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CAPTAIN CEREMONY

We had a terrific Captain's Ceremony last Friday with Mayor Jack Kowarzik and Deputy Mayor Alanna Pomeroy in attendance. Their praise of our students in the way they sat and were respectful during a VERY LONG assembly was well deserved. They were also impressed with the student MCs. Well done to all of our senior students who have already lead assembly. It is an expectation that all our Year 6 students have a go at presenting, and even the ones who are very nervous, manage to push past their anxiety and deliver. We are always proud of these real instances of persistence in our students.

The photos have been put on Seesaw for families to view. I will also follow up with a photo of all the captains, as we had a few absent on the day.

MULLETS FOR MENTAL HEALTH



Just when you thought the era of mullets was over, we have a student, Brodie in Year 4 raising money for the Black Dog Institute. All funds go towards suicide prevention. He has already raised over \$350 and he wants to try for the next milestone of \$700. Here is the link if you are interested. What a great cause and well done to Brodie.

<https://www.mulletsformentalhealth.org.au/s/55945/62791/s>

PAFA NEWS

Don't forget our Meal Deal is due back on Friday next week and please keep selling tickets and donating to our Easter raffle. There are extra tickets available at the office.

Have a great fortnight,
Jacqui and the staff 😊

TERM 1 DATES

Calendar Dates for this term – 29th January – 4th April – 10 weeks

February

Wednesday 5th – Big Sister Experience for Year 4-6 girls

Friday 7th – Inter-School Sport begins for Year 5/6 students and **continues each Friday until 7th March**

Tuesday 11th - History Box Incursion – all classes – no charge to families

Monday 17th - School Council Meeting AGM at 4.45 in the Staffroom –

Tuesday 18th - School Photos –All ordering is done online through www.spargophoto.com.au

Tuesday 18th – Year 3-6 Swimming Carnival to Pakenham Pool –

Tuesday 25th –2025 Welcome BBQ Night -

Wednesday 26th – District Swimming Carnival (for qualifiers only). QUALIFIERS only will be notified.

March

Mon 10th - Labour Day Public Holiday

Tuesday 11th – Division Swimming Carnival (for qualifiers only). QUALIFIERS only will be notified.

Wednesday 12th - NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5 begins (runs until Monday 24th)

Monday 17th – Year 3/4 Beach Day Excursion

Wednesday 19th - Year 5/6 Beach Day Excursion

Friday 21st – Year 5/6 District Lightning Premiership Summer Sports - **more details to come**

Friday 21st – Harmony Day – **in this issue**

Thursday 27th – Year 1/2 Excursion to Old Gippsland Town -

Friday 28th - ** Curriculum Day – NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL** **Their Care will be operating.**

April

Wednesday 2nd – Year 5/6 Holocaust and Immigration Museum Excursion -

Thursday 3rd – COLOUR RUN

Friday 4th – Last Day of Term 2.30 finish- Easter Raffle drawn. Hot Cross Bun Meal Deal at recess. Forms in by Friday 21st

HARMONY DAY

“Harmony- we all have a role to play”

We encourage everyone to wear the colour **ORANGE** on Friday the 21st of March to show our support for cultural diversity.

Harmony Week will be celebrated during the week of
Monday 17 - Sunday 23 March 2025

Harmony Week is the celebration that recognises our diversity and brings together
Australians from all different backgrounds.

It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.



Our school will be celebrating by making a giant 'hand' tree like this, to be displayed in our Admin building.

Bright Events
Presents

Holi Festival

23rd March 2025
Venue: Southside Racing Pakenham
420 Nar Nar Goon - Longwarry Rd, Tynong VIC 3813
Time: 12pm to 6pm

- All day live DJ
- Vibrant Market Stalls
- Kids activities
- Widest Variety of Food
- All Day Entertainment
- Non-alcoholic event

Free Entry No outside Colours, Food or Drinks allowed Available to purchase at Venue **Free Parking**

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SILVER PARTNER
Mortgage Choice

DESSERT PARTNER
Ice Creams

HOST WITH DHEEPA

JOIN WINTER SEASON 2025

WE ARE RECRUITING
Come join us at Phoenix Basketball Club for this winter season. We invite you to join our team, Catering to both junior & senior teams. welcoming individuals with diverse levels of experience. Please see below the QR code linking to the expression of interest on our Facebook page.

