



RESPECT



RESPONSIBILITY



SAFETY

SCHOOL NEWS



KELLY SPORTS

In term 3 we have been lucky enough to have Sean from Kelly Sports visit us and run a number of sports clinics with the classes. They have been focussing on baseball and tee ball skills as well as playing a range of exciting games out on the basketball courts. The students had a lot of fun learning with Sean and building their sporting skills. A big thank you to Sean and to Kelly Sports for delivering such an engaging program to our students and for supporting all students to engage in all activities. A special commendation from Miss H and Chris and the 4/5 class on the music choices; a number of students (and staff) were spied dancing along to a range of pop songs.



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Principal's Report

Kane Tolliday

Here we are in Week 10, at the end of what has been a fantastic term of learning and opportunities for our students.

When we look back over the past ten weeks, it is amazing just how much we have managed to squeeze in! Some of the highlights have included:

- Eight of our students attending Somers Camp
- Kelly Sports clinics
- Auskick clinics
- Our Star Lab incursion
- Earth Ed incursions
- Book Week and our fantastic Book Week Parade
- Our hugely successful Readathon
- The introduction of our seven-class model, providing smaller class sizes and greater opportunities to support our students

It certainly has been a busy term, and I would like to thank our staff, students, families and wider school community for their continued support and contribution to everything happening at Sebastopol Primary School.

As we finish up this week, a reminder that our final assembly will be held on Friday at 1:40pm, with students dismissed at 2:10pm.

School Hats

A reminder to all families that all students are required to have a wide-brimmed school hat at school. Students who do not have their school hat will be required to remain under cover during break times in one of our designated shaded areas, including the walkway, cage and shade sail area.

If your child needs a new school hat, please use the upcoming break as an opportunity to head into Beleza and purchase a replacement. Thank you for your support in helping us keep our students sun safe.

I hope everyone has a wonderful and well-earned break, enjoys some time with family and friends, and comes back refreshed and ready for another exciting term.

And finally, fingers crossed the Hawks can make the Grand Final and, more importantly, beat Mr Juarez' Fremantle along the way!

Have a fantastic break!



Student Achievements

George Hennessey - P

For focusing on forming letters correctly and writing on lines.

Linkin Lambert - P

For showing kindness and respect in the classroom towards adults and peers.

Saatvik Ghattameneni - 1

For showing growth in his reading.

Koby Kline - 1

For always wanting to challenge himself in all parts of his work.

Scarlett Davey - 2

For creating an exceptional game board for Book Week and being ready to learn when approaching learning tasks.

Colt Bell - 2

For demonstrating excellent thinking skills during Maths and persevering when working through some tricky equations.

Ethan Parkes - 3

For excellent research skills on Portugal during Integrated.

Andre Farquhar - 3

For demonstrating improvement in his learning and being a helpful to the Grade 2 students.

Lachlan Camilleri - 4

For your contributions and engagement to the Place Value maths group. Good job, Lachlan!

Zyra Roberts-Monks - 4

For all the things you do to help and show kindness in our classroom. Well done, Zyra!

Lily Robertson - 4/5

For consistently taking responsibility for her learning, belongings and classroom jobs. Lily can be trusted to complete tasks, make positive choices, and always try her best.

Mishel Sami Syeda - 4/5

For consistently making safe and responsible choices in the classroom and playground. Mishel always follows the safety expectations, looks out for others, and helps create a safe environment for everyone.

Charlotte Stafford - 5/6

For her amazing effort on her figurative writing in particular her use of the 5 sense.



School Captains' Awards

Stella Lee: For waiting patiently and respectfully for Mrs Lawes to call out the roles for the school concert item.

-Lily

Thomas Scott: For listening very carefully in class.

