

Term 1 Week 10 - 2025

	TERM 1	L 2025 IMPORTANT DATES
WEEK 1	JAN 27 – JAN 31	
	MONDAY	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
	TUESDAY	TEACHERS RETURN – PUPIL FREE DAY
	WEDNESDAY	GETTING TO KNOW YOU INTERVIEWS – P-6 (Bookings via Compass)
	THURSDAY	GETTING TO KNOW YOU INTERVIEWS – P-6 (Bookings via Compass)
	FRIDAY	1st HALF PREP COMMENCE (10 am) GRADE 1-6 RETURN TO SCHOOL
WEEK 2	FEB 3 – FEB 7	
	MONDAY	ASSEMBLY - 2 nd HALF PREP COMMENCE (10 am)
	WEDNESDAY	PREP LITERACY ASSESSMENTS COMMENCE (Bookings via Compass)
WEEK 3	FEB 10 – FEB 14	
	WEDNESDAY	PREP LITERACY ASSESSMENTS (Bookings via Compass)
WEEK 4	FEB 17 – FEB 21	
	MONDAY	ASSEMBLY
	WEDNESDAY	2025 STUDENT LEADERSHIP GROUP PHOTOS
		PREP LITERACY ASSESSMENTS (Bookings via Compass)
	FRIDAY	BMPS SWIMMING TRIALS AT BACCHUS MARSH POOL
WEEK 5	FEB 24 – FEB 28	
	WEDNESDAY	PARENT CYBER SAFETY INFORMATION EVENT
		PREP LITERACY ASSESSMENTS (Bookings via Compass)
	THURSDAY - FRIDAY	SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR AT BMPS 8.15-8.45 & 3.00 – 3.45
WEEK 6	MAR 3 – MAR 7	
	MONDAY	ASSEMBLY
	TUESDAY	BMPSSA DISTRICT SWIMMING
	FRIDAY	PUPIL FREE DAY
WEEK 7	MAR 10 – MAR 14	
	MONDAY	LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
	TUESDAY	WESTERN RANGES SWIMMING AT MELTON WAVES
		PREP PARENT & CARER INFORMATION SESSION CONFIRMED-2.30pm
	WEDNESDAY TO FRIDAY	NAPLAN YEAR 3 and 5
WEEK 8	MAR 17 – MAR 21	
	MONDAY	ASSEMBLY
	FRIDAY	HARMONY DAY
WEEK 9	MAR 24 – MAR 28	
	FRIDAY	SENIOR SPORTS DAY
WEEK 10	MAR 31 – APR 4	ASSEMBLY WESTERN METRO REGIONAL SWIMMANING
	TUESDAY	WESTERN METRO REGIONAL SWIMMING
	FRIDAY	LAST DAY OF TERM – Easter Hat Parade – Easter Raffle Draw (RCH
		Fundraiser TBC by our Student Voice team) 2.30 pm dismissal
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WEEK 1	APR 21 – APR 25	EACTED MONDAY BURLIC HOLIDAY
	MONDAY	EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
	TUESDAY - THURSDAY	STUDENTS RETURN
MEEK 2	FRIDAY	ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
WEEK 2	APR 28 – MAY 2	ASSEMBLY DISTRICT ATHLETICS
	TUESDAY	DISTRICT ATHLETICS
	THURSDAY	GRADE 2 – SOVEREIGN HILL
	FRIDAY	SCHOOL PHOTOS
		BMPS CROSS COUNTRY
WEEK 3	MAY 5 – MAY 9	

SCHOOL PHOTOS

BRAVEHEARTS - Foundation - 11.20am Gr 1-2 - 12.10pm

GR 2 – MSO EXCURSION DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY MOTHER'S DAY

MONDAY THURSDAY

FRIDAY



HAT PARADE 2025 UPCYCLE OR RECYCLE



This worked a treat in 2024. We had such a wonderful parade that it seems only sensible to promote upcycling and recycling of our hats from last year. Many of you will have been working on them this weekend, and we look forward to a great parade to end our term.

MPCYCLE

Reuse (<u>discarded</u> objects or material) in such a way as to create a product of higher quality or value than the original.

RECYCLE

Processing an item that would otherwise be thrown away as trash and turning it into a new product

See you Friday morning for a 9 am start to our parade and Easter Raffle Draw...









