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We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather today, the Gunaikurnai people. We pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging. We extend that respect to all people. We would especially like to acknowledge the land on which our school stands and ask everyone to show respect to the environment and all that it includes.







End Semester 1, 2024 reports. Parents can access the reports via PAM. In PAM, select your child, from the Profile Menu select Assessment Reports, Select report to download.





Dear Families and Friends,

It is clear returning to school that staff and students have had a restful break over the holidays. Despite the weather the term has begun without a hitch and students appear very happy to be back mixing with their friends. Class newsletters are sent home this week to provide parents with a good understanding of calendar events for the term, but in particular, the learning that is to take place. We are excited to welcome Sarah Waite (Student Wellbeing Officer), Chelsea Bulmer (Foundation and Year Two Teacher), Luke Bates (Returning PE and Classroom Teacher) and Elle Whelan (Tutor) to the teaching team for Semester Two.

Many thanks to Cal Lee and Kat Middleton for their generosity in volunteering to remove the old playground equipment over the break. We are very grateful for their assistance. They prepared the area for the construction of the new all abilities play equipment which was built over the break. This new playground has been funded by the work of our Parents and Friends committee from previous fundraising and we are pleased to provide another play option for our senior students.

As most of you would be aware, Dave Williams, passed away last week after his struggle with cancer. Dave was always a very supportive parent of the school. A busy man, but always positive and willing to lend a hand when time permitted. Our prayers and thoughts go out to Bec, Taylah, Hudson and Mackenzie at this difficult time.



Making family meals enjoyable - https://raisingchildren.net.au

Benefits of family meals

Family life can be busy, and preparing and sharing family meals together takes time. But when you can manage it, regular family meals are worth the effort.

Whether it's nightly dinners or a special Sunday lunch, family meals are perfect times to **catch up, connect and communicate with each other**. This can be especially important for busy older children and teenagers.

Your child can also **learn a lot about food, eating and family traditions** by watching what you do at mealtimes. For example, eating with the rest of the family helps younger children learn to eat the same healthy food as everyone else. It can encourage picky eaters to try new foods.

And you can use family meals to **model the behaviour you** want to see when your family comes together. This is about learning to use spoons, forks and chopsticks for younger children. It's also about things like taking turns to talk and listening while others share their news.



Yesterday, **Oceanna Greaves** competed for St Brendan's in the State Cross Country finals. Oceanna is a remarkable athlete, and she works hard at improving her endurance. She competed on a very muddy track and finished 28th in the state. Well done, Oceanna!





Our year two – six students will all be participating in **cyber safety** webinars and education in week three of this term. It is important that families speak about the messages from teachers and from the resource of Inform and Empower. Please use the following Inform and Empower suggestions to set boundaries in the use of technology.

- 1. Make sure devices are used in communal areas of your home and no devices in bedrooms.
- 2. Ensure there is active supervision when kids are on devices (means an adult must be present and checking in regularly).
- 3. Set parental controls on all devices, games and apps. Parental controls are usually found in the settings. They can be enabled and password protected to ensure your child is playing the safest version. For example, Roblox can be made significantly safer by enabling the simple setting called "restricted mode" (designed for under 13s).
- 4. Remind your children about the risks of talking to or messaging people they do not know offline (even if they seem really nice!).
- 5. Reduce the risk of exposure to inappropriate content on YouTube by using the YouTube Kids app as long as possible and if allowing access to YouTube ensure that restricted mode is enabled. I also recommend, where possible, to cast YouTube to a TV for better adult supervision.
- 6. Delay kids having any social media accounts of their own! If you are looking for a messaging app for under 13s, then consider Messenger Kids (by Facebook).
- 7. Any time your children come to you with a problem, stay calm, take a few deep breaths and be curious instead of furious. Remember this is a teachable moment, an opportunity for your child to learn to make more healthy decisions and even more important than that, learn to trust that they can come to us.
- 8. Be firm when setting boundaries and even when kids say "everyone else is on Snapchat" or "all my friends are playing it", make your decision in line with what they need and not what they want. Which can be very different!
- 9. Don't give in! Visit Kids Helpline with your kids before there is a problem so they are comfortable doing so when they may need it.
- 10. Download the free, parent friendly Beacon app to help with all things digital.



