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The Parkmore Pulse



IMPORTANT DATES

March

- 25th House Cross Country
- 26th Assembly
- 26th Dream to Lead - SRC
- 27th Fizz Kids Science P-Y2

April

- 2nd House Athletics Day - whole school
- 3rd Grandparents/Special Person Day - P-Y2
- 3rd FoodBank Colour Run - whole school
- 4th Final Assembly including Easter Raffle 2.00pm
- 4th Last Day of Term 1 - **dismissal 2.30pm**

22nd First day of Term 2

May

- 1st District Cross Country - qualified students
- 2nd District Cross Country back-up day

SEE PAGE FOLLOWING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
FOR TERM DATES.



Next Assembly

Wednesday 26, 2025 at 9.00am

Please be seated prior to the start

IMPORTANT: Students must
attend class prior to assembly to
have the roll marked

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers


BEAP

It was wonderful to see and hear the BEAP Future Problem Solving team officially open our Bee Safe Garden. There was a large number of local community members including John Mullahy, our Deputy Mayor, Mortgage Buzz, Lions Club of Nunawading, Lions Club of Box Hill, Rotary Club, Nunawading Community Gardens, Bunnings, Monash University, Staff and students from Wantirna College, FPS Australia Executive director, our fabulous parents, staff and students.



The Bee Hotels are now installed in the garden and all our classes visit the garden to help maintain the garden through their Watering, Weeding and Monitoring week. The pride and joy and regular discussions are the number of Blue Banded Bees in the garden as well as trying to identify the other visiting native bees in the garden.

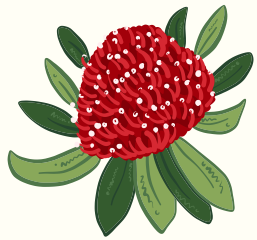
Principal's Report - continued




Since the grand opening, the team have been invited to speak at the Rotary Club and Lions Club and even more exciting, it has been announced that they team are finalists for the Chanel 7 Young Achievers Award.

The team are also raising funds to cover their competition entry, flights and accommodation at the World Championships where they will be representing our school and Australia. If you are able to help them, please do this by donating to their GoFundMe page

<https://gofund.me/ebc772c8>




NAPLAN



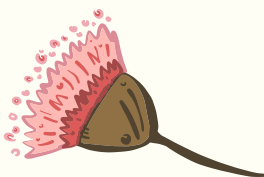
NAPLAN testing has now finished, and we will resume our usual timetable. Thank you to all our students, staff and families for making this period calm and supportive. All our staff have worked carefully to make sure that our students do not feel stressed or anxious about the tests. As a school we use formative test results in the classroom supported other assessments such as the PAT testing and F&P to understand what each and every students knows in order to plan for learning growth. The NAPLAN tests are only one part of a much bigger assessment program to help understand students learning needs.

School Council



Thank you to those parents who have completed a nomination form to be part of our fabulous School Council.

We held our AGM on the 17th of March and officially welcomed our new parent members. After the nominations and votes, I am pleased to announce that Keith Niven will continue as our School Council President.



Principal's Report - continued

Assembly

It's always very sad when we have to miss an assembly but unfortunately NAPLAN took over last week. Our SRC are out next Wednesday but we are planning on still running our assembly.

On April the 4th, our last day of term, we will hold our final Term One Assembly starting at 2pm.

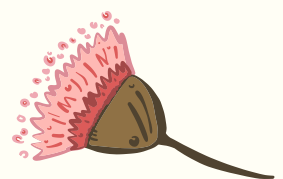
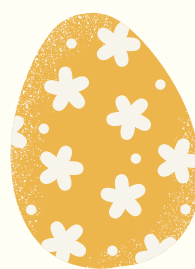
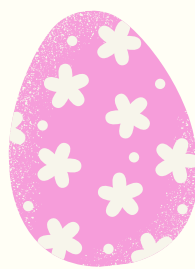
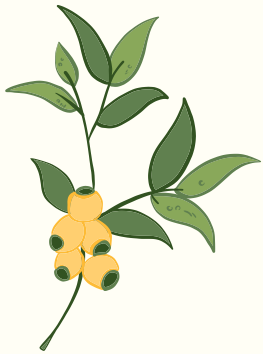
All students will be dismissed at the end of assembly at 2.30pm. If you cannot collect your child at 2.30pm, please book into our OSHC- Theircare Phone: 0401 130 053 Email: parkmore@theircare.com.au, Website: www.theircare.com.au

Ready To Learn

A gentle reminder to all our families and guardians that our doors open at 8.45am when we commence the ready to learn period. During this time, students will organise themselves for the start of the first teaching and learning period guided by their teacher. All students should be in class **before the music commences at 8.55am**.

