



# Snippets

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## MOE SOUTH STREET PRIMARY



## News from our Principal

The final countdown is on for our annual Welcome BBQ, and the weather gods have been kind – it is shaping up to be a beautiful evening.

This free school community event starts at 6:30 pm and I hope that you and your family can join us for a social and enjoyable evening, welcoming in the start of the new school year.

A few reminders:

- ♦ BBQ and ice-cream van available from 6:30 pm (all free, manners are a must)
- ♦ Wonka to begin at sunset, just after 7:30 pm.
- ♦ Families are responsible for the supervision of their children, sitting together during the movie.
- ♦ Bring along your own chairs, blankets and any movie treats you'd like.
- ♦ The movie is expected to finish at approx. 9:30 pm.
- ♦ Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> of March is a student-free day,



**ALL WELCOME**



Each term, we will host a different whole school parent engagement evening to help foster and build relationships and ensure that you can connect to your school and your child's learning.

We want to make South Street a school with strong family engagement in learning and wellbeing.

Stay tuned to Snippets and Compass for more details on these events as the year progresses.

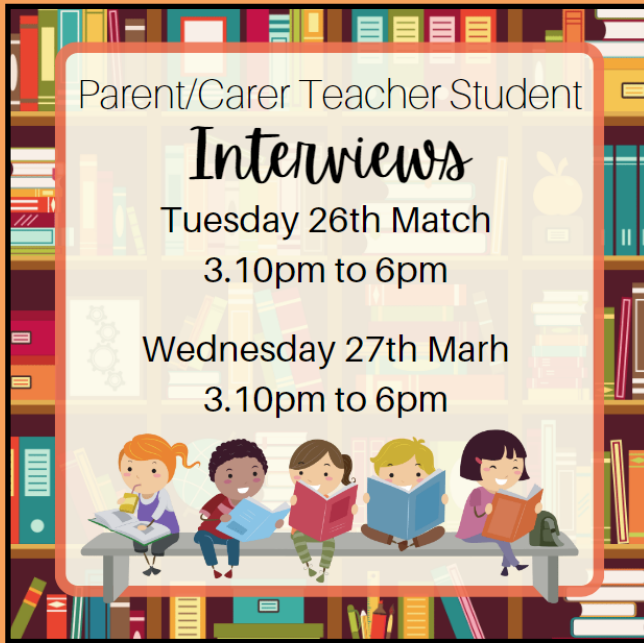
**At South Street Primary School we grow people who:**

Are creative, curious and independent learners. Are resilient and problem solve when faced with challenges. Respect and care about themselves, each other and the world in which we live.



We acknowledge the Gunaikurnai people as traditional owners of this land and pay our respects to elders both past and present.

# News from our Principal cont.....



There are also more structured opportunities for parents to engage and interact with our school – these are provided through our Term 1 and Term 3 Parent Teacher Student Interviews and Term 2 and Term 4 written reports.

Based on the positive feedback and success of our Parent Teacher Meetings, these will again happen at the end of Terms 1 and 3.

Our School Council recently endorsed the format for these, utilising the evenings during the last week of term to provide times for families to come in and discuss their child's learning with the teacher.

In 2024, parents will book appointment times online via Compass, and you will again have the opportunity for face-to-face or phone conversations.

The dates for our Term 1 Parent Teacher Meetings will be:

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> of March - 3:10pm – 6:00pm**  
**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> of March - 3:10pm – 6:00pm**

You can now book appointment times via Compass. Please get in touch with the office if you require any support making bookings or logging onto Compass.



Take Care  
Brendan Dawson, Principal



# Outdoor Movie Night Information



## OUTDOOR CINEMA EVENING

Thursday  
07 March, 2024

Meet and mingle with our  
staff team from 6:30pm

**Time:** 6:30pm BBQ Dinner

7:30pm Movie start

(approx. time depending on sunset)

**Where:** South Street PS Oval

**What to Bring:**

Chairs, Blankets and any movie  
goodies you would like.



A free BBQ dinner  
from 6:30pm,  
Ice-Cream and  
Slushies  
are supplied.

This event is open to all South Street PS families and siblings of current students and extended family - grandparents, aunts, uncles.

Entry via Bealiba Road and the Oval Entrance to Ted Summerton.

