



MAY 24TH | WEEK 6 | TERM 2, 2024

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Creswick Primary School

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CALENDAR

Friday May 31st

Monday June 7th

Monday June 10th

Wednesday June 19th

Friday June 28th

Goldfields Athletics

Grade 3-4 Earth Ed excursion

Kings Birthday Public Holiday - No School

Grade 5-6 Biolab Excursion

Last Day of Term 2 - 2:30pm Finish

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Families,

We are deep into Term 2 and staff are busy assessing students ready for reports. It is such an exciting time as we see the growth students have made throughout the year so far. We have some exciting events coming up throughout the remainder of the term, including visits from our secondary schools to our senior grades, a whole school excursion to Mount Rowan to watch their production of Pinocchio, our junior students are having a guest speaker from the University of Melbourne to talk about plants and we have a group of students who are going to represent the school at Goldfields Athletics Day.

Staffing Update

We are pleased to welcome Oraina Colangelo back from her Acting Principal position at Bullarto Primary School. In her absence, two wonderful teachers, Carlie Daily and Elanora Sullivan, looked after her grade. A big thank you to both Elanora and Carlie for their work in 1/2C in Oriana's absence. We would also like to thank Sophie Bronchinetti for her work supporting the 1/2 team.

Education Support Appreciation Day

Last week, we celebrated ES Appreciation Day. We are so fortunate to have a wonderful group of Education Support staff members who work tirelessly to support students and teachers here at Creswick Primary School. On behalf of the students, teachers and families, I would like to thank Wendy, Faith, Linda, Lyn, Emma, Stacey, Julie, Vicki C, Mark and Jack for all that they do at Creswick Primary School.

School Council Sub-Committees

Last week we put a call out to families for people who might be interested in joining one of our Sub-Committees. It is a fantastic opportunity for you to get involved with the direction of our school. If you would like to be part of Finance, Buildings and Grounds or Communication, Marketing and Grants, please fill out the form found within the Compass post, phone the school on 5445 2044 or email me directly at helen.romeril@education.vic.gov.au.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Curriculum Day - Berry Street Education Model - Body

Last Monday, our staff joined with 4 other schools to begin our work on the Berry Street Education Model. This model teaches staff how to approach education through the lens of a trauma approach. Last week we explored self-regulation strategies, de-escalation strategies, mindfulness strategies and ensuring that students are present, centred and ready to learn. Over the coming weeks, we will try some of the strategies we learnt before formalising our approach later in the year.

Cold/Flu/COVID

Winter is almost here and we are starting to see the effects of cold and flu season. We have had many students and staff away unwell with lots of different colds and flu and COVID has been going around again. If your child is displaying any symptoms, please keep them home until they are well so that we can try to stop the spread.

Thank you, and have a wonderful week,

Helen

School Photos

Our school photos have arrived.
These have been sent home with
your child/ren.

