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# Banyule Bulletin

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*Where happy kids learn!*

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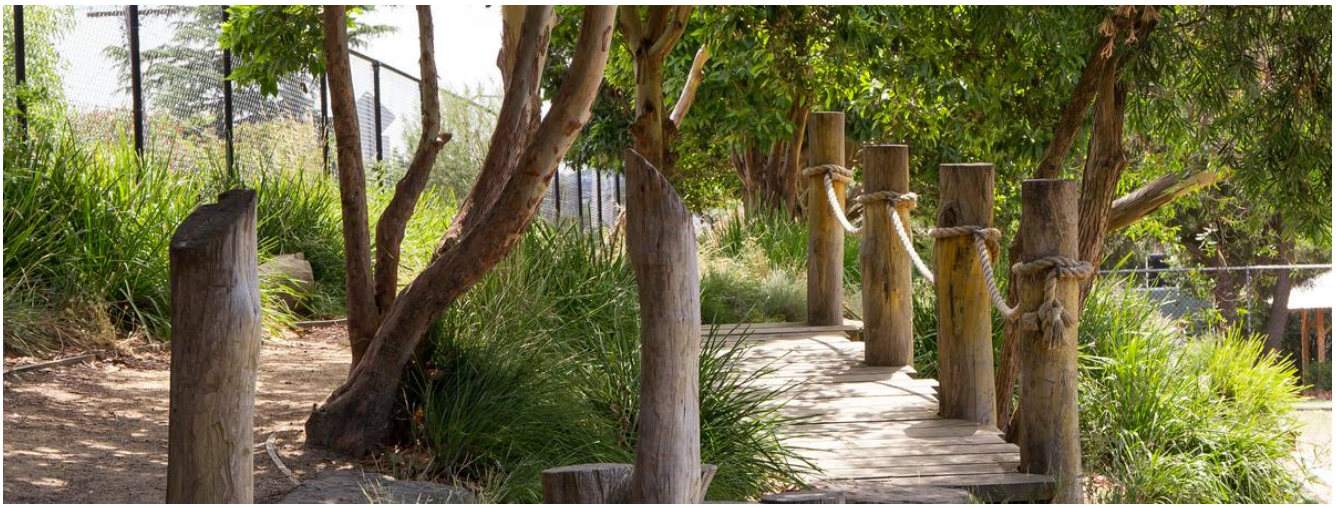
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# From the Principal Team

Natalie Shanahan, Sam Fleming, Claire Johnston

## **Working Bee-utifully!**

Last Saturday saw us host our first working bee for the year, with our Prep Family Working Bee. Not only did this beautiful autumn weather provide a great opportunity to bring life back to part of our yard, it was a great opportunity for our new Prep families to connect.

This working bee's target area was the garden and embankment area around our Art Room and with some soil, granitic sand, mulch, plants and a good dose of team effort I'm sure you'll agree the final product is a great improvement on an area neglected throughout the building project.

A HUGE thank you to our Prep families who helped out on what we know is typically a busy family-day for all. Check out the before and after shots below:



### **Building Project Update:**

Our building project feels like it's humming along nicely at the moment. Since the last newsletter many of the windows and doors have been installed, and most of the internal plastering has been finished and the external cement-look cladding has begun to be hung. Soon the lift will be installed and concrete for the internal staircase will be poured. This concrete pour will involve a concrete pump, which may impact movement between the gym and the oval for a short period of time on the day. This progress is exciting and continues to help us see how amazing these learning spaces will be for our school.



### **Parenting with Confidence:**

Local health and wellbeing service *healthAbility* have asked us to share their brochure for an upcoming parent support program. Beginning next week, please follow the booking instructions within the brochure if you have an interest.

## Parenting with confidence

### Parent Support Program

Practical tips and strategies to promote positive relationships and behaviour in children.

Through this practical parenting program, delivered across five weeks and hosted by Family Support Worker Joan Lauricella, you will learn positive parenting strategies.

