



Stawell Primary School
To Strive, To Seek, To Find - But Not To Yield

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Fortnightly Newsletter

FRIDAY 24TH MARCH, 2023

WEEK 9

Monday 27th Mar

Easter Raffle Donations Due

Thursday 30th Mar

Canteen Open

Friday 31st Mar

Easter Raffle Tickets Due
Canteen Open

WEEK 10

Wednesday 5th Apr

Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Hat Parade—Gold Coin Donation

Thursday 6th Apr

Athletics Lunch Orders due
End of Term Assembly
Canteen Open
Early Finish 2:20pm

Friday 7th Apr

Good Friday—Pupil Free Day

WEEK 1, Term 2

Tuesday 25th Apr

ANZAC Day—Pupil Free Day

Thursday 27th Apr

Canteen Open

Friday 28th Apr

Athletic Sports—North Park

WEEK 2

Wednesday 3rd May

Open Evening—Stawell Secondary College Grade 5/6

Thursday 4th May

Canteen Open

Friday 5th May

Canteen Open

Dear Parents/Carers and 502 Community,

Friday 24th March 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we approach the end of the term, we have had a busy few weeks here at our school, with a number of exciting events and activities taking place. It was wonderful to see the number of students who rode to school yesterday for 'Ride to School Day' highlighting the importance of an active and healthy lifestyle.

Our Grade 5/6 students recently participated in the **Maths Olympics** hosted by Stawell Secondary College. Teams competed in a range of challenging mathematical activities. It was wonderful to see our students engage in friendly competition and display their impressive problem-solving skills against other primary schools in our area. We were fortunate to **win all three categories** and took home the **overall champions trophy**. This is a tremendous accomplishment, and we are so very proud of our students and the achievements they have made.

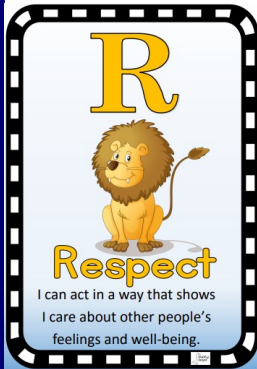
We also celebrated **Harmony Day**, which was a fantastic opportunity for our students to learn about and celebrate diversity of our school community. With the overall message of 'Everyone Belongs', students participated in a whole school singing of a Harmony song and had an out of uniform day wearing the colour orange.

Today staff participated in a **Berry Street training day this Friday (Pupil Free Day – 24th March)**, which will provide our staff with valuable training in trauma-informed education practices. This is the second of four training days spanning over 2 years. We believe that this training will further enhance our ability to support the social and emotional needs of our students, and we look forward to implementing what we learn.



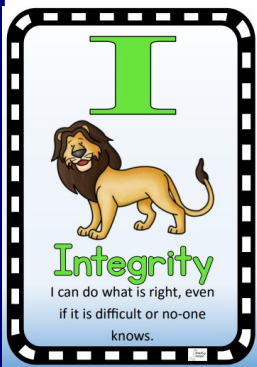


Finally, as we approach the end of term, we would like to remind parents and guardians that there are only two weeks left before the school holidays. It is important to encourage your child to remain focused and engaged in their learning during this time, as we continue to work towards achieving their educational needs.



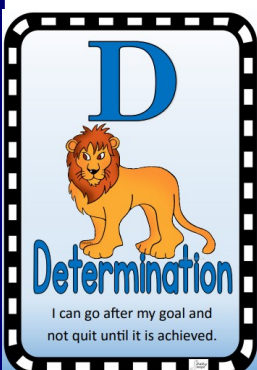
Thank you for your ongoing support, and we look forward to another successful term ahead.

Sincerely,
Russell Marland
Principal.

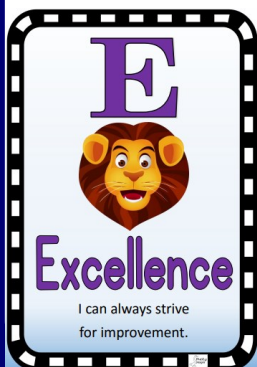


Attendance

This year we are focusing on attendance. It is important that we monitor attendance, and for parents and families to contact the Office when their child is away. Every student needs to be at school to help with their academic growth.



