



Noorat Primary School

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School Newsletter

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A Word From The Principal

We had another highly productive School Council meeting on Tuesday evening, with a PFA (Parents & Friends) Meeting on this-afternoon. At Noorat, we are incredibly grateful for the commitment our parents and carers make to being involved in the school and their child's education.

Curriculum Day

At our School Council meeting, we had our final Curriculum Day approved for 2023. This is to take place on the first official day of Term 4, Monday 2nd October, meaning our students will commence on Tuesday 3rd. This curriculum day is to allow staff from Noorat and Simpson PS's to come together with Lisa Guthrie, the Education Improvement Leader Diverse Learner, to ensure we are ahead of the curve with the new disability inclusion reform. We will be reviewing our Individual Education Plans and Student Support Group minutes to ensure they meet new requirements that clearly outline the many adjustments we make for our students on a daily basis.

Student Reporting

We are continuously looking at ways in which we can better share your child's learning in a clear, concise and timely manner. We pride ourselves on ensuring there are no surprises when it comes to receiving your child's mid-year and end-of-year reports by providing opportunities to discuss challenges and successes throughout the year. In the coming week you will see your first live report on your child's progress, so please ensure you have your Dojo notifications turned on, so you know when it is live.

Classroom Interruptions

Staff work tirelessly each day to provide highly personalised and quality teaching and learning programs for all students at Noorat. It is vital that classroom teaching interruptions are kept to an absolute minimum. If you need to speak with your child's teacher, please contact them via ClassDojo to organise a time, or grab a quick (less than 5 minute) chat **between 8.45am & 8.55am or after 3.30pm.** We thank you for your support on this.

2024 BYO iPad Program

Information about our Bring Your Own iPad to school program will come home this week for all Year 3-6 families. Information will outline how the program works here at Noorat and information on how you can purchase or update your child's iPads ready for the 2024 school year.

Ilona Watkins

Principal

PFA Meeting

Our PFA are holding a quick meeting at 3.30pm this-afternoon in the staffroom. Please pop in if possible or contact Erin for further information.

Swimming Lessons

If you haven't already, please return swimming forms to the Office ASAP. Swimming occurs in weeks 8, 9 and 10 of this term. We welcome any parents who wish to come and watch or support your child to get changed at the end of a lesson – please provide the Office with a copy of your WWCC (Working With Children's Check) which is free to apply for.

Our annual school swimming program for all students will take place at the end of this term. The dates are as follows:

Week 8

Monday, 28 August 2023

Tuesday, 29 August 2023

Thursday, 31 August 2023

Week 9

Monday, 4 September 2023

Tuesday, 5 September 2023

Thursday, 7 September 2023

Week 10

Monday, 11 September 2023

Tuesday, 12 September 2023

Thursday, 14 September 2023

We welcome any parents who wish to come and watch or support your child to get changed at the end of a lesson.

Illness

There continues to be a large number of illness around the local community, such as gastro, cold / influenza and fevers. Again, we are thankful for parents and carers who keep their unwell children at home. It is essential we work together to minimise spread, especially as there are no relief teachers available if a staff member was to get sick.

If your child is sick with vomiting or diarrhoea, please keep them at home for a 24-hour period following the last symptoms. If a child is sick then home is the best place for them to rest and recover, otherwise ALL children should be at school EVERY DAY. This will help prevent the spread of infection within the school.

3-way Conferences

Today is your final chance to make an appointment to see your child's teacher in the format of a 3-way Conference - student, parent & teacher. This is an opportunity to celebrate, share and discuss your child's learning and ensure your child is supported with the best possible learning plan.

The scheduled date for these 15-minute conferences is next **Tuesday 22nd August**, from 3.30pm – 5pm. Please message your child's classroom teacher via ClassDojo to book your conference time now.

A few quick reminders:

- If your child arrives late or needs to be collected early, please remember to sign in or out at the office.
- Please send a message to your child's classroom teacher if your child is absent from school – this is your responsibility and takes away from teaching time for us to make contact.
- Breakfast Club on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning from 8.30am – 8.50am. Drop-in parent volunteers welcome.

School Holiday Program and Ideas

Over the coming school break Camperdown College will be running a school holiday program through 'TheirCare'.

These holidays the theme is 'Science'. Families can choose from a wide range of activities from science workshops, experiments, slime making, movies, robotics, a visit to the Timboon ice-creamery and loads more exciting and fun ideas.

For more information please contact their director Alex #0419 906 868 or see the attached flyer and head to the *TheirCare* website.

Year 3-6 Camp, Sovereign Hill

Year 3-6 Camp notes for our Sovereign Hill camp will come home today.

