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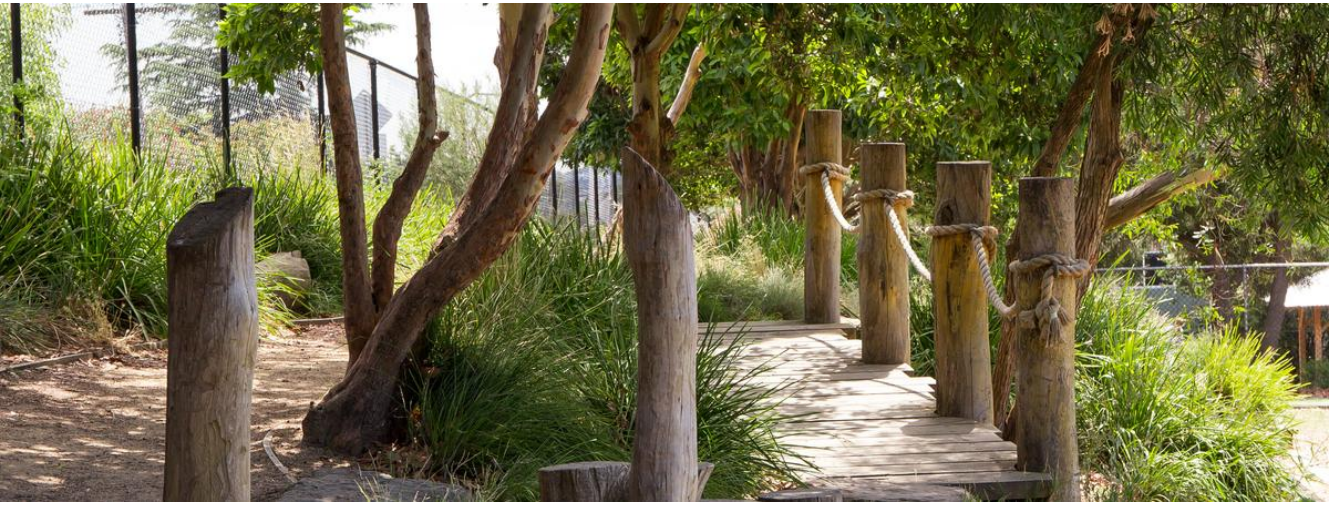
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From the Principal Team

Natalie Shanahan, Sam Fleming, Claire Johnston

We continue to be busy 'Banyulians' here at BPS with lots happening since the last edition of the newsletter.

Nice to Meet You!

We've thoroughly enjoyed welcoming parents and carers into the school to meet the teachers this week. It's been a wonderful opportunity for teachers to meet and discuss your children and such an event goes a long way in creating strong, supportive and essential connections between home and school. We encourage parents to remain connected throughout the year, and to continue sharing anything that could assist us in helping your child thrive at school.

GOAAAALLL!!!

We've all observed the hysteria that has come with Taylor Swift's current popularity. Some of us have been entrenched in it, while others have carried on as normal, unphased by the happenings around them. Schools often see 'fads' that come and go. (Please don't come at us Swifties!! You'll see it's just a long-bow segue, Tay Tay is OK by us!) When we were at school ourselves it was probably things like marbles, British bulldogs, collecting Smurfs and Garbage Pail Kid stickers that took over the school. Annually, there's always footy card swapping and more recent times have seen things like fancy drink bottles, must-have Smiggle things and Pokemon cards. These nearly always lead to challenges that need to be navigated, be it arguments over trading card swaps, collector-things getting lost, items becoming distractions to learning, safety.

In recent times we've seen an explosion in popularity of soccer here at Banyule. It seems the Matildas really did inspire a new generation of soccer lovers, dreaming of the green and gold and that's a great thing. It has however presented us with challenges to navigate. Aside from the white-line fever, must win attitude that typically infiltrates all school yard sport games, the rise in soccer popularity has created a safety issue, particularly concussions caused by collisions between heads and rogue soccer balls.

Contrary to the idea that the oval is too crowded, the problem has come with there being too many soccer balls (and often soccer balls that are too large and hard for those playing) making it hard for those on the oval to keep track of what ball's flying where. As such, we have recently made some adjustments to the soccer rules at BPS. Kids can still play soccer, there are just modifications to how it's to be played. This is to ensure kids can still play the game they passionately love, while looking to make it safer for everyone.

