



# Calder Chronicle

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**THURSDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021**

## CALENDAR

### FRIDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY

Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> May

Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> May

Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> June

Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June

### Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June

### Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> June

Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> June

Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> June

### Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> June

Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> July

Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> July

Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> July

Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> July

Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> July

### PUPIL FREE DAY – no on site supervision

Year 5/6 Camp 2<sup>nd</sup> instalment of \$100 due

On site supervision for those families considered Essential Services & OSHC

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### CANCELLED-First Steps / Junior Unit Excursion

On site supervision for those families considered Essential Services & OSHC

### CURRICULUM DAY – no on site supervision

Payment due for Middle Unit Melbourne Museum Excursion

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### P&F Elmore Bakery Pie Drive Order forms and payment due

Payment due for Senior Unit Gym

P&F Elmore Bakery Pie Drive delivery day 3:00pm to 4:00pm

### LAST DAY FOR TERM 2 – early dismissal of 2:15pm

First Day for Term 3

Senior Unit Gym commences

Senior Unit Gym continues

Senior Unit Gym continues

Senior Unit Gym concludes

Year 6 Human Relations session

Year 5/6 Camp 3<sup>rd</sup> instalment of \$80 due

## School Organisation

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Week 6 has of course been focused on EDUCATION WEEK and the ever present worry about COVID-19 and a pending lockdown. This has made the week both good and bad... so many celebrations, yet the constant worry of what might happen next. By now though, we are poised ready for any decision... which will of course be communicated via our Website, Facebook pages & Flexischools. Stay tuned ☺

### COVID-19 LOCKDOWN ANNOUNCED

More information to come, however... the following will be happening for the next week...

- ❖ Return to REMOTE AND FLEXIBLE LEARNING – Years Prep – 6,
- ❖ Tomorrow, Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> June has been declared a Pupil Free Day to enable teachers to prepare for **Monday – Thursday** Remote and Flexible Learning. There is no school tomorrow for any child as it is pupil-free,
- ❖ Schooling provided remotely from Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> May until Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June,
- ❖ Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> August remains a Curriculum Day – Pupil Free for all students, as communicated to enable staff training in the areas of anaphylaxis, First Aid, wellbeing etc. As this was organised at the start of the year, we have commitments in place that we will follow if able to. For your benefit, Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> August is NO SCHOOL, including remote, for all children. Due to this, there is no OSHC or onsite learning,
- ❖ Staff work remotely from home, as do children. The only staff on site will be essential – Leadership, Office and minimal teaching / education support staff to supervise the small number of children on site,
- ❖ On site supervision available only to the children of essential workers – please phone the Office or email me [Matthew.Pearce@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Matthew.Pearce@education.vic.gov.au) to discuss and receive the new book-in forms. On site supervision is only available when there is no adult at home to supervise children. If a child can be at home, they must stay at home,
- ❖ Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) – before and after school care for those children of essential workers (see above) attending on site supervision...will be available. Please contact the office or email [Janet.Dean@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Janet.Dean@education.vic.gov.au) to book in,
- ❖ Learning materials will be sent home with students today, if possible given the short-time frame. The Office will be contactable tomorrow if you need to check in. Teachers will be in contact and also set up remote learning platforms – which in the past include web-based private blogs for FIRST STEPS, JUNIOR UNIT and MIDDLE UNIT and the use of SHOWBIE for the SENIOR UNIT. If you have not heard from your child's teacher by Monday, please contact the Office and we will help you out,
- ❖ All updates will be shared on our FACEBOOK PAGE, school website and Flexischools. Please watch these spaces carefully over the next week,
- ❖ All events scheduled from tomorrow till Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June will be either cancelled or postponed (if we can). This includes the First Steps / Junior Unit Ballarat Wildlife Park Excursion AND Regional Cross County in St Arnaud (for selected students)
- ❖ No iPads will be available to borrow over the remote learning period due to the snap lockdown as we haven't had time to prepare them for home use.

## **EDUCATION WEEK LAUNCH**

If you were at school on Monday morning, you would have experienced the wonderful performance lead by our music teacher Nick Reid, two of our music tutors Phil Seaton and Leigh Turner and of course many of our talented students. There were singers, guitarists (including acoustic, base and electric), ukulele players, drummers and keyboardists...what a smorgasboard! It truly was a wonderful launch and I thank all involved, particularly Nick for bringing it together. As part of the launch, we were also very lucky to have local MP Maree Edwards in attendance as a guest speaker. Maree worked magic as she spoke to our children, who listened intently. What a talented MP we have in the electorate of Bendigo West. A big thankyou to Maree for coming to Big Hill and launching Education Week for us. It was a bit special 😊.



## **SCHOOL TOURS**

This week we have done several tours of the school for our prospective 2022 Prep parents and also a special tour for current parents who missed the chance last year due to COVID-19. It was terrific to have many new parents take up the opportunity to tour the school whilst making the decision about 2022 Prep enrolment. I also enjoyed catching up with a small crowd of current community members who came to see the school either for the first time, or to tour our new facilities.