-Mikaeel

GRADE 2 NEWSLETTER

BOOKWEEK

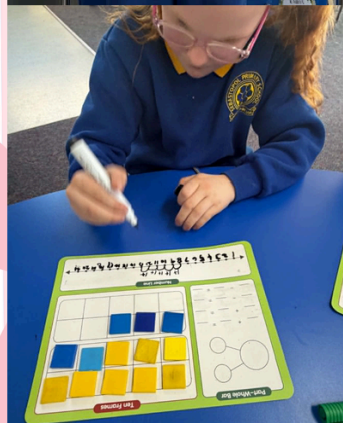
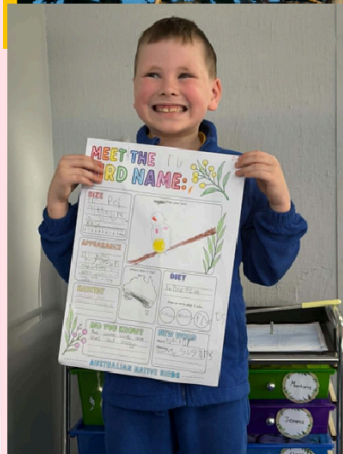
Book Week was filled with imagination, creativity and plenty of excitement in Grade 2! Inspired by the book "Once I Was a Giant", students designed and created their own game boards. They carefully planned the pathway, rules, challenges and illustrations, then shared their finished games with classmates. It was wonderful to see their ideas come to life through reading, art, problem-solving and play.

WRITING LIKE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

In Writing, Grade 2 is creating a shared non-fiction text inspired by the engaging style of National Geographic. Together, we are researching information, selecting important facts and organising our ideas with clear headings, captions, diagrams and vivid photographs. Students are learning how authors and designers work together to make factual information accurate, interesting and easy for readers to understand.

NUMERACY

In Mathematics, we have been strengthening our understanding of place value and addition through the bridging-to-10 strategy. Students used concrete materials, including counters and ten frames, to make a ten first and then add what remained. Flexible groups across multiple classrooms have allowed students to learn at their point of need, work with different teachers and explain their thinking in new ways.



What's On?



Playgroups

Sebastopol Primary School is now hosting 3 playgroups. On Mondays City of Ballarat facilitates a supported playgroup at 9:30AM. On Tuesdays and Fridays, there is a Japanese playgroup run by volunteers at 10:00AM. On Thursdays there is a further playgroup for Mums & Tykes at 9:30AM. To get involved in any of these, visit [Playgroup Victoria](#).

Hot Lunch Day

To celebrate the end of term, the Fundraising Committee are running a Hot Lunch Day on Wednesday 16th of September. They will be serving ham and cheese, cheese and chicken and cheese toasties.

Volunteering Opportunities

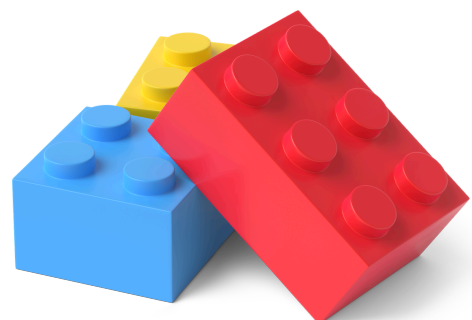
Currently at Sebastopol Primary School, we are looking for parents and friends who would like to get involved with volunteering around the school. We would like parents to be involved in fundraising initiatives to support the students to access further opportunities.

Colouring Competition

Each child will receive a colouring competition sheet to be completed at home. One student artist will be selected to win a free build session at The Brick Studio. Entrants will submit their colouring ins to the office or take them directly to The Brick Studio, 524 Doveton Street North Soldiers Hill.

Neurospicy Parents Group

Neurospicy Parents Group will be running on Wednesdays, 9:00AM - 11:00AM in the Multi-Purpose Room for parents of neuro-divergent children. Young children are welcome.





HOLIDAY PROGRAM

SEPTEMBER 2026

WINTER CUP TOURNAMENT
TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER
7-ROUND SWISS TOURNAMENT
TROPHIES & PRIZES

HOLIDAY PROGRAM – 3 DAYS OF CHESS FUN!
28th – 30th SEPTEMBER (Mon – Wed)

ALL SESSIONS • 10AM – 3PM **ACTIVITIES:**
Coaching • Puzzles • Endgames • Strategy • Games & Fun

Open to junior players U/18 of all playing levels,
from beginner to advanced players.