Last year we trialed half-court type games. Earlier this year we trialed a red-card system. And soon we're running a supervised indoor-soccer competition. At this week's assembly we introduced children to brand new soccer balls to be used for soccer at BPS. Bearing the green and gold colours that many aim to wear one day, these balls have been specifically chosen because they are softer than those being brought from home. We've introduced the rule of keeping the ball under waist height to maintain control and also capped the number of soccer balls, in an attempt to reduce the amount flying around.

Adjustments like these aren't anything new. We already have modified rules in place for other sports like the no tackling or bumping in football and no hard balls in cricket. We encourage your support in helping your soccer-loving children adapt to these changes. After all, no one really remembers who actually won those lunchtime soccer games, people will remember their Taylor Swift experience for a long time, but the effects of concussion can certainly outlast both. And minimising that is the goal that we're actually aiming for.

From the playground:

While the new soccer balls are keeping lots of kids busy and active at play times, it's great to walk around on yard duty and see all the things that children are doing together. From outdoor games to play equipment and quiet corners to sandpits, here's some snapshots of kids in action:



Recognising that the rough and tumble of the playground may not be for everyone, we also have a variety of passive and alternative options for children. These are made able by harnessing the passions and skills of our wonderful teachers who dedicate extra time in their days to help provide these opportunities for children.

LUNCHTIME INDOOR PROGRAM

	Years 3-6 12:40pm-1:30pm	Years P-2 1:40pm-2:30pm
Monday	E- Sports – Mr Tanswell's Room	Building/Blocks etc – Miss Scrivano's room
Tuesday	Indoor sports – GYMNASIUM	Reading and Board Games- Corridor outside Mr Gray's room
Wednesday	Peaceful Kids – Peaceful Kids room	Dance Club – Miss Alderson's Room
Thursday	Indoor sports – GYMNASIUM	Drawing Club – Miss Batchelder's room
Friday	Drawing Club Mrs Greig's Room	Small group games- Mr Smith/Ms Boreham's room

The weather often allows for passive play experiences also. At this time of the year the heat means we may need to alter playtime and remain inside, as the rain does throughout the year.

Playground Project Update:

Our eastern boundary playground project progress continues behind the scenes. After seeking landscaping quotes, our School Council last night endorsed the project to proceed to the next stage of the process- Regional approval to submit an application with the Victorian School Building Authority. While this process can take time, we feel our concept design and preparation holds us in good stead for this to be as efficient as possible. We look forward to providing even more amazing things for our children to do in the yard. Stay tuned!

Building Project Update:

The last two weeks have really seen the new building start to evolve from a stark shell and into a real-life learning centre. As it stands now, the installation of the second story steel work has been completed, with the roof plumbers beginning to prepare for the soon-to-arrive roof sheets. One has to admire the resilience of the tradies working on the roof in the warm conditions we've seen this week. Surely to the envy of the roof plumbers above, in the shade of the ground floor builders have begun the installation of the internal wall frames, allowing to us to start seeing where learning spaces start and finish. Exciting!!

It takes a village...

The Community Engagement Committee are still looking for lots of helpers for the BBQ at Eltham Bunnings on Saturday the 16th of March. If you're able to help, can you please add your name to the following document: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ac1mA-j4ybLCil1Ae13mYN7qQSVqzJRz8cmh-VJ-3EI/edit?usp=drive_link .

Farewell...for now...

This week we said farewell to Learning Specialist, Jessica Ray who leaves us momentarily to embark on the amazing adventure that is baby number 2. We wish Jessica a relaxing next few weeks and all the very best for this exciting new chapter in family life.

We look forward to sharing more happenings and behind the scenes action from BPS in next week's newsletter.

Or perhaps get a sneak peak as it happens on our socials...



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Events and Reminders

Date	Event
26 Feb	Preps full time
29 Feb	Year 3 and 4 Athletics Track and Field day
4 March	DISTRICT SWIMMING
5 March	Information evening for 2025 prep enrolments 7-8pm
6 March	Year 5 and 6 Athletics Track and Field day
11 March	Labour Day Public Holiday
12 March	DIVISION SWIMMING
13 March	NAPLAN starts (over two weeks)
20 March	School Council

Date	Event
21 March	Harmony Day
27 March	DISTRICT ATHLETICS DAY
28 March	End of term 1 (Thursday) 2.30pm dismissal
29 March	Good Friday Public holiday

Education Department Annual Reminders:

Privacy Reminder

Our school collects and uses student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the [Schools' Privacy Policy](#) and the [Schools' Privacy Collection Notice](#).

