



# Longwood Primary School

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School commences at 9.00am and concludes at 3.30pm.

Morning recess is from 11.00-11.30am. Lunch is from 1.30-2.15pm.

NEWSLETTER 8/23

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
14 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup> Japanese	16 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup> Breakfast Club 8.30am	18 <sup>th</sup>
21 <sup>st</sup> Library	22 <sup>nd</sup> Japanese	23 <sup>rd</sup>	24 <sup>th</sup> Breakfast Club 8.30am	25 <sup>th</sup> Art

## Upcoming Events

- 25<sup>th</sup> August – Wear something purple day & after school Disco – 3.30 – 4.00pm
- 28<sup>th</sup> August – 1<sup>st</sup> September – Book Fair
- 29<sup>th</sup> August – 2024 foundation student transition day – 2.30-3.15pm
- 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> September - 2024 foundation student transition day – 2.30-3.15pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> September – Parent Opinion Survey closes
- 12<sup>th</sup> September – District Athletics Shepparton
- 14<sup>th</sup> September – RU Ok morning tea – 10.45am. Community members welcome
- 15<sup>th</sup> September – **Last Day Term 3**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> October – **1<sup>st</sup> day Term 4**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> October – Gr 3-4 Outdoor Camp
- 4<sup>th</sup> October – Division Athletics – Epping
- 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> October - 2024 foundation student transition day – 2.30-3.15pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> October – Hume Region Athletics – Albury
- 28<sup>th</sup> October – Euroa Show
- 31<sup>st</sup> October - Halloween
- 7<sup>th</sup> November – Melbourne Cup public holiday
- 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> November - 2024 foundation student transition day – half day
- 28<sup>th</sup> November - 2024 foundation student transition day – Full day
- 29<sup>th</sup> November – Ditto visit – 10.30am
- 5<sup>th</sup> December - 2024 foundation student transition day – Full day
- 6<sup>th</sup> December – Gr 6 graduation
- 12<sup>th</sup> December – State Wide transition
- 15<sup>th</sup> December – End of Year Awards night
- 20<sup>th</sup> December – **Last day Term 4**

**2023 Parent Opinion Survey** - Each year, the school conducts an opinion survey amongst the school community. Results will be used to inform and direct our future school planning and improvement. You should have received an e-mail with details of how to access this survey. I ask you to please take the time to complete the survey as your opinions are important to us and will contribute to the future management and organisation of our school. The survey is conducted online by ORIMA Research and should take around 15 minutes to complete. The survey is open until **Friday 8 September**. The survey can be completed using any device connected to the internet (even a mobile phone). Should you require access to a device to complete the survey, please let the school office know. Please be assured that your responses are completely confidential. The survey is conducted anonymously and it is important to us that you complete the survey as honestly as possible. Your comments in the final open-ended question will be provided back to the school.

**Transition dates for 2024 foundation students** – Our transition program for 2024 foundation students will commence on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August – 2.30pm-3.15pm and then continue the following Tuesday – September 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. In Term 4 sessions will be at the same time on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. Sessions on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> November will be half day sessions and then the 28<sup>th</sup> November and 5<sup>th</sup> December will be full day sessions leading up to the State Wide transition day on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

**Book Fair** – We will be holding our Book Fair from 28<sup>th</sup> August – 1<sup>st</sup> September. The fair will be open from 8.30-9.00am and 3.30-4.00pm daily. We are seeking parents to volunteer some time to assist when the fair is open. If you can help, please let Erin know the date(s) and time(s).

**Parent Payment** – School Council has set the voluntary parent payment at \$230.00 per student for 2023. This payment covers the cost of all materials and books that students use at school. Payment can be made in cash/cheque to the office or by direct deposit to our bank account – 063-682 10025842. This amount can be paid in full or by instalment. Thank you to those parents who have already made this payment your support is greatly appreciated.



The Smile Squad dental van will be visiting students on the 16<sup>th</sup> August. Notes are being sent home today. Please complete and return as soon as possible. Thank you.