## **ACTIVE TRAVEL, BREAKFAST CLUB AND CAKE STALL**

We had a great turn-out for our active travel this morning, with many children walking, scooting and riding to school OR taking part in our WALK AT SCHOOL on the Tiger Turf. Lots of family members came along and even stayed for breakfast, which was provided kindly by WOOLWORTHS KANGAROO FLAT (LANSELL SQUARE). A large spread was on offer for all girls and boys who were keen and any adult that had registered to enjoy breaky together. It was fresh out...but still a lovely community event. As part of the festivities of Education Week, we also had a PARENTS AND FRIENDS CAKE STALL...that was so popular it sold out in round half an hour. Thanks to all who made items to sell or came along on the day. A big thank you to staff and parents who made today's ACTIVE TRAVEL, BREAKFAST and CAKE STALL such a hit for Education Week. Think we just snuck it in 😊.

## **NATIONAL SORRY DAY**

Did you know that yesterday was NATIONAL SORRY DAY? Hopefully your child came home and was able to talk to you about the day, it's significance etc. Many took the chance yesterday to reflect and think about the significance of SORRY DAY for all Australians...particularly our FIRST NATIONS. I was so impressed to see so many classes doing different activities to acknowledge the day...which is so important...and also part of our requirement to teach and cover ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PERSPECTIVES across the curriculum.

## **NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK**

Today is significant as it not only marks the beginning of NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK across the country, but also as it commemorates the anniversary of the Referendum that finally recognised the first nations citizens of Australia for the first time. Here's a challenge – with your child find out what the referendum changed, when it was etc. In doing so, also explore other key dates this week, including MABO DAY next Thursday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June. Again – you could research with your child who Eddie Mabo was...and why he is significant. Reconciliation is about moving forward, healing past wounds and embracing our first nations people, whom in Bendigo traditionally are the DJA DJA WURRUNG people. Visit <https://nrw.reconciliation.org.au/> for more information.



This week's theme is RECONCILIATION IS MORE THAN A WORD... RECONCILIATION TAKES ACTION.

## **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

These were handed out last night. If you didn't receive the, or if you have any problems with your photos, please call MSP Photography directly on 5482 3190.

## **BIRTHDAYS**

Happy birthday to James G, Cayden H & Billie H.

Remember, as we go back into Lockdown and Remote... we are always here via email, phone, through our learning platforms etc. We, like you, will do the best we can to support children in the coming week. Hopefully it's just a week too. Fingers crossed!

*Matt Pearce, Principal*

## FIRST STEPS NEWS

### BALLARAT WILDLIFE PARK EXCURSION

This has had to be cancelled in light of the COVID-19 situation. We will hopefully be able to reschedule at a later date.

### LABELLED JUMPERS

We are getting quite a collection of jumpers in each of our rooms. Please make sure that your jumpers are labelled so that we can return them when we find them.

### PREP DEPARTURE

Parents of Prep students have been picking up their child from their classroom at the end of the day. Now that we are in Term 2 and Prep students know the different areas of the school and are aware of the end of day routines you can arrange a designated pick up area where your child meets you or waits till you arrive.

### STARS OF THE WEEK

*For displaying our School Value of 'Be Safe' by bouncing back and being resilient:*

**FSN** *Evelynne K*

**FSP** *Jacinta D*

**FSJ** *Zoe B*

*Nicole, Leisha, Pauline & Josh*

## JUNIOR UNIT NEWS

### EXCURSION

This week we have been learning all about the desert habitat and the Fennec Fox for our science lessons. This was part of the lead up for our excursion to Ballarat Wildlife Park but unfortunately this has had to be cancelled in light of the COVID-19 situation. We will hopefully be able to reschedule at a later date.

### STUDENT OF THE WEEK

*For showing enthusiasm and confidence when presenting Show and Tell to their classmates:*

**JC** *Mason L*

**JJ** *Abbigail D*

*Catherine, Jen & Zoe*

## MIDDLE UNIT NEWS

### EDUCATION WEEK

We would like to congratulate all the students who performed musical items at the Assembly on Monday morning. Well done Nick, on a wonderful performance. This morning as part of Education Week, many students participated in Active Travel To School or Walk At School Day. This was followed by the Breakfast Club which was very popular with the Middle Unit students. Thank you to all the helpers.

### CURRICULUM NEWS

This week the students have continued working on their persuasive writing skills. There has been a focus on adjectives that describe food. The students enjoyed designing a poster to promote a new ice-cream creation. In Mathematics, we have been revising a variety of skip counting and times tables strategies. Students have also been busy completing online tests in Reading and Mathematics.

### STUDENT OF THE WEEK

*For displaying the School Value of 'Safety':*

**MW** *Thalia M*

**MR** *Harley N*

**MD** *Ty R*

*Renae, Leisha, Wendy & Dean*

## SENIOR UNIT NEWS

### HEALTH & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Students will attend a ninety minute session, accompanied by their classroom teacher on **Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> July**. This program explores the physical and emotional changes of puberty and includes sexual development, the process of fertilization and development of a baby, and discussion regarding general aspects of health, including relationships and body image.