THANKYOU FOR THE INCREDIBLE DONATIONS RECEIVED SO FAR THIS YEAR WELL-DONE TEAM BMPS! VERY MUCH APPRECIATED AND KEEP THEM COMING



Thankyou also to...

EVERLAST TYRES - BACCHUS MARSH

AND

firstnational REAL ESTATE - RAYNER

for the beautiful Easter Hampers 🥹





SENIOR HOUSE SPORTS

Manor

Pentland

Laradoc

Merrimu

Teamwork most certainly supported a very successful Senior House Sports event last Friday on Mason's Lane.

Our appreciation and thanks to Dave Champness, assisted by Scott Nelson, our Year 3-6 staff, Education Support team, and Specialist Teachers for another very smoothly facilitated Senior Sports Day.

 Special shout out to our parent and carer community who jump in and support wherever needed and to Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics for your venue and facilities.

Congratulations to Laradoc, our 2025 champions, and every athlete, including our House Captains, who gave their all on the track and in the field.





SCHOOL COUNCIL

Before the March ordinary meeting last Tuesday evening, a special meeting of Council took place following calls for nominations and finalising of our process for 2025.

Congratulations, and thank you to the following 2025 parent members:

President: Nick Brody, **Vice President**: Jeanette Simson, **Treasurer**: Tristan Baums, **Secretary**: Stephanie Davidson, **Fundraising Leader**: Allison Edwards, and a warm welcome to Jessica Edwards.

Sincere thanks to the following 2025 staff representatives:

Principal (non-elected): Melinda Williams, Daniel Morris, Jodi Griffiths, and a warm welcome to Nicole Fagan.

School Council Governance is a significant responsibility, and we are extremely grateful for the commitment of our parent team.

We extended further thanks to previous President Belinda Wakefield for many years of wonderful service and to Karen Hyne and Rebecca Phelan, whose term concluded.

HARMONY DAY CELEBRATION

Throughout Harmony Week our students worked with their Buddy Grades on different activities and finished off by coming out to the World map in the undercover area to mark places of family significance and heritage. Some fantastic cultural diversity discussions were undertaken, and we thank all families for getting involved with questions, sharing their cultural origins, and generally enriching the knowledge and understanding of all of our students.

It was also great to see so many touches of orange being worn.



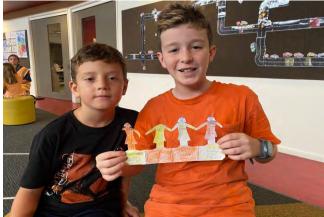






















...AND THANK YOU, MRS WU and OUR FABULOUS PARENT SUPPORTERS, FOR THIS INCREDIBLE **TRADITIONAL DUMPLING-MAKING** EXPERIENCE...

From your Year 6 students x





SCIENCE GARDEN

We're thrilled that after talking about it for sooooooo long, our science garden upgrade has taken place and is looking fabulous. Fund raising money has contributed to these works, and we thank our community most sincerely for your support.





SCHOOL PHOTOS

We take this opportunity to thank 'Kids In Living Colour' very much for photographing our students over the last few years. In 2025 The School Photographer will take over this huge responsibility and parents and carers can visit the website as per the below flyer and place orders anytime.



We respectfully **acknowledge** that the land on which we teach, learn and play was never ceded and we pay respect to the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people and all elders past, present and those emerging in our school and wider community.

Moorabool Young Writers' Award 2025

Short story writing competition for Moorabool students aged 5 to 18

The theme for this year's Primary School category is 'Write where you are.'

Your story begins, involves or ends right where you are, right here, right now, in this exact place where anything is possible!

- > Entrants in the Prep to 2 category will need to complete a picture prompt involving a map.
- > Entrants in Years 3 to 12 will need to write a Moorabool place/location/landmark into their story (up to 1000 words).

Each child may enter one story and entry is free. All entries must be typed, and will be judged blind, so please no names - just be sure to attach the entry form from your child's classroom teacher.

BMPS students can hand in completed entries to their classroom teacher before Thursday 24th April and I will submit them to Lerderderg Library.