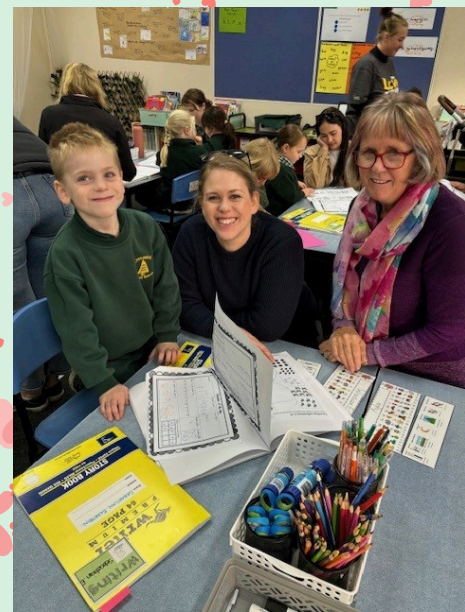
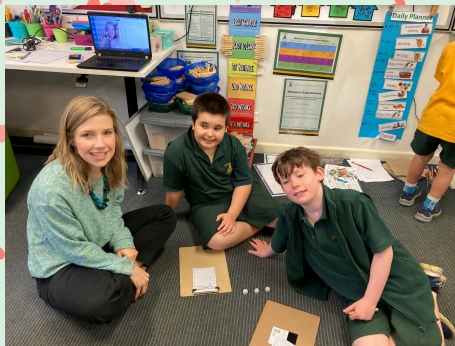
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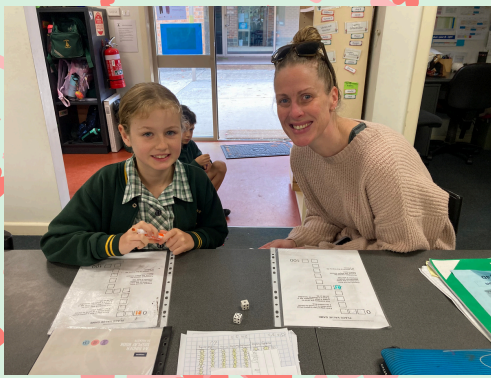
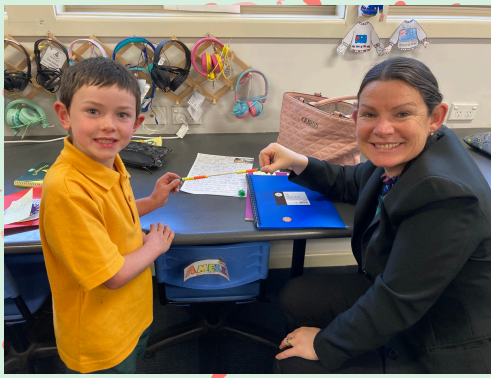
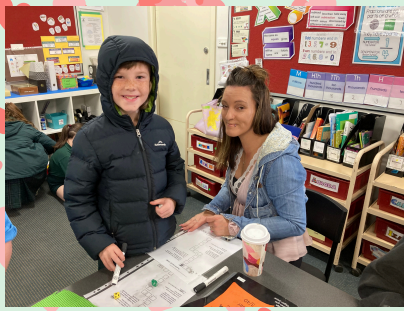
Mother's and Special Person's Open Morning

We were so lucky to have so many of our Mum's and Special People come on site for our Open Morning last week. All of our students' loved being able to showcase and share their work with all their special people.

Thank you to all those that joined us.



Mother's and Special Person's Open Morning



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Term 2, Week 5



PERSONAL BEST



RESPECT



RESPONSIBILITY



SAFETY

GRADE	STUDENT	VALUE	REASON
Prep S	Triss H	Personal Best	For always taking great care and pride in your work.
1/2B	Madden B	Personal Best	For working in a focused manner when learning about friends of 10 and doubles during Maths.
3/4S	Elle M	Personal Best	For focusing the whole time, following instructions, and taking on board feedback to improve her writing.
5K	Ellie R	Personal Best	For consistently showing pride in her work and being a focused learner.

HANDS *ON* LEARNING

Thursday 9th of May

Today in Hands on Learning we laid the turf down. We got the turf from bunnings and the gravel from Ballarat Sand and Soil.

The garden is looking amazing and we are very proud of our efforts.

By Mackenzie and Charlie



HANDS *ON* LEARNING

Thursday 16th of May

Today in Hands on Learning we put more gravel down in the garden, cleaned out the books in the Library and put the chalk board up in the garden.

By Bianka and Mackenzie



HANDS *ON* LEARNING

Thursday 23rd of May

Today in Hands on Learning we started doing the cubby house for the prep garden. Then we took the big table from the Library and put it in the room next door.

By Ellie and Mike



LITERACY

PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Junior Unit

Question 3

What is a synonym for the word **MAD**?

(a synonym is a word that means the same)

Answer the question online ↓

<https://forms.gle/AYgaQdJnmESZWAze6>



Senior Unit

Question 3

What is a synonym for the word **COLD**?

(a synonym is a word that means the same)

Answer the question online ↓

<https://forms.gle/DKGmtezgv7ZHExBo8>

This term you have the option to complete the quiz online.

Please see the below link for the senior unit:

<https://forms.gle/DKGmtezgv7ZHExBo8>

This term you have the option to complete the quiz online.

Please see the below link for the junior unit:

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'Creswick Primary School'



HOUSE AWARD

Term 2, Week 5



VALUES Resilience
Personal Best
WINNERS Respect
Safety
Term 2, Week 5



ATTENDANCE

Just a friendly reminder that if students are coming into school after the 9am bell, they will need to come in through the Front Office and sign in and grab a late pass.

Unfortunately, we have noticed a few students coming in late and forgetting to do this. If students have not signed in and the classroom attendance has already been marked, an automated Compass alert is sent to parents/carers that the student is absent.

Breakfast Club

Join us in Breakfast Club every Tuesday and Friday morning.
From 8:15am onwards.



Permission Notes

Just a friendly reminder to bring any notes that go home back as soon as possible. There are a number of notes circulating throughout the year levels at the moment and we need these back prior to the excursions.