### CAMP

Medical notes and formal permission notes will be sent home early next term, along with a list of items that students can bring along to camp. For families paying by instalments, the second instalment of \$100 is due by TOMORROW, Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> May. Thank you.

### GYM

Please ensure your return notes and make payment as soon as possible. Due date for payment and notes is Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> June.

### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

*For demonstrating Empathy at school:*

**SA** *Shanay O*

**SB** *Matilda M*

**SK** *Felicia B*

**SL** *Peyton C*

*Ainsley, Brett, Kate, Lauren & Roberta*

## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

### CAKE STALL

Thank you everyone for donating items for our stall – it was a great success! Thanks to those who purchased items, we hope you enjoy your goodies 😊.

### ELMORE PIE DRIVE

Orders will need to be returned to the Office by 9:00am Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> June. Payment can be made in cash, or direct deposit to the Elmore Bakery. Pie Drive collection day will be Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> June from 3:00pm – 4:00pm in the multipurpose room. We hope you all enjoy ordering again this year and we would like to thank you again so much for your support with our fundraisers, we couldn't do it without all you.

### P&F FACEBOOK PAGE

Keep up to date with our P&F activities by joining our Facebook Community:

(<http://www.facebook.com/groups/bhpspf/>)

Our page provides reminders and updates on all the activities as well as connecting you with other families at our school.

Thank you all for your support with P&F activities, its really appreciated.

*Parents and Friends*

## OSHC NEWS

### ACCOUNTS

Thank you to all families who are keeping up with their payments, remember, we are here to help if you are having trouble with your payments.

Another option is to pay in advance. You are most welcome to pay in advance instead of waiting for accounts to be emailed, and the money will sit there to be used on the OSHC fees as your child/ren attends.

You will still receive accounts so you can keep track of how much credit you have, and should you cease your child/s enrolment, we can refund any remaining credit.

Janet Dean  
OSHC Admin



### Next balancing deadline 30 June

We are reminding families about the next deadline for balancing Child Care Subsidy (CCS).

There are two important deadlines that fall on **30 June 2021**:

- the **second deadline** for confirming **2018–19 income**, and
- the **first deadline** for confirming **2019–20 income**.

### Confirming 2018–19 income

Most families confirmed their 2018–19 income before the first deadline on 31 March 2021. Any families who still haven't confirmed their 2018–19 income must do so by the second deadline on 30 June 2021. If they don't, they may need to pay back all the CCS they got in 2018–19.

### Confirming 2019–20 income

Many families have confirmed their 2019–20 income already. If they haven't, they must do so by the first deadline on 30 June 2021. If they don't, their CCS will stop and they'll need to pay full fees for child care.

### How do families confirm their income?

You confirm your income by:

- lodging your tax return, or
- telling Services Australia you don't need to lodge a tax return. Families can complete an [Advise non-lodgement of tax return](#) using their [Centrelink online account](#) through [myGov](#) or through the [Express Plus Centrelink mobile app](#). You'll need to do this even if you've already told the Australian Taxation Office they don't need to lodge.

If a parent separates from their partner/s, Services Australia will also need their ex-partner's income. If a parent is concerned that their ex-partner/s won't lodge their tax return by the deadline they should call 136150.

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK PHOTOS FROM LAST WEEK

### MIDDLE UNIT



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

We have had an order handed in to the Office with no name on it. It was for \$14, so if it was yours, please let Janet know. Thank you.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Our school, in conjunction with Havilah Road Preschool are collecting bread tags to help

### Bread Tags for Wheelchairs

This project recycles bread tags into wheelchairs, so save them up and bring them into the Office. This is an ongoing project.



## Building Resilience in Kids

Resilience is the ability to cope with the ups and downs of life. Learn how you can help kids develop skills, habits, and attitudes for building resilience.

Resilience is not just about managing current stressors, but also developing skills for dealing with challenges throughout life and enhancing mental health.

- Building good relationships
- Independence
- Confidence to face challenges
- Managing Emotions

✓ Resilience ✓ Independence ✓ Managing Emotions

### Workshop dates & locations:

Location Name – St Monica's Primary School, Jaara Centre.

Please note this is a single session workshop only.

Free

Sorry no childcare provided.

Dates: Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021 @ 5:30PM – 9PM  
Arrival and Registration @ 5:15PM

Groups are subject to maximum and minimum numbers determined prior to working days prior to the commencement date. Early registration is encouraged.

### RSVP:

St Monica's Primary School | PH 5447 7532  
E [edicksonford@smknagarooftar.catholic.edu.au](mailto:edicksonford@smknagarooftar.catholic.edu.au)

Please remember your mask. We put that #safergoat before social distancing and face mask regulations.



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**EDUCATION WEEK PHOTOS**  
**PERFORMANCE AT MONDAY'S ASSEMBLY**



**PARENTS AND FRIENDS CAKE STALL**



**FREE BREAKFAST**



**WALK AT SCHOOL**