AGE GROUPS AVAILABLE

under 8's boys/girls	seniors mixed
under 10's boys/girls	senior womens
under 12's boys/girls	senior mens
under 14's boys/girls	
under 16's boys/girls	
under 18's boys/girls	

Phoenix Basketball Club

Facebook: Phoenix Basketball Club Email: phoenixbasketballclub@outlook.com.au

Local
events
and
Sports

Garfield Netball Club 2025

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
STADIUM WINTER COMPETITION
STARTS TERM 2 (APRIL) 2025
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS
CARDINIA LIFE - PAKENHAM
9 & Under (born 2016 & 2017)
11 & Under (born 2014 & 2015)

REGISTER BY FRIDAY 21 MARCH 2025
<https://forms.gle/8nu3hl9wQ8Xabyu76>
CONTACT
garfieldnetballclub@gmail.com

TRAFFIC SAFETY

Drive into Spencer Street (**keeping in mind there are designated "No Standing" Zones in specific areas**). Drive to the second driveway that leads to the football ground, turn right into this carpark and exit from the top driveway back into Spencer Street. If everyone follows this plan, the traffic (including buses) will move smoothly in a loop. The carpark across the road at the football ground is a designated parent parking space. Please be patient and remember to look out for all children as they move in and around traffic. **Under no circumstances should a car drive into the first driveway. Please do not park near the entrance and exit driveways as buses find it hard to enter and leave the driveways.** All school community members must use the school crossing to model expected behaviours. You CANNOT park in No Standing zones or within 20 metres of the crossing. There is a 40kph speed restriction in place around the school and there are "No Parking" signs that must be adhered to. Parking officers from the Cardinia Shire and Police are also contacted to support our endeavours to keep our students safe.

The bus parking areas, which are clearly signed, must be kept clear during drop off and pick up time.

TRAFFIC FLOW: BLACK ARROWS INDICATE TRAFFIC FLOW. IE: DRIVE EAST DOWN SPENCER STREET AND LOOP THROUGH THE RECREATION RESERVE CARPARK. NO STANDING ZONES ARE HIGHLIGHTED IN RED.



The procedure in place for parents dropping off/collecting children from school, is to drive Eastwards down Spencer Street and park on either side of the road on Spencer Street *before the school crossing*. There are **NO STANDING** clearways either side of the school crossing and **NO STANDING** zones on both sides of the road immediately outside the school. (see red lines in diagram above.) Drive to the second driveway that leads to the football ground, turn right into this carpark and exit from the top driveway back into Spencer Street. Do not proceed into the bowl of the court. The carpark across the road at the football ground is a designated parent parking space and the designated staff park is outside the Scout Hall carpark.

Thank you for following this traffic management plan and helping to keep our students safe in and around traffic.

PROTECT

Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from abuse. No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid, including anyone in your family, anyone at school or anywhere else in the community. Tell a teacher or any adult at your school if you feel unsafe.



CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

Nar Nar Goon Primary School is committed to child safety. We want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the safety, participation, and empowerment of all children.

We have zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures. If you would like more information please go to the 'Wellbeing' or 'Policies' tab on our website where you will find our Child Safe Policy and/or further information and resources go to: <https://www.vic.gov.au/protect>

FEEDBACK

Your feedback is important to us. If you have a concern or would like to raise a complaint as a parent, please speak to the classroom teacher in the first instance, PLC Leader in the second instance (ie: Foundation: Jodie Williamson, Years 1-2: Rebecca Kotzur, Years 3-4: Daniel Mason, Years 5/6: Yolande Kerin).



Medications at School

Our Medications Policy states that for any child requiring medication at school, a Medication Form needs to be filled in. This form is for when your child requires 'incidental' and short-term medication at school—eg antibiotics, pain relief

These forms are available at the office to fill in and hand to your child's teacher.

No child is to keep medication in their school bag.



If you have not already downloaded the Sentral App for parents, please do so from the Apple or Google Play store.



STUDENT SUPERVISION – Please be aware that staff are on yard duty in the playground from 8:45 am before school and until 3:45 pm after school. Students travelling on late buses are supervised in front of the office until the final bus leaves. For your own child's safety, it is recommended that children do not arrive at school before 8:45 am.

Lunch Orders

When filling in your lunch orders please remember to clearly mark the envelope with the child's name and their class.

It is preferred that you send your child's lunch order via the school rather than directly to the shop. No lunch orders will be accepted after 10.30am.

Bell Times

9am - School Starts

11am -11.30- Recess

1.30pm-1.40pm- Children eat inside

1.40pm—2.20pm Lunchtime

3.30pm - Children are dismissed

At both recess and lunch times, students are given time to eat inside.

VISITING THE SCHOOL

We would respectfully ask that every person who comes onto the school grounds between the hours of 9:15am and 3:15pm does so through the main office to ensure that we know who is on the school grounds at all times.

If you have a message for your child or an item that needs to be delivered to the classroom that you ask the office staff to pass it on rather than interrupt the class and/or the teacher during instruction time. Without a WWCC lanyard or Visitors badge, anyone on the property will be redirected to the front office.

If your child is absent, legally, we **MUST** have a reason and we will notify you **EVERY** day your child is not at school. Please respond to our messages through the **Sentral Parent Portal** so we can accurately track student attendance.



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WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

All volunteers in the school must have a Working with Children Check. They are free of charge for volunteers and are a requirement for all adults entering our school buildings. To apply for a WWCC please use this link <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>

Thank You