**Gr -34 Camp** – Our Gr 3-4 students are heading off to 15 Mile Creek Outdoor camp on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday back in Term 4. Paperwork for this camp was sent home 2 weeks ago. It would be appreciated if this could be completed and returned as soon as possible so that the information can be loaded onto the Camps database. ***Please make sure that the paperwork is filled out completely and signed by all parties where indicated. Thank you.***

**Pub Raffle** – We are looking for helpers to sell raffle tickets for the meat tray at the Whitehart Hotel on the 22<sup>nd</sup> September and 17<sup>th</sup> November. Proceeds from these raffles go towards educational programs that benefit all students during the year. If you can help on any of these dates, please contact Rose or Travis.

**School Student Broadband Initiative** – *(An announcement on behalf of Federal Member for Nicholls, Mr Sam Birrell MP).* Access to a fast home broadband connection is important to support education and build digital skills in a world that is more reliant on digital technology. Families across Nicholls may be eligible to access free broadband internet services over the nbn® network through the Australian Government's School Student Broadband Initiative.

The School Student Broadband Initiative is providing up to 30,000 unconnected Australian families with school aged children (K-12) with free broadband services for one year. The Initiative will provide the opportunity for eligible school students to benefit from fast internet at home to support their education.

Children who can access online learning as part of their education are more likely to be engaged in classroom activities as well as helping to build digital skills in a world that is more reliant on digital technology. I know that connecting the internet at home to support learning and homework is difficult for some families, this initiative will relieve some of the barriers.

I am inviting families from across Nicholls to contact my office directly if they think they could benefit from this Initiative. To be eligible for School Student Broadband Initiative, families must:

- Have a child living at home that is enrolled in an Australian school in 2023.
- Have no current broadband internet connection over the nbn network at their home. This does not include having mobile internet such as via a smart phone.
- Live in a premises where they can access the nbn network.
- Be referred by an official nominating organisation.

Our office can refer families for this program. Families that are interested and think they may be eligible can contact [sam.birrell.mp@aph.gov.au](mailto:sam.birrell.mp@aph.gov.au) or [morgan.dyer@aph.gov.au](mailto:morgan.dyer@aph.gov.au) . Once a family is found eligible for the Initiative, they will be issued with a unique voucher, which they can redeem with one of the participating internet providers. The one-year of free service begins from the day the service is activated.


For more information on the School Student Broadband Initiative, visit [www.infrastructure.gov.au/ssbi](http://www.infrastructure.gov.au/ssbi)



# Celebrating R U OK DAY!

R U OK Day Celebrations

- To help us to understand the meaning of the day we will hold a special assembly.
- A special breakfast club as well as a community morning tea event.
- Please bring a gold coin donation and encouraged to wear yellow to support R U OK Day as it's the symbol colour.



*Please join us!*

# R U OK DAY!

Please join us for a community morning tea to help us participate in R U OK Day.

When: 14th September at 10:45am  
 Where: Longwood Primary School (1-21 Hurley street)  
 What: Please bring a plate to share with our lovely school community! (please bring a savoury plate)









### In the Gr 4-6 room....

Students in the Gr 4-6 room have been focusing on poetry and learning how to write different types of poems.

They each compiled a book of their own poems which they had much pleasure in sharing with their parents last Friday.





In our **wellbeing session**, we started exploring with clay. Clay is an ideal material for exploration due to its open nature. It offers endless possibilities, as only by squeezing, shredding, or twisting can it change, stimulating ideas. It provides natural solid material to explore. Benefits of exploring clay are - giving children sensory experiences, development of fine motor skills, building on the ability to focus, igniting the curious and creative nature, and allowing for a natural progression in their developmental stages with materials. The result from the session was to make a maze or a pinch pot.





# Euroa Community Cinema

Visit our social media for all the latest cinema news

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Instagram: @euroacommunitycinema

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## FAST X (Community Choice movie)

Saturday 29 July, 7:30pm | Sunday 30 July, 4pm

The end of the road begins. Fast X, the tenth film in the Fast & Furious Saga, launches the final chapters of one of cinema's most storied and popular global franchises.

