
But war's cruel blade left a hollowed space.

So many tears, their stories remain,
A father, a brother, lost in chains.
The brave lie silent, in shadows deep,
Their scars, a tale the earth will keep.

A father, a brother, laid to rest,
Without a grave, though he gave his best,
The brave lay silent, there legacy stays,
Etched in scars that won't erase.

Yet in their legacy, a fire stays bright,
Defying time, igniting light.
We honor them 'neath skies of grey,
And hold their memory, forever, Anzac Day.

By Sadie Williams and Leon Alwyn
Grade Six students St Brendan's Catholic Primary School



NÜDEL KART AND ROVER

At the beginning of 2025, four local schools received a donation from the Lakes Entrance Lions Club. The Lions Club run a raffle each year to support schools and St Brendan's Catholic Primary School used their donation to purchase a Nudel Kart and Rover. What is a Nudel Kart you might ask?

The Nudel Kart and Rover is a type of large classroom toy which includes small pieces that connect in a lot of ways, and with imagination you can turn it into anything. Mr Hamer, our principal, helped a group of students to screw the parts together. We made the pieces that you create by using screws, cordless drills and instructions. The Kart and Rover includes draws filled with accessories to play with, to use your imagination and create games and structures. The resources are deconstructable, and can be reconfigured in endless ways to encourage self-directed learning. You build by slotting small pieces through gaps in the bigger pieces. We presented the resource to the other students by explaining how it can be used. Class of the week winners will be able to play with the Rover and the Kart will be for class projects.

St Brendan's would like to thank the Lions Club for their fundraising efforts and generous donation to help schools such as ours to purchase resources like our new Nudel Kart and Rover.

Written by Isla Strong and Charlie Smythe



YEAR 3 CAMP



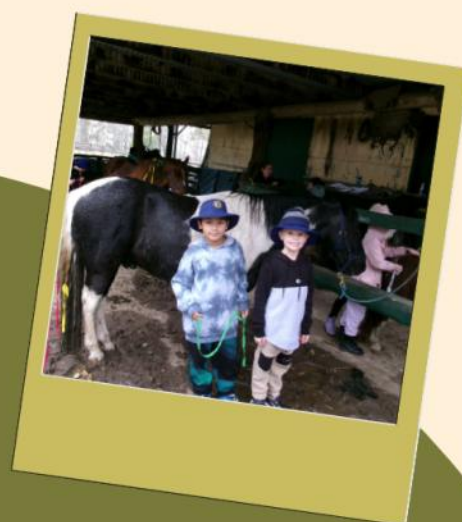
THE things I liked on camp:]
At school camp we did lots of amazing things.

The horses were so sweet, lovely, and beautiful and silly. There were all kinds of coloured horses. But when I saw their long tall necks and big healthy bodies I was a bit scared and nervous. But when me and my friend Ella got a horse, that was one of the big horses. After a while I felt better and more confident.

Dinner, lunch, and breakfast was the best because there were two whole serves for dinner and breakfast and I loved having the experience eating with my friends. I thought I would not eat the food and hate it but when I got my food like dinner I ate it in a second it was THE BEST!

When I went to my cabin it was overwhelming for everyone I think, but my friends and I got a cabin together I loved where I got to sleep it was exciting and scary at the same time.

Evie McMillian



My Camp

By Charlotte James.

One of my favourite things I did at camp was rock climbing, because it was like I was flying in the sky! I was also very nervous being away from my mum, but it was SUPER fun, also dinner was amazing. Our dinner was chicken soup, and also for our second meal we had chicken tenders, mashed potato, carrots, and peas.

We all got into 3 groups. The first group got to decorate ponies and horses with ribbons, the second group got to do rock climbing, and the last group got to do leather work! They all were amazing and super fun! I was in a cabin with Darby, Ella, Harper, Annabella, Thea, Evie and Charlie. The next day our breakfast was eggs and bacon with toast and a hash brown with cereal.

YEAR 3 CAMP



At school camp we did lots of exciting activities, but I just have one for you, the one that was the most exciting.



My highlight of all of camp was the horses, They were the nicest horses you'll ever meet.

