



The Future ... Starts Here

School Council President: Mr Yep 0409 112 561

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SCHOOL CALENDAR 2020

November

Fri 27 Y3/4 Camp Day
Mon 30 2021 Foundation Pearson Transition Day

December

Tues 1 2021 Foundation Allegretto Transition Day
Fri 4 2021 Foundation Williams Transition Day
Mon 7 School begins at 9am & Concludes at 3.30pm for all students
Tues 8 PA/School Council Meeting - 7.30pm
Mon 14 Whole School Transition
Tues 15 Y6 Big Day Out
Wed 16 Y6 Graduation
Fri 18 Final Day Term 4 - 1.30pm Dismissal

January 2021

Wed 27 Curriculum Day
Thurs 28 F-Y6 Students Begin School

February 2021

Thurs 18 School Photos

PRINCIPAL

The Victorian Government announced that Victoria moved to the Last Step of the [roadmap for reopening](#) from 11:59pm, Sunday 22 November 2020. As a result of the changes announced, some important updates have been made to school operations.

We are still required to put in place measures to remain COVID safe and strictly implement good hygiene practices including frequent and regular sanitising and hand washing, extra cleaning throughout the day, physical distancing and wearing masks when indoors. To support contact tracing, schools must continue to keep **a record of all staff, students and visitors who attend on site for more than 15 minutes** and the area visited.

Below, I have outlined the main changes that effect our parents and students currently, however we will be **proceeding slowly and carefully as we open up**. One strategy that we are keen to keep is **students entering and exiting the school grounds independently**. It has a twofold benefit as it has allowed us to **maximise the learning time** as classes start work promptly and our students from Foundation to six have developed **independence and resilience**. I encourage parents to continue the processes for drop off and pick up that they have established as we have certainly seen the benefits. It has been excellent to see so many **students walking and riding** to school which again

has developed their independence, physical fitness and resilience. I have also seen **many new friendships** developing with students walking and riding to school together which is wonderful. We also have a duty to ensure that groups of **parents do not congregate** inside or outside the school grounds.

Staggered starts and finishes are no longer required, school begins at 9.00am and concludes at 3.30pm - **this will begin at POPS on Monday 30th**

No students should be at school earlier than 8.45am unless they are attending OSHClub and we will be monitoring this very strictly, the playgrounds are **not supervised until 8.45am**.

Parents, non-essential visitors and Department staff may come onsite in the line with the regulation of contact tracing.

Face to face assemblies may take place with only students and teachers attending.

Parents may attend graduation ceremonies subject to public gathering limits of 150 (1 person per 4m²) inside and 300 Outdoors.

Students can move out of their playground "bubbles" but social distancing measures of exiting and entering buildings and classrooms remain as good practice for hygiene control **Face masks must be worn indoors** by people aged 12 years (not primary school students) and over, unless an exemption applies. Face masks are **not required outdoors** except where **physical distancing of 1.5 metres** cannot be maintained.

Drinking fountains are now permitted in schools- this will begin on **Monday November 30** as taps and troughs need to be flushed out first.

Activities involving parent volunteers can also resume – [more notification](#) coming from POPS regarding this.

Students with underlying conditions (such as hay fever or asthma)- if a student has persistent symptoms due to an underlying condition such as hay fever or asthma, the student should still be tested for coronavirus (COVID-19) if they develop symptoms that are **different to or worse** than their usual symptoms. Please discuss this situation with the student's GP. Students, staff or visitors **should not attend school** if they have COVID symptoms or are ill. COVID testing and staying home until well is the recommendation.

If you would like to discuss anything about the school and its operation please email me on

Georgina.Daniel@education.vic.gov.au

Georgina Daniel
PRINCIPAL

**MERIT AWARDS****STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS**

Foundation A	Hunter D	For the fantastic work he did when completing our sharing tasks. A maths wizard.
Foundation J	William B	For writing a great information book about turtles.
Foundation W	Aydin A	For his hard work to make his book about Sea Turtles. Well done Aydin!
1D	Kayla A	For writing a fabulous fairy tale and doing a wonderful job reading it aloud and using different voices for the characters.
	Eevee K	For always demonstrating attentive listening and being kind and respectful towards her classmates.
1G	Lenny M	For his terrific work with his maths project money task. You did a wonderful job at reading timetables and calculating with money. Keep it up.
1/2S	Henry J	For his fantastic work with his calculations for his 'POPS Athletics week' money task - what a superstar mathematician!
2G	Dominik S	For his fantastic effort and persistence with his mathematics money project! Well done Dominik!
2O	Austin W	For his descriptive fairytale that involves a witch and a wizard! Well done Austin.
3M	Cruz A	For his huge improvement in focus and effort and his absolute super star efforts in free choice writing. Amazing work Cruz, keep it up!
	Morgan M	For his consistent hard work and doing his best in all learning tasks, particularly his Information Report. Super work Morgan!
3/4P	Hugh M	For displaying maturity and integrity in the classroom.
	Scarlett I	For her resilience and 'can do' attitude!
3/4V	Archie H	For always taking on a challenge and participating in class activities.
	Olivia K	For her enthusiasm and energy she brings to the classroom.
4P	Victor M	For his interesting information report about Komodo Dragons. Well done!
	Piper H	For writing an imaginative story about being 'Lost'. Well done!
5D	Hamish F	For his focus and perseverance with his Taco Truck mini project. Well done!
5/6D	Georgia T	For always putting in 100% and having a positive attitude. Well done Georgia!
5/6J	Lucy G	For always putting in 100% when working on tasks. Well done!
6B	Luke R	For always being able to have a laugh and bring lightness to the class.

