

WEEK 2 TERM 2

Dear Parents, Carers and Families

Dawn Service – ANZAC Day

Lachlan and Benjamin, our School Captains, along with Jack F, Ella, Jackson T, Alexis, Brian and Arthur, braved the early morning start to proudly represent Coimadai Primary School at the Bacchus Marsh RSL Dawn Service on Saturday 25 April. Their respectful conduct reflected the significance of the occasion, as they stood in honour of the fallen soldiers who gave so much for our country. By attending, our students paid tribute to the courage, sacrifice and service of those who have served, reminding us all of the importance of remembrance and gratitude on ANZAC Day.

Grade 3/4 Classroom Update – Term 2

Mr Dean will be on leave for Term 2 as he and his family welcome baby Alastair. We wish them all the very best and look forward to his return in Term 3. Mrs Miller will continue teaching the Grade 3/4 class Monday to Thursday, providing consistency for students, and will also be available for interviews. Thank you for your support.

Semester 1 Reports – AEU Industrial Action

Due to current industrial action, staff are implementing AEU-endorsed work bans on producing written report comments. Consequently, Semester 1 reports will include progression points only, with no written report comments. Reports will be released via Compass on Monday 15 June. In response to this, Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held in Week 9 of Term 2, on Friday 19 June from 9:00am–3:45pm, to support further discussion of your child's learning.

Mother's Day Stall

The Parents and Friends Club will be holding a Mother's Day Stall on Tuesday 5th May. Students will have the opportunity to purchase a special gift for their mum or a significant person in their lives, with prices ranging from 50 cents to \$5. Layby options will be available for students if cash is not paid on the day.

Mother's Day Morning

Our Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast Morning will be held on Friday 8th May from 9:00am to 10:00am. We warmly encourage mothers to attend, or students may invite a special person in their life to join them for some food and a shared celebration.

RSVP is Tuesday the 5th April. The Google Form link was posted in Compass News today.

Book Fair – Monday 4th to Friday 8th

Our Book Fair is running from Monday 4th to Friday 8th, open daily from 3:15pm to 3:45pm. Students in Prep to Grade 2 will visit the Book Fair during their Respectful Relationships sessions, while students in Grades 3–6 will attend during P.E. to browse and bring home a wish list. EFT and cash payments are available for purchases.

Melbourne Writers Festival – Departure Reminder (Grades 3–6)

A reminder that students attending the Melbourne Writers Festival on Monday 4th May must be at school on time for an 8:30am departure. The bus will leave promptly, and we are unable to delay departure, so please ensure students arrive by 8:15am. Thank you for your support.

It has been a very busy start to Term 2, and it has been wonderful to be part of our school community—even with the occasional visit from local wildlife! It has been fantastic to see our students actively participating in a range of events and representing our school so positively.

I would also like to sincerely thank our staff for their ongoing commitment and teamwork, ensuring everything continues to run smoothly in Moira's absence. Their dedication to supporting our students and each other is truly appreciated.

Kind regards,

Renae Williamson
Acting Principal

Curriculum Day Reminder – Tuesday 26 May

A friendly reminder that Tuesday 26 May is a Curriculum Day. Students are not required at school on this day as staff will be engaged in professional learning to support ongoing improvement in teaching and learning.

Student Support Meetings – Term 2

Student Support Group (SSG) meetings are scheduled for specific year levels throughout Term 2 and can be held in person, via phone, or through video conferencing between 9:00am and 3:00pm. Teachers have contacted relevant families via Compass to organise bookings. If you have not yet booked your meeting, please do so as soon as possible, as teachers are unable to offer meetings outside of the scheduled times.

Students in Mr Dean's Grade 3/4 class will be contacted by Renae Williamson to arrange their meetings.

2027 Year 7 Enrolment

Thank you to families who have already returned their child's enrolment forms. A reminder that all forms must be submitted to Renae Williamson by 8 May. These forms must be returned for all students, even if your child will be attending an independent or Catholic school, or will be home schooled. The school will forward preferences to the relevant government secondary schools, so families do not need to apply separately.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on Friday 19 June from 9:00am to 3:45pm. Bookings will open via Compass on Monday 25 May. Interviews can be conducted in person, via phone, or through a digital platform. Please book your preferred time once bookings open and advise your child's classroom teacher if you require a phone or online meeting.

Whole School Swimming Program

We're excited to be returning to BlueFit Swimming for our whole school program, with 8 days of lessons scheduled Monday to Thursday across Weeks 9 and 10. Swimming is an important part of our curriculum, helping students build water safety skills, confidence, and lifelong healthy habits. Further information will be shared soon.

Carpark Safety Reminder

To keep everyone safe, the speed limit in our carpark is 10km/h at all times. All students, staff and families must only walk on the concrete paths and never walk across the gravel areas. These expectations apply at all times of the day and during all school events. Please remind anyone who will be visiting our school that these are our expectations for carpark safety. Thank you for supporting the safety of our community.



ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE



Important dates

May

8th BMPSSA Cross Country Carnival
8th Mother's day Breakfast
26th Curriculum Day

June

9th & 10th Sovereign Hill Excursion G5
12th Winter Sports Years 4/5/6
15th -25th whole School Swimming Program
2th School dismissed at 2:30pm for Term 2 Holiday

July

13th Term 3 commences

August

12-15th Billabong Ranch Camp, Echuca
28th Summer Sports Years 4/5/6
31st Ecolinc - Girls in STEM program

September

2nd Father's Day BBQ breakfast
18th School dismissed 2:30 for Term 3 holidays

October

5th Term 3 begins
19th - 21st Melbourne Camp
28th School Photo Day

December

15th School Concert
18th Last day of the school year



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Aoife, Zayne, Billy B and Juliet



Principal's Awards

Congratulations

Robert, Hunter, Maxwell, Bailey,
Danny, Evie and Hollie



READING NIGHTS AWARD

25 Nights Reading

Robert
Lincon G

50 Nights Reading

Hope
Lincoln D
Bailey
Isabella
Benjamin T
Oakley
Jack K
Aoife
Amarah
Xavier
Zoe

75 Nights Reading

Amelia
Billee C
Harper
Mark
Pippa
Kyden
Maxwell
Eden S
Iris
Benji

100 Nights Reading

Genevieve
Lucy G
Ella S

125 Nights Reading

Hayley

COMMUNITY FLU IMMUNISATION SESSION



Moorabool Shire Council is hosting an Immunisation session for all members of the public who require:

- Flu shot (for all ages)



DATE & TIME

Saturday 16 May 2026

10:00am–12:00pm and 1:00pm–4:30pm

MOORABOOL LIBRARY BACCHUS MARSH

215 Main Street, Bacchus Marsh

COST

\$20.00 per person

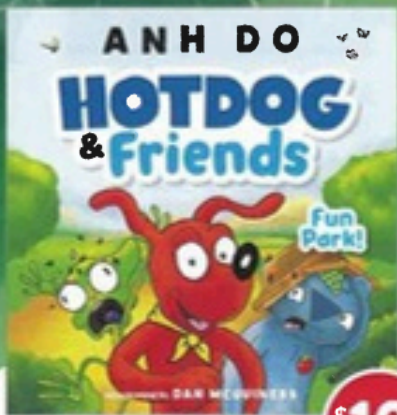
FREE: All children aged 6 months to <5 Years, Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander people. People aged 65 years and over.



You're invited to our SCHOLASTIC Book Fair



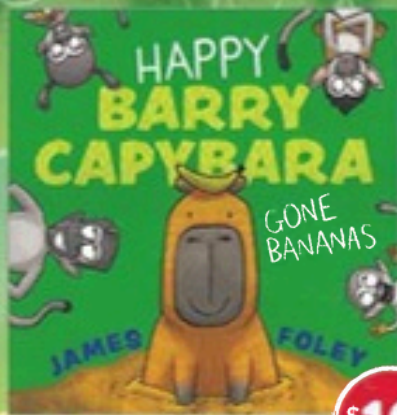
THE #1 BOOK FAIR



\$10

HOTDOG & FRIENDS: FUN PARK!

A perfectly planned picnic quickly turns into a disaster!
100148835 | PICTURE BOOK | AGES 3+



\$10

GONE BANANAS

Chilled out Barry finds a fun way to help the monkeys.
100149878 | PICTURE BOOK | AGES 3+



\$6

KEITH AND THE KITTEN

Keith's world is turned upside down when a kitten moves in!
100147313 | PICTURE BOOK | AGES 3+



\$10

THE LOST ISLAND

Twins are stranded on an island and learn to survive with the help of the local wildlife.
100147109 | NOVEL
AGES 8+



\$10

SCHOOL RIVALS

Ella is running for school captain, but she needs to beat Peach Parker and her nasty tricks.
100149877 | GRAPHIC NOVEL
AGES 8+



\$14

BIG JIM BELIEVES

The Space Cuties from Space return to the city!
100146358 | GRAPHIC NOVEL
AGES 7+



\$10

FEET FIRST

Ricky wakes up with the most useless, least impressive, slightly embarrassing super power!
100150905 | NOVEL
AGES 8+

EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL



Changes to the NDIS



Presented by



Bacchus Marsh Disability Parent Connection NDIS Changes - Information for Parents

The Bacchus Marsh Parent Connection Group is a friendly, supportive group of parents and carers of children with disabilities. We come together monthly for informal social connection and information sharing. All parent carers are welcome.