Once again, there are so many exciting experiences taking place for our students this term. Next week, our Foundation students are off to a performance at the **Forge Creek Theatre**, Year Five students are trekking to Nagle for a **production of Annie** and on Friday our Year Two students are on an **excursion to Buchan**. It's all happening!

Kind regards, Matthew Hamer

		Dates for the Calendar	
Term 3	JULY 2024		
Week 2	Tuesday 23rd	Foundation Excursion—Bairnsdale	
	Wednesday 24th	10.30amYear 5 going to Nagle College - Annie Production	
	Thursday 25th	3.30pm Confirmation Parent Meeting	
	Friday 26th	Year 2 Buchan Caves Excursion 2.30pm Assembly - School Captains	
	Sunday 28th	9.00am Confirmation Commitment	
Week 3	Monday 29th	SCHOLASTIC Book Fairs	
	Tuesday 30th	SCHOLASTIC BOOK Fairs	
	Wednesday 31st	SCHOLASTIC INBOOK Fairs Region Winter Sports—Sale/Maffra (Girls Soccer Team)	
	AUGUST 2024		
	Thursday 1st	School Closure Day	
	Friday 2nd	School Closure Day	
Week 4	Monday 5th	SCHOLASTIC NO BOOK Fairs 1.45pm Foundation Spud Olympics	
	Tuesday 6th	9.10am - Australian Maths Competition Year 3 –6	
	Wednesday 7th	scholastic Book Fairs 10.00am - 2.30pm District Athletics at Howitt Park	

Please keep our school famílies in your prayers on the recent loss of loved ones. Especial the William's family.



Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.



Baby congratulations to the Maddern family, Haddie (Year 6) & Lenni ((Year 3) on the arrival of their son and brother, "Jagger"

St Brendan's & St Colman's Catholic Church - Mass Times

Fri 19th July	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30pm
Sat 20th July	St Dymphna's	Buchan	9.00am
	St Joseph's	Swan Reach	5.00pm
Sun 21st July	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00am
	St Colman's	Orbost	11.00am
Tues 23rd July	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30am
Wed 24th July	St Colman's	Orbost	9.30am
Fri 26th July	St Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30am
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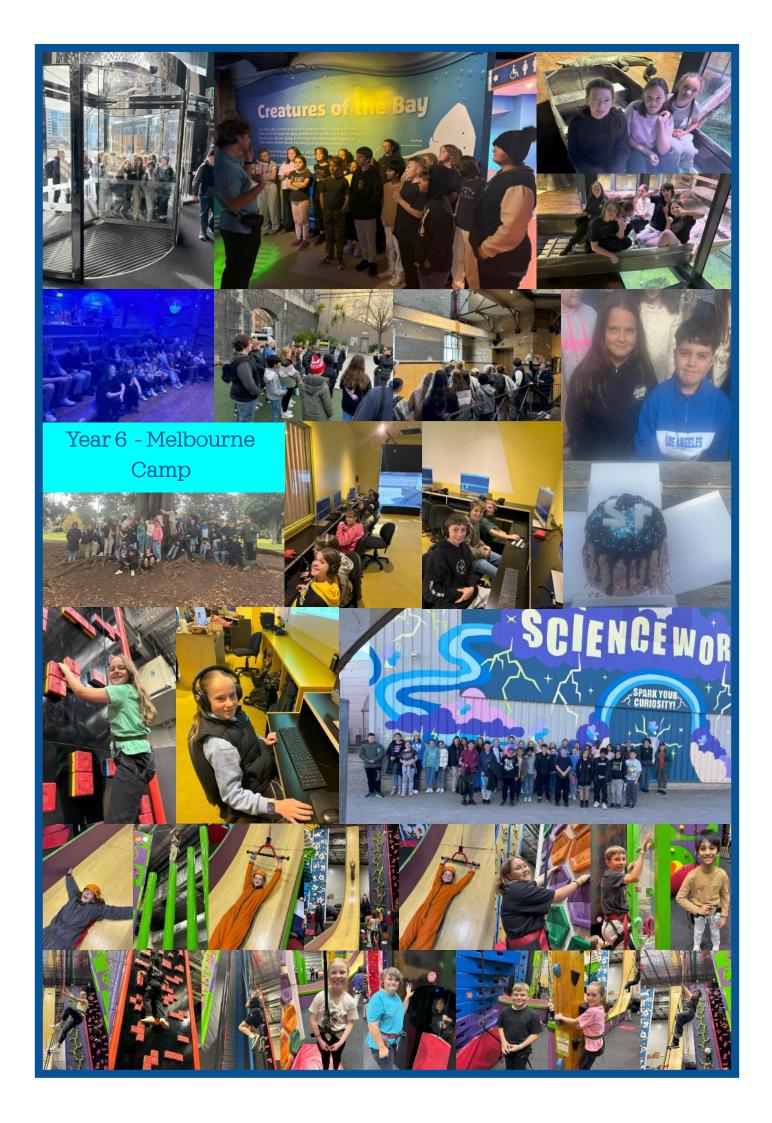
Year 6 - Melbourne Camp