FOUR DAYS OF CHESS!

WINTER CUP			
TUE 22 SEPTEMBER	MON 28 SEPTEMBER	TUE 29 SEPTEMBER	WED 30 SEPTEMBER
Hooper Room	Humffray Room	Humffray Room	Humffray Room
\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50

3-DAY PASS
(28–30 SEPT)
\$135

Save \$15 when
you book the
3-day pass!

- IMPROVE THINKING & DECISION-MAKING
- BLUNDER AVOIDANCE & CALCULATION
- ENDGAME TRAINING & STRATEGY
- TOURNAMENTS & FUN CHESS ACTIVITIES

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- ✓ Bring your own healthy lunch, snacks and water bottle.
- ✓ Students remain in the club rooms for the entire session.
- ✓ Pick up and drop off is from the Junior Chess Club entrance only.
- ✓ Please be on time for pick up at 3pm.
- ✓ The same Code of Conduct as the Junior Chess Club applies.



Ballarat Chess Club
Ballarat Mechanics Institute
117–119 Sturt Street, Ballarat

scottstewart1917@gmail.com

VRI DELACOMBE JUNIOR CRICKET PROGRAM

PLAY. LEARN. GROW. BELONG.

JUNIORS FREE!
REGISTER NOW!

JUNIOR COMPETITIONS

- UNDER 11s**
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
- UNDER 13s**
FRIDAY EVENINGS
- UNDER 15s**
SATURDAY MORNINGS

ALL JUNIOR TRAINING
MONDAY NIGHTS **6–7PM**

JUNIORS START IN OCTOBER

6 WEEK BLASTER PROGRAM

- STARTS**
MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER
- TIME**
5:00PM – 6:00PM
- WHERE**
DOUG DEAN RESERVE

GIRLS \$25
REGISTER HERE
<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/82d6a9>

BOYS \$76
REGISTER HERE
<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/acc694>

REGISTER NOW!
JOIN THE VRI FAMILY!

JUNIOR REGISTRATION (FREE)
REGISTER HERE
<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/00cfa8>

TEAMWORK RESPECT FUN DEVELOPMENT

WEAR THE BLUE & GOLD WITH PRIDE!

Community Events

16th Sep-**Art Club**-Wendouree Library

19th Sep-4th Oct-**Sovereign Hill Spring School Holidays**-Sovereign Hill

20th Sep-**Emma Memma's Jungle Picnic Tour**-Civic Hall

21st Sep- 2nd Oct-**Junior Keeper Program**-Ballarat Wildlife Park

22nd-30th Sep-**Junior Chess Club**-Ballarat Mechanics' Institute

22nd Sep-1st Oct-**Art Explorers**-Gallery Studio at Federation University

27th Sep-**Charity Match**-Delacombe Primary Stadium

5th Oct-**Game Club**-Wendouree Library

12th Oct-**LEGO® Club**-Wendouree Library

Run by Youth Empowerment Program

CHARITY MATCH

27TH SEPT
DELACOMBE PRIMARY STADIUM
11.00AM - 2.00PM

INCLUDES:

- Novelty races (all ages can join)
- sausage sizzle
- hot chocolates

soccer component for ages 10-17

match entry fee: \$5 **ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS UNITING BALLARAT**
food fee: gold coin

scan if interested

With thanks to Delacombe primary school

Holiday Programs



IMAGINE THE FUN

Join Woolworths Cricket Blast **\$25- 6 WEEK PROGRAM**
Designed specifically for kids, our weekly 60-90 minute sessions are filled with game-based activities that get kids moving and having fun!

WWCF-\$25 CRICKET BLAST PROGRAM
DATE: FRI 6TH, 13TH, 20TH, 27TH NOV & 4TH, 11TH DEC
TIME: 4.30PM-5.30PM
SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER!
VENUE: NAPOLEONS SEBASTOPOL CC



SIGN UP TODAY!