Parenting with confidence is suitable for parents with children from 2 to 12 years of age.

#### What will be covered:

- Learn tips to parent with confidence
- Practical positive parenting strategies
- Acquiring skills to help make parenting less stressful and more enjoyable
- How to promote positive behaviour in your child
- Developing positive relationships

### For more information

Please contact Joan Lauricella, Family Support Worker at [joan.lauricella@healthability.org.au](mailto:joan.lauricella@healthability.org.au) or phone **9430 9100**



**When:** Wednesdays – 15, 22, 29 May and 5, 12 June 2024

**Time:** 9.30am to 11.30am

**Where:** healthAbility, 917 Main Road Eltham VIC 3095

**Cost:** \$60 per adult, \$100 couple and \$30 concession

**Bookings:** Essential via <https://www.trybooking.com/CPWQR> (or scan QR code below)



Phone: (03) 9430 9100 | Email: [contact@healthability.org.au](mailto:contact@healthability.org.au)  
Box Hill: 43 Carrington Road, Box Hill, VIC 3128  
Eltham: 917 Main Road, Eltham, VIC 3095



### Happy Birthday...

At risk of Claire and I being booted off the Leadership team for public embarrassment, we wish to acknowledge yesterday's milestone birthday of our wonderful Principal (that'll get us back in the good books) Natalie. Many happy returns!



## Events and Reminders

Date	Event
10 May	Gym Playdate for 2025 Preps 12.30 - 1.30pm
10 May	Interschool Sport (Year 6) vs Viewbank (away)
12 May	Mother's Day
13 May	Special Visitors Day 9 - 11am
17 May	Interschool Sport (Year 6) vs Rosanna (home)
21 May	Year 2 Incursion Space Dome
22 May	National Simultaneous Storytime
22 May	District Cross Country (Banyule Flats)
23 May	Community Engagement Committee meeting
24 May	Interschool Sport (Year 6) vs CLT (home)
24 May	Literacy Playdate for 2025 Preps 12.30 - 1.30pm
26 May	National Sorry Day
27 May	Reconciliation Week
29 May	District Cross Country (Banyule Flats)
31 May	Interschool Sport (Year 6) vs St Martins (home)
3 & 5 June	Year 6 'Mad About Science' incursions
4 June	SENIOR HOOPTIME (Year 5&6)
5 June	School Council
6 June	Year 5 Excursion- Scienceworks
7 June	Interschool Sports (Year 6) vs Rosanna Golf Links (Home)
10 June	King's Birthday Holiday

### Pupil Free Days for 2024

School Council has endorsed the remaining days for 2024

- Tuesday 11th June (Curriculum Day)
- Monday 5th August (Professional Practice Day)
- Monday 4th November (Curriculum Day)

### Three Way Conferences

- Wednesday July 31st

No regular classes for students on this day. Students attend school **only** for their 15 minute conference. The conferences are scheduled between 11am and 7pm. OSHC may be available if there are enough families requiring care for that day.

## Banyule Primary School Prep 2025 Transition Activities


**'What Makes BPS Special?'**  
Information Evening for prospective parents  
Tuesday 5th March 7pm-8pm  
Please register using the QR Code:




**'Getting Ready for Prep'**  
Information Evening for parents of enrolled students  
Wednesday 13th November 6pm-7pm

**Group Tours**  
Tuesday 12th March 9:30am-10:30am  
  
Thursday 14th March 9:30am-10:30am  
  
Phone: (03) 9459 0732 to book in for a group tour.  
  
Individual Tours  
By appointment in Term 2.  
Phone: (03) 9459 0732 to book a tour.