We got to clean them, which don't worry, they weren't too dirty. Best of all We got to dress the horses up in pretty ribbons.

The only bad thing was the smelly, old POOP! Disgusting.



My horse was called Jackson. He was ginger brown, a beautiful colour. Jackson was very good, He didn't even mind a bit when I was cleaning him. We got 9 out of 10 when they were judging the ribbons!

Ella O

CAMP

[Favourite parts]

My favourite thing on camp was rock climbing. When I was at the top I felt scared and proud of my self.

My second favourite part was decorating Rango the horse, I felt quite disgusted because it was so muddy but also happy.

Then my third favourite part was eating dinner. The food was really good I felt really good.
Noah



YEAR 3 CAMP



Horse grooming

I was so excited to get on the bus. When I got there I went to the horse stables. The mud was so squishy and sticky it was like I was sinking in the mud. When I got out of the mud they gave me a horse called Bobby. Bobby was brown and orange. He is a pony. I got to groom him with Sophie. Bobby was so calm and nice and Sophie and I felt happy. When we were done, we decorated Bobby with ribbons. He looked fabulous. In the competition Bobby came 2nd! Sophie and I were so happy!

Lexi



Seagulls Netball

On the 26th of April the Lakes Entrance Football & Netball club played against Boisdale-Briagolong in Round 2 of the East Gippsland Football Netball league competition. There were 7 lakes netball teams competing on the day. It was a long day, but the U13 team had their first win.

It was an early start to the day. The U13 girls had to get there at 8:15am to prepare for the match.

We had to do warm-ups including stretches, shooting and running. Around 45 minutes later we had our positions and were on the court. I played GD which is short for goal defence.

It was a high scoring game and in the end, the scores were 18-28 and the Seagulls left the court with a win! Later that day the U15s, U17s, and the senior teams played. We also stayed to watch Ms Witherow play and Fi umpire.

It was a fun day and one of the best things was playing netball with my friends.

Written by Lacey Lee





Get Your Game On Outside

SCREEN FREE WEEK | 5-11 MAY



IN 2021 ONLY

47.3%



of Victorian children aged 5-12 years met the physical activity guidelines, a decrease from 62.2% in 2013

In 2021

88%

of children aged 5-12 years did not meet both the physical activity guideline and the screen-based activity guideline

In 2021, approximately

1 in 3



Victorian children aged 5 to 12 years exceeded the recommended screen time guidelines



Family and home-related factors appear to be most influential on the sedentary behaviour of children and young people



RESEARCH SUGGESTS

a strong relationship between sedentary behaviour/sitting time and negative health outcome indicators, including the risk of chronic disease and

obesity

In addition to adverse physical health outcomes, sedentary behaviour for longer than

2 hours a day

is associated with lower self-esteem, poor prosocial behaviour and decreased academic achievement in school-aged children and young people



SOURCES





Get Your Game On Outside

SCREEN FREE WEEK

5-11 MAY

Get Your Game On Outside (GYGOO) helps kids, teens, and adults spend more time playing outside and being active, while using screens less. Screen-Free Week is a great chance to build healthy screen habits by swapping screen time for fun outdoor play. Look out for your child's 2025 Screen-Free Week activity pack from their school, or ask the GLCH Health Promotion team for a booklet at hp@glch.org.au. Kids can also join the Screen-Free Week competition to win a great prize! Even cutting screen time by just one hour a day gives more time for active, creative fun.



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WHO

Kids of all ages – from prep right through to secondary school students, too!



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WHAT

Screen-Free Week gives kids a chance to take a break from gaming, YouTube, and TikTok and enjoy fun activities without screens. Even just one extra hour a day without screens means more time to play, be creative, and spend time with others.

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WHEN

Screen-Free Week is from May 5-11, but you can enjoy screen-free activities any time of the year! If going completely screen-free isn't possible for your family, try cutting back a little each day throughout the week.

4

WHERE

Use your screen-free time to enjoy a local park, splash in the pool, play at the playground, explore a nature trail, or have fun at places like mini golf. There are many ways for everyone to take part in screen-free activities, no matter their abilities!



