

Concongella Primary School Newsletter

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CONCONGELLA
PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL TOURS

NOW AVAILABLE



There is no better way to experience Concongella Primary School than by immersing yourself into our environment.


School Tours are open to all potential families from Foundation to Year 6 and lead by Principal Amy Henderson.


Tours are held every Monday
Wednesday mornings from 9.30.

Bookings are essential. Please call the office to book in your preferred time or to speak with the Principal directly for a private and confidential conversation.



BOOK
A TOUR
NOW!

 Bus service available
from Stawell

 Conveniently located just 4
minutes from Stawell

 03 5358 1811

 www.concongellaps.vic.edu.au

Concongella School Tours

Discover what makes Concongella Primary School so special!

We are now offering guided school tours for prospective families, providing the perfect opportunity to experience our warm and welcoming environment firsthand. Meet our passionate staff, explore our learning spaces, and see our students engaged, supported, and thriving.

Whether your child is just beginning their school journey or you're considering a change, we invite you to come and see all that our school has to offer!

Term 2 Dates to remember

Friday 5th June

- School Closure - Report Writing

Monday 8th June

- Public Holiday - Kings Birthday

Tuesday 9th June

- School Council Meeting 6pm

Monday 15th June

- Student Support Group Meetings (SSGs)

Wednesday 17th June

- Grade 5 & 6 Discovery Day Stawell Secondary College

Friday 19th June

- Learning Showcase from 2:30pm

Monday 22nd June

- Grade 5&6 Elephant Ed Incursion

Friday 26th June

- Last Day Term early finish 2:10pm

Term 3 Dates to remember

Monday 13th July

- School Closure - Learning Conversations

Tuesday 14th July

- Students Start Term 3

Tuesday 14-16th July

NAIDOC Week Celebration

Friday 17th July

- ACMI F-6 Excursion Melbourne

Tuesday 4th August

- School Council 6pm

Monday 16th August

- Dental Van Visit

A Word From The Principal



This week marks the commencement of our Semester 1 assessment schedule, with assessments running from Monday and concluding next Friday. Assessment plays an important role in our teaching and learning program, providing valuable information about what students know, understand and can do.

More importantly, it helps us identify growth, celebrate achievement and plan the next steps in each student's learning journey.

I am pleased to share that our initial assessment data is already showing encouraging growth across the school. Students should be proud of the progress they have made throughout the semester, and staff have worked tirelessly to provide targeted learning opportunities that support every student's development.

This semester, we will be trialling a new one page Student Progress and Achievement Report for families. The report will provide a clear snapshot of your child's progress from the end of 2025 through to the middle of 2026 across each curriculum area taught during Semester 1.

The purpose of this new reporting format is to provide families with a simple, easy to understand overview of student growth and achievement. Rather than focusing on lengthy written comments, the report aims to highlight progress over time and support meaningful conversations about learning between students, families and teachers.

While the report will provide an important summary of your child's learning, we strongly value the opportunity to discuss student progress face to face. For this reason, reports will be complemented by our Learning Conversations, which will be held on the first day of Term 3, Monday 13 July 2026. This day will be a School Closure Day to enable staff to meet with every student and their family to discuss student learning and wellbeing in greater depth. These conversations provide an opportunity to celebrate successes, acknowledge growth and collaboratively identify future learning goals.

Separate to our Learning Conversations, families of students with Student Support Groups (SSGs) are encouraged to book and attend their child's upcoming SSG meeting on Monday 15 June. SSG meetings provide an invaluable opportunity for families, staff and allied health to work together to review individual learning goals, celebrate progress, discuss support and ensure that every student is receiving the adjustments and opportunities needed to be successful. Strong partnerships between home and school are a key factor in achieving positive outcomes for our students.

A Word From The Principal

Looking Ahead A Busy Few Weeks for Our Senior Students

Our Grade 5–6 students have an exciting and busy calendar ahead over the last few weeks of school.

Following its postponement, students will now participate in the Black Ranges Winter Sport (Soccer) on Wednesday 10 June. This is always a fantastic opportunity for students to represent our school, demonstrate teamwork and sportsmanship, and connect with peers from across schools.

On Wednesday 17 June, our Grade 5–6 students will attend the highly anticipated Discovery Day at Stawell Secondary College. This annual event provides students with an opportunity to experience secondary school life, participate in engaging learning activities and begin building confidence as they prepare for what high school brings.

We are also looking forward to hosting a special Grade 5–6 wellbeing incursion on Monday 22 June. Delivered by Elephant Education, the half-day program will focus on the important topics of *Embracing Change* and *Body Safety*. These sessions are designed to equip students with age-appropriate knowledge, strategies and confidence as they navigate the changes associated with adolescence and personal development.

We are excited to welcome students and staff from Navarre Primary School, Landsborough Primary School, Moonambel Primary School, Trawalla Primary School, Amphitheatre Primary School, Halls Gap Primary School and Great Western Primary School for this incursion. Bringing students together from across our local communities provides valuable opportunities to build connections, strengthen friendships and learn alongside others in a supportive environment. With many of these students also attending Stawell Secondary College in the future.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support. We look forward to celebrating the achievements and growth of every student as we move towards the end of a productive and successful semester.

Amy Henderson



The Power of Breakfast: Why It Matters for Your Child

We all know mornings can be a rush, but did you know that what your child eats – or doesn't eat – before school can make a real difference to their day?

Breakfast is often called the most important meal of the day, and for good reason. It kickstarts your child's metabolism and gives them the energy they need to focus, participate, and make the most of their time at school. Put simply, without breakfast, children are running on empty before the day has even begun.

