

27 February , 2026

NEWSLETTER 4

ST BRENDAN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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.



RE: Communication With the School Office

Please be aware that PAM is now fully functional. PAM is our main and preferred source of communication with families. Please use this resource to correspond with the office in regards to absences.

Please ensure that after school arrangements are organised with your child at the beginning of the day. If for some reason your circumstances change, please provide notice to the office before 12.00pm.

Collaborative Conferences

Collaborative Conference interviews will take place on

Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th March, 3.30pm–6.00pm

Our Semester One Collaborative Conferences are an essential parent/school meeting in which to share feedback and to plan for future learning. Your child must attend this meeting as they will lead some of the discussion. Through this process we want our students to understand themselves as learners, to know what they are learning and how they can be successful. We look forward to meeting with you.

Interview times have been made for families that didn't utilise the online booking system. Dates and times have been sent home. If you don't know or have forgotten your day or time please contact the office for details.

Good Luck to our Division Swimming Team

The East Gippsland Division Swimming Carnival will be held at the Aqua Energy Outdoor Pool on Monday, 2 March.

Students please meet in the school library at 8.15am to have the roll marked and be ready to board the bus by 8.30am.



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Lakes Entrance, VIC, 3909

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Up Coming Events

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
WEEK 6	Mar 2 Division Swimming Carnival 3.30pm Collaborative Conferences	Mar 3 9.10am Year ½ Prayer 3.30pm Collaborative Conferences	Mar 4 3.30pm Collaborative Conferences	Mar 5	Mar 6 9.10am Year 6 Mass - World day of Prayer 2.20pm Clean Up Australia Day
WEEK 7	Mar 9 LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY	Mar 10	Mar 11 5.00pm Karoonda Camp Meeting NAPLAN	Mar 12 Regional Swimming Carnival NAPLAN	Mar 13 2.30pm Assembly: Year 6 Red NAPLAN
WEEK 8	Mar 16 NAPLAN	Mar 17 9.10am Whole School Prayer (St Patrick's Feast Day)	Mar 18	Mar 19	Mar 20 Harmony Day St Brendan's Cross Country
WEEK 9	Mar 23 Year 3 camp - Karoonda Park Kinect2dance	Mar 24 Year 4 camp - Karoonda Park Kinect2dance	Mar 25 Year 4 camp - Karoonda Park Kinect2dance	Mar 26 Kinect2dance DCSO	Mar 27 Kinect2dance

Week 10: Tuesday 31st March - 9.00am Easter Egg wrapping, 9.10am Foundation Prayer

Week 10: Thursday 2nd April - 9.10am GHC Assembly, Term 1 ends



YOU'RE INVITED TO
 ST BRENDAN'S CPS
 SAINT PATRICK'S
 WHOLE SCHOOL PRAYER

Date: Tuesday, March 17th

Time: 9:10am

Where: St Brendan's Church

All Welcome!



Tues 3rd Mar:	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am
Wed 4th Mar:	Mass and Anointing at Waratah Lodge Nursing Home	Orbost	10.30 am
Thurs 5th Mar:	Opal Nursing Home	Lakes Entrance	11.00 am
Fri 6th Mar:	St Brendan's Year 6 Mass all welcome.	Lakes Entrance	9.10 am
	Calvary Nursing Home	Lakes Entrance	11.00 am
Sat 7th Mar:	Rosary before Mass St. Brendan's	St Brendan's Lakes Entrance	8.45 am 9.30 am
Sun 8th Mar:	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 7th March 2026

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 8th March after Mass in Hobby Room.

**PARISHES IN PARTNERSHIP
 WEEKLY MASSES & LITURGY TIMES**

COLLABORATIVE CONFERENCES: (PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS) BOOKING THROUGH PAM

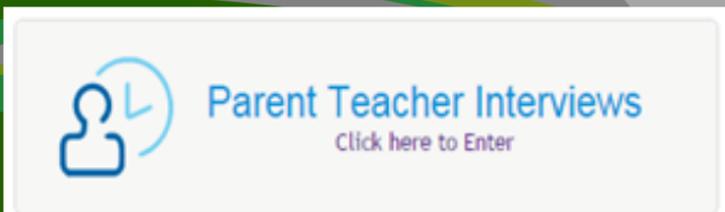
**COLLABORATIVE CONFERENCE INTERVIEWS WILL
TAKE PLACE ON**



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Collaborative Conferences will be booked electronically using PAM.



Please login to PAM as normal and you will immediately see a screen including the Parent Interview short cut.

Once you click on the window you will be given the chance to select your child. The screen would be similar to the one below.

You select your child one at a time.



Select the Core Group button and the availability schedule appears. This provides you with the teachers name and available times a booking can be made. When you have completed your booking a summary will appear on the bottom of the page.