Q Play Cricket

POWER FM BALLARAT

AFL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

WED 23RD SEPT
9AM - 3PM
CITY OVAL (ENTRY VIA MAIR ST)

For children aged 4-12
Spots are limited
REGISTER NOW

WHAT'S INCLUDED?
COACHING + SKILLS GAMES + CHALLENGES
ACTIVITIES FROM THE WESTERN BULLDOGS
SUNNY + ZEUS THE WESTERN BULLDOGS MASCOTS
BBQ LUNCH + INFLATABLES!
FREE FOOTY TO TAKE HOME
JUST \$55 PER CHILD!



FREE School Holiday Program

Ballarat Primary School Students

Build confidence, connection and capability - this school holiday.

Since 2022, Paw Pals has partnered with local Ballarat schools to support student wellbeing through therapy dog-assisted learning.

We're excited to bring our school holiday program to Ballarat! Our free program builds on the foundation of Paw Pals with fun, engaging activities designed to strengthen peer connection, boost self-confidence, and foster independence.

“

thankyou so much for making me happy and making me enjoy my time”

Past Student

- \$ Free to Attend, Limited Spots**
- Grades 4-6**
- Mon 21st, Thurs 24th, Fri 25th Sept 10AM -2PM**
- Lucas Community Hub, 17 Coltman Plaza, Lucas**

Activities are based on the Paw Pals Curriculum, which aligns with the general capabilities in the Victorian Curriculum.

Applications close 7th September. Get in touch with us today to secure your place.

Contact

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mackillop.org.au/programs/paw-pals



This holiday program is made possible thanks to the generous support of



Mackillop Family Services acknowledges the Traditional Custodians and their Elders in each of the communities where we work. We value an inclusive culture where lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer, gender diverse, intersex and asexual people (LGBTQIA+) have the right to be safe.



BALLARAT HOLIDAY CAMP

21-23 SEPT
BOOK NOW

AGES 5-14

VIC PARK SOCCER FACILITY
MILITARY DRIVE, NEWINGTON

REAL COACHING
BACKED BY CITY
REAL PATHWAYS
REAL DEVELOPMENT

Link

Holiday Programs



**BASKETBALL
HOLIDAY CAMPS**

WEDNESDAY 23RD & THURSDAY 24TH SEP
BUXTON MINERDOME • 9AM - 3PM

WEDNESDAY 30TH SEP & THURSDAY 1ST OCT
SELKIRK STADIUM • 9AM - 3PM

DISCOUNTS
FOR MULTIPLE
DAYS AND
CHILDREN!

SCAN TO SIGN UP



SELECT OUR
SCHOOL AND
WE GET
\$5 BACK



GO DOGGIES

TICKETS \$15
KIDS GO FREE

**FOOTY'S BACK
IN BALLARAT**

ROUND 8
S. KILDA

SAT 3 OCT | 3:05 PM AEST
Mars Stadium, Ballarat | Wadawurrung

GET TICKETS AT [TICKETMASTER.COM.AU](https://www.ticketmaster.com.au)

Mars VICTORIA VICTORIA CITY OF BALLARAT




Sensory Craft @ Djila-tjarri Community Hub

Enjoy a morning of spring inspired sensory craft activities with The Well at Djila-tjarri Community Hub.
\$5 per child

-  **Ages 5-12**
-  **Wednesday 30 September**
10.30am-12pm
-  **Djila-tjarri Community Hub**
-  **Bookings essential for each child attending***



Bunnings Art & Craft @ Lucas Community Hub

Join Bunnings Delacombe for a fun, hands-on art and craft workshop designed especially for children aged 5-12. Kids will enjoy creative activities such as beading, pot painting and other craft projects in a relaxed and welcoming setting.

