



St. Margaret's
Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Term One, Week 9
March 26th, 2024

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From Susan's Desk

Leadership and Management News

Dear Families,

It's hard to believe we are at the end of term 1 already! Although a short term, it has certainly been a busy one with students settling into new classrooms quickly and new school routines being adjusted to. Our staff have been busy ensuring their learning programs are engaging and based around the learning data we gathered at the beginning of the year for each student. I am immensely grateful for the expertise, professionalism and compassion our staff takes when educating the students in their care. We are truly blessed at St Margaret's to have exceptional staff in our school community.

Last Wednesday we celebrated Confirmation for many of our Year 6 students. The evening was a wonderful reflection on the gifts of the Holy Spirit, with Bishop Martin Ash speaking to our students about their unique gifts and asking them to embrace these as given to them by the Holy Spirit. We thank the family, friends and staff that attended Mass to support these students. Thank you to Joel Kearney, the Year 5/6 teachers and Father Jim for ensuring the evening went smoothly and our students were well prepared.

Thank you to all those that supported our P&F hot cross bun drive to raise funds for classroom whiteboards. We managed to sell 192 packets, which came very close to our target of \$500. Baker's Delight Newcomb knew our target for the whiteboards and generously donated \$144! This ensured we reached our target making \$528. Thank you to Nikki at Bakers Delight Newcomb for her generous support of our school and our students. Thank you to the P&F for organising such a successful fundraiser for our school!



Holidays are a great time to look through your school uniform, ensure all items are named and purchase anything new. As we transition into cooler weather, students may begin wearing their winter uniform. We ask that whatever uniform your child chooses to wear, it is done correctly. Tights or pants should not be worn with the summer dress, for example. A list of the uniform requirements can be found in the parent handbook, or please ask at the office. We encourage hats to be worn year-round. We do try and get outside each day, even in the cooler weather or slight rain. Rain jackets and puffers may be worn outside and taken off when entering the school. It is warm enough inside that a school jumper, or soft-shell jacket is all that is required.

Term 2 fees are now due. We ask that fees are paid a term in advance, or a direct debit be set up. School fees are critical in facilitating the smooth running of schools, including funding vital resources such as infrastructure maintenance and development, classroom resources and the ability to attend excursions and incursions. School fee ensures a conducive learning environment for students. Please ensure you keep up to date with your fees. If you are having trouble making your payments, please make a time to see me.

Enrolments for 2025 are now due. If you are a current family or know of a family that is considering St Margret's this is a reminder to return the forms by the end of the term. Forms are available on our website, or an enrolment pack can be collected from the office.

A reminder that we finish term 1 this Thursday the 28th of March at **1.30pm**. We invite all families to join us in the Church at 12.30pm for our Easter Prayer service, followed by the Easter Raffle draw. Students are able to wear casual clothes with a touch of Easter on Thursday. Please bring a gold coin donation which will go to Caritas.

It has been a very busy, yet successful term. We wish you all a joyful and restful Easter. We hope that you enjoy all the Easter blessings that Jesus brings you this season; feelings of gratitude, love, compassion, hope and faith.

See you on Tuesday April 16th for the start of term 2!

Susan



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AUSSIE OF THE MONTH

Congratulations Jack Geoghegan. Jack was awarded Aussie of the Month for March for Mateship: Always helping others, especially if they injure themselves.



CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS



Congratulations to all students who participated in our school cross country event. Your resilience and sportsmanship was on display, along with our school values of Responsible, Respectful & Safe. Thank you to the parents that came to watch, our staff and Miss Fiona for organising the event. Congratulations to Mulcahy!



- 1st: **GREEN: MULCAHY 110 points**
2nd: **BLUE: MERCY 96 points**
3rd: **RED: RAFTER 88 points**
4th: **YELLOW: IONA 80 points**

Daily Schedule

Time	What
8.55am	Prepare for the day bell
9.00am	Session 1
10.00am	Session 2
11.00-11.10am	Supervised Eating
11.10am	Recess
11.30am	Session 3
12.30pm	Session 4
1.30-1.40pm	Supervised Eating
1.40pm	Lunch time
2.20pm	Session 5
3.20pm	Dismissal



Please ensure you have paid your school fees for term 2 or set up a direct debit, which is our preferred method of payment. Please see the front office staff to assist you with this.