SMILE SQUAD



Please Note:- Smile Squad Dental Visit has been postponed. New dates to come when available

Ride to School Day



Grade 3 Stawell Gift





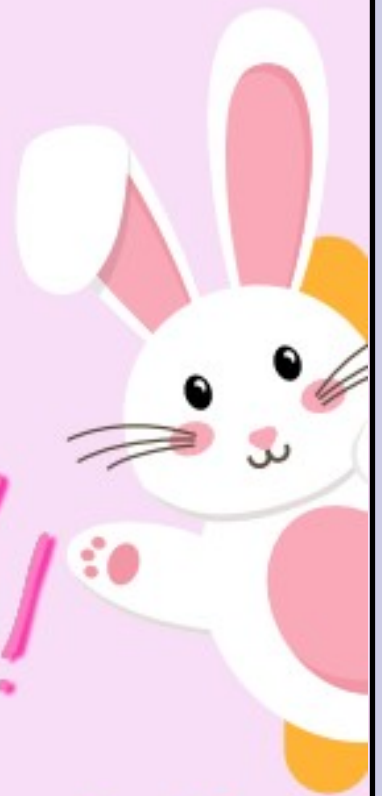
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*You're
Invited!*

Easter Egg Hunt & Hat Parade

Wednesday 5th April

Oval & Assembly Area

1:00pm - 1:30pm

*Come take part in our Easter Egg Hunt & Hat Parade with an Easter themed
DRESS UP day!*

*This is a GOLD COIN DONATION event. Please bring a gold coin to support
The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal!*



EASTER EGG HUNT & HAT PARADE 2023

On Wednesday 5th of April, students are invited to participate in the Easter Egg Hunt and Hat Parade with a full Easter themed dress up. The students will be given the opportunity to make a hat in class for the parade.

Please note this is a **GOLD COIN DONATION** event, funds raised will be donated to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

We will have the Easter Egg Hunt before recess and Easter Hat Parade from 1:00 to 1:30pm. Parents, carers, and family members are welcome to attend the parade!



Harmony Day



Black Ranges Tennis



Lenka, Asha, Archer and Riley did an amazing job representing our school at the Black Ranges Tennis.

A big congratulations goes to Archer for winning his competition and is off to Greater Western Region Tennis in Ballarat at the end of the month.



HOLIDAY PROGRAM

All free events!

APRIL

STAWELL LIBRARY

WEDNESDAY 12

Kids Karaoke!
2.30pm



THURSDAY 13

Storytime at 10.30am

FRIDAY 14

Storytime at 10.30am

WEDNESDAY 19

Dance, dance, dance!
2.30pm



THURSDAY 20

Storytime at 10.30am

FRIDAY 21

Storytime at 10.30am

ST. ARNAUD LIBRARY

THURSDAY 13

Storytime
10.30am

Kids Karaoke!
3.00pm



THURSDAY 20

Storytime
10.30am



Pet Rock
Making!
3.00pm

Please book in:
Stawell Library on 03 5358 1274
St. Arnaud Library on 03 5495 2188



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HELPERS NEEDED

The Canteen will run each Thursday and Friday.

Keep an eye on our Newsletter for Thursday specials.

Orders can be placed on the QKR app or send your child with a brown paper bag and money for them to place in the canteen basket in their classroom.

Canteen price lists are available through the Office.

Please check your child's room number when placing your order.

Please fill in an expression of interest if you're available to help Kristy on a Thursday or Friday.



WE NEED YOU HELP!!! Canteen Helpers Needed

If you can spare one morning either regularly or occasionally, please fill in the form below and return it to the Office as soon as possible.

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Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Child's Name: _____

Child's Room: _____

Day Preferred:

Thurs

Fri

Fortnightly

Monthly

Once a term

Time Preferred:

10am—1:30pm

12:30pm-1:45pm



Term 1 Reminders

Hats:- Students are required to wear hats outside at all times during Term 1.

Water Bottles:- Please ensure that your child brings a drink bottle to school each day. Refill taps are located around the school for drink bottles to be refilled.

Illness:- If your child is feeling unwell please keep them at home.

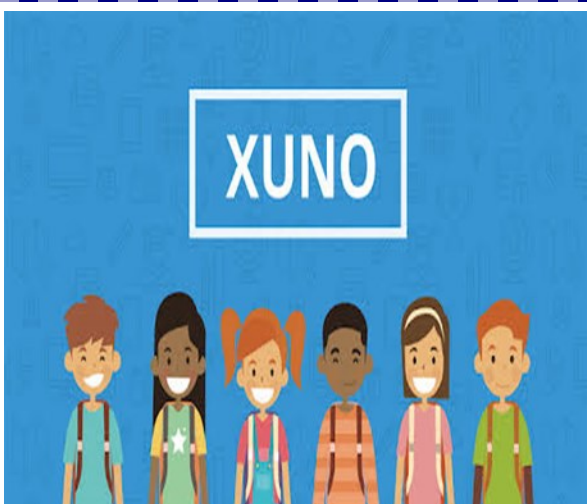
Absences and XUNO:- Please complete any unexplained absences for your child via XUNO.