\*\*\* Please no gazebos or shelters \*\*\*



# ALL WELCOME



# DATES TO REMEMBER

**Thu 07 Mar**

All day  
All day

Welcome BBQ Event - Outdoor Cinema  
Casual Clothes - Bring Easter Raffle Donation or Gold Coin Donation



**Fri 08 Mar**

All day

Curriculum Day - No School for all students



**Mon 11 Mar**

All day

Labour Day Public Holiday

LABOUR DAY  
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

**Wed 13 Mar**

All day

NAPLAN Assessment Period Begins - Ends 25th March



**Thu 14 Mar**

All day

Regional Swimming



**Tue 19 Mar**

All day

School Council - 6:00pm



**Wed 20 Mar**

All day  
All day

Final Donations for Easter Raffle Due and Tickets Due  
Prep 2025 Information Tour - 6:00pm - All New Families Welcome



**Thu 21 Mar**

All day

Harmony Day



**Mon 25 Mar**

All day

NAPLAN Assessment Period Ends



**Tue 26 Mar**

All day  
All day  
All day

Easter Raffle Drawn  
Parent Teacher Interviews PM  
AFLX Competition at Lowanna - Selected Senior Students



Parent/Carer Teacher Student  
Interviews



**Wed 27 Mar**

All day  
All day

Hot Cross Bun Special Morning Tea - Orders via Compass  
Parent Teacher Student Interviews - PM

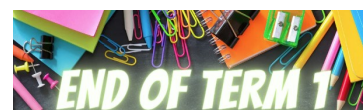


Parent/Carer Teacher Student  
Interviews

**Thu 28 Mar**

All day

Term 1 Ends 1:20pm Dismissal





# School News



Dear Parents,

Currently the library has over \$2000 of overdue books. Overdue notices have been sent home with your child this week.

We are having an amnesty on the invoiced prices on the notices (until the end of term).

Please encourage your child/ren to look for and return the books that they have on loan.

There is a reward for all returned overdue library books.

Children need to place the overdue books and the notice in the box marked overdue on the library bench.

Thanks  
Kathryn Murphy & Lee Weaver

**SOUTH STREET  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Safe, Respectful Learners



## **PREP 2025 INFORMATION TOUR**

Join us to learn about your child's first year of school, our learning programs and to view our facilities.

**Wednesday 20th March  
6:00 pm**

To book, please phone 5127 1512



# School News



## Before & After school Care

Monday to Friday  
from 6:30am - 8:30am

## Childcare Subsidy Available

*Fun activities will be planned each week.  
We'll be serving breakfast  
in the mornings.*

*If you wish to book your child/dren please send us  
an email to [southstreet@in2learning.com.au](mailto:southstreet@in2learning.com.au)  
or contact us on 0411821530*

## No School Bus

Mon 17th Mar  
Thur 29th Mar  
Fri 28th June  
(Morning only)  
Fri 29th Sept  
Mon 4th Nov  
Fri 29th Nov  
Wed 18th Dec



Do you hold a current Health Care Card  
and receive a Centrelink Benefit?

### YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR CSEF

(Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund)

Please call into the Office to complete the  
Application form A.S.A.P.

If you received C.S.E.F. last year you do not  
need to reapply.

## Fundraising TEAM

JOIN US

Whilst we have a dedicated team of school council members, our fundraising team could certainly do with more support. If you think you can help in any way, we would love for you to contact the office so that we can get in touch. Being part of this team might suit many families as the time commitment varies and can often be done at times that suit individuals. If you would like to meet other families and be part of a great, supportive environment, please reach out to our office.

## Easter Raffle Information

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Final Day for Donations and**  
**Return of Raffle Tickets**

Bring along any final donations, and  
all raffle tickets should be returned  
to your child's classroom teacher so  
you can be in the draw.

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Easter Raffle Drawn and Winners**  
**Announced !**



# School Performance

South Street (Moe) Primary School Presents

## The Tale Fairy



Lowanna College Auditorium  
Friday May 17th  
12pm and 6pm Show

## Guess What

South Street Primary School will be holding our very own school concert in 2024!

Rehearsals have already begun, with our lead cast members memorising their lines and already making all the staff here proud.

Each student will have the opportunity to perform with their classes as we explore the Arts incorporating music, dance and drama.

Students will be performing at Lowanna College Auditorium on May 17<sup>th</sup> for our families at both 12pm and 6pm.