SPECIALISTS AWARDS

Art	Jamie A	For his careful and beautiful patterning on his potato printed caterpillar.
PE	Indi T	For her enthusiasm, sportsmanship and effort in Hot Shots tennis.
PA	Benjamin R	For his great assistance in Performing Arts.
Mandarin	Indi C	For her consistent effort and excellent work on the poem about Giant Panda.

LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS CAKES AND PUDDINGS**CHRISTMAS CAKES AND PUDDINGS**

The Covid regulations have restricted Lions fund raising activities this year. Our team has been hard at work developing a website where you can purchase the famous Lions Christmas Cakes and puddings on line OR donate a cake to Food Bank Victoria who will provide a cake to those in need for Christmas.

See <https://donateacake.com.au>

The cakes are still available locally from the Park Orchards shops.





PARENTS' ASSOCIATION NEWS

Annual General Meeting & 2021 Committee Positions

The Parents' Association Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 8 December at 7:30pm (format and location to be advised) and attendance is open to all parents.

While this year has been like no other and our fundraising and community engagement efforts were severely impacted, we hope to return reenergised in 2021.

Nominations for Parents' Association Committee positions are now open, with all positions up for election at the AGM. The committee roles are:

- **President:** The President's role is to provide leadership & act as a representative of the Association. The President will chair meetings and encourage communication between the Association, the School administration and the School community.
- **Vice-President:** The VP provides essential support for the President and other members of the Executive Committee. He/she will carry out any duties that have been delegated by the President.
- **Secretary:** The Secretary prepares the minutes, collates committee update reports and assists the President in preparing an agenda prior to each meeting. They will also record and deal with all the Association's correspondence.
- **Treasurer:** The Treasurer has the overall responsibility for monitoring the financial transactions of the Parents' Association. They will present a report identifying expenditure and income at each Association meeting.
- **Fundraising (Events) Co-ordinator:** The role is responsible for organising fundraising and social activities aimed at raising additional funds for the school and enhancing a sense of community.
- **Class Rep Co-ordinator:** The role is responsible for organising and supporting class reps for each class throughout the school & assisting with social & fundraising activities as required.
- **School Council Liaison:** The role is responsible for representing PA at monthly School Council Meetings and reporting back at PA Meetings on key discussion points.

A nomination form is included with the newsletter and please feel free to contact me should you wish to discuss any of the roles.

Mrs Narelle Ferrier - **PA President**

PA Calendar

TERM 1

Pancake Day
25 February
Welcome picnic
28 February
Cake Stall / Preloved Uniforms
2 March
Easter Raffle
Cancelled

TERM 2

Fun Run
Postponed
POPS' Disco
Postponed
Cake Stall / Preloved Uniforms
Cake stall cancelled
Mother's Day stall
Cancelled
Mother's Day breakfast
Cancelled
Cake Stall / Preloved Uniforms
Cake stall cancelled
Major Fundraising Night
Postponed

TERM 3

Cake Stall / Preloved Uniform
Cancelled
Cake Stall / Preloved Uniform
Cancelled
Father's Day Stall
Cancelled
Father's Day Breakfast
Online

TERM 4

Cake Stall / Preloved Uniform
Cancelled
Cake Stall / Preloved Uniform
Cake stall cancelled
Parent Information Night -
Cancelled

PA Committee: • **President** Ms Ferrier 0411 517 672 • **Vice President** Mrs Southgate • **Secretary** Mrs Jordan
• **Treasurer** Mrs Maher • **Class Rep Co-ordinator** Mrs Hampton-Yep • **Fundraising/Events Co-ordinator** Mrs Baker
• **School Council Rep** Mrs Fegan • **Uniform Shop Co-ordinator** Mrs Dyduck & Mrs Fegan



Parents' Association AGM – Nominations Sought

At the upcoming Parents' Association Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 8th December, all committee positions will be declared vacant and nominations will be sought. If you are interested in joining the PA committee, we encourage you to review the positions and submit a nomination form to the school office no later than Friday 4th December. Alternatively, should you have any questions relating to any of these positions please contact Narelle Ferrier, PA President on 0411 517 672, narelle.ferrier@gmail.com.

Parent Association Objectives

The objectives of the Association are to promote the interests of, and facilitate the development and further improvement of the School by, promoting parent participation, encouraging close co-operation between parents, students and staff and promoting positive community support.

Executive Committee Positions:

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PARENTS ASSOCIATION NOMINATION FORM

Return to Office by Friday 4th Dec

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

NOMINATED POSITION: _____

NOMINATED BY: _____ (you may nominate yourself)

NOMINEE SIGNATURE: _____



SALVATION ARMY FOOD DRIVE



It's wonderful news that we are able to support the Salvation Army Food Drive this year to assist families in need at Christmas.

We are seeking non perishable food items and toiletries such as Christmas cakes, pasta, pasta sauce, noodles, tinned fruit, vegetables or fish, shampoo, soap, toothpaste etc...

Donations can be placed in boxes provided in each building and will be accepted until Friday 4th December.

Please help to bring joy to another family this Christmas.



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BENEFITS:

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The image shows three smartphones displaying the Ritchies app. The first phone shows a digital card for 'NESTLE KIT KAT 450'. The second phone shows a 'COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROGRAM' with a photo of a group of people. The third phone shows a 'Specials & Catalogues' page with various food items and their prices, including a '1/2 PRICE' offer on a pizza.

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TERM 4 FINAL SESSION
TUESDAY, November 24, 11.10am -
Christmas

Webex code and password:

CODE: 165 509 7751

PASSWORD: POPS

For further information contact :
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