Parent Teacher Interview Booking

John Smith

John's Classes for Interview

Collaborative Conferences - Tuesday 15th and 16th June (1)

The smooth running of our event relies on all parents keeping to the timetable. Please consider other parents and end on time. If you need more time with a particular teacher, arrange a separate meeting or phone call.

St Brendan's CPS

Grade 3 Core Group

Teacher: Amy Balcombe

- 3:45pm, 15th June 2021
- 4:00pm, 15th June 2021
- 4:15pm, 15th June 2021
- 4:45pm, 15th June 2021
- 5:00pm, 15th June 2021
- 5:15pm, 15th June 2021
- 5:45pm, 15th June 2021
- 6:00pm, 15th June 2021
- 6:15pm, 15th June 2021
- 6:30pm, 15th June 2021
- 1:30pm, 16th June 2021
- 1:45pm, 16th June 2021

Book Interview

Booked Times



Contact us: 51 55 2712

Please contact the school if you have any difficulties logging into Pam.

DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL ORBOST

On February 19th I participated in the District Swimming Carnival held in Orbost.

I came second in freestyle and Charlie, Jaxon, Jordan and I came 1st in relay. We will be going to the division level in Sale. I will be competing in all my events next Monday.

By Jesse Gilbert.

Last Thursday on the 19th of February, I participated in the District Swimming Carnival in Orbost. I swam in three events breaststroke, backstroke, and medley relay with Jesse, Harry, Charlie and I. I came 2nd in breaststroke and backstroke and we got 1st in the medley relay. I will be going though to swim in Sale in all three of my events next monday.

By Jake Richardson

On the Thursday, 19th of February, a group of St Brendan's students competed in swimming events at the Orbost District Swimming Carnival, competing against other schools in the district.

Events included freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly, freestyle relay, and medley relay.

St Brendan's were very successful throughout the day, with 26 students going through to the next level. We are very excited to have such a great number of students who will progress to Division swimming next Monday in Sale.

We would like to thank Mrs Neal, Miss McGuinness & Tulli for taking us to Orbost and supporting us throughout the day. We appreciate all your hard work.





On Friday, the 13th of February, Abbey Lawrence, Phoebe Strong and Isla Strong proudly represented our school at the Bairnsdale interschool Gymkhana. Everyone had a clear round in all of their showjumping and had a lot of fun. Phoebe got a first in her handler, showjumping, and bending. She also got a third in rider and ridden mount with a second for handy mount. Abbey got a second for the obstacle course and in jumping. She got a third in handler with a handful of fifths in her showing classes. Isla placed third in rider, handy mount and jumping. She also got a second in handler and a fourth in handy mount. Overall the girls had a wonderful day and all enjoyed it, great job girls!

Written by Isla Strong

BAIRNSDALE INTERSCHOOL GYMKHANA



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

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 financial circumstances and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS and 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 excursions, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or support an out of home care student you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid directly 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 \$400 for all school students.

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.

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.**



Lunch orders are available on a Friday and are supplied by **Mama 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 take note of prices.



SUSHI ROLLS		HOT FOOD	
Salmon & Avo	\$4	Fried Rice	\$7
Avocado	\$4	Fried Pork Gyoza (6pc)	\$7
Cucumber	\$4	Spring Rolls (4pc)	\$7
Tempura Vege	\$4	Chicken Hokkein Noodle	\$10
Teriyaki Chicken	\$4	Honey Chicken + Fried Rice	\$10
Chicken Katsu	\$4	Teriyaki Chicken + Fried Rice	\$10
Panko Prawn	\$4	Chicken Oyster Stir fry + Fried rice	\$10
Tuna & Avo	\$4	Grilled Pork Vermicelli Bowl	\$10
		Grilled marinated pork served over vermicelli noodles with fresh herbs, pickled veg, peanuts, and a light Vietnamese nuoc cham dressing.	
DRINKS			
Lightly Sparkling Mineral Water	\$3		
Lime, Raspberry, Watermelon, Mango,			



LUNCH ORDERS ARE AVAILABLE

ON A FRIDAY

ORDER MUST BE IN THURSDAY



Menu Location: PAM - Knowledge Banks: School Notes/Information & St Brendan's Website



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

DISCOVER NAGLE YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING

We welcome you and your family to discover firsthand what makes our College community so special - from our welcoming learning spaces to the natural beauty that surrounds us.



There are 3 information sessions, followed by the opportunity to explore our campus:

Wednesday 25 March

4.00pm, 4.45pm & 5.30pm

Sessions are limited. Bookings essential.

SCAN HERE TO BOOK



ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN YEAR 7 2027



Enrolment Applications are now open for families seeking to join the **Nagle Catholic College** community for Year 7 in 2027.

To assist with timely processing, please ensure required documents are provided at time of application.