Cast: Vin Diesel, Helen Mirren, Brie Larson, Jason Momoa, Sung Kang, Alan Ritchson, Scott Eastwood, Charlize Theron, Michelle Rodriguez  
M | Action, Thriller | 141 minutes



## YOU HURT MY FEELINGS

Saturday 5 August, 7:30pm | Sunday 6 August, 4pm

A novelist's longstanding marriage is suddenly upended when she overhears her husband giving his honest reaction to her latest book.

Cast: Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Tobias Menzies, Michaela Watkins, Owen Teague, Jeannie Berlin, Arian Moayed, David Cross, Amber Tamblyn  
MA 15+ | Comedy, Drama | 93 minutes



## THE UNLIKELY PILGRIMAGE OF HAROLD FRY

Saturday 12 August, 7:30pm | Sunday 13 August, 4pm

THE UNLIKELY PILGRIMAGE OF HAROLD FRY is the story of an unremarkable man who sets off on a remarkable journey. Harold lives a life without purpose until he learns an old friend is dying and vows that in walking across England to see her, his journey can keep her alive.

Cast: Jim Broadbent, Penelope Wilton, Earl Cave  
M | Drama | 108 minutes



## NO HARD FEELINGS

Saturday 19 August, 7:30pm | Sunday 20 August, 4pm

Maddie thinks she's found the answer to her financial troubles when she discovers an intriguing job listing: wealthy helicopter parents looking for someone to "date" their introverted 19-year-old son, Percy, and bring him out of his shell before he leaves for college.

Cast: Jennifer Lawrence, Andrew Barth Feldman, Laura Benanti  
MA 15+ | Comedy | 103 minutes



## AUGUST COMMUNITY CHOICE - Voting opens June 29

Saturday 26 August, 7:30pm | Sunday 27 August, 4pm

Voting closes 14 July | winner will be announced 15 July on our website and social media

Vote by visiting this link or phoning 1800 065 993 (BH)  
<https://share.strathbogie.vic.gov.au/>



Euroa Community Cinema project on Share Strathbogie:

To complete our general survey, share your feedback on the cinema and vote for which movies you'd like to see screened in the future, scan the QR code or visit [www.share.strathbogie.vic.gov.au](https://share.strathbogie.vic.gov.au)



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Strathbogie SHIRE COUNCIL



# Farm Safe Kids

The safety of young children on the farm is a top priority for every landholder – mums, dads, grandparents – and for families who spend time on rural properties. From identifying potential hazards to implementing preventive measures, this event will provide valuable insights to ensure a safe environment for young children.

## Featuring guest presenters:



**Helen Jowett** | Trauma Program Manager from the Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne



**Jessie Adams** | Researcher from the National Centre for Farmer Health, Hamilton

Date: 25th August 2023

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Venue: Euroa Football Club Rooms (2 Dunn St, Euroa VIC)

RSVP essential by 21st August

A free, family friendly event. Bring the kids! Morning tea on arrival.

## Bookings:

<https://events.humanitix.com/farm-safe-kids>

Ph. Claire (Landcare Facilitator) 0448 908 690



This event is funded by the Victorian Landcare Grants Program, supported by the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority on behalf of the Victorian State Government. [www.geckoclan.com.au](http://www.geckoclan.com.au)

**Farm Safe Kids - Hosted by Gekko Clan Landcare Network - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August; 10am to 12.30pm; Euroa Football Club Rooms.** The safety of young children on the farm is a top priority for every landholder – mums, dads, grandparents - and anyone who spends time on rural properties with their families. Come along to our upcoming event which will present an opportunity to enhance your awareness of farm safety for kids.

**Bookings essential by 21st August - <https://events.humanitix.com/farm-safe-kids>.** We are pleased to welcome our guest presenters: Helen Jowett, Trauma Program Manager from the Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne, and Jessie Adams from the National Centre for Farmer Health. Jessie grew up on a beef farm in north east Victoria and has recently completed her PhD on child safety on farms.

Morning tea will be provided on arrival and will be an opportunity to connect with fellow attendees from the local community, as well as find out more about your local Landcare groups. A free event - all welcome. We encourage you to bring your kids along to learn together in a family-friendly environment.