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Calendar of Events

Term 1

March

Thursday 28th March

Last Day Term 1 1.30pm finish. Easter Raffle Draw. Casual Dress with a touch of Easter. Gold coin donation for Caritas.

Term 2

Monday 15th April

School Closure Day. Staff Professional Learning

Tuesday 16th April

Term 2 Begins for students

Friday 19th April

2025 Applications Due

Monday 22nd April

ANZAC Service at the Shrine; School & Vice Captains, Social Justice

Tuesday 23rd April

Cyber Safety Information evening 5.30-6.30

Wednesday 24th April

School Board 7pm

Thursday 25th April

District Cross Country Yrs 4-6 selected students

Friday 26th April

ANZAC Day public holiday

School Closure Day for staff Professional Learning

May

Friday 10th May

Muffins with Mum 8am. Raffle Draw

Mother's Day Stall

Wednesday 15th May

Division Cross Country selected students

Thursday 16th May

Netball/AFL Lightning Prem 5/6 students

Friday 17th May

Whole School Aths & P&F BBQ

Friday 24th May

FIRE Carrier Commissioning Ceremony; selected students

Tuesday 28th May

School Board 7pm

June

Wednesday 12th June

Prep Excursion Werribee Zoo

Friday 28th June

Term 2 finishes 1.30pm

Term 3

July

Monday 15th July

First Day Term 3

July 23rd

Cheer Truck PF& lunch & Grandparents Day

Tuesday 30th July

School Board 7pm

August

Friday 16th August

School Closure Day for staff Professional Learning

Sunday 18th August

Sacrament of First Eucharist 2.30pm

Friday 30th August

Donuts with Dad 8am. Raffle draw

Father Day Stall

Bake Sale P&F

Saturday 31st August

September

Tuesday 3rd September

School Board 7pm

Friday 6th September

Italian Day & P&F lunch pizza

Thursday 12th September

Footy Colour Day. Pie Day. Longest kick

R U OK? P&F Pie lunch

Friday 20th September

Term 3 finished 1.30pm

Term 4

October

Monday 7th October

First Day Term 4

Tuesday 15th October

School Board 7pm

Monday 21st October

School Closure Day for staff Professional Learning

Friday 25th October
Wednesday 30th October-
Friday 1st November

November

Monday 4th November
Tuesday 5th November
Thursday 21st November

December

Friday 6th December
Tuesday 10th December
Thursday 12th December
Tuesday 17th December

Grandparents Day
Year 5 /6 Camp-Anglesea

School Closure Day
Melbourne Cup Public holiday
Sacrament of First Reconciliation; 12noon

School Closure Day. Staff Professional Learning
School Board 7pm
Whole School Carols Evening
Last Day Term 4 1.30pm finish