Jodie Doble

PRINCIPAL



2025
Dates for Your Diary

Curriculum /Professional Practice Days 2025

Term 2: Friday June 6

Term 3: Monday July 21

Term 4: Monday November 3

Friday December 19

Term dates for 2025

TERM 1

Tuesday, January 28 (staff only)

Wednesday January 29 - students first day

Friday, April 4 - last day of term

TERM 2

Tuesday, April 22 - first day of term

Friday, July 4 - last day of term

TERM 3

Monday, July 21- (teachers only)

Tuesday, July 22 (students first day)

Friday, September 19 - last day of term

TERM 4

Monday, October 6- first day of term

Thursday, December 18 - last day of term

- for students

Friday, December 19 (staff only)

Public Holidays in 2025

TERM 1

Monday, March 10 - Labour Day

TERM 2

Monday, April 20 - Easter Monday

Friday, April 26 - ANZAC Day

Monday, June 9 - Labour Day

TERM 3

nil

TERM 4

Tuesday, November 4 - Melbourne Cup Day

School Captains Report

Team BEAP had their 'Bee Safe Garden' grand opening on the 12th of March. We had a lot of visitors including: John Mullahy, Lions Club, Nunawading Rotary, Whitehorse Vice Mayor and so many more! Team BEAP also received a \$1,000 check from Lion Clubs and it was very cool!

Great job Team BEAP for all your hard work.

This week NAPLAN will finish for our Year 3s and 5s!
Great job to everyone who did it and thank you to all the teachers that helped.

A reminder that Wrapper Free Wednesday is back and Sophie and Toby are really keeping an eye out for wrapper free lunch boxes. So remember, please don't have plastic in your lunchboxes, so we can help the planet one lunchbox at a time!

Joke of the Week!

This Week's theme is... **plants!**

Q. Why wasn't the cactus invited to hang out with the mushrooms?

A. He wasn't a fungi.

Overall, this week has been fantastic and we can't wait to see what happens next week.

Just a reminder that cross country will be on 25th of March - which is next week! So remember to have on your running shoes and **wear your house colours!**

Please remember that students are required to be in the classroom by 8:45AM.

Kind regards,
Sophia and Emily - your School Captains

Class Report

1/2 M

1/2M NEWSLETTER

NUMERACY

This week in numeracy, 1/2M has been deepening their understanding of place value by learning about addition.

To practice this, students have enjoyed playing a game of roll and add. Roll your numbers, add them up, and the higher number wins!



Art Room



F/1
Collage



F/1
Collage



1/2
Collage



1/2
Collage

ART

In the art room we have been busy exploring various artforms and developing our skills through experimenting with paint and collage.



1/2
Collage



3/4
Painting



3/4
Prohart



3/4 Prohart
painting with
our hands

Art Room



3/4 Planning



3/4 Painting



4/5 and 5/6 Sculpture

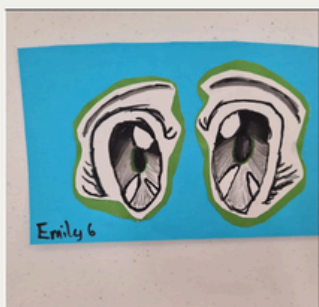


4/5 and 5/6
Sculpture

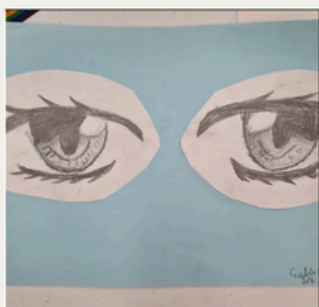
We have also
been collaborating and
practising our skills,
investigating the
artforms of painting,
drawing and sculpture.



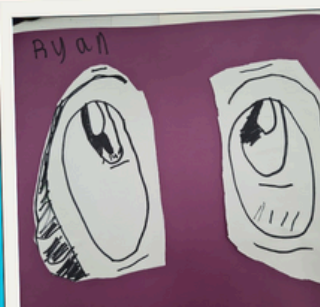
5/6 Manga
Eyes



5/6 Manga
Eyes



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Eyes



5/6 Manga
Eyes

PE NEWS with Mrs Raebel



Term 1 Activities

House Cross Country-25th March
Whole School House Athletics Carnival-2nd April
FoodBank Food Fight- Last Thursday of Term 1

Food Bank Food Fight

3rd April- 2.30pm

To celebrate a wonderful and busy Term 1, we will be holding our FoodBank Food Fight. Students are encouraged to wear a white T-Shirt and participate in some paint and slime fun. No food is harmed in the process (fake jelly and sponge fruits will be used).