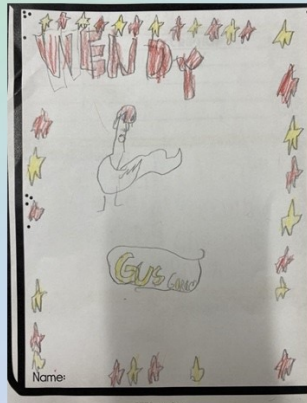
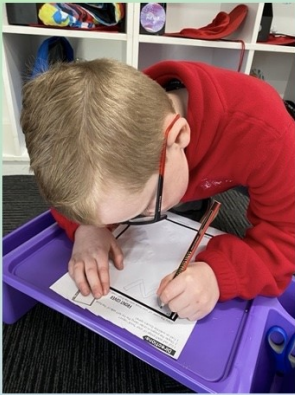
Please check your child's bag for these important notes today.



What's Happening in the Classroom

Book Report:

Last week students read the book Wendy by Gus Gordon. We examined the authors message, characters, the setting, the problem and solution to create a book report.



F-2 Learning Community

BE EXCELLENT
BE RESPECTFUL

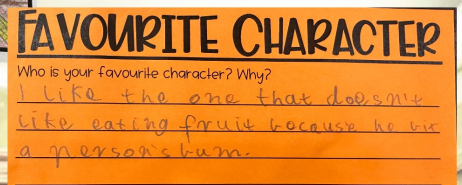
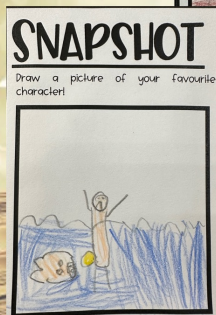
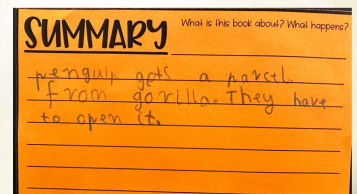
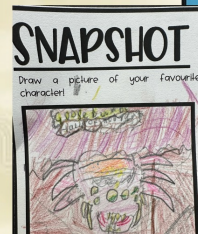
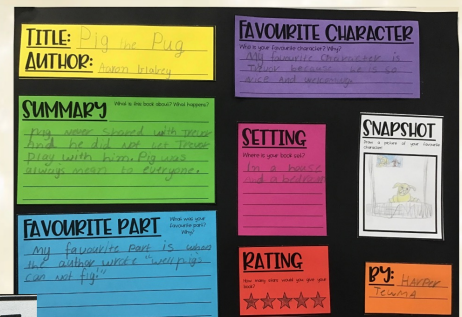
BE CARING
BE RESPONSIBLE

Year 3-6. Literacy

Our students love learning! Over this past week we created Book Review's on some of our favourite stories. This brought together our love of reading and the many writing skills we've been working on this term.

Some comments from our writing include:

- Harper** — My favourite part is when it says, "well pigs cannot fly"
- Harry** — Parcel for Penguin — I like that you get to guess what's inside the parcel
- Callum** — Gooselumps - A kid got tricked by his parents because he scared his mum and dad.
- Ryan** — Piranha's don't eat bananas — I love when the piranha who won't eat bananas bites someone's ham.



Excellence, Care, Respect and Responsibility

Student Achievements

STUDENT AWARDS FOR THE WEEK

Term 3 Week 5

Miss Horsnell

Be Excellent- Trinity Bell

This week Trinity has tired her personal best in each numeracy lesson. She started the week by doing a multiplication test where she only got 1 question wrong and used known strategies, and has finished the week off by independently investigating students favourite ice cream flavour and colours and then putting the data into a bar graph. Keep up the great work Trinity!

Mrs Watkins

Be Caring Harper Teuma

Harper consistently demonstrates her leadership skills across all areas of our school. She supports students to be their best, assists with solving problems and is nurturing when someone is hurt or upset. Amazing qualities Harper!

Term 3 Week 6

Miss Horsnell

Be Excellent- Grace Bell

Grace has been working in the 3-6 classroom for writing. She has created a draft copy of her book report for the book Who Sank the Boat, and then presented a well written and neat final copy. Keep it up Grace!

Mrs Watkins

Be Responsible- Ryan McKenzie

Ryan has settled into life at Noorat Primary School with ease. He shows responsibility in his actions and schoolwork by being prepared and organised for lessons. Great work Ryan!

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Grace Bell

She has consistently done great work in the 3-6 classroom for Sounds-Write and writing this week. We are so proud of her!

Callum Baird

In Hands on Learning Callum has tried his very best I completing tasks. Well Done!