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HARMONY DAY

EVERYONE BELONGS



STUDENT AWARDS -FRIDAY 22nd March 2024

CLASS	STUDENT	AWARD
PREP	Lucia Hannan	For being a superstar in her learning and play.
PREP	Mithra Balasubramani	For being an outstanding role model to her peers in both her learning and play.
1 / 2 JB	Piper Drever	For implementing a growth mindset towards her learning.
1 / 2 JB	River Munn	For showing kindness towards others and always offering to help with classroom jobs.
1 / 2 TB	Xavier Hanan	For his dedication to improving his handwriting.
1 / 2 TB	Harry Ferrier	For having the confidence to try new things
1 / 2 PB	Max Higgins	For always trying his best and concentrating on carefully presenting his work.
1 / 2 PB	Isla Ventieri	For being kind, caring and sensitive to the feelings and thoughts of others.
3 / 4 HM	Camilla Barton	For always being respectful of teachers and classmates.
3 / 4 HM	Allegra Spitale	For maintaining a positive attitude towards learning, classmates and teachers.
3 / 4 LC	Jobe Greenwood	For writing a very persuasive piece of writing
3 / 4 LC	Miya Pradeep	For always working quietly and being focussed on her task
3 / 4 JK-KB	Piper Stephenson	For displaying outstanding learning habits and being a kind and considerate member of our class
3 / 4 JK-KB	Ava Addy	For listening to and applying feedback to her learning.
5 / 6 KH	Jackson Spark	Demonstrating great leadership qualities at school. Well done.
5 / 6 KH	Freya Dooris	Always trying her best and ' Having a go' at new and challenging tasks.
5 / 6 KH	Airlia Likoudis	Always making a smart start to your activities and presenting beautiful work.
5 / 6 JW	Lylah Chapman	For asking question to support your learning and setting high expectations.
5 / 6 JW	Codi McKenzie	For a positive attitude in the classroom and towards his school work.
5 / 6 DJFM	Dhyani Ka Patel	For working hard on your narrative writing by editing and revising your work. Well done!
5 / 6 DJFM	Philly Coumans	Well done on working to hard to plan and write your narrative text
Principal Award	Elsie Heather	For showing kindness to others and being a friendly member of our school community.

WonderCAMP

Wonderkind & Co.



A Therapeutic day camp for primary school aged young people, who would benefit from additional support with emotional regulation, peer connection, social skill development and having fun

WonderCamp will be held at Ariston House, 245 Pakington St, Newtown

Tue 9th to Fri 12th April 2024

8:30am-12:30pm

WonderCamp will guide young people through a combination of therapeutic play focused sessions including art, craft, exercise and nature based activities

WonderCamp is offered in a 2 or 4 day block.

If this sounds like a wonderful opportunity for your young person, please express your interest via email: hello@wonderkindandco.com

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Australian Air League

Geelong Squadron



FUN, FRIENDSHIP & FLYING

SINCE 1934

Join us
Tuesday Nights 7pm - 9pm
Cobradah Community Homestead,
Bell Post Hill

**JOIN
TODAY!**



ABOUT US

The Australian Air league is a youth organisation for girls & boys aged 8 - 18 yrs which encourages interest in aviation as a career or as a hobby. Cadets learn practical and theory aviation, life skills, team building, personal development, leadership skills, as well as take part in outdoor activities such as Flying & Gliding.

PARTICIPATE IN LESSONS & ACTIVITIES SUCH AS:

- Theory of Flight
- Aircraft Recognition
- Gliding and Soaring
- Building Model Aircraft
- Flight Simulators
- Drill
- Engineering
- Ranks & Badge Achievements

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

ANZAC Day March
Remembrance Day
Australian International Airshow
Community Service

**FOR FURTHER
INFORMATION,
PLEASE CONTACT US
USING THE DETAILS
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23 & 24
MARCH

5-15
AGES



Keen on getting your kids into baseball?
Not really sure what it's about?
Come down and join our coaches and players at one of our Try Days.

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY - ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED.

TEEBALL

5-8 year olds

JUNIOR LEAGUE

8-11 year olds

LITTLE LEAGUE

11-12 year olds

UNDER 16S

<16 year olds

SAT MARCH 23
SUN MARCH 24

LEOPOLD PRIMARY
BELLARINE SECONDARY
- OCEAN GROVE CAMPUS

10-11.30AM

For more information call or email Kylie: 0414 724 670 | juniorcoordinator@bellarinebears.org.au