By Piper Crawley and Isobel Mills

On the 14th of June 2024, Year 6 went to Melbourne Camp. The bus ride was 4 hours long but luckily we stopped at Rosedale for morning tea and a quick toilet stop then we hopped back on the bus and left for the Aquarium. When we got to the Aquarium we split into two groups and went on our tour around the Aquarium. It was fun to look at all the different sea creatures and all of the different types of fish. When we finished there we went to the Miami Hotel to get unpacked and changed for dinner and Clip and Climb. We went to La Porchetta for dinner and had some delicious pizza. Dinner was amazing but now it was time for CLIP AND CLIMB! At Clip and Climb we got to go on all of the amazing rock climbing walls and we got to go into the caves for a while. The next morning we woke up and made our way to the Old Melbourne Gaol to find out cool and crazy facts about Ned Kelly and prisoners in the olden days. Next, we went to Science Works to see the Planetarium room, the lightning show and time to look around. Afterwards, we went to the hotel to get ready for MSAC and dinner at the Chinese restaurant where we shoved our faces with amazing food such as: honey chicken, rice, dumplings and spring rolls. After dinner we went to MSAC to swim around and have fun on the diving board inflatables and wave pool. The next morning we headed off to the Melbourne Art Centre. One group did a music workshop and the other did a drama workshop, both were really fun and we had a blast. Next up on our agenda was to MCG tour and meeting an Olympian. The Olympian we met was Coral Bently, who was a synchronised swimmer at the 2008 Beijing Olympics. The MCG was really fun but sadly we had to go, but on the bright side we got to go get our dinner at the Southbank Food Court. Once we finished dinner we started to walk to the movies. Once we got there we took our seats and watched the movie Inside Out 2. The next morning we went to the Vic Market and spent our money. When we finished spending we headed home to our parents. A big thank you to Mrs Bromilow, Miss Terry, Mr Hamer, Fi and Owen for coming on this camp with us and setting up this camp for us.









Monday 29th July until Wednesday 8th August

2024

- Students will preview the fair items with their class
- Student will make wish lists and bring them home.
- Parents can then choose:
- 1. to come along to the Book Fair with your child
- 2. pay by Credit Card online and write receipt number on the wish list or print the receipt to pdf or take a screen shot with receipt number and email to kwykes@lakesent.catholic.edu.au. (Emails need student name, class, books wanted and receipt number). Your child brings to school the completed wish list to collect book (or a reorder is placed if stock is sold).

We really benefit from holding the fair as we replenish the library with new books from the commission we earn.





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sel	lections by credit card in advance, please:
1.	Go to scholastic.com.au/payment
2.	Click 'Book Fairs'
3.	Enter amount and pay
4.	Record receipt number on back of Wish List
5.	Your child then takes this payment
	record back to school, chooses books
	at the Fair and takes receipt number to
	cashier as payment.



(Payment by Cash, Cheque, Credit and EFTPOS)

Date	Time – Before School	Time – After School
Monday, 29th July	8.40am – 9.00am	3.00pm-3.30pm
Tuesday, 30th July	8.40am – 9.00am	3.00pm-3.30pm
Wednesday, 31st July	8.40am – 9.00am	3.00pm-3.30pm
Monday, 5th August	8.40am – 9.00am	3.00pm-3.30pm
Tuesday, 6th August	8.40am – 9.00am	3.00pm-3.30pm
Wednesday, 7th August	8.40am – 9.00am	3.00pm-3.30pm

A Reminder: Students may only attend the Book Fair before or after school if they are with their parents or have the money to purchase items.

