



TERM 2 2025 IMPORTANT DATES

WEEK 1	APR 21 – APR 25 MONDAY TUESDAY - THURSDAY FRIDAY	EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY STUDENTS RETURN ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
WEEK 2	APR 28 – MAY 2 MONDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	ASSEMBLY DISTRICT ATHLETICS STUDENT LEADERSHIP EVENT – FEDERATION UNIVERSITY GRADE 2 – SOVEREIGN HILL SCHOOL PHOTOS BMPS CROSS COUNTRY
WEEK 3	MAY 5 – MAY 9 MONDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	SCHOOL PHOTOS BRAVEHEARTS – Foundation - 11.20am Gr 1-2 - 12.10pm YEAR 2 – MELBOURNE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA EXCURSION YEAR 1 - PAPERMAKING DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY MOTHER'S DAY STALL and PREP MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA 2.30
WEEK 4	MAY 12 – MAY 16 TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY	<i>ASSEMBLY - 175th Anniversary Celebration for Students</i> SCHOOL PHOTO CATCH-UP SESSIONS LEADERSHIP PHOTO UPDATES
WEEK 5	MAY 19 – MAY 23 TUESDAY FRIDAY	SCHOOL COUNCIL COLOUR RUN
WEEK 6	MAY 26 – MAY 30 MONDAY WEDNESDAY	ASSEMBLY DIVISION CROSS COUNTRY
WEEK 7	JUN 2 – JUN 6 FRIDAY	GRADE 6 WINTER SPORTS DAY
WEEK 8	JUN 9 – JUN 13 MONDAY TUESDAY TUESDAY - THURSDAY	KINGS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR 6 ECOLINC
WEEK 9	JUN 16 – JUN 20 MONDAY - TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	YEAR 4 ECOLINC PREP FARM EXCURSION REGIONAL CROSS COUNTRY DISTRICT GIRLS AFL
WEEK 10	JUN 23 – JUN 27 TUESDAY TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY	ASSEMBLY SCHOOL COUNCIL YEAR 5 SOVEREIGN HILL PREP ECOLINC TEETH ON WHEELS
WEEK 11	JUN 30 – JUL 4 MONDAY – FRIDAY TUESDAY – WEDNESDAY TUESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	TEETH ON WHEELS YEAR 3 ECOLINC YEAR 5 HUMAN DEVELOPMENT - PARENT INFORMATION SESSION 3-WAY INTERVIEWS – COMMENCING 11 AM END OF TERM – 2.30 PM DISMISSAL

Save These
Dates

175TH ANNIVERSARY BACK-TO-Celebration - IMPORTANT DATES TO BE SAVED

TERM 3 FRIDAY, AUGUST 1 – GRANDPARENTS DAY

TERM 3 SATURDAY – SUNDAY, AUGUST 2 – 3 - BACK TO BMPS EVENTS

Happy 175th Anniversary BMPS

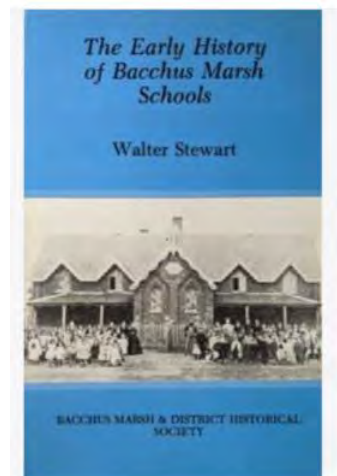
We are very proud of our history as the oldest school still operating in Victoria - No 28.

Our school opened on 18 May 1850 with 34 students under the head teacher, H.G. Ball, as the Bacchus Marsh National School.



Our original school was located in a rented building, on the right-hand side of Bacchus Marsh Melbourne Road, just past Woolpack Road.

John Pascoe Fawkner, early Australian pioneer, businessman, and politician, attended the opening in November 1865 of the school's brand new brick schoolhouse built in Lerderberg Street, on our current site.



Important Celebration Dates

Term 2 - Tuesday, May 18 – Celebration with our students

Term 3 - Friday, August 1 – Grandparents Day

Saturday/Sunday, August 2/3 – BACK TO BMPS EVENTS

Tuesday, May 18, 2025

We invite our students and staff to dress as we would have in the 1850s and 1860s

Simple ideas created from your cupboards or opportunity shops, family, and friends

We look forward to a day of 1850/1860 style learning that will include Welcome to Country, dance, traditional games, time capsule preparation, and learning linked to our 'back to' celebration weekend in early term 3.

Parents and Carers are invited to join us for afternoon tea at 2.30 pm



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Ideas for Boys:

- A simple white or light-colored shirt with billowy sleeves, paired with sturdy trousers and a waistcoat or vest.
- A newsboy cap or a wide-brimmed hat to protect from the sun.
- Leather boots or sturdy shoes were a must for outdoor activities.