Keep your eyes peeled for more information! Looking forward to seeing our amazing kids perform their hearts out.



## SCHOOL UNIFORM

#TEAMSSPS



Thanks again to all families for your support in adhering to our Student Dress Code policy. We believe having students in full school uniform every day helps promote a sense of pride and team across all students.

The most common out of uniform item we have seen is polo tops and non-navy-blue pants, shorts or hats. A reminder that our school polo tops with twin stripes are available from the office for \$8 and hats are available for \$7.

If you need assistance, we also have a range of supports available, please contact the office if you would like to know more.

# Sports Round- Up

## DIVISION SWIMMING

Congratulations to Jarvan, Mary and Sophie who represented the District at the Latrobe Valley Division Swimming Carnival.

Mary placed 3rd in butterfly and 5th in freestyle, Jarvan 10th in freestyle and Sophie came 1st in freestyle and 4th in backstroke.

Sophie now moves on to represent Latrobe Valley at the Gippsland Regional Carnival next week!!



## From the school Nurse

**WE'RE  
BACK**

We have had a few cases of headlice reported to school.

We ask that you regularly check your child/ren's hair and treat any headlice that may be present.

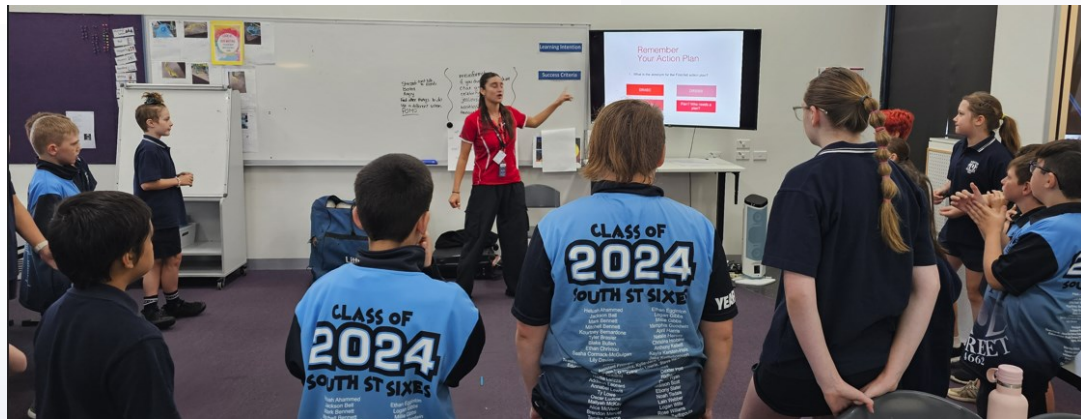
*Thank You*



# School News

## DRSABCD ACTION PLAN

Students were fortunate on Wednesday 28 February, to have a team of experienced and knowledgeable instructors from St John Ambulance Australia come to our school. Students learned about what to do in case of an emergency, the 'DRSABCD Action Plan', and how to put someone into the 'recovery position'. They also had the opportunity to practice doing CPR compressions on a mannequin. It was a very valuable experience, and as always our students showed our guests what safe, respectful learners we have at South Street Primary.'



# NAPLAN 2024



**WRITING**

Wednesday 13th March

**READING**

Wednesday 13th March

**CONVENTIONS  
OF LANGUAGE**

Thursday 14th March

**NUMERACY**

Friday 15th March

# GOOD LUCK

GRADE 3 AND 5 STUDENTS

Naplan

Information for  
Parents &

Carers brochure  
on the next  
pages. Check it  
out.

# NAPLAN

## Information for parents and carers

# 2024

### Why do students do NAPLAN?

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit each year. It is the only national assessment all Australian students have the opportunity to undertake.

As students progress through their school years, it is important to check how well they are learning the essential skills of reading, writing and numeracy.

NAPLAN assesses the literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through the school curriculum and allows parents/carers to see how their child is progressing against national proficiency standards.

NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process. It does not replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance, but it can provide teachers with additional information about students' educational progress.

NAPLAN also provides schools, education authorities and governments with information about how education programs are working and whether young Australians are achieving important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy.

### Your child will do the NAPLAN tests online

Online NAPLAN tests are designed to provide precise results and are engaging for students. The tests are tailored (or adaptive) which means that each test presents questions that may be more or less difficult depending on a student's responses. This helps students remain engaged with the assessment.

