

#### INFORM

#### **Romsey Primary School** Newsletter

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Romsey Primary School is an inclusive and empowering learning community which fosters confident, creative, caring, curious and collaborative learners who "dare to be excellent".



#### **NOVEMBER**

Monday 3rd Curriculum Day

Tuesday 4th

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

**Thursday 6th** State Athletics Wednesday 12th

Romsey Primary School Art Show

Tuesday 25th

Book Fair-held in MPB until Monday 2nd December

#### <u>DECEMBER</u>

Friday 5th

December Meal Deal Day Orders close Fri 28/11/25

**Tuesday 9th** 

Statewide Transition Day

Wednesday 10th

Year 5/6 Camp—Lake Dewar 10/12—12/12

**Tuesday 16th** 

Year 6 Graduation Evening

#### Congratulations to all of our recent Toot Toot award recipients!



Our School Values Are: Respect Integrity Responsibility



I respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Victoria and pay respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.







I would like to extend a very big thank you to our Parent's Club for their incredible hard work and organisation of the Halloween School Disco. It was wonderful to see our students dressed up in their amazing costumes, showing off their dance moves, and most importantly, smiling from ear to ear — even if some smiles were hidden behind spooky masks and makeup! A huge thank you also to all the adults who volunteered their time on the night — your support is greatly appreciated.



A reminder that this Monday is a **Curriculum Day**. Staff will be focusing on assessment and reporting, and students are not required at school on this day. Please note there will be no assemblies in Weeks 5 and 6 due to the Curriculum Day and preparations for our upcoming Art Show.

As planning for 2026 continues, we are excited to share that we have approximately 45 Prep students enrolled for next year! Our new Preps will begin their transition sessions soon, with the first session scheduled for Tuesday, 18th November from 9:15am – 10:15am.

If your family circumstances are changing and your child will not be attending Romsey Primary School in 2026, please notify the office as soon as possible. This information is vital to help us plan effectively for next year.

#### Hats Off to Teachers on World Teachers' Day - Friday 31 October

Today is a day to celebrate the amazing teachers across Australia who inspire, support, and empower our children and young people every single day.

Here at Romsey Primary School we're proud to celebrate our dedicated teachers who bring learning to life. Whether it's through an encouraging word, an engaging lesson, or a quiet act of care, our teachers shape not only what students know, but who they become.

To amazing teachers at RPS thank you for your passion, patience, and perseverance. You are the heart of education, and your influence lasts a lifetime.

Finally, a reminder that information regarding parent requests and considerations was shared via Compass on Monday, 6th October, and included in the newsletter. The closing date for submissions has now passed — the due date was Friday, 24th October.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community.



#### Romsey Primary School Canteen Menu – Term 4, 2025







Product Availability Please refer to Qkr for the latest ingredient selection & stock availability. Menu items & price increases are subject to change at anytime.

LUNCH MENU		Tender Wrap Chicken Schnitzel or Angus Burger	\$8.50 \$8.50-\$10
		More Hot Food options will be available please refer to Qkr	
COLD FOOD		арр	one produce roller to dill
	04.00	SAUCE	
Boiled Eggs	\$1.00	Tomato Sauce	.50c
Salad Box GF	\$6.50	Soy Sauce	.60c
Wrap (Mini)	\$4.00	coy dabbe	.000
Wrap Large \$6.50		SNACKS	
Salad with your choice of lettuce, tomato, cucumber, carrot,			70-
beetroot, cheese		Popcorn	.70c
Add on Mayo, Relish, Ranch	522 5 1 4/25	Sunbites	\$1.00
Virginian Ham	+\$1.40	Pringles	\$1.40
Tuna	+\$1.90	* Baked Goods are also available daily via Qkr or over the counter at recess or Lunch until sold out (scones, Anzac biscuits, brown-	
Chicken	+\$1.90		, Anzac biscuits, brown-
Eggs	+\$1.50	ies, cake ext.)	
Fruit Salad small or large \$4.60-\$6.60		DRINK	
Please refer to Qkr for Food bowl selection options, such as		Water 300ml	.80c
Popcom chicken crunch, Calamari and rice noodles or Burrito		Juice Box	\$2.60
Bowl Character Food		Glee Juice	
SNACK HOT FOOD		Control Control	\$3.20
Mini Vegetable Spring Roll	.80c	Milo	\$2.50
Tempura Chicken Nugget	\$1.00	Milkshake	\$3.50
Hash Brown	\$1.30	FDOZEN	17.500.500
Sausage Roll (mini)	\$1.30	FROZEN	
Party Pies	\$1.30	Half to the property of a stranger of the second	
Steamed Dim Sim	\$1.30	Quelches Icy poles (99% fruit juice)	.70c
Corn on the Cob (serve of 2) GF	\$3.50	Zooper Dooper (Sugar Free)	.70c
Chicken Tenders	\$2.30	Bulla Mini Yoghurt	.60c
Jumbo Vegetable Spring Roll	\$3.70	Mini Choc Bar	.60c
HOT FOOD		Fruit Popsicle (No added Sugar)	\$1.00
Croissants/ Toasty	\$4.00-\$5.80	Twin Pole	\$1.50
Popcorn Chicken /Fish Bites & Wedg		Proud & Punch	\$1.80
Deluxe Nacho's	\$5.50-\$7.70	Slushie (Lime 99% fruit juice)	\$2.50
Lamb Kebab	\$9.00	Waffle Cone	\$2.00-\$3.00
		Thick shake	\$4.60

#### Please note:

\*GREEN - (healthiest choice) low in saturated fat/sugar /salt. Low in energy (kilojoules)

\* AMBER- (Sometimes consumed) contains some nutritional value although contains saturated fat/added sugar / salt, also provides to much energy (kilojoules)

\*RED- (Rarely Consumed) contains high energy, saturated fat/sugar /salt, low in important nutrients .

