

# St Brendan's Primary School 1581

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Newsletter No 40  
December 6, 2024



We gather on Gunaikurnai Country. We pay our respects to their Elders; past, present and emerging. We also acknowledge the ongoing living culture and connection to Country of all First Peoples.



13th  
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## FAMILY BBQ 2024

ON FRIDAY, 13 DECEMBER, ST BRENDAN'S WILL HOST OUR FAMILY BARBECUE. THE AFTERNOON WILL BE A GREAT CHANCE FOR OUR COMMUNITY TO GET TOGETHER AND PARTICIPATE IN SOME FAMILY ACTIVITIES. THE OUTLINE FOR THE AFTERNOON IS AS LISTED BELOW:

4.30PM: ART SHOW IN HALL  
5.00PM: CAROLS AND SINGING GROUP PERFORMANCES  
5.30PM: PARENT/TEACHER VERSUS GRADE SIX STUDENTS SOCCER MATCH  
5.30 TO 7.00PM: DINNER AVAILABLE - SHARED BARBECUE DINNER (MEAT AND BREAD WILL BE PROVIDED, PARENTS ARE ASKED TO PROVIDE A SALAD OR DESSERT)  
WE ARE LOOKING TO RECRUIT YEAR SIX PARENTS FOR THE SOCCER MATCH. PLEASE ADVISE YOUR CHILD IF YOU CAN PLAY. IT SHOULD BE A LOT OF FUN. CHILDREN SHOULD WEAR CASUAL CLOTHES. PLEASE BRING A CAMPING CHAIR OR TWO.

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS (NO ALCOHOL). TEA AND COFFEE WILL BE PROVIDED AND ANYWHERE ESPRESSO WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE HOT BEVERAGES.

## Medication Collection

As it is coming to the end of the year we are asking parents to come and collect their child's medication from the office during school hours.

If your child requires daily medication please collect on the last day.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Monday we will farewell our Year 6s,

The class of 2024

We wish you all the best of the future.

Dates for the Calendar		
<b>Term 4</b>	<b>DECEMBER 2024</b>	
<b>Week 10</b>	Friday 13th	2.20pm GHC Assembly 4.30 Family BBQ/soccer match
<b>Week 11</b>	Monday 16th	Graduation Mass Orientation Day for new 2025 students (Year 1 - 6)
	Tuesday 17th	Last day for students - Happy holidays
	Friday 20th	Last day for staff
<b>Term 1</b>	<b>JANUARY 2025</b>	
<b>Week 1</b>	Tuesday 28th	Teachers commence
	Wednesday 29th	Foundation 2025— beginning of year assessment interviews
	Thursday 30th	Foundation 2025— beginning of year assessment interviews
	<b>Friday 31st</b>	<b>Foundation to Year 6 Students commence</b>
<b>Week 2</b>	Wednesday 5th	Foundation Pupil free Day
<b>Week 3</b>	Mon 10th - Fri 21st	Swimming lessons—Year 4/5/6
	Wednesday 12th	Foundation Pupil free Day
<b>Week 4</b>	Wednesday 19th	Foundation Pupil free Day



Reminder

Pay school fees!

A friendly reminder that school fees are now due. Also, families who hold a Health Care Card and receive the concession discount, are required to have their fees paid in full at the end of the year to be considered for this discount next year. Statements will be sent out this week.