APPLY TODAY

APPLICATIONS CLOSE **FRIDAY 18 MAY 2026**

Key Dates for Year 7 2027 Enrolments:

- Applications are now open (online via our [website](#))
- **25 March** – Discover Nagle: Year 7 2027 Information Evening
- **8 May** – Applications Close
- **June** – Enrolment Interviews (dates TBC)
- **27 July** – Offers of Placement made
- **01 December** – Orientation Day

Please note that the Department of Education Application for Year 7 Placement Form is not an application for enrolment at Nagle College.

Families wishing their child to be considered must complete the College's enrolment process.

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



LAKES ENTRANCE
PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNCIL
OSHC

Before & After School Care PROGRAM



5-12 YEARS OLD

Our OSHC is the ideal setting for students to explore new interests or establish lasting friendships, while also having a great time together!

- Homework Assistance
- Creative Art & Crafts
- Exciting Group Activities
- Snacks & Refreshments Provided

LEARN MORE:



(03) 5155 1812



oshc.lakes.entrance.ps@education.vic.gov.au



A FREE WEBINAR

Understanding Anxiety and Depression to Foster Resilience



Dr Emma Woodward
Emma is recognised for her work as a child psychologist and TEDx speaker, keynote presenter, trainer and facilitator. She is also a regular SchoolTV presenter.



Dr Joe Stammeijer
A specialist in forensic psychiatry and a lecturer in medical education focusing on innovative practice and professional leadership. Joe is also a contributor to SchoolTV.

PART I

Supporting Primary & Secondary students

Join us for an exclusive webinar featuring international experts Dr Emma Woodward and Dr Joe Stammeijer, as they share valuable insights into recognising early signs of concern and practical approaches to supporting the wellbeing of young people.

This webinar is Part I of a series.

In this session, topics include:

- Understanding Anxiety and Depression
- Recognising Early Signs
- Supporting Neurodivergent Children

Suitable for: Parents, grandparents, carers, educators, school leaders.

Duration: 45 minutes



Online, Wednesday
18 March, 2026
7.30 pm

Don't miss out. FREE event. Scan or click the button to register.



Register here

The School Photographer.

A friendly reminder to

ORDER SCHOOL PHOTOS!

You still have time to place your order!



IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

TO AVOID A LATE ORDER ADMINISTRATION FEE HEAD TO OUR WEBSITE TO VIEW OUR PACKAGES AND TO PLACE YOUR ORDER

St Brendan's Catholic Primary School

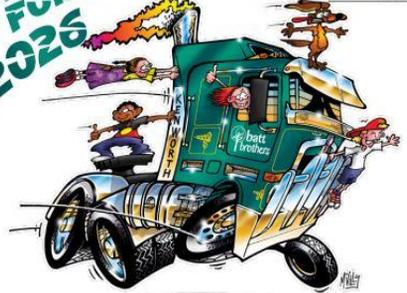
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EAST GIPPSLAND CONVOY FOR KIDS 2026

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GIPPSLAND TRUCK CENTRE
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14th March 2026

Open 9am to 4pm at the
Great Lakes Air Field Colquhoun Rd
Lakes Entrance

Entry \$5 - Per Person or \$10 Per Vehicle

TRUCKS CONVOY FROM TRARALGON & ORBOST TO LAKES ENTRANCE

Trucks Expected to arrive at 11am

Truck Entry Is Free

CONVOY START TIME TRARALGON 7:30AM & - ORBOST 9AM

All Trucks Welcome - Show 'N' Shine - Charity Auction
Food Trucks - Merchandise Stalls - Family Fun Day - Truck'n With Tim

ALL PROCEEDS DONATED TO CAMP QUALITY & ANGEL FLIGHT

This Event Is Alcohol Free.

CONTACT DETAILS/ Chelsea: 0455 531 991 Chris: 0418 804 508
Email: egconvoyforkids@gmail.com / Facebook East Gippsland Convoy For Kids



All Abilities Netball

Enjoy netball in a fun, friendly environment where you will learn new skills, stay active and enjoy being part of a team built on belonging and inclusion.

Date: Thursday 26/02/2026- Thursday 28/05/2026
Excluding School Holidays

Time: 4.00pm-5.00pm

Cost- \$100

Location: WORLD Precinct- 99 Wallace Street, Bairnsdale

Contact: Janet Parker at 0430 480 405

REGISTER TODAY!

On the BNA FB page



Issue 2 Open Now!