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WHY

A 2021 survey found only 47.3% of Victorian children aged 5-12 years met the physical activity guidelines, which was a decrease from 62.2% in 2013. Nearly 88% of children aged 5-12 years did not meet both the physical activity component and the screen based activity component. You are the 24/7 CEOs of your children's lives—responsible for all the different departments: thinking, movement, social skills, values, and learning. By encouraging less screen time, you create more opportunities for active play. Your support can help your child participate in Screen-Free Week! (Victorian Child Health and Wellbeing Survey, 2021)





The 2025 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and St Brendan's is excited to be participating.

The PRC application offers a range of exciting features including:

- access to a library catalogue (including book images and blurbs)
- a modern user-friendly interface
- rewarding students with badges as challenge milestones are achieved
- the option for students to mark books as a favourite, give them a star rating or complete a book review

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 5th September, 2025.

Children from Foundation to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

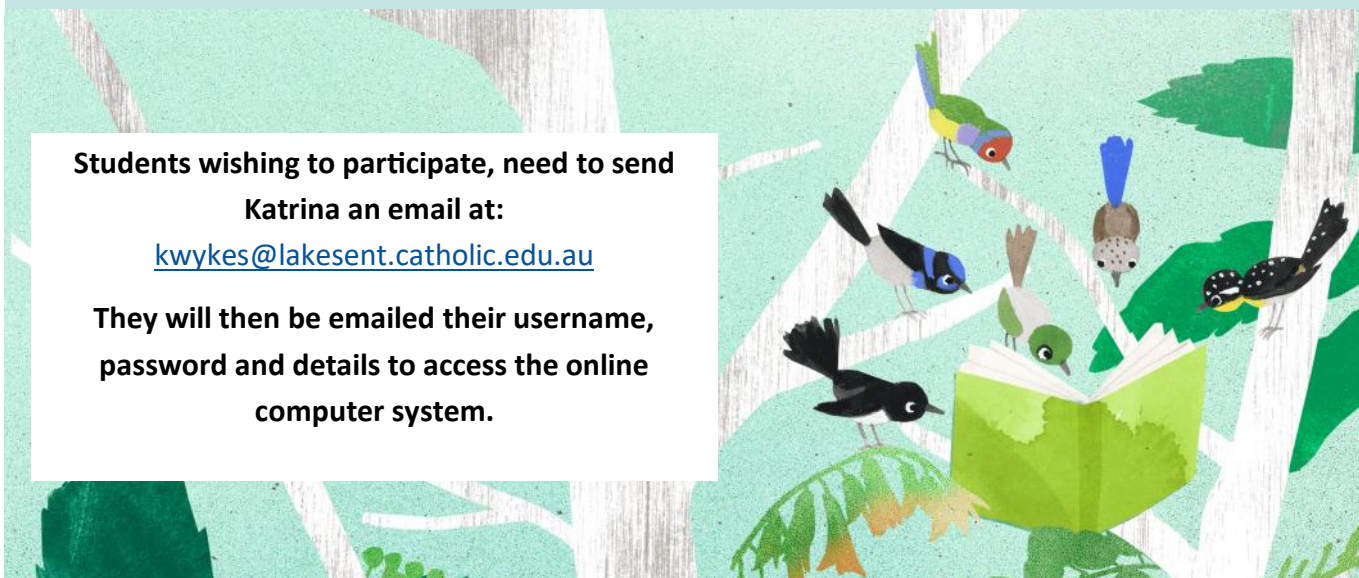
To view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge

The Premiers Reading Challenge has an online recording system which is intended for students to enter their books at home.

Students wishing to participate, need to send Katrina an email at:

kwykes@lakesent.catholic.edu.au

They will then be emailed their username, password and details to access the online computer system.



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Parent & Carer Hub

When supporting your children's mental health, we know the best outcomes happen when we **work together** and **practise**.

Head over to our **Parent & Carer Hub** to learn more about the **evidence-based strategies** being taught in the classroom, so you can enhance their impact at home. You'll find activities you can practice to support your family's wellbeing.



Scan this QR code to learn more about our **Parent & Carer Hub**.