Values Trophy - Term 2, 2024

Week	Value	What We Are Looking For
1	Safety & Respect	Lining up safely and respectfully when coming in from recess and lunch times.
2	Personal Best	Having the cleanest classroom.
3	Safety	Playing safely in the yard and using equipment appropriately.
4	Resilience	Being a team player and showing a positive attitude when playing in the yard.
5	Safety	Walking in the walking zones and courtyard.
6	Personal Best	The class taking pride in wearing the correct uniform.
7	Respect	Students who are seen to be keeping the yard clean by picking up rubbish, eating in the correct areas or seen putting rubbish in the bins.
8	Safety & Respect	The grade displaying safe and respectful behaviours in the Tech room.
9	Resilience	The grade that demonstrates perseverance when trying challenging activities in P.E.
10	Respect	The grade demonstrating the most respect in LOTE during classes.
11	Personal Best	Following all values and taking pride in classwork.

Safety

Values Trophy

Respect

Personal Best

Resilience

Our School Captains will be looking for students who demonstrate the following values:

WEEK	VALUES	WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR
7	SAFETY	WALKING IN THE WALKING ZONES AND COURTYARD.
8	PERSONAL BEST	THE CLASS TAKING PRIDE IN WEARING THE CORRECT UNIFORM.

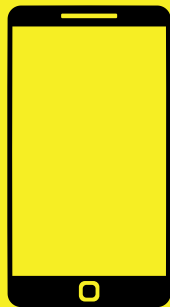
MOBILE PHONES

Just a friendly reminder that all students who choose to bring a mobile phone to school, that they must have it switched off and securely stored at the front office during school hours.

Thank you to all students who are already doing this.

In case of an emergency, parents or carers should reach their child by calling the school's office on 03 5345 2044.

A copy of our mobile phone policy can be found on our website for your reference.



COMPASS

All communication from the school will be sent out via compass. This includes important information and notices, the newsletter and first aid events involving your child, among many other items.

Each family will have their own unique compass login information.

Please make sure you are able to access Compass to ensure that you are not missing out on any vital information regarding school happenings.

If you require assistance with logging in or have misplaced your username or password, please contact the office so we can assist.

Thank you.

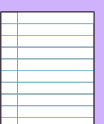
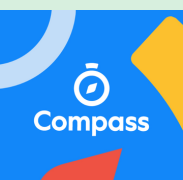


School Donations

We kindly ask if anyone has any new unopened boxes of tissues, and reams of A4 paper that they are able to donate to the school if possible please.

These are used in our school classrooms by our students each day. Any donation is greatly appreciated.

Thank you!



Grade 6 Introduction - 2024

Name

Bowen R

School Roles/Responsibilities

Playground Mentor



Family Members

Mum, Dad, Ayla

Favourite Colour

Green

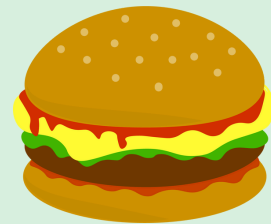


Favourite Number

10

Favourite Food

Hungry Jacks



Favourite Drink

Coca Cola

Favourite TV Show

Sponge Bob



Favourite AFL / Sports Team

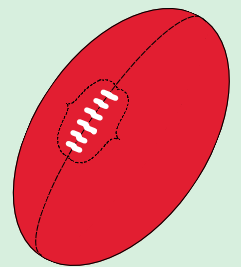
Essendon Bombers

Most Exciting Time of My Life

Going on the Roller Coaster VR

People I Admire Most

My Mum



Advice For New Preps

Have Fun at School

Goals for 2024

Better Handwriting



Grade 6 Introduction - 2024

Name

Bianka

School Roles/Responsibilities

Playground Mentor

Family Members

Mum, Dad, Two Sisters

Favourite Colour

Grey

Favourite Number

17

Favourite Food

Any Food

Favourite Drink

Water



Favourite Artist

Eminem



Favourite Holiday Destination

Geelong

Favourite Sports Team

Essendon Bombers

Most Exciting Time of My Life

First Dog



Advice for Preps

Never Give Up

Goals for 2024

Drink More Water

People I Admire Most

Mum



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Creswick Primary School 2024 School Council Members



Julia Cornwell - President

Hi Everyone! I'm Julia Cornwell and am fortunate to be your School Council President for 2024. My daughter is currently a student in grade 4. I have been involved with school council for a number of years and look forward to working with you and our school council to support our children. Please don't hesitate to reach out if there are any school council matters you would like to discuss. You catch me at school drop off and pick up. Alternatively, please leave your details with the office and I'll be in touch.