Tailored testing allows a wider range of student abilities to be assessed and measures student achievement more precisely. A student's overall NAPLAN result is based on both the number and complexity of questions they answer correctly. Your child should not be concerned if they find questions challenging; they may be taking a more complex test pathway.

All Year 3 students will continue to complete the writing assessment on paper.

### What does NAPLAN assess?

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through their regular school curriculum.

Students sit assessments in writing, reading, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. The questions assess content linked to the Australian Curriculum: English and Mathematics.

All government and non-government education authorities contribute to the development of NAPLAN test materials.

To find out more about NAPLAN, visit [nap.edu.au](https://nap.edu.au).

### Participation in NAPLAN

NAPLAN is for all Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students. ACARA supports inclusive testing, so all students have the opportunity to participate in the national assessment program.

Adjustments are available for students with disability who have diverse functional abilities and needs.

Schools should work with parents/carers and students to identify, on a case-by-case basis, reasonable adjustments required for individual students with disability to access NAPLAN. Adjustments should reflect the support normally provided for classroom assessments.

To help inform these decisions, you may consult the [NAPLAN public demonstration site](#), the [Guide for schools to assist students with disability to access NAPLAN](#), and our [series of videos](#) where parents/carers, teachers and students share their experiences in using NAPLAN adjustments.

In exceptional circumstances, a student with a disability that severely limits their capacity to participate in the assessment, or a student who has recently arrived in Australia and has a non-English speaking background, may be granted a formal exemption.

Your school principal and your local test administration authority can give you more information on adjustments for students with disability or the process required to gain a formal exemption.



## What can I do to support my child?

Students are not expected to study for NAPLAN. You can support your child by reassuring them that NAPLAN is a part of their school program and reminding them to simply do their best. Some explanation of NAPLAN is useful to help students understand and be comfortable with the format of the tests; however, it is not necessary for parents/carers to do this. Teachers will ensure students are familiar with the types of questions in the tests and will provide appropriate support and guidance.

ACARA does not recommend excessive preparation for NAPLAN or the use of services by coaching providers.

See the types of questions and tools available in the online NAPLAN assessments at [NAP - Public demonstration site](#).

## How is my child's performance reported?

From 2023, NAPLAN results are reported against proficiency standards. There is a standard for each assessment area at each year level. Proficiency standards provide clear information on student achievement. They are set at a challenging but reasonable level expected for the child at the time of NAPLAN testing, based mainly on what has been taught in previous years of schooling. Student achievement is shown against 4 levels of proficiency: Exceeding, Strong, Developing and Needs additional support.

A NAPLAN individual student report will be provided by your child's school later in the year. If you do not receive a report, you should contact your child's school.

## What if my child is absent from school on NAPLAN test days?

Where possible, schools may arrange for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during the school's test schedule.

## How are NAPLAN results used?

- Students and parents/carers use individual results to discuss progress with teachers.
- Teachers use results to help identify students who need greater challenges or extra support.
- Schools use results to identify strengths and areas of need to improve teaching programs, and to set goals in literacy and numeracy.
- School systems use results to review the effectiveness of programs and support offered to schools.
- The community can see information about the performance of schools over time at [myschool.edu.au](#).

## Where can I get more information?

For more information about NAPLAN:

- contact your child's school
- contact your local test administration authority at [nap.edu.au/TAA](#)
- visit [nap.edu.au](#)

To learn how ACARA manages personal information for NAPLAN, visit [nap.edu.au/naplan/privacy](#).

## NAPLAN timetable

The NAPLAN test window is 9 days. This is to accommodate schools that may not have the capacity to complete the tests in a shorter time frame.

The NAPLAN test window starts on Wednesday 13 March 2024 and finishes on Monday 25 March 2024. Schools will schedule the tests as soon as possible within the testing window, prioritising the first week.