- We will take photos of the book cases with as many prices as possible on covers and upload them to the PAM for your viewing.
- We can accept cash. Please send correct amount to school in an envelope clearly marked with child's name, class and books/items required.

The 2024 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and St Brendan's is excited to be participating. The PRC application offers a range of exciting features including:

- access to a library catalogue (including book images and blurbs)
- a modern user-friendly interface
- rewarding students with badges as challenge milestones are achieved
- the option for students to mark books as a favourite,
 give them a star rating or complete a book review

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 6th September, 2024.

Children from Foundation to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge

The Premiers Reading Challenge has an online recording system which is intended for students to enter their books at home.

Students wishing to participate, need to send Katrina an email at:

kwykes@lakesent.catholic.edu.au

They will then be emailed their username, password and details to access the online computer system.







Do you qualify for free home internet?



Our helpful team can check for you. Scan the QR code or call **1800 954 610** for more information.

National Referral Centre (Mon - Fir, 10am - 6pm AEDT). Caliback, webchat, translating and interpreting services available. Visit anglicansist organists dent-internet for more information.

Get back to school ready with the School Student Broadband Initiative

Children who can access online learning at home as part of their education are more likely to engage in classroom activities.

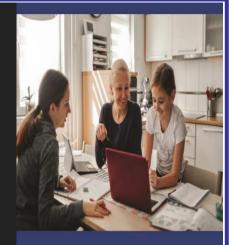
With broadband internet access your family will be able to access fast internet at home, which supports children to build their digital skills, learn how to safely use the internet and participate in a world that is more dependent on digital technology.

There is still time to sign up for the School Student Broadband Initiative (SSBI):

- For any families signing up now, this offer means free internet until 31 December 2025.
- For families who have already connected with SSBI, their free internet will automatically be rolled over until 31 December 2025.

Check your eligibility for free **nbn** broadband until the end of 2025 now:

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Collecting Students from School Grounds – Child Safety As you would understand, child safety is the number one priority for schools. As circumstances evolve, we want to ensure we have the best possible practice in place. Please note the following requirements for collecting students at the end of the day.

Collecting from the church gate - (New arrangements)

Students in years Foundation, One and Two will remain with their class teacher at the end of the day just outside their classroom. The church gates will be open at 3.15pm, at which time parents are required to enter the school grounds to collect their children from the class teachers. This action is in place to avoid situations where students leave the school grounds and run into the church gate car park area without an adult being present.

Collecting from the administration office

Please enter the gates and collect your child from the junior classroom area or your child from years Three to Six may meet you just inside the gates. Students are not to leave the grounds and cross the car park area without an adult walking with them.

If dropping students off in the morning, you must also walk them into school. Please do not use the disabled parking bay without permission to do so.

Collecting from car line

Typically, St Brendan's staff are there to organize students into cars at the end of the day. If you wish to park and collect your child, please use the crosswalk and an adult must walk with their child/ren. Drop off at the beginning of the day should take place at the bus stop area.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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Just a reminder that all students should now be in Full Winter Uniform.

Girls - Winter tunic or skirts or navy 'Midford' pants. Navy tights.

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Boys - Long pants

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Track pants on sports days at the start of the day. Shorts can be worn underneath.

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Student should bring a jumper to school everyday - don't forget to label your uniform!

St Brendan's Op Shop has second hand school uniform available.

St Brendan's School uniform available \$3.00 per item unless otherwise marked.
Open 10am-3pm Tuesday,
Wednesday & Thursday.



SCHOOL UNIFORM





St Brendan's School Uniform can be ordered online!

Link to website for St Brendan's Uniform below:

https://nicksbairnsdale.com.au/product-category/schoolwear/st-brendans-uniform/

93 Main Street Bairnsdale Victoria 3875

Phone (03) 5152 1333



LIBRARY BAGS

It is a school requirement that <u>all students</u> have a library bag to take home their readers/books.