Our Photographing, Filming and Recording Students Policy can be found on our website which describes how we collect and use photographs, video and recordings of students. The policy also explains when parent consent is required and how it can be provided and withdrawn.

We ask parents to also review the guidance we provide on how we use [Google Workspace for Education](#) safely at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information. If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using Google Workspace for Education, please contact the school.

For more information about privacy, refer to: [Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents](#). This information is also available in ten community languages:

- Amharic
- Arabic
- Dari
- Gujarati
- Mandarin
- Somali
- Sudanese
- Turkish
- Urdu
- Vietnamese

Student accident insurance, ambulance cover arrangements and private property brought to school

The Department does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents/carers of students, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance or transport as well as any other transport costs. Parents/carers can purchase insurance policies from commercial insurers.

Private property brought to school by students, staff or visitors is not insured and the Department does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage.

This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. As the Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property, students and staff should be discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.



Banyule Awards

Celebrating Our Achievements

Week 2

Class Name	Childs Name
PNA	Isobel S
PMA	Joel U
PAM	Alby J
PZP	Anna W
1NB	Rafael C
1TY	Beau G
1BS	Julia P
1TM	Anthony C
2NS	Gus R
2WG	Harvey A
2BB	Grace T
2LP	Ada
3RB	Albi S
3DJ	Alex Z
3MT	Jonathan C
4SO	Alex T
4CG	Saul A
4KC	Evie K
4RS	Jacob X
4MF	Grace R
5KB	Farah A

Class Name	Childs Name
5CN	Rufus O
5AS	Jason X
5SD	Leo G
6SN	Grace S
6LH	Charlotte H
6DG	Hamish M
6JM	Olivia B

Specialist Awards

LOTE P-1: Vika G 1TY	STEAM P-2: Amanda A 1TM
LOTE 2-6: Noah T 4MF	VISUAL ARTS 3-6: Zach S 5SD
PE P-2: Catie D 2NS	Performing Arts P-2: Elena M 2BB
PE 3-6:	Performing Arts 3-6: Jensen K 5SD

Week 3

Class Name	Childs Name
PNA	Lachie T
PMA	Zander T
PAM	Ella Lu
PZP	Caleb D
1NB	Estelle B
1TY	Charlie B
1BS	Lara R
1TM	Vivian D
2NS	Teni T
2WG	Ava D
2BB	Emmy H
2LP	Serena
3RB	Hannah N
3DJ	Hazel N
3MT	Roza B
4SO	Elizabeth M
4CG	Imogen T
4KC	Peter M
4RS	Siya M, Toby V
4MF	

Class Name	Childs Name
5KB	Amirah S
5CN	Rachel T
5AS	Sam O
5SD	Max P
6SN	Irene X
6LH	Yan Rui Z
6DG	Ilaria C
6JM	Louis T

Specialist Awards

LOTE P-1: Joey B 1TY

STEAM P-2: Clemmie PZP

LOTE 2-6: Karen H 4CG

VISUAL ARTS 3-6: Callum D 5KB

PE P-2: Alex T PMA


Performing Arts P-2: Skylar P 1NB

PE 3-6: Jackson D 6JM

Performing Arts 3-6: Hamish M 6DG



Instrumental Music Program

 <p>Banyule Primary School</p>	<h2>Instrumental Music Lessons</h2>
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FOR DETAILS AND AVAILABILITY PLEASE CONTACT THE TEACHERS DIRECTLY

ALL LESSONS ARE HELD AT THE SCHOOL DURING SCHOOL HOURS

<p>Piano:</p> <p>Christobel Say 0408 509 989 musicalsay@icloud.com</p> <p>Elisha Fulljames 0438 100 280 efulljames@hotmail.com</p>	
<p>Flute & Saxophone:</p> <p>Kellie Santin 0435 570 262 kelliesantin@me.com</p>	
<p>Cello & Piano:</p> <p>Henry Say 0434 900 432 henhenhenry@bigpond.com</p>	
<p>Contemporary Guitar:</p> <p>Jack Say 0431 336 772 jsay412@gmail.com</p>	



Prep Community

Little Learners Love Literacy

The Prep students have LOVED engaging in the Little Learners Love Literacy program over the past couple of weeks. So far, we have learnt all about Milo the Monkey and Sally the Snake.