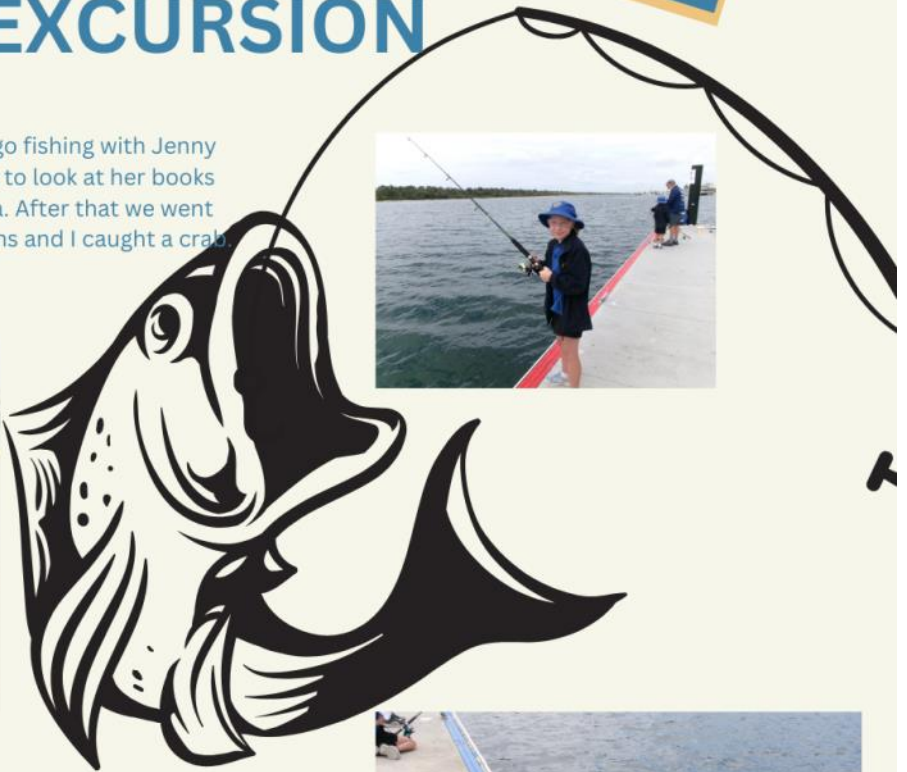
**School fee statements have been sent out via email. If you haven't received one in your inbox please check your spam folder otherwise please contact the school.**

Monday 16th Dec:	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.10 am	<h2 style="color: blue; font-family: cursive;">St Brendan's &amp; St Colman's</h2> <h3 style="color: blue; font-family: cursive;">Catholic Church - Mass Times</h3>
		<i>Graduation Mass all welcome</i>		
Tuesday 17th Dec:	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am	
	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	6.00 pm	
		<i>Advent Reconciliation</i>		
Wed 18th Dec:	St. Colman's	Orbost	No Mass	
Friday 20th Dec:	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am	
	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	3.00 pm	
		<i>Healing Mass</i>		
Saturday 21st Dec:	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30 am	
Sunday 22nd Dec:	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00 am	
	St. Colman's	Orbost	11.00 am	
	St. Joseph's	Swan Reach	5.00 pm	
		<i>Vietnamese Mass</i>		

# FISH CARE

## EXCURSION

On Tuesday, we walked down to the rotunda to go fishing with Jenny from Fish Care. When we got there we were able to look at her books that told us about the rules of fishing in our area. After that we went down to the jetty and baited our hooks with prawns and I caught a crab.  
- Madi



When we went fishing I almost caught a fish, I could feel it pulling on my line and when I looked over the edge of the jetty I could see a fish that was about 30cm. But when I reeled in my line to go back to school it hadn't hooked yet. - Brock