Ideas for Girls:

- A long, simple dress with a full skirt, often made of cotton or calico, and a tight-fitting bodice.
- A white apron and a sunbonnet or a wide-brimmed hat to shield their face and neck from the sun.
- Leather shoes or sturdy boots, although some girls might wear simpler footwear like slippers.

Considering the time period and location, it's essential to focus on practical and durable clothing that would have been suitable for daily life and outdoor activities in May in our town.



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ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE AND COMMUNITY MARCH

Our appreciation is extended to Mrs Bec Pike and our Art Captains for making our wreath that was laid at the Dawn Service by our school captains. Further thanks to Tiff O'Brien, staff, student leaders, and all of the families that joined us either at dawn or for the march to pay our respect as a community.

We are only as strong as the actions we undertake, and although I was not able to be at the Bacchus Marsh services, I was extremely proud of our school community.

'Lest We Forget'



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COLOUR AND SLIME FUN RUN – 2025 MAJOR FUNDRAISER

Welcome back!

We are aiming to raise \$30,000 from our colour run this year, and so far we have 45 students out of 780 registered during the holidays.

A big shout out to our Prep and Grade 1 students, particularly Jeffery Travers from Prep S, who has raised over \$520 so far for BMPS. Incredible work!

With only 26 days until the colour run, let's get going...

Many thanks for going online to register your child and to start fundraising!

Important reminder that there are options for families who do not wish to earn rewards for raising funds.



Register online now! Only 26 days to go until our annual BMPS COLOUR RUN!

Students have received their sponsorship booklet at the end of Term 1 and can now create their profile at www.myprofilepage.com.au to start to take donations.

Our annual Colour & Slime Fun Run is locked in for **Friday 23 May 2025** and there are big prizes up for grabs! Simply raise \$10 to unlock your first incentive prize or rather donate to a cause, the choice is yours!

This is one of our biggest school fundraisers for the year and a student favourite on our event calendar! We appreciate your continued support for our school.

Kind regards – Ally Edwards, on behalf of our fundraising team

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EASTER HAT PARADE and RAFFLE 2025

Congratulations again to our Student Voice Team for their work in raising \$541.50 for the Royal Children's Hospital on our last day of Term 1 and to Ally Edwards and the fundraising team, along with you all, for your wonderful support of our Easter Raffle, through donations and ticket purchases.



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SCHOOL PHOTOS



PHOTO DAY COMING SOON!

Friday, 2nd May 2025

Head to our website to view the available packages and to place your order

VISIT OUR WEBSITE & ENTER THIS CODE:

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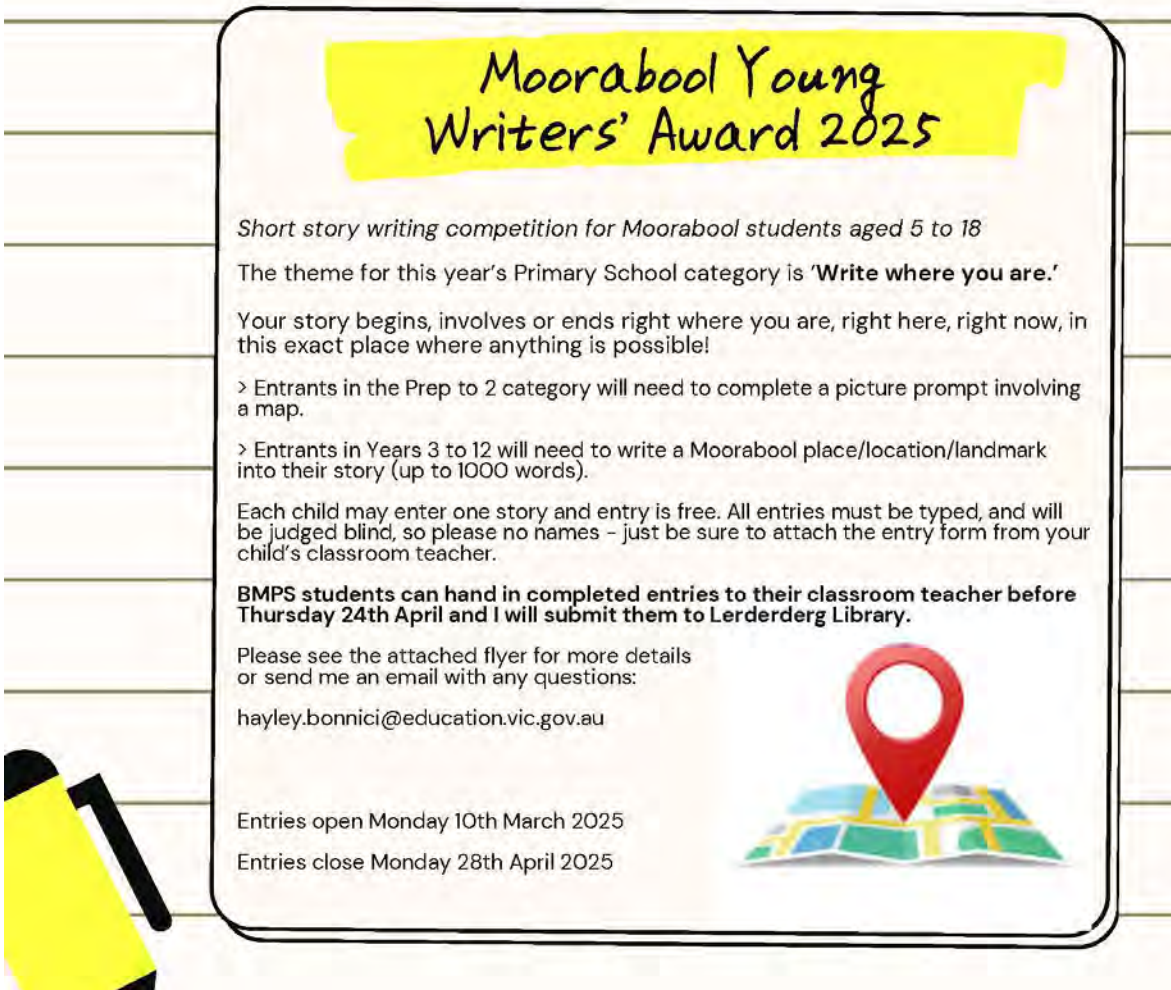
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2025 Moorabool Young Writers Competition Entries are due this Monday, and we congratulate all of our students who have worked hard to craft fabulous pieces of writing with the support of Mrs Hayley Bonnici, their families, and teachers.