Letter Mm	
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	max
	man
	milk



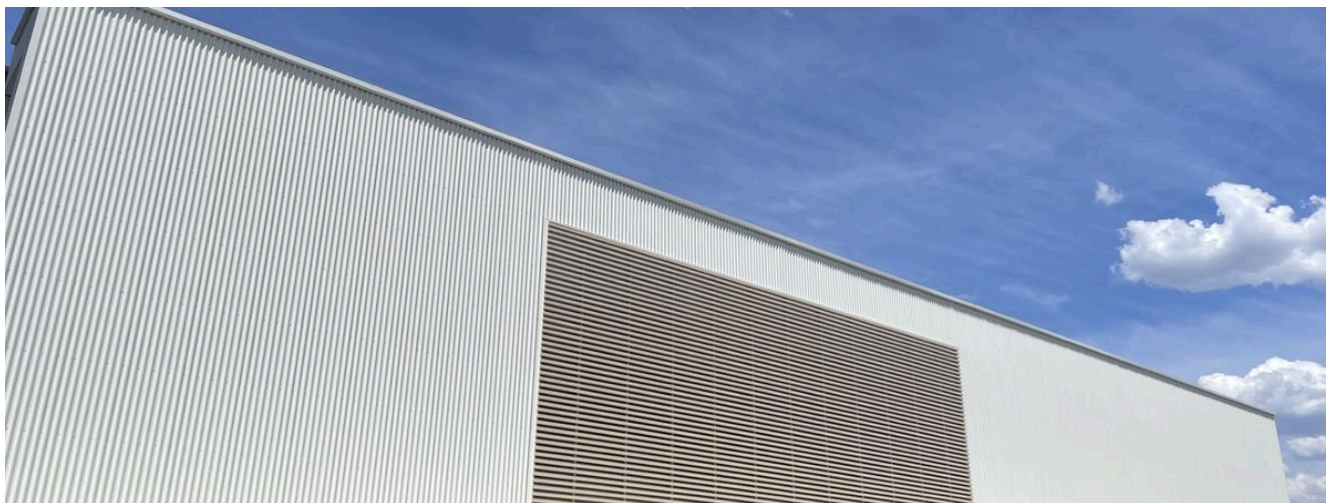
Year 1 Community

FUN IN YEAR ONE

Last Friday, the year one students made yummy pizzas using lots of delicious ingredients! After we made our pizzas, we did some amazing writing about what we did to create them. Of course, then we got to gobble them up! Yum, Yum, Yum!

MY YUMMY PIZZA
Ingredients:
Steps:

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Steps:



Year 6 Community

GRIP Leadership Conference

GRIP Student Leadership Conference

On the 12th of January, the BPS school leaders went to the GRIP leadership conference in the city. We had to wake up very early and meet our wonderful teachers at Rosanna station at 7:30. We caught the train and it was an interesting ride. Half way there, there was a huge delay for 15 minutes. Finally we arrived at Southern Cross Station and we made our way to the Melbourne Convention Centre. Once we got there, we received these booklets with fun activities in them, to guide us through the conference. Between every session, we would have a brain-break called 'Loud noise', where we would scream and play lots of games. At the conference, we covered three topics: How everyone can step forward and lead, the sacrifices of a leader and how you can step up as a leader. We had so much fun at the conference, but sadly it was time to leave, so we caught the train back to school. When we got back to Rossana station, we caught the 517 bus back to school, as it was too hot to walk. We are very grateful to Miss. Daniel, Mrs. Greig, Mrs. Shanahan, Mr. Fleming and Miss Johnston for organising this experience for us.