Be Excellent- Be Caring- Be Respectful- Be Responsible-

Be Excellent . Be Caring . Be Respectful . Be Responsible

Community News



Camperdown College

Times 7:00 am – 6:00 pm
 Location 30 Brooke Street, CAMPERDOWN VIC 3260
 Call 0484 511 558



Challenge Royale

Are you up for the challenge? Test your science skills using magnets, ice, and balloons. Who will be victorious?

From as low as \$8.57 with the maximum Child Care Subsidy. Full fee \$95.70 without the Child Care Subsidy.

Defy Gravity with Magnets

Additional fun: Space mural astronauts, your name in stars, astronaut costumes plus plenty of time to choose your own space adventure.

MONDAY
18
SEPTEMBER



Mini Bots

Build, race and take home your very own Mini Bot! Go on a mission to steal Darth Vader's treasure and then the fun continues with marshmallows zodiacs.

From as low as \$7.48 with the maximum Child Care Subsidy. Full fee \$74.73 without the Child Care Subsidy.

STEM Robots

Additional fun: Rocket pencil toppers, Newtons tower, Marshmallow zodiacs plus plenty of time to choose your own adventure.

MONDAY
25
SEPTEMBER



Ruby Gillman, Teenage Kraken

A shy adolescent learns that she comes from a fabled royal family of legendary sea krakens and that her destiny lies in the depths of the waters, which is bigger than she could have ever imagined. Arrive at the service by 8:30 am. Pick Up After 2:30 pm. Wear runners & socks.

From as low as \$8.76 with the maximum Child Care Subsidy. Full fee \$87.58 without the Child Care Subsidy.

Movie Excursion

Additional fun: LEGO ziplines, epic trivia tiggys, hoop gliders, plus plenty of time to choose your own adventure.

TUESDAY
19
SEPTEMBER



Marks Up

Hear the roar of the crowd as the siren sounds! Today marks all things footy with a jam-packed session of marking and kicking goals. Wear your footy colours to show your true spirit!

From as low as \$8.57 with the maximum Child Care Subsidy. Full fee \$85.88 without the Child Care Subsidy.

Footy Workshop

Additional fun: Dancing marionettes, magical water blossom craft, pass the dance move, plus time to choose your own adventure.

TUESDAY
26
SEPTEMBER



Silly Science

Time to get silly in the name of science! Have a ball making silly string slime, rainbow tambourines and then play asteroid dodgeball!

From as low as \$7.48 with the maximum Child Care Subsidy. Full fee \$74.73 without the Child Care Subsidy.

String Slime

Additional fun: Marked planets, asteroid dodgeball, rainbow tambourines plus plenty of time to choose your own adventure.

WEDNESDAY
20
SEPTEMBER



Sundae School

I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice-cream. Today we will hit the great ocean road as we scoop into Timbom Ice-creamery. We will take a tour and whip up a Sundae. Arrive at the service by 8:30 am. Pick Up After 2:30 pm. Wear runners & socks.

From as low as \$8.76 with the maximum Child Care Subsidy. Full fee \$87.58 without the Child Care Subsidy.

Ice-Creamery Excursion

Additional fun: Silky pits, dance tiggys, healthy veggie animals, plus plenty of time to choose your own adventure.

WEDNESDAY
27
SEPTEMBER



Fantastic Forces

3,2,1 BLAST OFF! Join forces with your friends and get ready for an electric science experience. It's going to be intergalactic, interactive and interesting fun for mad scientists of all ages!

From as low as \$8.57 with the maximum Child Care Subsidy. Full fee \$85.88 without the Child Care Subsidy.

Science Workshop

Additional fun: One and butterfly tiggys, DIY robotic hand, frog and tiggys craft, plus plenty of time to choose your own adventure.

THURSDAY
21
SEPTEMBER



Chain Reaction

Ge-Fizz! You'll mix ingredients to create chemical reactions to make your own homemade fizzy paints! Then explore the magic of electricity by sending your hover plane into orbit!

From as low as \$8.57 with the maximum Child Care Subsidy. Full fee \$85.70 without the Child Care Subsidy.

Fizzy Art

Additional fun: Hover plates, lava lamps, chain tiggys plus plenty of time to choose your own adventure.

THURSDAY
28
SEPTEMBER



Lightening Strikes

Strike! All that stands between you and victory is ten pins. The bowling alley is where you'll test your skills and momentum to bowl the perfect strike. Please be at the service by 8:30 am. Pick up after 2:30 pm. Please wear runners and socks.

From as low as \$8.76 with the maximum Child Care Subsidy. Full fee \$87.58 without the Child Care Subsidy.

Bowling Excursion

Additional fun: Making sound and music, bubble wrap painting, knockem down ball tiggys, plus time to choose your own adventure.