\$5 DISCOUNT CODE
Earn a \$5 DISCOUNT CODE
Included with order confirmation

SCHOLASTIC Book Club

ISSUE 2 2026

BOOKS: THE TIGER'S A COULD, THE WICK BROS CIPHER, THE HYBRID PHASE

ORDERS DUE BACK BY: []

\$5 DISCOUNT CODE

SCHOLASTIC Book Club

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GOOD CLEAN FUN

PLAY.AFL/AUSKICK

LAKES ENTRANCE AUSKICK CENTRE

LAKES ENTRANCE RECREATION RESERVE

FRIDAYS | 5:00PM - 6:00PM

Starting Friday 24th April 2026

AFL PLAY

AFL Superkick

ANYBUDDY CAN PLAY

PLAY.AFL/SUPERKICK

LAKES ENTRANCE SUPERKICK

LAKES ENTRANCE RECREATION RESERVE

FRIDAYS | 5:00PM - 6:00PM

Starting Friday 24th April 2026

AFL PLAY

Registrations are now open. Go to <https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/94a5b4> or scan the QR Code

Starting Friday 24th April - Wednesday June 10th 2026 5-6pm @ Lakes Entrance Recreation Reserve (Footy & Cricket Grounds)

This Auskick Centres total price is \$91.

Please note FINAL SESSION WILL BE WEDNESDAY 10TH JUNE 2026, NOT FRIDAY.....

Please read through Auskick Terms of Participation before signing up, available here <https://play.afl/play/auskick/terms>, which includes our refund policy.

Don't forget that you can use your valid 'Get Active Kids' Voucher via the "Payment & Summary" page. Be sure to enter voucher via the 'Government Vouchers' section and hit apply.

Note: Refunds are not possible where vouchers have not been submitted successfully.



GET READY FOR A GREAT NIGHT OUT!

LAKES ENTRANCE ROTARY CLUB

TRIVIA NIGHT

27 MARCH 2026

Friday, 27th March 2026
St Brendan's Primary School
Mary MacKillop Basketball Centre

★ \$15 per person ★ \$80 for a table of 6 ★

Be there at 6pm for a 6.30pm start

Raising funds to support local community projects & bushfire-affected communities in Victoria.

Supper provided by Rotary. BYO snacks and drinks.



RSVP BY 13 MARCH

Contact Lesley: 0419 871 197 or Victoria: 0404 747 269

An invitation from President Bernard Abrecht and the members of the Rotary Club of Lakes Entrance

Medical Information Update



Parents and carers are required to update your child's medical information via PAM every year their child attends our school. The information you include on these forms will allow us to maintain our records and put in place any plans to assist in managing their medical conditions.

Information about students' medical conditions are recorded to ensure we are able offer the relevant care while they are at school. It is important to inform the school of any changes to your child's medical information and or needs as soon as possible so we can maintain accurate and up-to-date records.

Parents or cares of students diagnosed with Asthma, Allergy, Anaphylaxis, Diabetes and Epilepsy must also provide a personalised condition specific action plan completed and signed by their doctor. **Action plans must be updated each year.**

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EAST GIPPSLAND TAEKWONDO

Fitness Self Defence Fun



First session FREE

Ages 6+ welcome!

Tues & Thurs

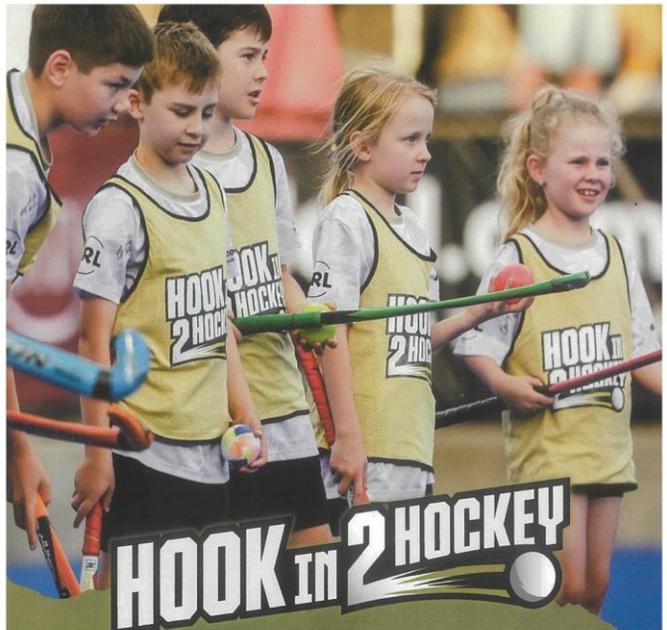
5:30PM - 7:00PM

St Brendan's
Primary School Hall



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egtkd@gmail.com



HOOK IN 2 HOCKEY

SWAN REACH HOCKEY CLUB

FIRST SESSION IS FREE! ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED!

Mondays 4.30-5.30pm from Feb 16 2026

WORLD Hockey Fields, 101 Wallace St, Bairnsdale

For more info: swanreachhockeyclub@hotmail.com
or contact Sarah 0439 312 962