Please see the attached flyer for more details or send me an email with any questions:

hayley.bonnici@education.vic.gov.au

Entries open Monday 10th March 2025 Entries close Monday 28th April 2025



Upcoming Events

Classroom Helpers Workshop

Classroom helpers are invaluable at BMPS so we'd love to see you at our upcoming training!

Monday 24th February 9-10am The House (next to Art room)

Please register your interest at the office or email hayley.bonnici@education.vic.gov.au



Fun fact:

If a child reads for 10 minutes a day, that adds up to 3,650 minutes of reading over a year.
That's about 60 hours of reading time!

2025 Competition Prompts

Moorabool Young Writers' Awards 2025 Prep to Grade 2 Picture Prompt

WRITE WHERE YOU



Imagine you have found a map.

Draw what is on the map OR write a short story about where your map leads to





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Entries Open: Monday 10 March 2025 at 8.30am Entries close: Monday 28 April 2025 at 5pm

Prep to Grade 2 - Complete the picture prompt - MAP.

Grades 3 to 6 - Short Story up to 1000 words*
Years 7 to 12 - Short Story up to 3000 words*
*Write a Moorabool place/location/landmark into
your story.







ALWAYS REACH OUT

 Thank you to the parents and carers who are reaching out to their child's classroom teacher or any of our staff below if we can assist in any way.

Melinda Williams – Principal **Leanne Holt** – Business Manager

Wellbeing:

Daniel Morris - Assistant Principal - Wellbeing & Engagement / Disability Inclusion **Liz Stonka** – Leading Teacher – Daily Organisation /Student Medical Health & Wellbeing

Tiff O'Brien - Learning Specialist - Inclusion – Trauma Informed Practice / Art-Therapy

Bec Blokland - Disability Inclusion - Profile Facilitator

Belinda Horne - Wellbeing Educator

Sharon Cartledge - Inclusion Coach working across Darley PS, Pentland PS, & BMC

Literacy and Numeracy:

Bec Conroy - Leading Teacher – Curriculum / Teaching and Learning Hayley Bonnici - Learning Specialist / Literacy Kelly Watson – Numeracy Leader – Learning Specialist Damian Richards Gr 5 & 6 & Janaya Walker Gr 3 & 4 - Numeracy - Learning Specialists

Best wishes for a great final week of term from the BMPS staff...













We offer a safe space for girls of all backgrounds to decide and plan what activities they want to do in their term program – it could be cooking, celebrating national/international days, games, craft, outdoor skills and activities, going to camp, working on earning a badge or just having a fun night together! They make new friends, work together in teams and develop leadership skills and resilience in a non-competitive environment. In Bacchus Marsh, we have units for girls aged 7-9 years (Tuesday) and 10-13 and 13-17 years (Wednesday).

Girls can come and try guides for a free, three-week period. Visit <u>guidesvic.org.au/join-now</u> or contact as above for more information.



Women's Seasonal Mini Retreats 2025



Step into the rhythm of the seasons with our 4-hour Women's Seasonal Mini Retreats! These thoughtfully designed retreats are your chance to nurture your mind, body, and spirit through activities like coaching, journaling, meditation, craft, and more—each retreat refreshed with unique, seasonal touches. Enjoy a welcoming atmosphere with delicious food, drinks, and a curated gift bag to take home. Whether it's spring renewal or autumn reflection, these retreats provide a space to slow down, reconnect with yourself, and celebrate your personal growth with a community of like-minded women.

Autumn Retreat Harvesting Wisdom; Let Go & Gather Strength

Join us for an Autumn-themed mini-retreat focused on letting go and self-reflection. Embrace the season's energy with practices to release what no longer serves you, create space for renewal, and reconnect with yourself. Through guided activities and meaningful moments, find clarity, reset, and step forward with intention.

Date: Sunday 2nd March
Time: 1 pm - 5 pm
Location: Darley
Neighbourhood House - Anna

Curry Building Cost: \$97 per person

Winter Retreat Winter's Warmth; Nurture Your Inner Light

Embrace the calm of winter with a mini-retreat focused on inner work and deep rest. Slow down, reflect, and reconnect with your core through guided practices and intentional rest. Replenish your energy, find clarity, and embrace the season as a time for restoration and growth.