**Gym Playdate**  
Friday 10th May 12:30-1:30pm  
  
**Literacy Playdate**  
Friday 24th May 12:30-1:30pm  
  
**Maths Playdate**  
Friday 14th June 12:30-1:30pm  
  
Please register using the QR Code:



**For Enrolled Students:**  
  
**Transition 1**  
Friday 15th November 9:30am-10:50am  
**Transition 2**  
Friday 22nd November 9:30am-10:50am  
**Transition 3**  
Friday 29th November 9:30am-10:50am



## Happy Kids Learn

# Prep 2025 Enrolment Timeline

The following timeline advises families of when and how to enrol their child into Prep at a Victorian government school.

To start primary school in 2025, your child will need to turn 5 years old by the 30th of April 2025.

Students residing within our school zone are guaranteed a place at our school, which is determined by your permanent residential address. We may also accept enrolments from families outside the designated zone, if there are available places.

Our school manages enrolments using the Department's Placement Policy.

## What you need to do:

1. Use the Find my School website <https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au/> to locate your designated neighbourhood school (local school). Your child's local school is determined on the basis of your permanent residential address.
2. Attend the Information evening or contact our Administration office (03) 9459 0732 to book a school tour.
3. Application forms will be available from **Monday 15th April 2024** via our website or can be collected from our school Administration office.
4. Submit your child's enrolment application form by **Friday 26th July 2024**.
5. You will be notified of the outcome of your application between **Monday 29th July and Friday 9th of August 2024**.
6. If you can provide proof of residency, or you have a child already enrolled in the school, you are guaranteed a place at the school and you are able to request an enrolment form, rather than an application form.
7. Enrolled students will take part in transition sessions during Term 4, 2024.
8. Your child will start Prep on **Thursday 30th January 2025**.

Enrolment applications submitted after the **26th of July 2024** will be processed by our school as they are received, in accordance with the Department's Placement Policy.

For more information on School Zones, you can:

- visit [School zones](http://www.vic.gov.au/school-zones) ([www.vic.gov.au/school-zones](http://www.vic.gov.au/school-zones)) for answers to frequently asked questions
- call the Victorian School Building Authority (VSBA) on 1800 896 950
- email the VSBA at [vsbaeducation.vic.gov.au](mailto:vsbaeducation.vic.gov.au)

You can find information and resources about the new timeline, including factsheets and the 'Foundation (Prep) Enrolment Information Pack for Parents/Carers', at: <https://www.vic.gov.au/enrolling-foundation-prep>



# Community Engagement Committee

The Community Engagement Committee will be hosting a second hand uniform stall on Thursday the 30th of May from 3pm-4pm in the gym.

Items will be priced between \$5-\$10 (cash preferred please).

We would love it if families could clean out their wardrobes and donate any unwanted uniform items. Any clothing donations can be dropped at the school administration office before the 30th of May.





# Student Achievements

## Baseball Championships

During the Easter Holidays, Isaac Low (5KB) played in the Victorian State Championships for baseball, and his charter team, Twins, won the division 2, Little League Under 12.

This means his whole team will be travelling to Sydney to play in the Little League National Championships in June.

Congratulations Isaac!!!









# Banyule Awards

Celebrating Our Achievements

Week 2

Class Name	Childs Name
PNA	Julian L
PMA	Xander T
PAM	Nikhil B
PZP	Nikolaos M
1NB	
1TY	William B
1BS	Aidan A
1TM	Tobias J
2NS	Amelia R
2WG	Elliott R
2BB	Elena M
2LP	Kane V
3RB	Annabel L
3DJ	Archie D
3MT	
4SO	Sidney L
4CG	
4KC	Jana M
4RS	
4MF	Scarlett B
5KB	Henry C

Class Name	Childs Name
5CN	Jay L
5AS	Mizuka M
5SD	Coca N
6SN	Xavier K
6LH	John T
6DG	Madeline G
6JM	Claire L, Richie W