To learn more about The Resilience project, head to:

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ORDERS ARE DUE
**FRIDAY 9TH
MAY**

SCHOLASTIC **Book Club**

Supporting School Events

As in previous years we will not be running a formal Parents and Friends committee in 2025. Alternatively, it is the School Advisory Committees recommendation that we provide families with a list of events taking place over the course of the year requesting that families select one or two events they can assist with. Prior to this event taking place, volunteers will be contacted by the school with more details.

This initiative supports the school by spreading the workload and ensuring our students can enjoy all the

The activities that you can come and help at school with:

Taco Tuesday

Mother's Day Stalls **Mother's Day Breakfast**

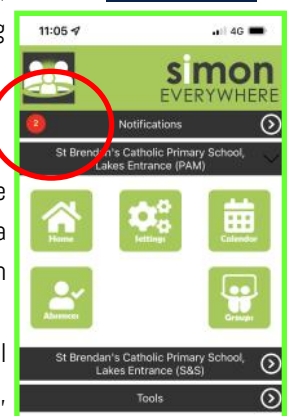
Athletics Day **Father's Day Stalls**

Father's Day Breakfast **Graduation**

opportunities we have in place. Please remember, all volunteers must have a current Working With Children Card which has been presented to the school office.

The survey can be found on **PAM**. You will have a new alert listed, highlighted in red, "Connect Surveys - Supporting School Events". Follow the prompts to complete.

Please select one or two of the events named that you can assist with. Your help is greatly appreciated.





When picking up and dropping off your child we ask all parents to observe the following procedures at St Brendan's CPS.

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 –
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.

Please use the appropriate car park entry and exit. Please do not drive across the footpath to enter or exit the car park. We have students and other pedestrians using the footpath.

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 organise 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.

Regards,
Matthew Hamer
Principal

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.



\$ Seesaw
Keeps everyone in the learning loop

Uniform - Together with The Athlete's Foot, Bairnsdale, we have a new School Rewards Program that is a great fundraising opportunity for St Brendan's. \$5 from every pair of shoes purchased is being donated back to your school. This applies to the whole family across our fantastic range of school, sports, work and casual.

\$5 DONATED BACK TO YOUR SCHOOL?

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ASK ONE OF OUR FRIENDLY STAFF IN STORE FOR MORE DETAILS

SHOP YOUR WAY



Experience MyFit3D designed to accurately measure your foot size, width, arch and gait. Teamed with our expert analysis by our Fit Technicians, we guarantee to find your kids the perfect fitting shoe that will take the impact of their everyday activities. We are so confident that we even have a 30 day FIT guarantee* - new or worn.



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ST BRENDAN'S

2025 SHOE GUIDE



Bairnsdale
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Junior
\$119⁹⁹



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AVAILABLE
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Uniform Reminders

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



Year 3-6 ICT Student User Agreement

Please read together with your child/ren and return the signed agreement ASAP. Thank you

Lunch orders are available on a Friday and are supplied by Mamma Vu's Kitchen.

- All orders will need to be in by **Thursday morning - before 12pm** for lunch on Friday
- NO LATE ORDERS** will be accepted
- Please make sure that all orders are on a brown paper lunch order bag with the correct money
- Siblings will require one bag each
- Name and class needs to be clearly stated on the bag

Please see attached menu and please take note of prices.

Example :

Name
Class
1 Tuna & Avo sushi roll \$4.00
1 Raspberry drink \$3.00
Total \$7.00
Thank you

Lunch Order

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

DRINKS

Lightly Sparkling Mineral Water	\$3
Lime, Raspberry, Watermelon, Mango,	

HOT FOOD

Fried Rice	\$7
Fried Pork Gyoza (6pc)	\$7
Spring Rolls (4pc)	\$7
Chicken Hokkein Noodle	\$10
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	\$9



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

- The annual CSEF amount per student is:
- \$154 for primary school students
 - \$256 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:
<https://www.vic.gov.au/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund>

- Do you have a current health care/pension card?
- Did you know you can get a discount on school fees?
- Please contact the school office for more information.