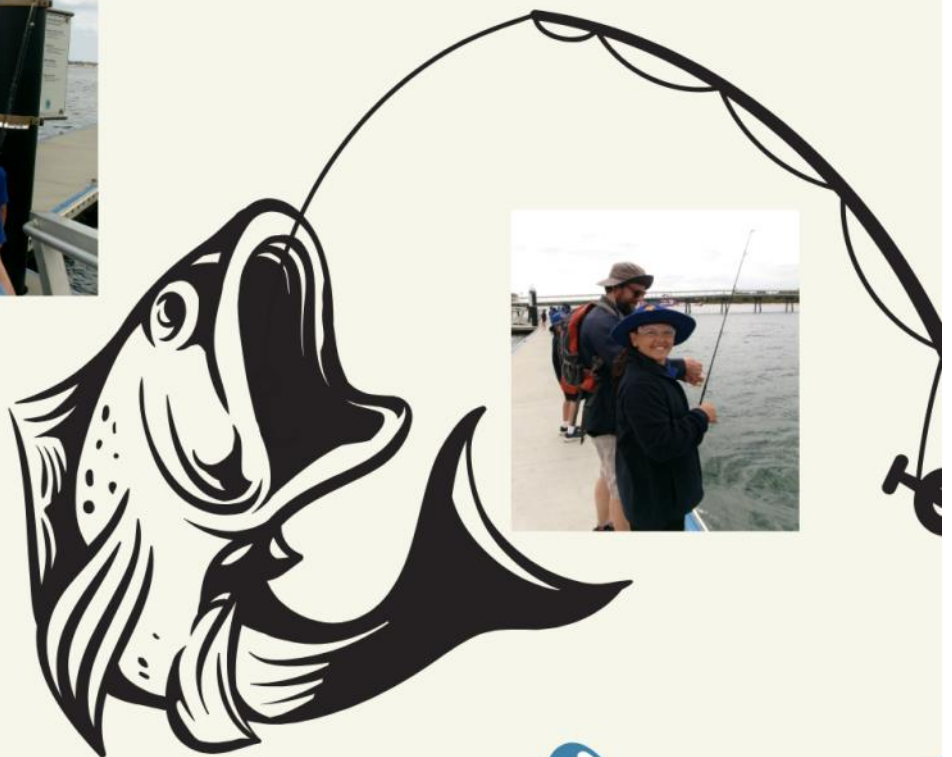


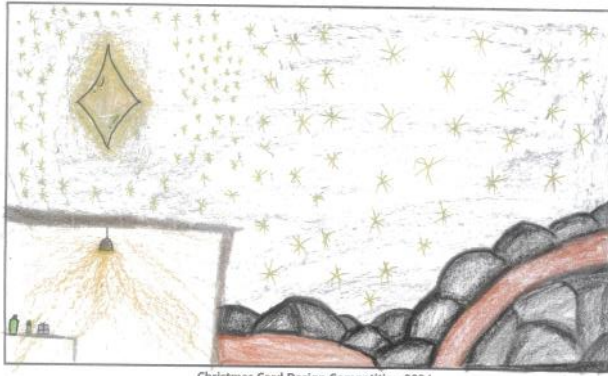
Jenny from Fish Care showed us how to take hooks out of the mouths of fish after we catch them, she also told us what size fish we were allowed to keep. When we went to the jetty I pulled up something on my line that looked like coral.

- Anelia



We were really excited on Tuesday the 10th December as 3-4 Red walked down to the rotunda at the footbridge and met Jenny from Fish Care. Jenny explained the rules of fishing and how to fish. We put on safety goggles in case a hook got in our eye and went down to the jetty. We used prawns for bait and most of us learnt to cast. We waited for a while but unfortunately no one caught a fish, we did see some toadfish swimming under the jetty though. We all thought it was super fun. - Indie and Evie





Christmas Card Design Competition 2024

First Name: Ivy Surname: Ivy Year Level of student: 5  
School: St Brendan's Location/Town: Lake Entrance



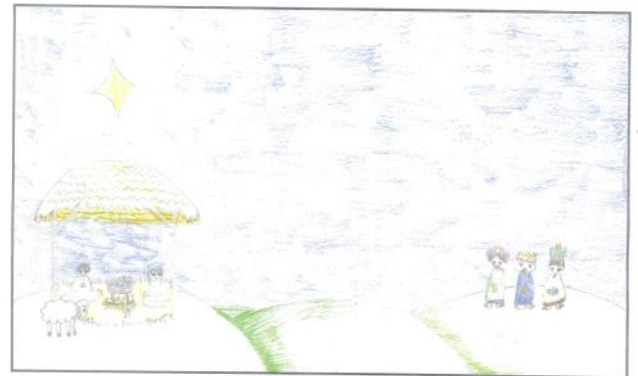
Christmas Card Design Competition 2024

First Name: Jillou Surname: Ward Year Level of student: 4  
School: St Brendan's Location/Town: Lake Entrance



Christmas Card Design Competition 2024

First Name: Thao Surname: Boyd Year Level of student: 4  
School: St Brendan's Location/Town: Lake Entrance



Christmas Card Design Competition 2024

First Name: Ann Surname: Cooper Year Level of student: Year 3  
School: St Brendan's Location/Town: Lake Entrance



Christmas Card Design Competition 2024

First Name: Felix Surname: Shelton Year Level of student: 4  
School: St Brendan's primary school Location/Town: Lake Entrance