### Specialist Awards

LOTE P-1:	STEAM P-2: Ahilan R PNA
LOTE 2-6: Bhuvan R 5CN	VISUAL ARTS 3-6: Alison B 6DG
PE P-2: Tracey T PNA	Performing Arts P-2: Harry D PMA
PE 3-6:	Performing Arts 3-6: Thomas C 3MT

## Week 3

Class Name	Childs Name
PNA	Momo Z
PMA	Ryan M, Zander T
PAM	Isla D
PZP	Lachlan L
1NB	Emma BP
1TY	Amber G
1BS	
1TM	Sadie A
2NS	Georgia D
2WG	Catherine M
2BB	Rook J
2LP	Quincy C
3RB	Michael G
3DJ	Anika S
3MT	Jarvis C
4SO	Evie B
4CG	Ashley M
4KC	Kaylie M
4RS	Orla S
4MF	Zach G

Class Name	Childs Name
5KB	Justin O
5CN	Izzy M
5AS	Emma A
5SD	
6SN	Zara A
6LH	Alan A
6DG	Poppy F
6JM	Caden N, Declan L

### Specialist Awards

LOTE P-1:	STEAM P-2: Billie S 1NB
LOTE 2-6: Sudiksha Y 2BB	VISUAL ARTS 3-6:
PE P-2:	Performing Arts P-2: Serena Y 2LP
PE 3-6:	Performing Arts 3-6: Cooper L 4KC



# Prep Community

# Life Education

The Prep students really enjoyed learning how to stay safe and healthy during the Life Education sessions with everyone's favourite giraffe, Harold!







# Year 1 Community

Grade 1 students have been hard at work learning, practising, memorised and enjoying skip counting.

From 2's to 5's to 10's and beyond!

They have shown all the school values while participating in lessons.

One thing all grade 1 teachers agree on, is that all students have improved in their feedback seeking skills.

Asking questions to consolidate their learning is one of the most beneficial acts anyone can do to improve. Keep it up grade 1's!

Here are some fantastic SKIP COUNTING SPIDERS that the students have created in class!



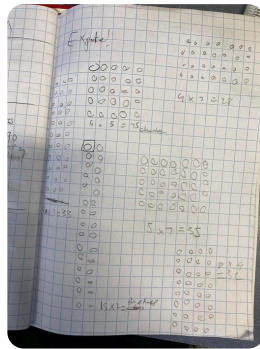
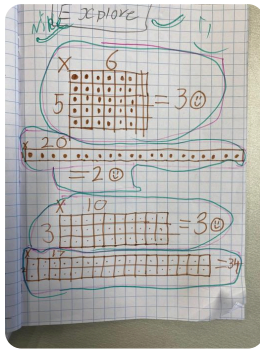
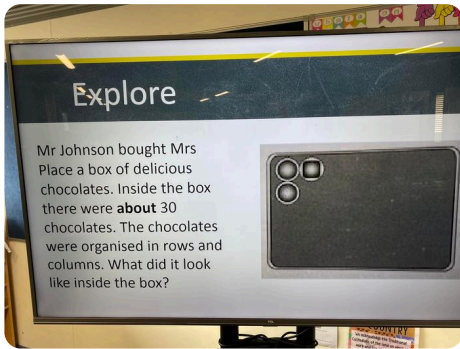
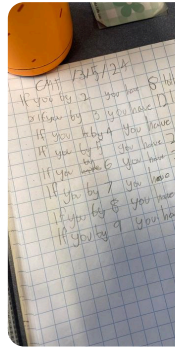
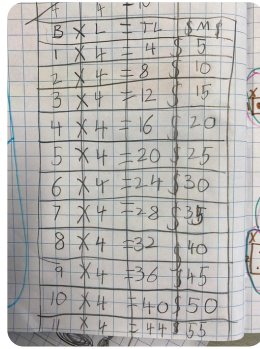
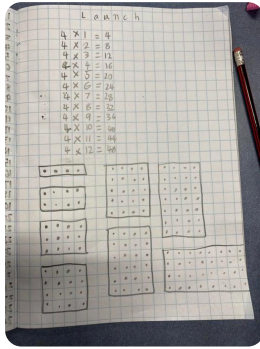
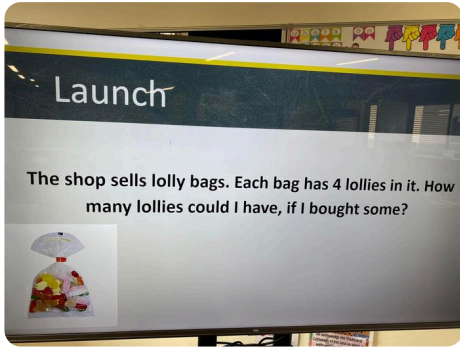
## Year 3 Community