GOOD LUCK everyone!



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

If you're still finishing off your piece, don't hesitate to let us know to ensure that your entry makes it into the competition.

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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 second week of term from Ollie and the BMPS staff...



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WE WANT YOU!

JUNIOR NETBALLERS

SEEKING GIRLS TO JOIN THE COBRAS IN 2025.

Come and join the
Bacchus Marsh Football & Netball Club

We are seeking players for our
Under 11 (girls & boys) team and our
13 teams!

Enquiries or more info contact:
Meaghan Nixon: 0418 140 925

mnixon@bmfnc.com.au



FUN **FRIENDSHIP** **and** **ADVENTURE**



JOIN TODAY

Bacchus Marsh Girl Guides
Contact:
sarah.hopkins@guidesvic.org.au



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 guidesvic.org.au/join-now or contact as above for more information.

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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 mini-retreat 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 unapologetically 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!



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Add **colour** to their story.
Become a foster carer today!

Contact us to book into an information session

www.anglicarevic.org.au



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

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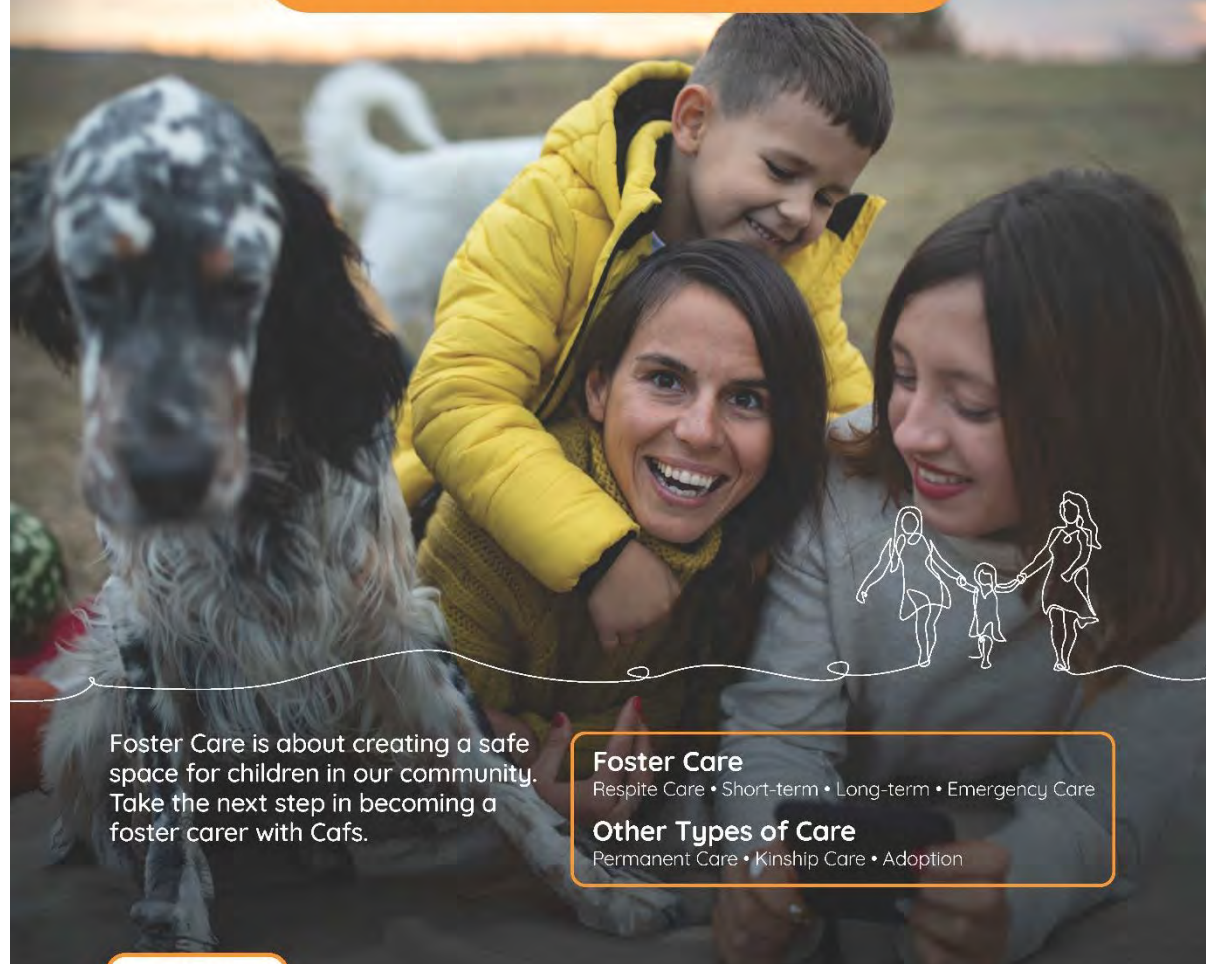
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Foster Care

Information Sessions On Now



Foster Care is about creating a safe space for children in our community. Take the next step in becoming a foster carer with Cafs.

Foster Care

Respite Care • Short-term • Long-term • Emergency Care

Other Types of Care

Permanent Care • Kinship Care • Adoption



REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

Visit cafs.org.au or call 1800 692 237

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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.

**CALLING OUT FOR ALL
FIRST NATIONS
ARTISTS!!!**

**Deadline for
Artwork will be
Friday 28th
March**

- . Are you a young First Nations Artists with passion of expressing yourself and stories through Art?
- . We invite you to showcase your creativity at the BADAC Youth Art Expo.