Megan Jackson - Treasurer

Hi, I'm Megan, mum of 3 students at Creswick Primary, who are in Grade 6, 4 and 1. I am in my third year of school council and the current school council treasurer. During the working week you will find me wearing two different hats, working in business coaching for the trades industry and also working in the finance broking industry.

On the weekends you will find me following the Creswick Football Netball club circuit with the junior netballers and I also try and get along to Calembreen Parkrun.

Always happy to have a chat with anyone within our school community or the greater Creswick community.



Sophie Ellis - Vice President

Hi, I'm Sophie. My children are in prep and grade 2, and I work in the community sector in Ballarat. I am looking forward to working with the School Council and the wonderful school community to continue to improve our great little school.

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Personal Best

Safety

Respect

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Jane Neville - Community Member

Having been involved in child and adult education since the early 80s, I'm keen to continue my association with Creswick Primary, having retired from teaching last year. I care about the school and its contribution to the community, and I want to see it thrive.



Chris Geljon - Parent Member

I have been a member of the school council since my son stated Prep in 2023. I have two children aged 2 and 6. I have worked in state Government for a period of 8 years and have found it very rewarding to be on school council. We have a great school community which I'm proud to be a part of.



Ainslie Vardy- Parent Member

My name is Ainslie and I have a son in grade 1 at Creswick Primary and another son in 3 year old kindergarten. I have a background in primary education and really enjoy working with young people. I am also very passionate about gardening and the environment. I am very excited to be a part of the school council and hope to help make positive changes.

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Leah Nelson- Parent Member

I'm Leah. I joined school council this year as a parent member. I have been involved in the Creswick Primary School community since 2017 when my eldest started school and currently have children in grade one and five. I am a kindergarten teacher and am particularly interested in student wellbeing, engagement and the school's image in the wider community.



Chris Austin - Community Member

My name is Chris Austin. My kids are Sam and Cal, in grade 3, and Mike, in grade 6. I work in the finance sector as a management accountant. I love going away camping, 4WD ing and mountain bike riding with the family.



Helen Romeril - Department of Education Member

Hello, my name is Helen Romeril. As Principal of Creswick Primary School, I am committed to ensuring the best educational and wellbeing outcomes for all our students. I have been in education for 20 years and have taught all year levels and many specialist subjects. Outside of school, I enjoy reading and attending the sporting events my children compete in.

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Jaye Kennedy - Department of Education Member

Hello, my name is Jaye Kennedy. I have been a teacher at Creswick Primary School for the past 9 years and I am currently the Year 5 classroom teacher. This is my second year as a 'Department of Education' member of the school council. My 2 children have attended CPS and absolutely loved their time here. Outside of school, I enjoy anything to do with fitness, including playing Pickle Ball.



Nick Whitear - Department of Education Member

Hi, my name is Nick Whitear and I have been a teacher at Creswick Primary since 2011. My current role is that of P.E. and Digitech. I have been fortunate enough to have spent many years on school council. Outside of school I enjoy playing with my children and catching up with friends.



Katelyn Sutton - Department of Education Member

Hello, my name is Katelyn Sutton, and I've been teaching at Creswick Primary School for the past 7 years. Interestingly, my journey at Creswick Primary School started during my primary school years, when I had the privilege of attending this wonderful school. I am currently a Year 3/4 classroom teacher, and I have spent many years as a school council representative. Outside of school, I enjoy playing netball, spending time with my family, and reading.

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FRONT OFFICE

FREE HAMPERS

You might've seen some goodies as you enter our front office. They're all up for grabs, just waiting to find a new home.

Please, help yourself to a bag and fill it with whatever catches your eye.



Drink Bottles



There has still been a bit of warm weather here and there.

Please remember to bring your drink bottles to school to ensure you are staying hydrated throughout the day!

BELL TIMES 2024

- 8:50am First Bell
- 9:00am Learning Session 1
- 11:00am First Recess
- 11:30am Lunch Eating Time
- 11:40am Learning Session 2
- 1:40pm Recess Eating Time
- 1:50pm Second Recess
- 2:30pm Learning Session 3
- 3:30pm Final Bell / Dismissal



Just a friendly reminder that assemblies are being held every fortnight this year. The next assembly is on the 31st of May, beginning at 2:50pm in the MPB.