### Challenging Maths Tasks

The Year 3's have been thriving during our weekly challenging maths tasks. It is a wonderful opportunity for students to experience "productive struggle time" where they are able to problem solve and in return, have an "aha moment" where they experience success in their problem solving process.

We are currently exploring multiplication and how multiplication can be shown in an array.

Here are some photos of the Year 3 SUPERSTARS showing their thinking and problem solving skills!





# Year 5 Community

## SEN POETRY

One day on the beach  
 Catching fish in the ocean  
 Going home for lunch  
 Get dry and put on some clothes  
 Cooking the big fish for lunch  
 By Will

**Snowflakes slowly melt ,**  
**White as vanilla ice cream ,**  
**Soft as a blanket**  
 By Amber

The forest  
 the pretty forest  
 really tall trees all over  
 the green foliage  
 swaying in the breezing wind  
 luscious green so bright &  
 fresh  
 By Mel

Oh, basketball  
 Your leather feels like magic on my fingers  
 Oh, your sound is soothing  
 When I play I can't stop smiling  
 The first time I scored it's a memory I can't forget  
 Without you my life would be a like a dumpster  
 By Lucas

Oh puppy,  
 Cute, fluffy and little,  
 Grrr, grrr, grrr,  
 I feel like I won the lottery,  
 The first time I saw him I knew he  
 was the one.  
 Without my puppy my life would be  
 sad and meaningless.  
 By Scarlett

Trees swish in the wind,  
 As the crunchy leaves fall off  
 Trees are enormous  
 By Austen

A Crocodile's Favourite Food  
 Cheeseburgers are tasty  
 Race cars are tastier  
 Oranges are as disgusting as a dumpster  
 Cats and dogs are raining from the sky  
 Oh how I wish I could eat some  
 Dragons are delicious  
 Ice-cream sounds interesting  
 Limes are as sour as a... lime  
 Evil limes make everything taste too sour  
 By Bhuvan

THE CAT IS AS FLUFFY AS A  
 WOOLLY MAMMOTH, SHE ATE A  
 CHICKEN FOR DINNER, THE  
 CAT IS AS CUTE AS AN AVOCA-  
 DO, HER TAIL IS AS LONG AS  
 THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA.  
 BY ERWIN

**These flowers:  
The petals so soft  
These flowers blossom in  
Spring  
These flowers I love**

**By Lucy**

**Fantastic  
Rectangle shaped  
Impossible to replicate  
Excellent  
Salty**

By Rhea

**WINTER:**

**WINTER IS COMING.**

**FROST FREEZES MY WHOLE BODY.**

**FLECKS OF SNOW DRIFT PAST.**

**I STAY CLOSE TO MY FIRE.**

**WE ALL DRINK HOT CHOCOLATE.**

**BY JUSTINE**

Steph Curry  
Good nice  
Shooting dribbling passing  
Greatest shooter nba shooter  
All star  
By Jay

**There was a mole**

**Who fell into a hole**

**The hole was big**

**Inside was a fig**

**Then the mole  
bumped into a pole**

**By Rach**

**Oh Soccer!**

You're a fun but tough sport to play.