Bellarine Bears Baseball Club

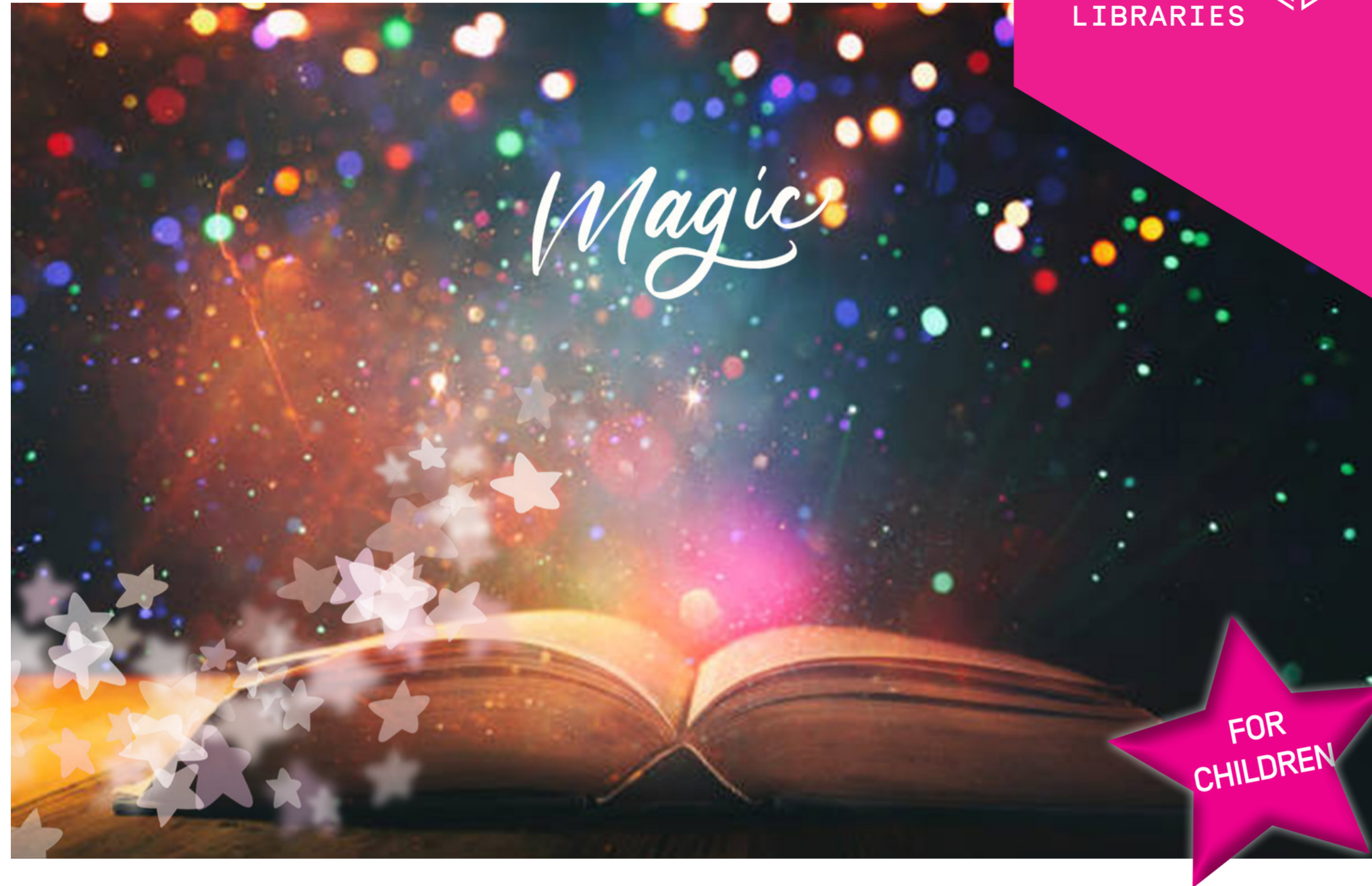


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JOIN THE HOLIDAY FUN AT NEWCOMB LIBRARY

We've got you covered these April school holidays!

There is a huge line up of fun and creative activities for children of all ages with the theme of **Magic**.

Scan the QR code for the full details of these events on our website.



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Magic Eye - What do you See? - 8+
Wednesday 3 April 2:00 - 3:00pm

Possum Magic - 5+
Thursday 4 April 10:30 - 11:30am

Family Morning Movie - All Ages
Monday 8 April 10:30 - 12:00noon

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Tuesday 9 April 2:00 - 3:00pm

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