Date: Sunday 1st June Time: 1 pm - 5 pm Location: TBC Cost: \$97 per person

Spring Retreat Awakening Growth; Seeds of Potential

Celebrate the energy of spring with a miniretreat dedicated to renewal and growth. Shed the past, plant seeds of intention, and embrace new beginnings. Through guided activities and meaningful connection, awaken your vitality and step into the season with clarity and purpose.

> Date: Sunday 31st August Time: 1 pm - 5 pm Location: TBC Cost: \$97 per person

Summer Retreat

Radiating Confidence; Shine & Thrive

Step into the vibrant energy of summer with a mini-retreat focused on confidence and joy. Reconnect with your inner light, celebrate your strengths, and embrace playfulness and self-assurance. Through uplifting activities and meaningful connections, shine brightly and fully embrace the joy of being unapplogetically you.

Date: Sunday 30th November Time: 1 pm - 5 pm Location: TBC Cost: \$97 per person

Special Offer:

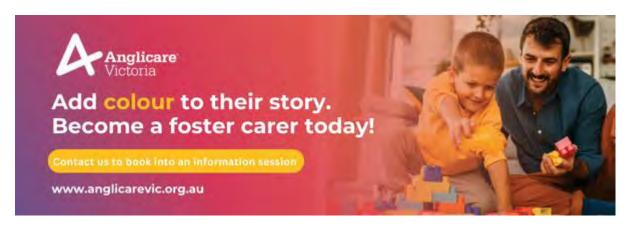
Book all 4 retreats before March and save! Plus a BONUS

 Unleash Your Potential; A year of purposeful planning journal and pen \$388 plus bonus valued at \$45 ONLY \$350, savings of \$83



Payment plans available

Message me at www.inspiringpotentiallife.com to secure your spot. I can't wait to welcome you!



ENROL NOW 2025

OUR SERVICE

To provide children with a holistic environment enriched with opportunities which can freely explore and be guided by their own interests and abilities. Through the delivery of our educational program, we strive to provide children with a strong and balanced foundation to approach all future endeavours with confidence and Resilience.





Maddingley Montessori

Stand Tall, Happy & Proud

Kindergarten & Long Day Care

3 & 4 Year OLD FUNDED KINDERGARTEN

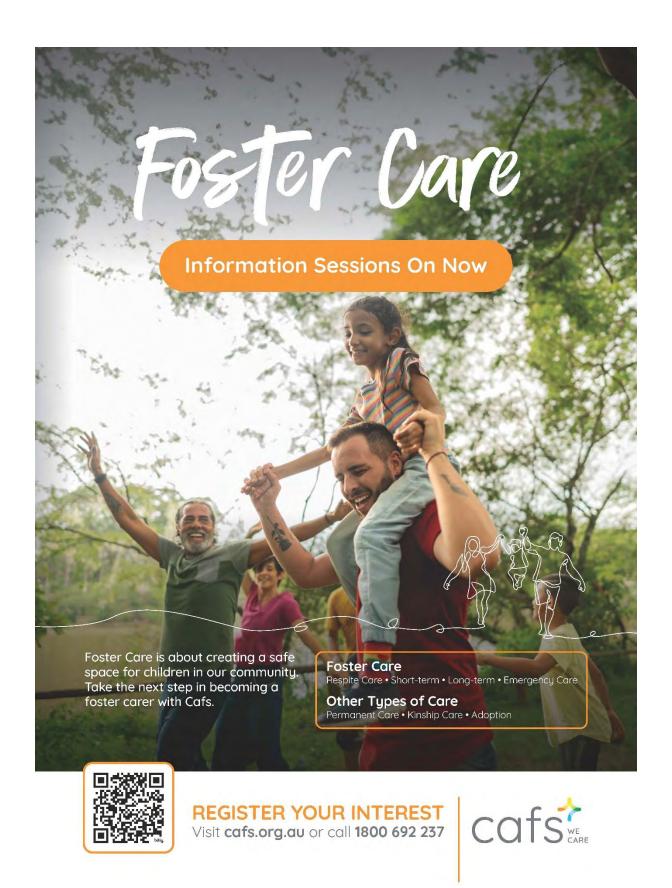
Our program is available five days a week, with flexible session options designed to accommodate your family's schedule. Our Kinder program operates year-round for 50 weeks, ensuring consistent care and learning. We also provide nutritious meals daily, so you can leave the meals to us - giving you one less thing to worry about.