Christmas Card Design Competition 2024

First Name: El Surname: HOOPER BYRNE Year Level of student: 4  
School: St B Location/Town: Lake Entrance



Christmas Card Design Competition 2024

First Name: Maddy Surname: Milroy Year Level of student: 4  
School: St Brendan's Location/Town: Lake Entrance





## **ST.BRENDAN'S LAKES ENTRANCE & ST. COLMAN'S ORBOST**

### **Advent and Christmas Services Timetable.**

<b>Christmas Carols:-</b>	Friday 13th Dec	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	7.00 pm
<b>Advent Reconciliation:-</b>	Tues 17th Dec	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	6.00pm
<b>Healing Mass:-</b>	Friday 20th Dec	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	3.00pm

### **Christmas Mass Times:-**

<b>Christmas Eve:-</b>	Tues 24th Dec	St. Peter's	Mallacoota	12 Noon
		St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	7.00 pm
<b>Christmas Day:-</b>	Wed 25th Dec	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00 am
		St. Colman's	Orbost	11.00am
		St. Joseph's	Swan Reach	3.00pm

Vietnamese Mass.



## 2025 SCHOOL YEAR COMMENCEMENT

Teachers begin on the **Tuesday, 28th January 2025.**

School will commence on **Friday, 31st January, 2025** for Foundation to Year 6 students at **9.00am.**

### STARTING ARRANGEMENTS FOR FOUNDATION STUDENTS

Foundation children will commence on **Friday, 31st January, 2025.**

There will be **no school** for Foundation students on the following **Wednesdays** during February – 5th February, 12th February and 19th February.

Foundation students are required to attend a beginning of year assessment interview on one of the following days:

**Wednesday 29th January or Thursday, 30th January**

Foundation children attend school on a full-time basis from **Monday, 24th of February.**

Term 1	<b>Tuesday, 28th January</b> Tuesday, 28th January Friday, 31st January	<b>Friday, 4th April</b> Staff commence Foundation to Year 6 students commence
Term 2	<b>Tuesday, 22nd April</b>	<b>Friday, 4th July</b>
Term 3	<b>Monday, 21st July</b>	<b>Friday, 19th September</b>
Term 4	<b>Monday, 6th October</b>	<b>Tuesday 16th December</b>

### 2025 TERM DATES

8.58 am	Line up music
9.00 am	Classes commence
10.35 am	Morning recess
11.15 am	Classes resume
12.50 pm	Lunch recess
1.35 pm	Classes resume
3.15 pm	Dismissal

### 2025 SCHOOL FEE STRUCTURE

	1 CHILD FAMILY	2 CHILD FAMILY	3 CHILD FAMILY	4CHILD FAMILY
SCHOOL FEES	\$ 990.00	\$ 1085.00	\$ 1175.00	\$ 1265.00
TUITION LEVY	\$ 204.00	\$ 408.00	\$ 612.00	\$ 816.00
INC.STATIONERY				
EXCURSIONS	\$ 58.00	\$ 116.00	\$ 174.00	\$ 232.00
CAPITAL LEVY	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1282.00</b>	<b>\$1639.00</b>	<b>\$1991.00</b>	<b>\$2343.00</b>

Payments for fees may be made either by cash, cheque, EFTPOS or direct debit. Please enquire at the office if you wish to set up a direct debit. If you are experiencing difficulty paying fees feel free to contact the Principal to discuss alternative arrangements. We have EFTPOS available.

Should you wish to deposit any payment through Internet Banking our Account Number is as follows:

**Name** - St Brendan's School.

**BSB** - 083879

**Account number** - 695096861

Please make sure you give your child's name as a reference for the payment.

**Fee Concessions** – Health Concession Card holders are eligible to apply for fee concessions. Please notify the office if you are a current card holder. A letter will then be sent home notifying eligible families of the procedure.

Last payment date for Tuition Levy, including Stationery is Wednesday, 5th February, 2025.

Last payment date for Excursion & Capital Levy is Friday, 28th February, 2025.

Fee Statements will be sent to families at end of March, June, August and October.

Last payment for School Fees: Friday, 28th November, 2025.