Please use the QR code to sign up and raise some funds for FoodBank who support our school with the Breakfast Club Program every Monday.



House Cross Country

Tuesday 25th March

All students will compete in the House Cross Country event.

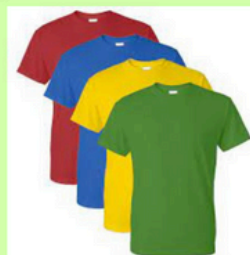
Students are to wear their house colours and comfortable shoes to run in.

Our event will begin at 11.30am and be completed by 1pm.

Students in Prep-2 will be running a 700m course around Davy Lane oval.

Students in years 3-6 will be competing in 2km and 3km events.

All parent helpers are greatly appreciated. Please contact Mrs Raebel via Compass or put your name down at the office.



Whole School Athletics Wednesday 2nd April

All students will get a bus to Bill Sewart Athletics Track on Burwood Hwy to compete in various running, jumping and throwing events. Parent helpers are needed to make this day a huge success.

There will be the Grade 6 vs Staff vs Parents relay to end the day.

Please contact Mrs Raebel on Compass if you can assist on the day.

Whole School Activities

*Parkmore
Celebrates*

HARMONY DAY



We all have a role to play



Student of the week

Harper C

3 / 4 S

Gabby
5 / 6 L

Ava T
1 / 2 M

Nadia E
P / 1 B

WELL DONE

WEEK 26TH FEBRUARY 2025

Birthdays.....



March Birthdays

21st Deneth R

22nd Zach C

April Birthdays

12th Sebastian K

15th Aadhau

16th Lani S

18th Auleen

19th Ian H

23rd Luna Q

30th James L



Wellbeing



Treehouse Program

Treehouse is an 8-week therapeutic program that supports children to build social skills, self-esteem, manage strong feelings and develop resilience.

WHO

Children in Grades 1 & 2

TIME

4pm-5:30pm Wednesdays from 30 April

WHERE

Crossway Baptist Church Burwood East

COST

FREE

Children explore personal strengths, worries and feelings while identifying strategies to develop emotional regulation.

Please register your interest by 21st March. To contact us or make a referral phone (03) 9886 3899 or email FVPrograms@crosswaylifecare.org.au

 **CROSSWAY** LIFECARE

Community

Forest Hill College Open Day

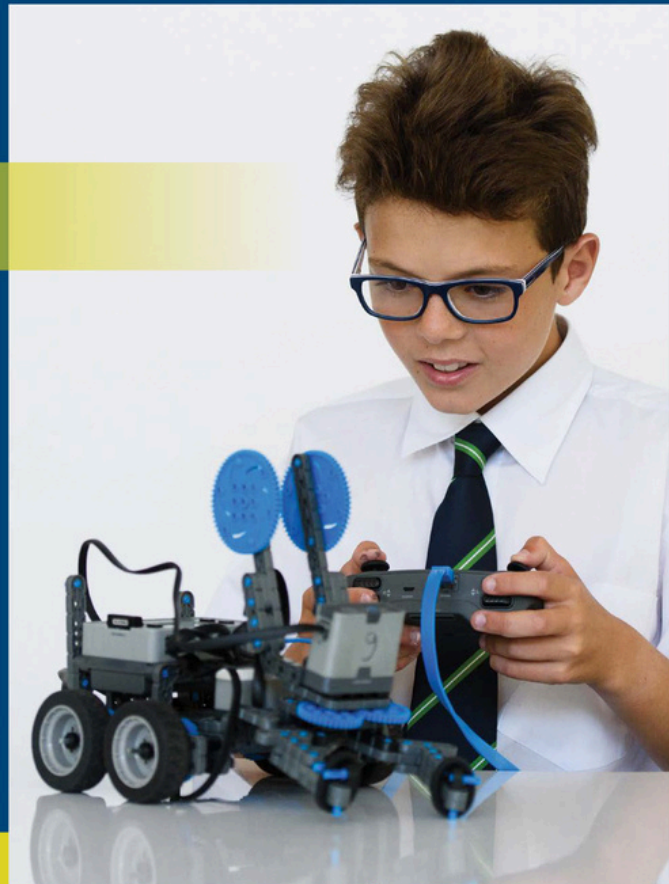
Thursday, 1 May 2025, 9am – 4.45pm



Book an Open Day Tour now!
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Connect with our Principal,
Explore with our teachers,
Aspire with our students.

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**FOREST HILL
COLLEGE**

Community

Autumn

School Holiday Program



The Mad Food Science Family Experience



Thursday 10 April, 10am - 11.30am

Want your kids to enjoy eating a wide variety of food? Join us for this exciting interactive event packed with loads of fun, and quirky experiments that will spark your kids' curiosity about food – all while learning important life skills in a way that they will love.