Specialist Area



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 龙年快乐 Happy Year of Dragon! Students have shared the joy of Chinese New Year by doing various fun activities. To start the Prep students Chinese learning journey, they were introduced to the story and traditions of Chinese New Year. Year 1 students created their own dragons and learned to write the character '龙'(dragon). Year 2 & 3 students worked on making dragon and Lion dance puppets. Year 4 students decorated their beautiful Lucky Peach Blossom to welcome an auspicious year. Year 5 students turned into paper cutting artists and showed their creativity in cutting pattern in red paper. Year 6 students wrote down their New Year wishes in characters to expect for a prosperous year. They were all having a great time in celebrating this festival.



SWIM TRIAL UPDATE

On Tuesday 13th February we had our Banyule swim trials at Watermarc swimming pool. A big congratulations to all of the students who participated on the day. You all should be very proud of yourselves at giving 100% effort.

A big thank you to the staff and parent helpers that did an amazing job on the day also.



Congratulations to these students who will represent Banyule at the district swimming which will be held on Monday March 4th at Watermarc.

Toby K; Oli W; Ben H; Lucas S; Jayden Z; Alexander T; Jude L; Sonny P; Peter M; Lucas T; Isaac L; Callum D; Vihaan D; William P; Yash G; Max L; Jensen C; Matthew D; Xavier K; Anuk D; Jackson D; Hamish M; Jay E; Lakyn R; Joakim F; Joel L; Callum L; Quinta Z; Adele S; Zoe C; Eva R; Ameera H; Kaylie M; Oria S; Beatrice S; Willow J; Isabelle M; Harriet G; Olivia B; Lucy W; Ilaria C; Clara G; Sophie W; Ivy T; Zara A; Charlotte H; Natalia C; Madeleine G; Vivienne R; Marion C; Peilin C; Kiera W;



Community Advertising

234.50 for 3 days! Offer ends March 10!

PROGRAM INCLUDES

- 01** 9-3pm each day
- 02** AFL, Hockey Soccer, Netball, and Basketball on offer
- 03** Suitable for all ages and skill levels
- 04** Guest appearances at selected programs

THREE DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMPS!

Dates
April school holidays. See website for more details

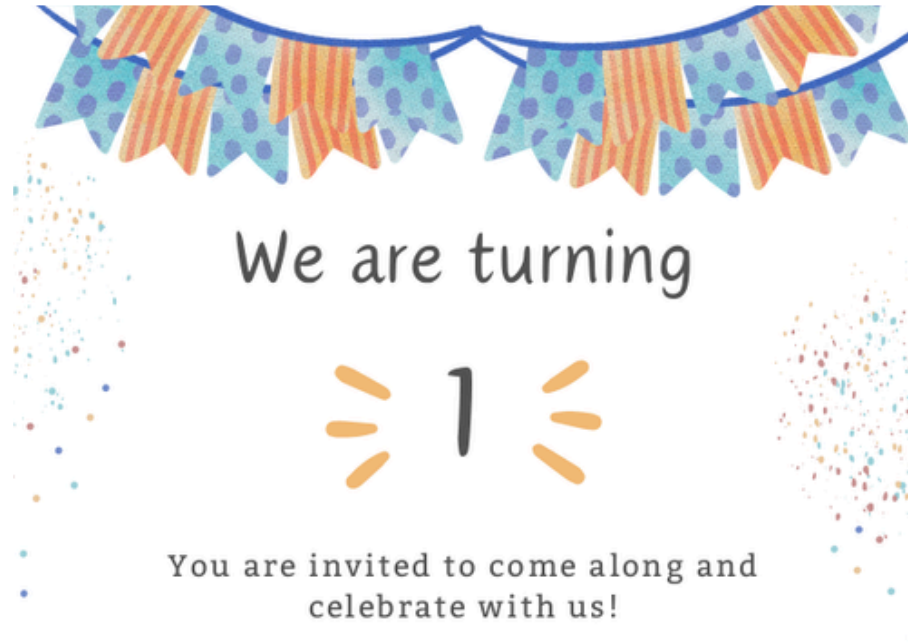
LOCATIONS

- Hawthorn
- Bulleen
- Canterbury
- Doncaster
- Kew

“ It was overall very positive and the kids made great connections with coaching staff and other participants ”

Contact Us:
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SATURDAY **MARCH 23** 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Goodstart Rosanna Bellevue Avenue
21-25 Bellevue Avenue
Rosanna VIC 3084



Sausage sizzles, face painting, animal show,
raffle draw and more!
Local businesses will also set up some stalls for
you to purchase goods from!