**School Fees** - are charged to allow the school to function. They are determined by the amount of shortfall in Government funding to Catholic schools. Heating, electricity, water, telephone, cleaning, maintenance, insurances and council rates are very costly and so the collection of fees to meet these costs is extremely important.



DURING THE END OF YEAR FAMILY BBQ, STUDENTS FROM FOUNDATION TO YEAR 6 WILL BE PERFORMING A CHRISTMAS CAROLS CONCERT. THEY HAVE BEEN REHEARSING OFTEN DURING THE TERM WITH CHRIS TAYLOR, OUR SINGING INSTRUCTOR.

STUDENTS HAVE BEEN ASKED TO WEAR CERTAIN ITEMS TO INCORPORATE THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS. PLEASE SEE THE LIST BELOW FOR YOUR CHILD'S CHOSEN OUTFIT:

FOUNDATION, YEAR 1, YEAR 2 AND YEAR 3 & YEAR 3/4R:

PLEASE WEAR ANY INDIVIDUAL OR COMBINATION OF THE COLOURS GREEN, RED AND WHITE. ALSO RECOMMENDED FOR THE FESTIVITIES ARE DECORATIVE CHRISTMAS HEADWEAR PIECES, SUCH AS SANTA HATS, TINSEL, REINDEER EARS.

YEAR 4, YEAR 5 AND YEAR 6:

PLEASE DRESS TO RESEMBLE A SHEPHERD/WISE MEN. SCARF AND HEADBAND/BATHROBE OR SIMILAR. THERE IS NO NEED TO PURCHASE ITEMS FOR THIS EVENT, PLEASE USE ITEMS FROM HOME.

THE AFTERNOON STARTS AT 4.30PM. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND, CHILDREN WILL NEED TO ARRIVE AT 4.45PM TO FIND THEIR TEACHER AND GET ORGANIZED BEFORE THE CAROLS BEGIN AT 5PM.

THANKS FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.

## Uniform Reminders

**JEWELLERY** 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.**

**HAIR** 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.





**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.



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.





# 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.

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

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**Uniform** - Together with The Athlete's Foot, Bairnsdale, we have a new School Rewards Program that is a great fundraising opportunity for St Brendan's. \$5 from every pair of shoes purchased is being donated back to your school. This applies to the whole family across our fantastic range of school, sports, work and casual.

The holidays is a great time to check your child's uniform and purchase new items. A reminder that we will be going into Summer uniform on return to Term 4. Check dress length for girls and make alterations before returning.

## \$5 DONATED BACK TO YOUR SCHOOL?

The School Rewards Program is a great fundraising opportunity, with \$5 from every pair of shoes purchased being donated back to your school. This applies to the whole family across our fantastic range of school, sports, work and casual.

ASK ONE OF OUR FRIENDLY STAFF IN STORE FOR MORE DETAILS

### SHOP YOUR WAY

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Shoes Off

  
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Expert Analysis

  
Perfect Fit

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# ST BRENDAN'S


## 2025 SHOE GUIDE



Bairnsdale  
133 Main St, Bairnsdale, VIC 3875  
03 5153 1444

The Athlete's Foot

**APPROVED SCHOOL SHOES**

 <p><b>ADELA</b> Junior \$119<sup>99</sup></p>	 <p><b>EVE</b> Junior    Senior \$119<sup>99</sup>    \$149<sup>99</sup></p>
 <p><b>INDIANA</b> Junior    Senior \$129<sup>99</sup>    \$129<sup>99</sup></p>	 <p><b>RILEY</b> Junior    Senior \$114<sup>99</sup>    \$149<sup>99</sup></p>
 <p><b>APEX YOUTH</b> Junior    Senior \$129<sup>99</sup>    \$149<sup>99</sup></p>	 <p><b>JEEPERS</b> Junior \$119<sup>99</sup></p>

**RUNNING SHOES**

 <p><b>860</b> Junior \$129<sup>99</sup></p>	 <p><b>GEL-KAYANO</b> Junior \$179<sup>99</sup></p>
 <p><b>CLIFTON</b> Junior \$199<sup>99</sup></p>	 <p><b>1080</b> Junior \$159<sup>99</sup></p>
 <p><b>CONTEND</b> Junior \$89<sup>99</sup></p>	 <p><b>GT-1000 12 GS</b> Junior \$119<sup>99</sup></p>

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**WIDTHS**

We range a variety of shoes in different widths to suit narrow and broad feet.