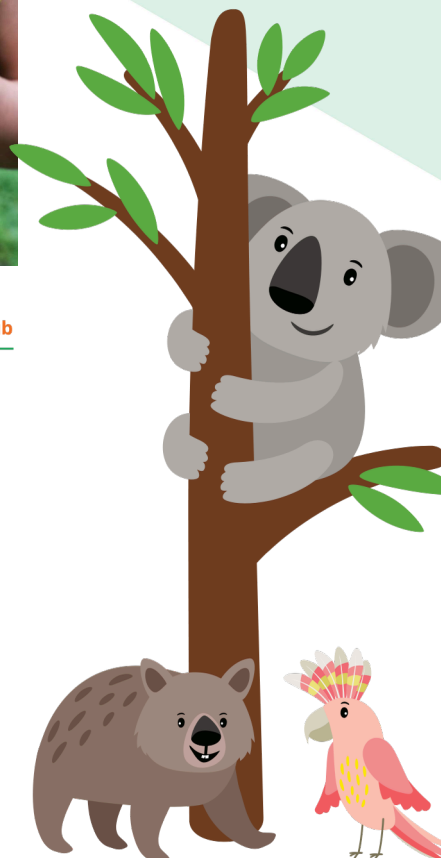
-  **Ages 5-12**
-  **Wednesday 30 September**
1-3pm
-  **Lucas Community Hub**
-  **Bookings essential for each child attending***



Wildlife Encounter @ Vickers Street Community Hub

Get up close with amazing Australian wildlife in this fun, hands-on 1-hour encounter! Families will meet native animals, discover their habitats and learn how we can interact with our wildlife. Presented by Tyron's Wildlife.
\$5 per child.

-  **Ages 5-12**
-  **Thursday 24 September**
2-3pm
-  **Vickers Street Community Hub**
-  **Bookings essential for each child attending***



* Please note: all sessions are designed to be co-learning activities, where parents/caregivers (over the age of 18) provide core support for their child/ren. An adult/parent guardian is required to stay for the entirety of the session but are not required to purchase a ticket.

To book a session
scan the QR code or visit
collections.humanitix.com/spring-school-holidays



Term Calendar

Personal calendar is available on Compass for more information on upcoming events.

Term 3

	Mon Sep 14	Tue Sep 15	Wed Sep 16	Thu Sep 17	Fri Sep 18
W10	5/6 Casual Clothes - Matrix Reward		Hot Lunch Day		2:10 Finish Final Day of Term 3 01:40: Assembly Year 1 Item

Term 4

	Mon Oct 05	Tue Oct 06	Wed Oct 07	Thu Oct 08	Fri Oct 09
W1	First Day of Term 4				

	Mon Oct 12	Tue Oct 13	Wed Oct 14	Thu Oct 15	Fri Oct 16
W2				09:00: RDA Horse Riding 11:20: (Draft) Junior Swimming and.... 11:20: (Draft) Senior Swimming and....	

	Mon Oct 19	Tue Oct 20	Wed Oct 21	Thu Oct 22	Fri Oct 23
W3	06:30: School Council Meeting		12:15: (Draft) School Concert	09:00: RDA Horse Riding 11:20: (Draft) Junior Swimming and.... 11:20: (Draft) Senior Swimming and....	

	Mon Oct 26	Tue Oct 27	Wed Oct 28	Thu Oct 29	Fri Oct 30
W4		02:10: Talk Money Financial Literacy 56		09:00: RDA Horse Riding 11:20: (Draft) Junior Swimming and.... 11:20: (Draft) Senior Swimming and....	Teachers Day

	Mon Nov 02	Tue Nov 03	Wed Nov 04	Thu Nov 05	Fri Nov 06
W5		Melbourne Cup Public Holiday	11:40: Talk Money Financial Literacy 56....	09:00: RDA Horse Riding 11:20: (Draft) Junior Swimming and.... 11:20: (Draft) Senior Swimming and....	11:45: Ballarat and Clarendon College....

	Mon Nov 09	Tue Nov 10	Wed Nov 11	Thu Nov 12	Fri Nov 13
W6				09:00: RDA Horse Riding 11:20: (Draft) Junior Swimming and.... 11:20: (Draft) Senior Swimming and....	



Important Date or Events

16th Sep: Toastie Lunches Provided

18th Sep: Final Day of Term 3, 2:10pm finish

5th Oct: First Day of Term 4

15th Oct: Swimming and Gymnastics Program commences

21st Oct: School Concert

30th Oct: Teachers Day