The noise of the ball is music to my ears.

Soccer is fun, soccer is my life.

I still remember the day when I won a match 3-1.

Without soccer, my life would be pointless.

**By Dinein**

**REFRIGERATOR**

Refrigerator  
Alone in the wilderness  
Refrigerator  
Metal slowly rusting off  
Soon it will be no longer

**By Rufus**

**A donut eats cheese  
It makes him sneeze  
His name is Tim  
He was not friends with him**

**By Annie**

**There once was a pug who was a king**

**and in his spare time he would like to sing**

**Then he went to his bed to have a nap**

**But when he woke up he saw a big map**

**Then he hopped into a boat**

**and did not forget his fluffy coat**

**By Harriet**

**OH BACON.**

I LOVE BACON, YOU ARE SO CRISPY! BUT ALSO SO TENDER  
AND OILY. YOU CRUNCH SO LOUDLY AND SIZZLE SO NICELY. I  
LOVE YOU BACON. YOU'RE SO TASTY! IF I DIDN'T HAVE BA-  
CON, I'D BE SAD.

**BY REM**

**There once was a snake**

**Who wanted to bake**

**So he got a tray**

**But to his dismay**

**He had no idea what to make.**

**By Naqyy**

**Lemonade is yummy!**

**Sweet and Tangy,**

**Whizzy, Fizzy and a tinge bit  
sour.**

**By Oscar**

**Sun sets before night**

**Sun sets different times all  
year**

**The end of the day**

**By Raph**

**Friends**

**Helpful,Fun**

**Caring,Amazing,Loving**

**Always there for you.**

**Besties**

**By Izzy**



## Specialist Programs

On Thursday the 18th of April, our school's Sustainability leaders visited Rosanna Parklands to collect cuttings of different native plants. They included the Gold Dust Wattle, the Saltbush, the Lightwood wattle, the Pigtail, and some grass seeds. Our task was to take them back to school to grow them in a greenhouse, so they could be further researched by our botanists, Fiona and Ben.

As we arrived at the park, we were greeted by a beautiful landscape full of vibrant flowers and lush greenery. Our teacher explained that we needed to choose the right parts of the plant to ensure that they would grow well in the greenhouse.

We split into groups and started exploring the park. Our group decided to focus on mainly succulents and native plants as they can survive in a variety of conditions. We carefully cut a few stems from different types of species and placed them in a container.

Once we got back to school, we carefully planted our cuttings in small pots filled with soil and watered them, adding a substance that boosted a plant's growth. Overall, the excursion was fun and a great success, and we would like to thank Mrs.C, Mrs.Nickson and all of the helpers that assisted us as well.

By Richie, Jay, Marion and Scarlett - Grade 6 Sustainability Leaders





# Community Advertising

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# JOIN THE FUN!

## Banyule Auskick Centre

Banyule Primary School  
Every Thursday in Term 2 starting 18/4  
3.45-4.30pm



**Scan the QR code to  
register now!**

Contact: Alex  
[alex.federico@afl.com.au](mailto:alex.federico@afl.com.au) or 0499 499 956

## Child & Adolescent FEEDING CLINIC



Are mealtimes stressful?

Worried about your child's diet?

Struggling to introduce new foods?

### What is feeding therapy?

We follow the SOS (Sequential Oral Sensory) approach to feeding. This evidence-based program focuses on helping children with a limited diet become comfortable trying new & different foods. The program integrates posture, sensory systems, motor skills, behavioural skills, social/emotional development, and nutritional impacts. The SOS approach is a fun, family-centred program that involves exploration and creative play.

### Food therapy sessions may be beneficial if your child:

- Is a fussy/selective eater
- Has a restricted food intake (less than 20 foods)
- Eats different meals to the family
- Has difficulty with different food textures
- Gagging or vomiting when eating
- Mealtime battles & meltdowns
- Aversion to whole food groups
- Is underweight or overweight

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