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Clark's Roc & Harrison 20% OFF discount pricing valid from 31/12/2024 - 20/02/2025. School styles only. Price displayed is RRP

January 2025



# January Holidays



Operating from  
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Entrance  
Primary School  
49 Myer ST,  
Lakes  
Entrance

### Contact Us

5144 6952 / 0493 364 179

gumnutsshccoord@gmail.com

www.gumnuts.com.au

8:00am - 6:00pm

# Important Information

### What to bring

- Drink bottle for water
- Lunch box with enough food for the day, unless stated in the program.
- Suitable clothing - closed shoes, clothing that covers the shoulders **NO** singlets/spaghetti straps
- Spare Clothes
- Hat for those sunny days
- Sunscreen, if using own

### Gumnuts Provide

- Water to refill bottles
- Sunscreen

### Personal Belongings

We understand children require quiet relaxation time and for some children that can be technology time. Children may bring a technology device to use during their time at the service when permitted by staff during certain times in the program. (devices that do not have internet available)

Please be aware if your child does bring technology, it is the sole responsibility of the child to look after it. Gumnuts take **NO** responsibility if it is lost, stolen or broken in any way.

### Fees

\$115 per day

The above price is without CCS.

Families may be eligible for Child Care Subsidy. This subsidy will determine your actual fees. Please contact the Family Assistance Office (FAO) on 13 61 50 to find out more about your entitlements.

After Child Care Subsidy is applied, the daily cost can be as low as \$5.

Additional payment is required for excursions and incursions. **Please note:** These costs will be added to your child/ren's fee. No cash on any premises.

### Unexpected Changes

The program can present with a range of different weather. We recommend that you always check the weather prior with your child and support them in wearing and packing appropriate clothing.

### Booking

To book a place for your child/ren in our Vacation Care Program, please visit <https://www.smartcentral.net/v2/session/login> For further information please contact our office on 5144 6952. Alternatively, contact us via email [gumnutsshccoord@gmail.com](mailto:gumnutsshccoord@gmail.com)

If your child does not attend on a day they have been booked in, you will still be charged for the day unless 48 hours notice is given for a cancellation.



### Wednesday 15th January

#### Welcome Back Party



Join us back at OSHC for a celebration. We will be having a disco, singing Karaoke and just enjoying being together again. You can dress up in your party best or even wear a costume if you like, just remember to put on your dancing shoes and bring your best moves! We will be providing a party lunch for the day, if you could please let us know at your earliest convenience of any dietary requirements.

### Thursday 16th January

#### Art Day - Upcycle, Recycle and reurpose



Prepare to get messy! We will be indulging in art today, please bring something from home that you can turn into your own work of art, we will be using these items to reimagine in a new way, trying new perspectives on art and the way we see it. Please bring a item from home that doesn't matter if we cut and/or glue thing to as it will not be returning the way it left. Provide a packed lunch today.

### Friday 17th January

#### Fishing at Nowa Nowa



Let's catch a big one! We will be attempting fishing at Nowa Nowa this time, we will have a boater area to move around and boats take and a playground to explore. We will be having a picnic lunch at the playground, please provide lunch, enough snacks for a few hours and a bottle of water.

Time: Leaving Centre strictly at 10:30am.

### Monday 20th January

#### Sea shell Museum



We will be checking out the sea shell museum, somewhere I haven't been since I was little. There you can see some pretty amazing sea life in the museum and buy a cool shell on your way out. We will be allowing the children to buy a shell of their choice as we are leaving the museum, please give their money for the shell to Jenelle or Lauren on the day so we can keep it safe.

Time: Leaving Centre strictly at 10:30am. Fee: \$10pp

### Tuesday 21st January

#### Red Bluff Beach exploration



After our museum visit, we are travelling to the bluff to see what shells we can find for ourselves. We will be exploring the beach and getting our feet wet, we will be having a sandcastle competition and prizes for the winners. When in the service we do ask the children to apply their own sunscreen, please let us know if your child needs assistance doing this.

Time: Leaving Centre strictly at 10:30am.