- Please log into XUNO
- Click on Attendance
- Click on Important/Absence that require an explanation
- Enter a valid reason for your Childs absence

QKR APP

If you are using the Qkr App for ordering students lunches, could you please ensure you update your students current year level and room number, instructions below :

1. Sign into the Qkr App
2. Select Stawell Primary School Profile
3. Select Manage Children – update details



At Stawell Primary School we use a SMS messaging service called XUNO. We use this to message you in regards to Student absences, newsletters, updates and messages from your teachers. If you have any issues with Xuno or need help please contact the Office on 5358 1255.

Term 1 Reminders

Local Excursion Consent Form 2023

For students to attend local excursion's such as walking to the library, stadium etc this form needs to be completed. If you could send this back to school with your child for them to place in the black bag, it would be greatly appreciated. If you have not received a copy of this please contact the office to obtain one.



PARKING REMINDER



Please be mindful of parking at school drop off and pick up to ensure that you are using allocated parking. Please do not restrict driveway access within the streets around the school area.

School Hats

As part of the Stawell Primary School Sun Smart Policy, students are required to wear hats during Term 1 and Term 4.

If you require a new Hat they are available for purchase at the Office for \$10.00 each or on the QKR app.



Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club has commenced. Breakfast Club will operate Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8am onwards.



Term 1 Reminders

Professional tuition in Maths and English



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Scooter and Bike Riders

Please remember to walk you scooter/ bike, until you leave the footpath that surrounds the school.



Wimmera Mallee Female Football League

Season 2023 U14 Youth Girls Information Sheet

Age Group: Youth Girls U14 Years (aimed at 10-14 years)

Season Duration: 12 week program commencing April—July

Program: Combination of training with Competition games via initial 4-5 team League structure

Season 2023 looks to provide introduction and participation for U14 Girls to AFL, with a combination of skills based training and Competition games, delivered locally in the Wimmera Area at local venues by WFNL Club Hub bases.

The Stawell Football Netball Club is putting an expression of interest out for any young girls 10-14 years of age. If we get enough interest we would consider having a side represent our club.
Possible game dates are: 30th April, 21st May, 18th June, 9th July

Further enquiries to:

Shane Field
P 0439349762
E shane@stawell.net.au
Or
Blair Hart
0407969061
hart.blair.g@edumail.vic.gov.au

Stawell Ritchies IGA

If you want to nominate Stawell Primary School as your chosen community program to receive IGA points.

We are listed as Stawell Primary School.

RITCHIES IGA + LIQUOR

MEMBERS SAVE MORE

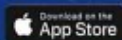
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2

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3

Login to your newly created account to select your favourite Club, School, or Charity from the Community page.

The benefits of downloading our app



WALLET FEATURE

You asked, we've delivered. Add your card to your digital wallet.



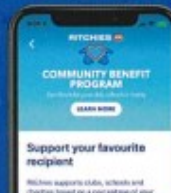
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\$52 Million 
Given back to the community.

Easter Raffle



EASTER DONATION REQUEST

We are seeking your support and asking our families to donate an Easter Egg, Easter Merchandise or Basket to be included in our Easter Raffle. These items can be left at the Office.

Raffle books have been sent home with the eldest child in the family. If you need more tickets, please call in to the Office.

Sold or unsold books, along with payment will be due back to school on **Friday March 31st**.

Please send your donations to the Office Prior to **Monday 27th March**.

Thank you for your support, we greatly appreciate it.



Stawell Primary School has just signed up to the Vic Kids Eat Well movement and is working with local Healthy Kids Advisor, Lauren Dempsey to positively impact the schools' food and drink environment.

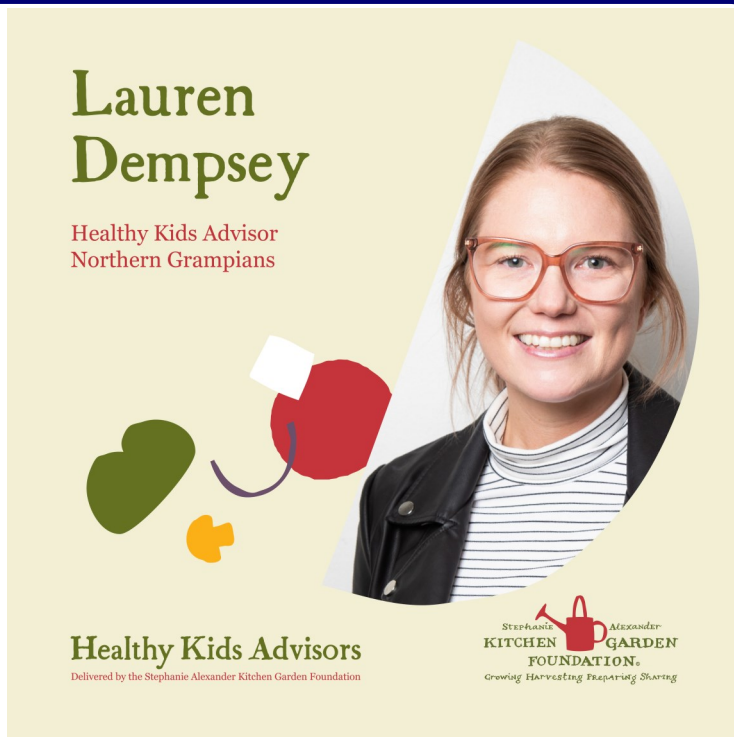
Lauren is the local Healthy Kids Advisor for the Northern Grampians Shire and currently working with a number of settings across the shire.