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments:** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- changed family circumstances:** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure



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2025 SCHOOL SAVINGS BONUS (SSB)

The School Savings Bonus is a State Government initiative designed to assist families with cost-of-living pressures.

Under this funding, each eligible student is entitled to a \$400 bonus for application towards activity levies and uniform purchases from approved supplier.

Within our school, all CSEF applicants are eligible to receive this funding.

All families who have a Centrelink Health Care Card and have not applied for CSEF in the past are encouraged to contact the school office and initiate an application this year.

Lakes Entrance Seagulls

Lakes Entrance Junior Football will be starting training for season 2025 on Wednesday 5th March 2025

All age groups will start from 4.30pm

PLEASE NOTE :

Registrations are not currently open and more information will be provided in the coming weeks.

EGJFA DATES OF BIRTH FOR AGE GROUPS 2025

AGE GROUP	START DATE	END DATE
UNDER 11	01/01/2014	31/12/2015
UNDER 13	01/01/2012	31/12/2013
UNDER 15	01/01/2010	31/12/2011

A player must turn 10 in 2025 in order to play in the Under 11s.

We encourage all kids aged under to continue with Superkick/Auskick program.

FEMALES MAY PLAY IN UNDER AGE FOOTBALL UP UNTIL THE AGE OF 14

For any enquiries to contact Junior President Matt Zagami on 0407 170 178

Registrations are not currently open and more information will be provided in the coming weeks.

Please enter oval from caravan park entrance and park as their is limited parking at Bowls Club entrance due to cricket & netball training sessions . We look forward to seeing you all there .



The Next Level
DANCE STUDIOS

\$10-30 PER CLASS
afterpay Available

At The Next Level Dance Studios, we believe dance is more than just movement—it's a way to express passion, build confidence, and create lifelong connection. Our studio is dedicated to providing a supportive and inspiring environment where dancers of all ages and skill levels can grow, learn and thrive.

WEDNESDAYS 2pm-9pm
221 Esplanade, Lakes Entrance, VIC, 3909

REGISTER NOW For More Information www.TheNextLevelDanceStudios.com

Enrolments are open for 2026

**Book your
personalised
school tour**

**Modern,
spacious,
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spaces**



All families are welcome!



Call the school office on 03 51552712 or email office@lakesent.catholic.edu.au to book your tour



www.lakesent.catholic.edu.au



It's Aussie Rules without the tackling. Teams range from 5-9 players per side, so kids feel safe learning footy and building confidence, while still having fun. Each session starts with 15 minutes of skills before putting those skills into action with 45 minutes of fun, modified game play.

Registrations are now open. Please go <https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/3c7cfe>

The cost for the program is \$85 for a 9-week program ending 27th June 2025

All participants receive a Superkick Kit. This is delivered directly to participants.

Please read through the terms of participation before signing up, available here: <https://www.play.afl/play/terms-of-participation/afl-nines-afl-superkick/>



Registrations are now open. Please go <https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/489e7c>

The cost for the program is \$91.

The program will run for 9 weeks ending 27th June 2025

You can find our terms of participation here: <https://play.afl/play/auskick/terms>

There is no set uniform for Auskick & Superkick sessions, just ensure your child is comfortable to be able to participate in all activities.

We recommend sports clothing and either runners or footy boots.

Many participants choose to wear their AFL team's colours and jumpers.

Superkick & Auskick are volunteer run programs and require parental support.

If you are able to help, please contact Co-Ordinator David Behan on 0430 031 703

LAKES ENTRANCE

AUSKICK & SUPERKICK CENTRE

FRIDAYS 5PM
LAKES ENTRANCE REC RESERVE
STARTING MAY 2ND

nab AFL Auskick
4 - 8 year olds

Come find your awesome at NAB AFL Auskick. An introductory program to Australian rules football, teaching skills through fun activities and mini games.

AFL Superkick
8 - 12 year olds

Level up your footy with skills and modified match play in weekly sessions. NAB AFL Superkick is tackle-free and great for Auskick grads and newbies alike.