Test	Scheduling requirements	Duration	Test description
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Year 3 students do the writing test on paper and on day 1 only.</li><li>• Years 5, 7 and 9 writing must start on day 1 (schools must prioritise completion of writing across days 1 and 2, with day 2 only used where there are technical/logistical limitations).</li></ul>	Year 3: 40 min Year 5: 42 min Year 7: 42 min Year 9: 42 min	Students are provided with an idea or topic called a "writing stimulus" or "prompt" and asked to write a response in a particular genre (narrative or persuasive writing).
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To be completed after the writing test</li></ul>	Year 3: 45 min Year 5: 50 min Year 7: 65 min Year 9: 65 min	Students read a range of informative, imaginative and persuasive texts, and then answer related questions.
Conventions of language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To be completed after the reading test</li></ul>	Year 3: 45 min Year 5: 45 min Year 7: 45 min Year 9: 45 min	Students are assessed on spelling, grammar and punctuation.
Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To be completed after the conventions of language test</li></ul>	Year 3: 45 min Year 5: 50 min Year 7: 65 min Year 9: 65 min	Students are assessed on number and algebra, measurement and geometry, and statistics and probability.

# Secondary School News



## 2024 OPEN DAY

WEDNESDAY  
APRIL 24TH

Grade 5 & 6 students attend with their primary school.

College Tours - 10am and 2pm.

Information Evening - 7pm in the Lowanna College Auditorium.



## Trafalgar High School

### Select Entry Accelerated Learning (SEAL) Program

*Part of the Victorian Academy of SEALP Schools*

### SEAL Information Evening Year 7, 2025

5pm-6pm, Wednesday 17th April 2024

**PLEASE NOTE:** Information regarding testing requirements will be provided on the night.

*Further Enquiries:*

*Amanda McQualter, SEAL Program Coordinator  
5633 1733*



# Community News

GIPPSLAND YOUTH THEATRE'S  
 production of  
**Disney MOANA JR.**

Music and Lyrics by  
 Lin-Manuel Miranda, Opetaia Foa'i & Mark Mancina

Book Adapted by  
 Susan Soon He Stanton

Music and Orchestrations Adapted and Arranged by  
 Ian Weinberger

Based on the 2016 Disney film Moana  
 Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia).  
 All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia.

**SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2024**  
 1PM, 4PM & 7PM  
 Morwell Central Primary School Performing Arts Centre  
 McDonald Street, Morwell  
 All Tickets \$25.00  
 Purchase ONLINE from Friday March 1st:  
<https://www.trybooking.com/CPERE>



**Y(Our)FEST**  
 for everyone

**EVENT RESCHEDULED!**

Due to the hot weather forecast for Saturday 9 March, Y(Our)Fest will now be on:

**FRIDAY 8 MARCH 2024**

**4PM - 8:30PM | MORWELL WOODEN PARK**

WORKSHOPS FREE BBQ MUSIC BY  
 OPEN MIC STALLS HARRY HOOK  
 PRIZES PLAY ART KUMAR KARTHIGESU  
 FACE PAINT FOOD VANS WHERE'S MY BIKE & MORE

**all welcome**  
 book free tickets ->  
 Contact: [hello@akc.org.au](mailto:hello@akc.org.au)

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 arts and cultural  
 festival designed  
 by kids and youth  
 for everyone.

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 THAN  
 SWIMMING**

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- Learn to be safe around the water.
- Make long lasting friendships.
- Enjoy summer to the fullest.
- Become confident with anything the water throws at you.
- Get access to all our aquatic facilities, all the time.



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Cnr Northways Rd & McDonald Way, Churchill VIC 3842	Cnr Old Sale Rd & Southwell Ave, Newborough VIC 3825	45 McDonald St, Morwell VIC 3840	49 Breed Street, Traralgon VIC 3844
P: (03) 5120 3888	P: (03) 5135 8580	P: (03) 5128 6144	P: 1300 444 722



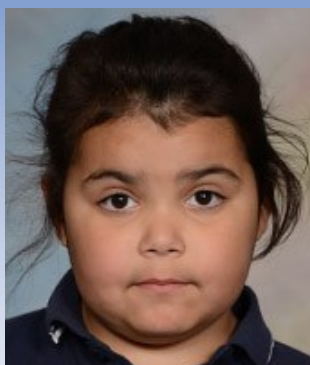
# Award Winners



**BE SAFE**

**BE A LEARNER**

**BE RESPECTFUL**



**Shalira I/2B**



**Mary 5/6B**



**Noah 3/4C**



**Lysa I/2A**



**Blake 5/6B**



**Tye 5/6A**



**Xavier F/1B**



**River F/1A**



**Blake 3/4B**



**Isla 3/4B**