AGE GROUPS

Nest - 12 months to 20 months Burrow - 20 months to 30 months Adventurers - 30 months to 3 yrs Discoverers - 3 to 5 yrs Explorers - 3 to 5 yrs

CONTACT US TO BOOK A TOUR OR FOR MORE INFORMATION

8547 9585 admin@maddingleymontessori.com.au



STUDENTS OR FAMILIES interested in either of the following First Nations Artist opportunities, please feel free to deliver to our main office prior to the closing dates and we will ensure your entries are delivered to 403 Main Road Ballarat.





THE NEXT GENERATION

YOUTH NAIDOC POSTER COMPETITION

AGES - 5 - 17

Please come up with your own design that represents this years NAIDOC Theme.
Closing date Thursday 15th of May.

Artworks to be delivered to 403

Main Rd Golden point







Calisthenics is a unique combination of dancing, singing, gymnastics and technical skills for children to adults.

Calisthenics develops strong, confident performers through teamwork in a fun and friendly club environment, where families connect and performers develop skills and friendships that last a lifetime.





Tots & Tinies (3 - 7 Years) Saturday 9 - 11am

Sub Juniors (8 - 10 Years) Wednesday 4.30 - 7pm

Juniors (11 - 13 Years) Monday 4.30 - 7.30pm

Intermediates (14 - 17 Years) Tuesday 5.30 - 8.30pm Seniors (18 Years+)

Thursday 6.30 – 9.30pm

Masters (26 Years+)

Wednesday 7 - 9.30pm

Califit (26 Years+)

A recreational program that promotes movement and socialising in a supportive, inclusive space.

Monday 10.30am – 12pm

Contact Us
0419 622 714
admin@pentlandcalisthenics.com.au
www.pentlandcalisthenics.com.au

CLASSES START 1ST FEBRUARY AT OUR MADDINGLEY STUDIO

* For new participants



Aussie Hoops Program

This program is a fantastic introduction to basketball for young children and a great way for them to build skills and confidence in a fun environment.

The program is aimed at new participants aged 5 to 9. Follow the link below to register your child:

https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/org/bacchus-marsh-basketball-association/6663f749/register

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Our supportive approach addresses issues such as;

- Anxiety
- Build resilience and confidence
- Improved self-talk
- Understand emotions Effective learning
- strategies





Empowering Young Minds;

Navigating Life with Courage

Embark on a transformative journey with 'Empowering Young Minds,' a specialised life coaching and hypnosis service for adolescents aged 12-18. Our tailored packages guide teens through a supportive process of self-discovery, instilling courage to navigate life's complexities. We focus on uncovering their strengths, overcoming challenges and acquiring essential life skills to achieve meaningful goals.

Our supportive approach addresses issues such as;

- Anxiety
- Build resilience and confidence
- Improved self-talk
- Improve social skills
- Understand emotions
- Effective learning strategies
- Navigating career paths and
- planning And much more



Empower Her Monthly Women's Circle

Are you ready to dive into a space of support, understanding and connection? Join us for our upcoming Women's Circle where we come together to share, empower and uplift one another.



Where: Daley Neighbourhood House

Date: Friday 26th July

Friday 30th Aug

Friday 27th Sept

Time: 7 pm- 8.30 pm \$20 PP, per session





Other Services:

- · Women's Coaching
- Hypnosis
- · Relationships Coaching
- · Parents Coaching
- Kids Coaching
- DISC Profiling
- · Leadership Coaching
- High Performing Teams



Therapy Dog Service

To find out more contact us by visiting our website.

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- · Improve Social Skills
- · Improve Learning
- · Build resilience and confidence
- · Improved self-talk
- · Understand emotions
- · Effective learning strategies
- Anxiety
- · And much more



Through Hypnosis;

- · Bed Wetting
- Weight Loss
- Sugar
- Thumb Sucking
- Conduct at Home
- Conduct at School
- Improving Grades
- Improving Reading
- Surviving a DivorceSchool Illness
- Stop Stuttering
- Stop Nightmares
- · Move Quicker
- Stress
- · Stop Lying
- · Stop Stealing
- Test Anxiety
- Don't start smoking/vaping
- Sleeping Habits
- Hyperactivity



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