

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER (10th October 2025)

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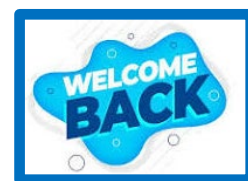
INTEGRITY

RESILIENCE

We would like to acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation as the traditional custodians of the land on which our school stands. We pay our respects to all First Nations elders, past, present and emerging.

Hi Everyone,

Welcome back to the fourth and final term for 2025! Despite being eleven weeks long, week one went by very quickly! It was also very pleasing to see our students settling straight back into their learning with ease.



2026 Planning

This is the term where we work through the detailed planning for the 2026 school year. As a staff we have begun working on; assessments in preparation for student report writing, formulating future class placements, teaching program evaluations and 2026 program budget requests.

Pupil Free Days

Just a reminder that the following days are Pupil Free Days: (Students are NOT required to attend school on the following days)

- Monday 3rd November (Pupil Free Day)
- Tuesday 4th November (Melbourne Cup Day- Public Holiday)

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Foundation 2026

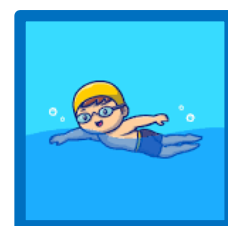
If you know someone who lives in Broadmeadows and is interested in our school, please ask them to telephone the school office to book a place on one of our tours.

If you already have children at our school and have a Foundation student for next year, please make sure you come and collect the enrolment pack so we can add you to our list!!

Swimming

There is a lot of excitement in the school as students from LN1 and LN2 commence their swimming program. The program will operate on the following dates:

October- 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st



Just a reminder that all students need to wear proper swimwear. Goggles and swimming caps can be worn. All students will need a towel. Please make sure all items are clearly named and sent in a waterproof bag. If you need assistance acquiring swimwear, please contact the school.

Attendance-Every Day Counts!

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

SCHOOL IS BETTER WHEN YOUR CHILD IS THERE- Why it's important?

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day. If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years and receive lower test scores than their classmates.

It's vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

The main reasons for absence are:

Sickness – There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they're ill. It's vital that they're only away on the days they are genuinely sick. Developing good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.

Family holidays - It's vital that holidays are planned during school holidays where possible, and not during the term. If you are planning to go on holiday during term time, make sure you discuss your holiday plans with the Principal.

At the end of each term, we look at the year level attendance data for the overall term. The overall attendance data for each year level for Term 3 is as follows:

Foundation-79.40%

Year 1-81.50%

Year 2-85.50%

Year 3-82.80%

Year 4-84.00%

Year 5-79.50%

Year 6-75.50%

Student Attendance rates at school should be at 90%. Poor attendance impacts a student's academic and social development.

Please make sure your child/ren attends school EVERY day!

Broadmeadows Valley Celebration

This year we are having 'An Afternoon in the Valley' celebration on **Thursday 4th December** from 2:30pm-4:30pm. The event will take place in the Multi-Purpose Hall where students will be showcasing their end of year performances. Gowrie and Hume Central Secondary School will also be part of our special event! No food or drinks will be available to buy but families are more than welcome to bring their own food and drinks. Please make a note of the date and we will send out further information shortly.



Sun Smart

Term 4 marks the beginning of another Sun Smart term!

During break times from September to April, all students must wear a hat when playing outside. Students are required to wear a school hat or another hat style that protects the face, neck and ears when outdoors, for example broad-brimmed, legionnaire or bucket. Students who are not wearing appropriate protective clothing or a hat will be asked to play in the shade or in a suitable area protected from the sun



Please ensure your child brings their hat to school each day.

Everyday at school counts!

Belinda Karlsson

Principal

Term 4 Dates

Thursday 16th October- Foundation 2026 Tour at 4:00pm

Thursday 23rd October-Foundation 2026 Tour at 4:00pm

Thursday 30th October-Foundation 2026 Tour at 4:00pm

Monday 4th November-Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 5th November-Melbourne Cup (Public Holiday)

Thursday 6th November-Foundation 2026 Tour at 4:00pm

Wednesday 19th November-Foundation 2026 Information Session

Wednesday 10th December-Year 6 Funfields Excursion

Wednesday 17th December-Year 6 Graduation-Broadmeadows Town Hall

Thursday 4th December-An Afternoon in the Valley

Friday 19th December- End of Term- Finishing Time- 1:00pm