### Wednesday 22nd January

#### Water Play Day



Third time lucky! Let's hope the weather is finally good enough to have a water play day, we will be having a race on the slip n slide and throwing water balloons at each other, we will be holding this on the side oval to the left of OSHC. Please bring a towel and a spare change of clothes, once you get changed you will need to stay away from the water unless you bring multiple changes of clothing. Sausage sizzle for lunch today.

### Thursday 23rd January

#### Technology Day



We will be exploring technology today, you can bring in your own devices from home, if it's allowed, please be mindful we encourage sharing and team games, leave it at home if it's special or fragile. We will also be pulling apart some different items donated by Loukes electronics to see how they tick. While we are doing everything electronic, we will be watching movies in our PJs too if wanted.

### Friday 24th January

#### All wheels day



We've done this one before and it's been a big hit. Bring your Skateboard, Scooter, bike or roller skates (and safety equipment) to All wheels day, we will spend the majority of the day in the school grounds, riding around and laughing at our educator's falling over. We will be having hot chips on the basketball court for lunch.

### Monday 27th January

# PUBLIC HOLIDAY

### Tuesday 28th January

#### Ninja and gymnastics classes



We are going to try our hands at Ninja class! We will be splitting into two groups, one will do ninja class and the other gymnastics, then we will swap. Everyone will get a chance to participate in both activities and different age groups. Please provide a packed lunch for this day and lots of snacks as they are going to be tired at the end. Time: Leaving centre at 10:30. Arrive to centre at 10:00am. Fee: \$35PPP

This program is subject to change depending on the following circumstances - Covid-19 restrictions, severe/code red weather, numbers of children and availability of extra curricular activities. Prices for excursions may also change. Staff with notify of any changes.

## Water safety tips from Life Saving Victoria

With many family activities happening close to waterways these school holidays now is a great time to refresh and remember what to look out for to keep the kids safe in and around water.

**Play it Safe by the Water:** has a great range of bite-sized snippets to remind you of what to look for and what to think about before you go to the various environments.

**The Beach:** There are numerous things to consider when visiting the beach. Where are the patrolled beaches, what is the weather doing, what does a rip current look like and what do you do if you find yourself caught in one?

**Inland waterways:** Rivers, creeks, lakes and dams are great fun but they also have hidden dangers such as currents and submerged objects. Do you know what to look for?

**Rural properties:** Dams, wells and tanks may not be so familiar. Have you thought about what to consider?

**Home:** Pools and spas at home are great fun over the summer but they are not risk free. Remain ever vigilant and always watching.

[More information](#)



## Supervision around water

All children require active supervision around water regardless of their swimming ability.

Beaches, pools, ponds, lakes, rivers and bathtubs all present a drowning risk. Twenty seconds is all it takes for a child to drown in as little as a few centimetres of water.

The best way to keep children safe is to keep under-fives within arm's reach, and under 10s within eyesight around water at all times. It's a good idea to make and stick to a supervision plan so there is always an adult actively supervising children around waterways during gatherings or parties, even during the winter months!

**Supervise:** Actively supervise children around water

**Restrict:** Restrict children's access to water

**Teach:** Teach children water safety skills

**Respond:** Learn how to respond in the case of an emergency

[More information](#)



## Water Safety @ Home

Home-based activities to experience with your child these school holidays.

Life Saving Victoria's Water Safety @ Home is a suite of online and printable water safety resources for you to explore in the comfort of your very own home!

Activities include:

- [Water Safety Watch and Learn videos and activity booklets](#)
- [Swimming @ Home videos](#)
- [First Aid for Kids @ Home videos](#) and more!



LSV's CPR for Kids @ Home [video](#) and resources are perfect for practising the lifesaving competency of the Victorian Water Safety Certificate (VWSC), whereby students need to demonstrate DRABC and the recovery position.

To access CPR for Kids @ Home, and all Water Safety @ Home resources, visit:  
[www.lsv.com.au/education/watersafetyathome](http://www.lsv.com.au/education/watersafetyathome)



## Swim City

Join Finn, Pod and Splash and their new friend Rocky on an adventure to learn about water safety with Swim City, a fun online game.