This information session will cover:

- Support Needs Assessments
 - What they are,
 - how they will work,
 - how parent carers can prepare,
 - Parent/carers rights
- The role of the LAC and how they can help.
- How the introduction of "Thriving kids" will or won't affect families currently on the NDIS
- Any other new changes to the NDIS since last June

Date

Monday 25th May 2026

Times:

7pm – 8.30pm

Venue:

Darley Neighbourhood House,
33-35 Jonathan Dr, Darley

How Much Does it Cost?

This information session is free

How do I register:

For further information contact
Rebecca Paton,
Parent Support Program Coordinator
Phone: 0493 765 542
Email: rpaton@pinarc.org.au

The Pinarc Parent Support Program is supported by the Victorian Government.



P: 1800 PINARC (1800 746 272) | E: admin@pinarc.org.au | www.pinarc.org.au

HEALTHY DIGITAL HABITS



Chat about
online experiences



Prioritise
sleep



No devices in bedrooms
or bathrooms



Take regular breaks
from screens



Trust your early
warning signs



Balance screen time
with green time

NAVIGATING UNCOMFORTABLE SITUATIONS



Do Not Respond



Record/
Screenshot



Take a Break



Block/
Change Settings



Report



Seek Help



MENTOR PARENTS....



...build own healthy habits.



...start curious conversations.



...set up parental controls



...supervise devices.

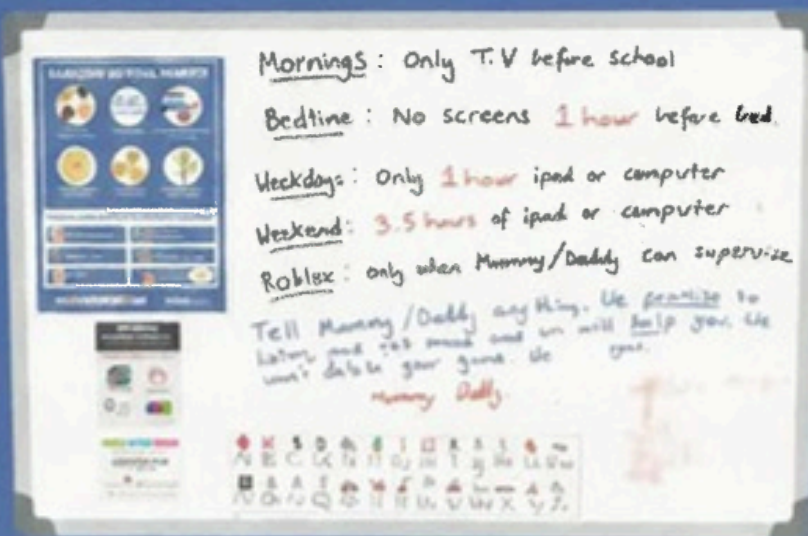


...create & display a family plan.



...connect with support.

CREATING A FAMILY PLAN



Carley steps you through practical ideas and considerations as you create your own family plan. Scan the QR code to access.



Access termly learning overviews, with simple conversation starters to help keep important chats going at home.



Please note, these are only relevant for schools that participate in our student programs.



BACCHUS MARSH LITTLE ATHLETICS

CROSS COUNTRY



SEASON COMMENCES
Saturday 9th May 10.30am

MASONS LANE RESERVE
Bacchus Marsh

DISTANCES

Under 6 - 500m
Under 7-8 - 1km
Under 9-10 - 1.5km
Under 11-12 - 2km
Under 13-17 - 3km

BMLAC Cross Country is free for all 2025/26 registered members. New members welcome for \$75 rego fee.



Enquires to BMLAC Registrar - Alli Grant 0409 322 983



BACCHUS MARSH
COBRAS



**DO YOU HAVE A CHILD READY TO PLAY
UNDER 10'S FOOTBALL**

SUNDAYS

UNDER 10'S

**STARTING
19TH APRIL 2026**

8AM

**KIDS BORN ON OR BETWEEN
01/01/2016 - 31/12/2017**

**WE WOULD LOVE THEM TO JOIN OUR
COBRAS FAMILY**

**CONTACT DARREN
0412 455 515 or dsmith@bmfnc.com.au**



BACCHUS MARSH
COBRAS



**DO YOU HAVE A CHILD READY TO
PLAY UNDER 9'S FOOTBALL**

WEDNESDAYS

UNDER 9'S

**STARTING
6TH MAY 2026**

5.30PM

**KIDS BORN ON OR BETWEEN
01/01/2017 - 30/04/2019**

**WE WOULD LOVE THEM TO JOIN OUR
COBRAS FAMILY**

**CONTACT DARREN
0412 455 515 or dsmith@bmfnc.com.au**

**ALL GIRLS
GROUPS
AVAILABLE**

AFL PLAY

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**GOOD
CLEAN FUN**

PLAY.AFL/AUSKICK

BACCHUS MARSH AUSKICK CENTRE

MADDINGLEY PARK

SATURDAYS 8AM - 10.30AM

STARTS 2ND MAY 2026