FRIDAY
22
SEPTEMBER

NO SERVICE **Public Holiday!**

FRIDAY
29
SEPTEMBER

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Weird Science

Spring Holiday Program

Silly Slime

Movie Magic

Build a Bot

Footy Fun

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Holiday Program Important Information!

What to bring

- A healthy morning tea and lunch
- A labelled drink bottle for water
- Suitable clothing for an active day – closed toe shoes and jacket if wet/cold
- SunSmart hat for Spring and Summer holidays
- Medical Management Plan & Medication if applicable – see below for details



Don't forget!

- Keep your lunchbox nut-free to keep everyone safe
- Do not include food items that need to be reheated
- Label all items with child's name!
- Bus departure and arrival times are indicative only. For an accurate estimated time of arrival and departure please contact your service directly.



Personal belongings

Electronic devices, money and other valuables should be left at home.

If brought to the service, these items remain the responsibility of the family. TheirCare does not accept responsibility for loss or damage.



TheirCare provides

- Breakfast and afternoon tea snack
- Sunscreen
- Water to refill bottles



Child Care Subsidy

Please note that subsidised hours are calculated and allocated by Centrelink on a fortnightly basis. Check Centrelink for eligibility.



Unexpected changes to activities

In the unlikely event that an activity is unable to run, an alternative activity will be provided.

Activities and times are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances such as severe weather or provider availability. If an alternative cannot be sourced we will update your invoice to reflect this.



Serious stuff!

Medical Management Plan & Medication

All children who have been diagnosed with a medical condition including allergies, food/chemical intolerances, anaphylaxis, asthma, epilepsy will need to provide:

- a completed Medical Management Plan with a colour photo
- necessary medication

Please note it is a legal requirement under the Education & Care National Regulations and the Terms and Conditions for booking that these are provided.

In the interests of child safety, care may be refused on the day should the appropriate documentation or medication or medication not be supplied.



Changes to your booking

Simply log into your account anytime to make the relevant changes or call us between 8:30am – 9:00pm weekdays on 1300 072 410.



Fees for changes to your booking

More than 5 days	Less than 5 days *	On the day
No Charge	\$10.00	Full Fee

*Less than 5 days from the start of the booking (120 hours from the start of the session).

When making additional bookings, the \$10.00 fee is eligible for the Child Care Subsidy, which means you may only need to pay the gap, depending on your families' circumstances.



If you have any questions, please speak with one of our friendly Educators or call Customer Support on 1300 072 410.

Corangamite Youth

CREATIVE

What Makes You Smile



EXHIBITION

1 - 30 September 2023

CALLING CREATIVES AGED 12 - 25!

Submit your work to be showcased in this exciting exhibition, a highlight of Youth Fest 2023. It's all about exploring "what makes you smile" and promoting positive mental health and wellbeing.

- Let your imagination run wild!
- All mediums considered such as photography, sculptures, drawing, print making, illustration, painting, poetry and digital media. A3 size maximum.
- Exhibition will be at the Camperdown Courthouse Gallery, running for the month of September with an opening night event on Friday 1 September, 6 - 7 pm



Expressions of interest close **Wednesday 16 August**, artwork to be submitted by Sunday 27 August.

corangamite.vic.gov.au/CreativeExhibition





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Important Dates to Remember

TERM 3 CALENDAR DATES

Thursday 17 th August	Kids Helpline School Bullying Session F – Year 6
Friday 18 th August	National Day Against Bullying and Violence
Tuesday 22 nd August	3-way Conferences, 3.30 – 5.00pm. Contact your classroom teacher TODAY for a time.
Wednesday 23 rd August	- - - Book Week Dress Up! - - - Parade at 9.15am, all welcome!
Thursday 24 th Friday 25 th August	VPA Principal's Conference Melbourne – Mrs. Watkins Out
Friday 15 th August	Year 3/4 Hooptime Camperdown
Monday 28 th , Tuesday 29 th Thursday 31 st August	Swimming
Monday 28 th - Friday 8 th September	Grace Out – Uni placement. Samantha in.
Wednesday 30 th August	Kinder Bus Tours
Thursday 31 st August	Principal's Network Meeting – Mrs. Watkins out
Monday 4 th Tuesday 5 th Thursday 7 th September	Swimming
Saturday 9 th September	PFA Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser
Monday 11 th Tuesday 12 th Thursday 14 th September	Swimming
Wednesday 13 th September	JSC Pyjama Day, gold coin
Friday 15 th September	End of Term 3, 2.30pm finish

TERM 4 CALENDAR DATES

Monday 2 nd October	First day of Term 4 – Curriculum Day, NO school for students
Tuesday 3 rd October	Beginning of Term 4 for Noorat students