Parents rave about how much easier it is for their kids to pick up these habits when they discover them themselves.

Parents this workshop is not just for kids it creates a wonderful community occasion sparking conversations between families to build upon awareness and improvements to creating positive relationships with food in the home too.

Please select a minimum of 2 tickets per booking. \$30 for one adult and one child. Additional participant \$15

For: Suitable for children 4- 12 years to attend with a parent.

Cost: \$30 for one adult and one child. Additional participant \$15

Bookings: <https://www.creativewhitehorse.vic.gov.au/whats-on/mad-food-science-family-experience>

Location: 449-465 Springvale Road, Forest Hill, 3131

Email: strathdon@whitehorse.vic.gov.au



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**Strathdon House
and Orchard Precinct**

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Community

Autumn School Holiday Program, 5 - 17 April 2025

Strathdon House & Orchard Precinct - 449-465 Springvale Road, Forest Hill, 3131

	Time	Age	Cost
Saturday 5 April			
Family Clay - Planter Pot	10am - 12pm	Family	\$50*
Wednesday 9 April			
Autumn Sprouts - Kids Edible Garden Workshop	10am - 11.30am	6- 9 years	\$25
Easter Fun Eco Sock Bunny Workshop	11.30am - 12.30pm	6- 12 years	\$21
Thursday 10 April			
The Mad Food Science Experiment	10am - 11.30am	4 - 12 years	\$30**
Mini Cooks - Hot Cross Buns	10.30am - 12pm	6-12 years	\$48
Easter Egg Dyeing and Decorating	12.45pm - 2.15pm	6 -12 years	\$48
Friday 11 April			
Creative Critters - A National Pet Day Art Adventure	9:30am - 3:15pm	6 - 12 years	\$89
Monday 14 April			
Make a Terrarium Garden	10am - 12pm	6 - 12 years	\$60
Tuesday 15 April			
Nature Play	9.30am - 11:30am	Family	\$36**
Wednesday 16 April			
Kindy Messy Play - Easter Fun!	10am - 11am	3 - 5 years	\$15
Kids Messy Play Slime Time	12pm - 1pm	6 - 12 years	\$20
*Family Clay - \$50 Price includes an adult and a child. Extra participant \$25 ** Mad Food Science Workshop - \$30 Price includes an adult and a child. Extra participant \$15 ***Nature Play \$36 for one adult and one child. Additional participant \$15 Under 1 year free of charge.			

Workshop Information

Nature Play - Families

Connect kids to nature through fun activities and unstructured play. Sessions include bush craft, music, and sensory activities.

Family Clay - Flower Planter Pot

Families work together to shape and decorate a clay flower planter pot. Get creative together and craft a unique piece for your home.

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**Strathdon House
and Orchard Precinct**

Autumn Sprouts - Kids Edible Garden Workshop

Dig into nature and learn basic skills in this fun gardening workshop! Plant seeds, make seed pots, explore insects and investigate soil.

Easter Fun Eco Sock Bunny Workshop

Kids will upcycle socks into adorable bunnies while learning about sustainability and creativity.

Mini Master Cooks - Hot Cross Buns

Hands-on baking adventure where kids will learn to make Hot Cross Buns from scratch! Mix, knead, and fill with fruit, spices, chocolate, or caramel.

Easter Egg Dyeing and Decorating

Join our fun Egg Dyeing Workshop! Use natural dyes and crayons to decorate eggs to eat or hang as ornaments. Creative, colourful Easter fun!

Make a Terrarium Garden

Create a mini garden in a glass jar with plants, soil, stones and decorations. Learn about how mini ecosystems work, and how plants grow.

All Day Art Day Creative Critters Friday 11 April 2025

Celebrate National Pet Day with a furry-filled art adventure! Enjoy pet-themed crafts, from clay pinch pots to fun and quirky pet artworks.

Please bring a snack, lunch, water bottle, hat, sunscreen and a smock

Kindy Easter Messy Art Play

Little ones will explore colours, textures and creativity through hands-on messy and fun art activities! Guardians stay at the venue for the duration of the class.

Kids Messy Play - Slime Time

Get creative and messy in our art and slime-making workshop! Explore fun art techniques and make squishy, colourful slime.

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Community

Easter Family Night



Bunnings Vermont South



Thursday 10th of April
5:00pm – 7:00pm

Activities and fun for the whole family

Come along for a great evening filled with fun
for the whole family.

We will have Go Karts, Pony rides, Petting zoo,
Reptile display, Mini golf, Kids craft, and lots
more.

Email vermontsouthao@bunnings.com.au

Don't miss out,
register now!



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