Aimed towards children in Years Prep-6, Swim City is a free 30-minute online game that supports students to work towards achieving the knowledge component of the Victorian Water Safety Certificate (VWSC), all while having loads of fun! Students will explore four different aquatic environments and solve challenges along the way like identifying dangers and making areas safe.

To play Swim City, dive into [www.lsv.com.au/swimcity](http://www.lsv.com.au/swimcity)



## LAKES ENTRANCE CRICKET CLUB

### JUNIOR CRICKET PATHWAY



Start your cricket journey at YOUR local club!

#### REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

- Under 13 Competition Cricket
- Woolworths Cricket Blast

**MORE RUNS,  
MORE WICKETS,  
MORE FUN!**

Get involved in all the junior cricket action at your local club this summer.

LAKES ENTRANCE CRICKET CLUB  
UNDER 13 CRICKET  
Register now! <https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/ae8341>  
Training starts Wednesday, September 18  
4pm to 5.30pm.

**SIGN UP TODAY!**  
Play Cricket

**IMAGINE  
THE FUN**

Join Woolworths Cricket Blast  
Designed for kids to learn skills, exercise, and make friends.

JUNIOR BLASTERS - LAKES ENTRANCE CRICKET CLUB  
Thursdays - October 17 - December 5  
4.30pm - 5.30pm

Register now!  
<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/548d5b>

**SIGN UP TODAY!**  
Play Cricket

POWERED BY  
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## Tiny Turtles break-up



### FAMILY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION!

At the Rotunda

On the foreshore, near footbridge  
Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024

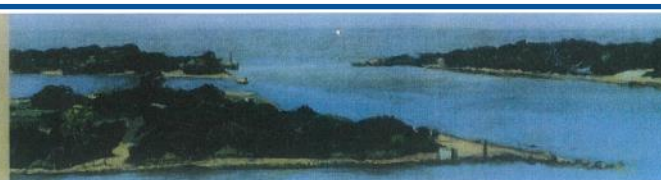
10.00 am – 1.00 p.m.



FREE sausage sizzle,  
family games, live music, craft activities,  
story & face painting

Enquiries & RSVP: Lyn: 0427 731 551  
Gary & Di: 0434 352 888

Proudly sponsored by Lakes Entrance Baptist Church



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

Friends of the Library Lakes Entrance  
invite

Primary school students (grades 1-6)

Secondary students (years 7-12)

to

- 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.

# HOLIDAY *intensive* SWIM PROGRAM

FAST TRACK  
YOUR CHILDS  
SWIMMING  
ABILITY!

Monday 20 - Friday 24

January 2025

For ages 3 and up

Cost: \$60

Enrolments due

Friday 10 January

DAILY 30 MINUTE  
LESSONS OVER 5  
DAYS!



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Lakes Entrance  
Aquadome

Get \$200 to help your child play sport!

**The Get Active Kids Voucher Program is now open!**

Get in quick as applications only remain open until the allocation is exhausted.

If your family or child has a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, you may be eligible for up to \$200 to put towards the cost of your child's participation in sport and active recreation activities.

Important Dates:

- Applications open from 9 October 2024 until the allocation is exhausted.
- Reimbursement expenditure dates: from 1 July 2024 until submission of application
- Vouchers expiry date: Tuesday, 29 April 2025.

The Get Active Kids Voucher Program helps eligible families get their kids involved in organised sport and active recreation activities by providing financial support for the cost of membership and registration fees.

Special consideration also applies for children residing in care services, as well as temporary or provisional visa holders, undocumented migrants, or international students.

[www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers](http://www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers)



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ST BRENDAN'S CATHOLIC PARISH  
WARMLY INVITE YOU  
TO A CAROL EVENT

*'KEEPING CHRIST  
IN CHRISTMAS'*

FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER @ 7PM  
IN ST BRENDAN'S CHURCH

ALL ARE WELCOME



Contact our Parish office  
for more information  
0468 840 349

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

Lightly Sparkling Mineral Water	\$3
Lime, Raspberry, Watermelon, Mango,	

HOT FOOD

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

RICE PAPER ROLLS  
(2 roll + sauce)

Tofu	\$9
Lemongrass Chicken	\$9
Pork	\$9
Prawn	\$9
Pork & Prawn	\$9

**Lunch Order**