Delivered by the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation, Lauren's role leans on the Foundation's pleasurable food education philosophy to support our community's unique healthy eating goals and encourage participation in the state-wide Vic Kids Eat Well movement.

Lauren brings people together to encourage healthy and delicious food and drink options in the places where families gather, namely, schools, outside school hours care (OSHC), sports clubs and community or council run facilities.

She provides free, flexible, hands-on support for schools and organisations to take simple, achievable steps towards healthy swaps that make a big impact.

For more information or to reach out to Lauren, please email Lauren.Dempsey@kitchengardenfoundation.org.au



KESO – Koorie Engagement Support Officer

Department of Education

Students / Parents / Carer's / Guardians

Please don't hesitate to contact a KESO for support and assistance.

Nola – 0457 520 390
Kerrie – 0459 870 282
Makayla – 8871 2504





Stawell Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people. Our school community recognizes the importance of, and a responsibility for, ensuring our school is a safe, supportive and enriching environment which respects and fosters the dignity and self-esteem of children and young people, and enables them to thrive in their learning and development.

The Assistant Principal, Scott Rathgeber, is the appointed lead Child Safety coordinator.

[A Big Thank You](#)

Thank you Sam Cooper
from Scoop Contractors
for removing the scrap metal
that had accumulated
in the boiler room.

Scoop Contractors
0488 039 933

Do you or someone you know need some help?

The Stawell Inter Church Council Cottage is at
20 Sloane St Stawell and is open
Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from
10:30am—12:30pm.

For help with non-perishable groceries,
grocery shopping vouchers, VLine,
petrol, chemist, etc.

For after hours emergencies—
0408 038 949.

Stawell Neighborhood House has
perishable fruit and vegetables
Mondays-Fridays.

In Sloane St next to Cato Park.

For other needs contact Stawell St Vincent de
Paul—0437 344 323 and leave a
message.

Your call will be responded to within 24 hours.

Dates for the Diary!

<u>WEEK</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
TERM 1 WEEK 9	<u>March 27th</u> Easter Raffle Donations Due	<u>March 28th</u>	<u>March 29th</u>	<u>March 30th</u> Cross Country Grades 3-6 <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>	<u>March 31st</u> Easter Raffle Tickets Due <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>
WEEK 10	<u>April 3rd</u>	<u>April 4th</u>	<u>April 5th</u> Easter Egg Hunt Easter Hat Parade	<u>April 6th</u> <u>End of Term Assembly</u> <u>Early Dismissal 2:20</u> <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>	<u>April 7th</u> <u>Good Friday</u> <u>Start of School Holidays</u>
TERM 2 WEEK 1	<u>April 24th</u>	<u>April 25th</u> ANZAC Day Pupil Free Day	<u>April 26th</u>	<u>April 27th</u> <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>	<u>April 28th</u> Athletic Sports
WEEK 2	<u>May 1st</u>	<u>May 2nd</u>	<u>May 3rd</u> Open evening Stawell Secondary Grade 5/6	<u>May 4th</u> Black Range Cross Country—St Arnaud <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>	<u>May 5th</u> <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>
WEEK 3	<u>May 8th</u>	<u>May 9th</u>	<u>May 10th</u>	<u>May 11th</u> <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>	<u>May 12th</u> <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>
WEEK 4	<u>May 15th</u>	<u>May 16th</u>	<u>May 17th</u>	<u>May 18th</u> <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>	<u>May 19th</u> Walk to school day <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>
WEEK 5	<u>May 22nd</u>	<u>May 23rd</u>	<u>May 24th</u> National Simultaneous Storytime	<u>May 25th</u> <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>	<u>May 26th</u> <u>CANTEEN OPEN</u>