VISIT PLAY.AFL

EAST GIPPSLAND UNDER 15's GIRLS ACADEMY

Launching Wednesday 7th May
Bairnsdale City Oval | 5:00pm Start

Female Football Gippsland invites girls born 2010-2014 to join the Girls Academy — a welcoming, inclusive program for those ready to develop their skills and take on competitive football.

Perfect for players transitioning from mixed teams or new to the game, the Academy focuses on growth, confidence, and enjoying footy in a supportive environment.

REGISTRATION ARE NOW OPEN
<https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/ad2013>
Contact Tom Crellin 0447 295 014 for more information

February 2024 Bushfire and Storm Events



Recovery Support Available
for Families and Children



Our Recovery Support Program recognises the visible impact disasters have on communities. We now provide support for the less visible impacts of trauma that children and families are experiencing.

If a child in your care has been impacted by the February 2024 Fire and Storm events, we may be able to provide you with additional supports such as:

- a dedicated recovery support worker
- referrals to external agencies for mental health and wellbeing needs
- a range of practical and financial supports where available
- advocacy and assistance with completing applications/ paperwork for financial or insurance claim processes and grants
- information and resources to connect with local services that can assist with the recovery process
- advocating on your behalf to overcome obstacles in your recovery journey
- outreach visits by an allocated recovery support worker as needed.

Families can contact us directly or referrals can be made via email or phone.

Contact the Windermere Disaster Recovery Intake Team:

(03) 8793 4206

RecoverySupport@Windermere.org.au

8.00am - 5.00pm Monday - Friday

www.vic.gov.au/recovery-support

windermere.org.au

Learn more
about our
Recovery Support
Programs



Nagle College
Bairnsdale

ENROLMENTS YEAR 7 2026

Nagle College is an active and proud Catholic learning community that provides a rich holistic education to the young people of East Gippsland.

Applications for Year 7 in 2026 will open on Monday 31 March 2025.



ENROLMENTS TIMELINE



Applications
Open



Applications
Close



Enrolment
Interviews



Offers of
Placement Made



DISCOVER NAGLE YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING

WED 2 APRIL 2025

We welcome you and your family to learn how Nagle College can support your child's secondary school journey.

There are 3 sessions:
4.00pm, 4.45pm & 5.30pm

Sessions are limited.
Bookings essential.



For further information, visit our website: www.nagle.vic.edu.au

FREE | BOOKINGS NOT REQUIRED
AGES 5 - 12

LEGO Club 2025

EAST GIPPSLAND
SHIRE LIBRARIES



Junior LEGO enthusiasts are invited to attend our after-school LEGO Club sessions

Head into your local library and flex your creative muscles making the LEGO builds of your dreams!

Donations welcome: the library will gladly accept donations of old or new LEGO brand pieces for our LEGO Club collection.

This is an unsupervised event - attendees must be accompanied by an adult.

Bairnsdale Library
Tuesdays
4.00 pm - 5.00 pm

Lakes Entrance Service Centre
Wednesdays
3.30 pm - 4.30 pm

Orbost Service Centre
Mondays
3.30 pm - 4.30 pm

Paynesville Service Centre
Wednesdays
3.30 pm - 4.30 pm

Omeo Service Centre
Wednesdays
3.30 pm - 4.30 pm

Mallacoota Service Centre
Wednesdays
3.30 pm - 4.30 pm



FREE | NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED

EAST GIPPSLAND
SHIRE LIBRARIES

We're Back!



Rhymetime Returns



Join us for our first Rhymetime session of 2025!

This is a wonderful opportunity for children to explore the magic of stories and the joy of reading. Enjoy engaging tales that inspire creativity and imagination, along with fun songs and rhymes!

Rhymetime sessions are designed for children under 2 years and their parent/carers and run for approximately 30 minutes.

Bairnsdale Library
Wednesday 5 February
10.30 am - 11.00 am

Lakes Entrance Service Centre
Wednesday 5 February
11.00 am - 11.30 am

Orbost Service Centre
Thursday 6 February
10.00 am - 10.30 am

Paynesville Service Centre
Monday 3 February
10.30 am - 11.00 am

Mallacoota Service Centre
Tuesday 4 February
10.00 am - 10.30 am