Note: Money raised from the raffle draw
will be donated to The Good Friday Appeal



A promotional graphic for 'Hookin2Hockey' featuring a photograph of children playing hockey on a blue field. The children are wearing red jerseys and black shorts. In the top right corner, there is a logo for 'LA TROBE UNIVERSITY HOCKEY CLUB' which includes a stylized hockey stick and puck. The text 'HOOKIN2HOCKEY' is written in a large, bold, white font with a black outline and a motion blur effect. Below the photo, the text 'COME AND TRY HOCKEY' is written in a large, bold, white font on a red background. Underneath this, there are several lines of text in white on a red background: 'Hookin2Hockey is an introductory program that caters for all abilities and is super fun!', 'Ages from 5 and up', '\$70 for 8 weeks with our first session for FREE!', 'All equipment except mouthguards is supplied', and 'Starting Saturday 2nd of March for 8 weeks'. At the bottom of the red section, there is a white button with the text 'SCAN HERE TO REGISTER' and a QR code to the right.

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FOR MORE INFO CONTACT Phil
juniors@latrobeunihockey.com

Creative Dance and yoga for school children

New classes
starting soon at

the
Red Door Studio

Wednesdays

5 - 8 year olds
4:15-5:15pm

9 - 12 year olds
5:30-6:30pm

Join us for joyous
and nurturing
experiences through
dance, yoga and
music!



5 Blackwood Parade
Heidelberg West




For more information and booking,
contact Julie Aares on 0491 057 924 or visit

www.thereddoorstudio.com.au

**A new space for
community and creativity**

**the
Red Door Studio**



Creative Dance
for youth and adults

Thursdays
8-9pm

**Rest &
Rejuvenate Yoga**

Tuesdays
7-8:30pm

Eight week course
Starting 6 February

**Steiner
Playgroup**

Tuesdays
9:30-11:30am

Mindful Yoga

Tuesdays 6:30am-7:30am
Wednesdays 11:30am-12:30pm
Thursdays 6:15-7:45pm

Eight week courses
Starting 6, 7 & 8 February

**Creative Dance
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**at 5 Blackwood Parade
Heidelberg West**

To sign up and find out more,
contact Julie Aares on 0491 057 924 or visit
www.thereddoorstudio.com.au

AB AFL Auskick is coming to Banyule Primary School!

AFL Victoria will be running a 5-week Auskick program at the school!

Auskick (Ages 4-12): An intro to Australian Football and invaluable life skills. With game-based activities kids love, learning is disguised as playing. You don't need Aussie Rules experience — children can start Auskick in the calendar year they turn 5!

The total price for this program is \$50. You will receive a size 1 football and pump as part of your Auskick registration.

REGISTER HERE - <https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/f6d52f> or scan QR Code in the flyer!

Banyule Primary School Auskick & Superkick Centre will run from Thursday 29th of February from 3.45pm – 4.40pm on the school. For more information, please contact Alex on 0499 499 956 or alex.federico@afl.com.au



ART CLASSES

for

SCHOOL CHILDREN!

Beginning in Term 1 2024

COME ALONG! IT'LL BE FUN!

If you have a child/ren & would like to give them the opportunity to express themselves through art & craft activities, please come along.

During art classes, children can:

- **Produce a piece of artwork which they can take home**
- **Work on an art project over a few weeks**
- **Explore a variety of art media and learn new skills**
- **Work individually and as a group**
- **Help pack up with the rest of the group**
- **Have heaps of fun!**
- **Use provided art materials of artist quality!**

Wednesdays (4pm – 5pm) – 8 weeks \$272

Fridays (4pm – 5:15pm) – 7 weeks \$238

Other days & times, once the above time slots are full – 6 children/ class

DATES for Term 1: 7th February – 27th March (Wed)

9th February – 22nd March (Fri)

(Classes will run every school term in 2024, with a view to ongoing availability)

WHERE: Christina's Art Studio

Left rear entrance to: 39 Kambea Crescent, Viewbank

There will be signage to follow

Phone Christina on: 0408 255 964 (for queries & to book a place)

Facilitator/ Teacher: Christina C. Evans (Qualified Art Therapist/ TAFE Teacher/ Working With Children Check/ National Police Check – can show at first meeting)