We have library bags for sale in the office for \$8.00 each. If you can't get to the school office, you may contact the office to have the cost added to your school fees and the bag supplied to your child.



Uniform Reminders



<u>JEWELLERY</u> is restricted to the following - a wrist watch, no more than **one** small matching pair of studs or sleepers in the ear lobe - gold, silver or gemstone, a religious medallion on a chain to be worn under clothing.

Fashion jewellery, make-up and nail polish are not permitted.

<u>HAIR</u> is to be kept neat and tidy at all times. Hair longer than collar length, must be **tied back completely**. This is to help restrict the spread of nits and lice and for student safety. Headband, hair ties, ribbons, scrunchies and clips must be **blue**, **black or brown**.

It is not appropriate for children to come to school with dyed or inappropriate hair styles as deemed by the Principal.



REMINDER: NO SMART WATCHES AND DEVICES AT SCHOOL

Smart watches that allow communication via SMS, email or phone call cannot be worn at school with the same rules applying as with a mobile phone.



At St Brendan's students may only bring mobile phones/devices/ SMART Watches to school if there is a need for them to contact their parents either before arriving at school or in the afternoon after leaving school. Upon arrival at school the phone/ device/ SMART Watch is to be checked in at the school office where it will be turned off and kept securely for the day. It is the child's responsibility to collect the phone/ device/ SMART Watch at the end of the day. Parents with an urgent need to be in contact with their child during the day should contact the school office and appropriate steps will be taken to pass on the message.



The Forge

THE LIBRARIAN

Friday 13th September 6.00pm

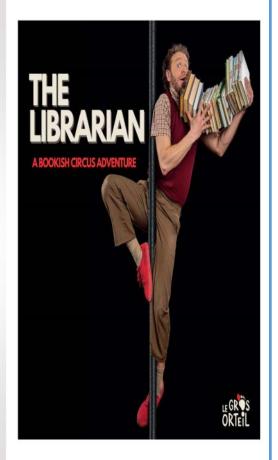
At first glance, Paul-Emile Dumoulin seems like just a regular librarian. He is serious, proud and very orderly. Every book is in its place on his impeccable shelves. The only problem? As soon as Paul-Emile gets his nose in a book, reality disappears, giving way to the slightly crazy worlds he discovers between the pages.

On his adventures, the very sensible librarian suddenly turns into strange and silly characters who perform acrobatics, balancing, juggling, break dancing and beatboxing.

This show blends clowning, physical theatre and the circus arts. It invites young audiences to discover the passion of reading and the power of the imagination.

Suitable for ages 5-12, click on the link below to book: -

https://www.trybooking.com/CNITO



As an Adult do you want to know more about the Catholic faith? Do you sense that something is missing in your life but you're not sure what? Are you searching for a relationship with God? Perhaps you attended a Catholic school but haven't practiced your faith. Do you want to understand more about the Catholic way of life 'why we do - what we do' now that your child is attending a Catholic School & Mass? Or are you interested in becoming a Catholic but don't know what is involved? You will be most welcome and there is definitely no pressure.

If so, then you are invited to 'Come and See'.

When:

Wednesday 7th August @ 5pm in the Church Hall (usually in the hobby room depending on availability)

Duration:

Initially of 7 weeks duration and approx 75-90 minutes per session. Light refreshments supplied.

Cost:

Free as all costs absorbed by the Parish.

Guest speakers selected from our Parishioners will also be involved.

For more information or to register: Contact Fr Hiep, or the Parish office on 0468 840 349 stbrendan@bigpond.com or Joan Micah 0431 438 034 joanemicah@gmail.com



Thanks for buying books from



Book Clubs

they help build our classroom resources



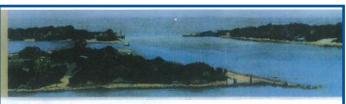


Are you a woman over the age of 18? Would you like to have an amazing impact on the lives of young girls, helping them to develop confidence, self-reliance, learn team building and leadership skills, and have loads of fun in the process? Did you answer 'yes' to both AUSTRALIA questions? Then Lakes **Entrance Girl Guides needs**

The group meets every Monday of the school term at the Lake Tyers Beach Angling Club (opposite Toorloo Arm Primary School) and is seeking someone to support the leaders as they facilitate a diverse weekly program based on the ideas of the girls.