- . A chance to show your talents to the community, connect with other young mob and celebrate our amazing culture together.
- . Artwork can be dropped off to 403 Main Rd.

**Art Expo will
be held 30th
April - More
info to come.**

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BADAC YOUTH

2025 NAIDOC THEME
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



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2 FREE CLASSES*

PENTLAND CALISTHENICS COLLEGE

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	Seniors (18 Years+) Thursday 6.30 - 9.30pm
Sub Juniors (8 - 10 Years) Wednesday 4.30 - 7pm	Masters (26 Years+) Wednesday 7 - 9.30pm
Juniors (11 - 13 Years) Monday 4.30 - 7.30pm	CaliFit (26 Years+) A recreational program that promotes movement and socialising in a supportive, inclusive space. Monday 10.30am - 12pm
Intermediates (14 - 17 Years) Tuesday 5.30 - 8.30pm	



Contact Us
0419 622 714
admin@pentlandcalisthenics.com.au
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CLASSES START 1ST FEBRUARY AT OUR MADDINGLEY STUDIO

* For new participants

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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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Discover Your Inner Hero;

Building Confidence and Resilience

Unlock your child's potential with 'Discover Your Inner Hero,' a specialised life coaching and hypnosis service for kids aged 8-12. Our tailored packages empower children on a transformative journey of self-discovery, fostering confidence, resilience and essential life skills. Through personalised coaching, we help kids understand their strengths, overcome challenges, and achieve meaningful goals.

Our supportive approach addresses issues such as;

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



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

Cost: \$20 PP, per session

[BOOK NOW](#)



Other Services;

- Women's Coaching
- Hypnosis
- Relationships Coaching
- Parents Coaching
- Kids Coaching
- DISC Profiling
- Leadership Coaching
- High Performing Teams
- Therapy Dog Service



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- Improve Learning
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- 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 Divorce
- School 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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