What the research tells us:

Studies into children's breakfast habits show a clear link between eating a healthy morning meal and better attendance, improved academic results, and overall wellbeing. When children arrive at school nourished and ready to go, the difference is noticeable – both for them and their teachers. Through FoodBank's supported Breakfast Program we are able to provide Breakfast Club on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

Thank you to our amazing Breakfast Club volunteers.



**Raising Children
Network**



**SCHOOL
BREAKFAST
CLUBS PROGRAM**



Students Of The Week



Congratulations to the following students for displaying our school values of



WATTLE HUB F,1,2 Kaleb: For reading with great expression. Well done, Kaleb!

BANKSIA HUB 3-4 AB: By continuously putting in the effort and achieving his best in every learning area. Well done!

WARATAH HUB 5-6 Hugh: By being an enthusiastic and inquisitive learner who shares interesting ideas during class discussions. Well done!

MULTILIT Congratulations to **Leilanie, Hamish, and Jaylen** on successfully completing your levels in the Macqlit program! Your hard work, dedication, and determination have paid off. We are proud of your achievement and wish you continued success on your learning journey. Well done!



School News



POLAR FLEECE VEST

\$15

**Limited quantity!
Sizes 4-14**

Please see Amy Henderson or
Nikeeta Mullane
at the front office if you would
like to make a purchase.



Birthday Wishes

THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WILL CELEBRATE A BIRTHDAY IN
THE COMING WEEKS:

TOBY & OLLIE

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR SPECIAL DAY!

School Assembly

Just a friendly reminder that our school assemblies are held every two weeks.

Our next assembly is scheduled for
Friday, 12th JUNE at 2.50 PM.

These assemblies are student-led and provide a valuable opportunity for students to develop their public speaking skills in front of an authentic audience. Your presence helps create a supportive environment and makes the experience even more meaningful for our students.

If your child is receiving an award during this time, their teacher will contact you directly.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership and support.
We look forward to seeing you there!

The logo for 'School Assembly' is displayed on a red square background. The word 'School' is written in a white, bold, sans-serif font, with a white smiley face icon positioned below the letter 'o'. The word 'Assembly' is written in a white, bold, sans-serif font directly below 'School'.

BRING A FRIEND!



Ararat
Scout Group

**Want to try Scouting?
Bring a friend and
try it together!**

Ararat Scout Group

Curious about Scouts? Don't do it alone. Bring a friend along to our special 'Bring a Friend Night' on Monday June 15 from 6pm to 7:30pm

Our combined Cubs and Scouts sessions run every Monday. Come experience the adventure, fun, and outdoor skills with your bestie.

Location | Cnr Queen St and Pyrenees Hwy
Palmerston St

For more information scan the QR code
gl.ararat@scoutsvictoria.com.au



Term 2 Reminders



Water Bottles:

Please ensure water bottles are sent with your child each day.

Supervision:

The school yard is supervised between 8.30am and 3.30pm each day. Our staff are often in meetings or planning prior to and after these times. Please be mindful of dropping your children outside these times as they will be unsupervised.

Lunch Orders:

Lunch Orders are available every Thursday weekly. All orders must be placed into the notes box in the office prior to 3pm on Wednesdays. These days are marked on our uEducateUs calendar, in the newsletter and on facebook. Lunch order forms and menu's are available from the office.

Voluntary Contributions:

Our Voluntary Contributions were sent home with families at the end of last year. Thank you to those families that have made contributions already, your support is greatly appreciated. These contributions go towards essential classroom consumables, subscriptions, swimming program, whole school events, first aid equipment etc. This can be paid at the office. If you wish to discuss a payment plan, please contact Amy in the office on 5358 1811 or call in to see us.

Communication - uEducateUs

uEducateUs is our main form of communication. Our newsletters, weekly updates, messages from your teachers, camps and excursions are all on this platform.

Parents and carers are able to record absences, message teachers and see the calendar on uEducateUs. If you are not logged on to uEducateUs please call the office on 5358 1811 for assistance.

Second Hand Uniforms

Second hand uniforms will be available from our uniform stall every second Friday at our school assembly for a gold coin donation per item. Any good quality second hand donations are always welcome and appreciated.



Dates to remember

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 7	JUN 1 Breakfast Club	JUN 2 Cluster Black Ranges Winter Sports - Canceled new date TBD	JUN 3 Breakfast Club Lunch Orders Due Auskick 3:30pm	JUN 4 Newsletter Riley Kelly Sports <u>Lunch Order Day.</u>	JUN 5 SCHOOL CLOSURE - Report Writing
Week 8	JUN 8 KINGS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	JUN 9 Chinese Caity - Prov Psych	JUN 10 Breakfast Club Lunch Orders Due Auskick 3:30pm	JUN 11 Specialist <u>Lunch Order Day.</u>	JUN 12 Breakfast Club Assembly - 2:50pm
Week 9	JUN 15 Breakfast Club	JUN 16 Chinese Caity - Prov Psych	JUN 17 Yr 5&6 Discovery Day SSC Lunch Orders Due Auskick Last Session 3:30pm	JUN 18 Newsletter Riley Kelly Sports <u>Lunch Order Day.</u>	JUN 19 Breakfast Club Learning Showcase from 2:30pm
Week 10	JUN 22 Yr 5&6 Elephant Ed - Pyrenees Cluster	JUN 23 Chinese Caity - Prov Psych	JUN 24 Breakfast Club Lunch Orders Due	JUN 25 Specialist <u>Lunch Order Day</u>	JUN 26 Last Day Of Term 2 - 2:10pm finish