You do not need to have a daughter enrolled in the unit to help out. In fact, if you're a mum of boys it's a great opportunity to hang out with girls for a change! The Guides have loads of laughs at their weekly meetings. Why not join in the fun?

Contact Sue on 0427 281 445 for more details and see how you can become involved.



Friends of the Library Lakes Entrance **Book Review Competition**

Friends of the Library Lakes Entrance

Primary school students (grades 1-6) Secondary students (years 7-12)

- · borrow a book from the Lakes Entrance Library,
- · collect an entry form and
- · write a short review and
- · return the book and review to the Library

All reviews will go into the monthly draw for a gift \$20 voucher for "Lakes Books and Games" store and be displayed in the Library.

ST BRENDAN'S STUDENT LUNCH ORDER

SUSHI ROLLS

Salmon & Avo	\$4
Avocado	\$4
Cucumber	\$4
Tempura Vege	\$4
Teriyaki Chicken	\$4
Chicken Katsu	\$4
Panko Prawn	\$4
Tuna & Avo	\$4

SALADS & BOWLS

Salmon Poke Bowl	\$12.5
Tofu & Vege Poke Bowl	\$10
Vege Soba Noodle Salad	\$10

DRINKS

	ly Sparkling al Water
Lime,	Raspberry,
Water	rmelon, Mango

Honey Chicken + Fried Rice	
Teriyaki Chicken + Fried Rice	\$10
Chicken Oyster Stir fry + Fried rice	\$10

RICE PAPER ROLLS

Tofu	\$9
Lemongrass Chicken	\$9
Pork	\$5
Prawn	\$9
Pork & Brawn	\$0

Lunch Order

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ST BRENDANS AFTER SCHOOL - SCHOOL OF ROCK & PRIVATE AFTER SCHOOL GUITAR LESSONS

After School Of Rock Program Tuesdays & Wednesdays 3:30pm - 4:30pm \$10 per week

- 15 minutes of Rock and Roll History/knowledge of the bands we're learning.
 - 15 minutes of group bucket drumming (to learn rhythm the fun way!)
 - 30 minutes of Group Guitar lessons.
 - Each week comes with a video lesson summary to access from home.
 - More online lessons for the keen ones to learn as much as they want.

After School Private Guitar Lessons Tuesdays & Wednesdays 4:45pm - 7:45pm 1:1 - \$30 per 30 minute lesson OR share the lesson with a mate 2:1 - \$15 per mate 30 minute lesson

- Lessons with the number one aim to make you LOVE guitar, prioritizing lessons for St. Brendans kids, siblings, parents and community.
- Learning songs YOU LOVE with a modern hands on approach to the key techniques
- Each student will receive an online weekly lesson summary to ensure we move forward each week and for the keen ones to learn as much as they can from home.

Kaelan Hercus 0450 299 345 rosie muso@outlook.com

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Reading tabs, bar chords, power chords, licks, riffs, solos, finger style and the theory you'll actually use. Contact For Enquiries -



Carer Camino

Wellbeing Walking Retreat



Tuesday 29th October to Friday 1st November 2024

Would you like to take some time out to refresh and boost your wellbeing?

Join us for this Carer Camino as we walk the Great Southern Rail Trail from Fish Creek to Port Welshpool over 4 days / 3 nights.

Starting at the Fish Creek Hotel, we will walk 40 km to finish on the jetty at Port Welshpool, walking an average of 10 - 12 km each day (there is a bus available for those who require a pick up along the way).

Morning meditation sessions and afternoon wellbeing workshops will be facilitated. Each person will develop a Wellbeing Plan with simple strategies to care for your wellbeing when you are back at home.

Accommodation will be provided in Foster at the Prom Country Lodge, and meals at local venues.

The Carer Camino is open to carers who live in Gippsland and care for a person who meets the Disability Services Act 1986 eligibility criteria.

Accommodation and food are included at no cost.

Interested? Give us a call on 1300 736 765 or email us at admin@icg.asn.au

Places finalised by Friday 20th September 2024