\*GF- Gluten Free

IF YOUR CHILD HAS ALLERGIES OR ANAPHYLAXIS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT THE CANTEEN TO DISCUSS FOOD OPTIONS AVAILABLE

\*\*Lunch order bags/ tabs must be brought to the canteen by the student when they are collecting soup, hot chocolate, milk shakes and frozen items.

Absent Child with a lunch order via QKR app.

Please email or contact the office before 10:00am to notify us so your child's order is not wasted and can therefore be provided when your child returns to school.











#### Canteen Help Required

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

If you can help as a volunteer in the canteen, please complete the slip below and return it to the school office or contact Trish (Canteen Manager) on 5429 5099.

Please note that pre-school children cannot attend while you are helping in the canteen due to OHS regulations.

You will need to have a current Working With Children card and RPS Induction survey completed upon entry to volunteer at school.

www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au (Its free to apply).

Help is required for a maximum of 1.5 hrs between 12:15pm - 1:45pm & you can even nominate the date below.

Without your help the canteen can not run effectively.

Your children and I look forward to having you in the Canteen in Term 4, 2025.

Kind Regards

Irish Castle		
Canteen Manager		
		Canteen Help
Name:		
Phone number		
Please circle dates y	ou prefer	
October		
Friday 17th	Friday 24th	Friday 31st
		Meal Deal Day

#### November

Friday 7th Friday 14th Friday 21st Friday 28th

#### December

Friday 5th

Meal Deal Day

# RPS ART SHOW!

We are so excited to
celebrate our
student's creativity &
the amazing art they
have made this year
at our upcoming
Art Show!

You're invited!

#### Not just for the kids!

Are you a creative?
We are having an
Open Section of our
Art Show so if you have
a creation you would
like to display please
contact Mrs McGuffie
via our school email,
phone or in person!

## Join us in celebrating our fabulous artists!

When: Wednesday 12th November Where: RPS Multi-purpose space Time: 3:45pm until 5:45pm

Interactive elements!

Fun for the whole family!

## Everyone is welcome!

Feel free to BYO grandmas, grandpas, aunties, uncles, cousins, friends, family, neighbours, footy coaches etc



#### How to order

Step 1: Come to our amazing Art Show on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov from 3:45 to 5:45pm (Second Chance Viewing on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Nov from 3:30-3:45pm)

Step 2: Choose your child/ren's artwork and products the products you would like to order them on.

Artworks that are available for printing will be listed on Qkr.

Step 3: Order your items via Qkr NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT THURSDAY 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

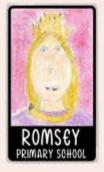
Artworks will be taken down and the Art Show packed up on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November.

Student's will bring their artworks home after the Art Show, please note any artworks that have been ordered will be returned after they have been scanned.

In order to ensure orders arrive by end of term the viewing/ordering window is very short.

For this reason we cannot accommodate any orders after Qkr closes at 12am on the 13<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **Products**



Samples will be available for viewing at the Art Show

#### Fridge Magnet

Magnet with UV DTF Printed Sticker (glossy finish) Size: 8.3 x 4.7 cm Price \$8

#### Sticker

UV DTF Printed sticker. Would be suitable for a drink bottle, large mug, etc. Size: 8 x 6cm Price \$5



Perfect Christmas presents for grandparents that have everything!

#### **Products**



#### Tote Bag

Cotton canvas tote bag with black/plain handles (depending on availability) & your child's artwork! Size (HxWxD): 40 × 44 × 10 cm Handles: 60 x 3cm Price \$20

#### **Shopping Bag**







## MIXING A SOLID AND LIQUID TO CREATE A GAS

## EFFECT OF BICARB SODA ON BALLOON SIZE.

The Grade 3/4s are learning about Chemical Science this Term. We completed an experiment, mixing a liquid (vinegar) and a solid (Bicarb Soda) together, to create a gas and see how much it would blow up a balloon.



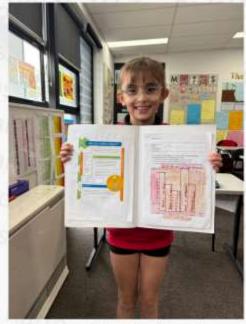






### HERE IS RUBY'S DESCRIPTION OF OUR EXPERIMENT.

"I saw the bicarb flowing up to the top and it was AMAZING how it blew up and flowed back to the bottom. When the balloon blew, it was like a hot air balloon. It was like I was in it! It felt really cool but also scary to see it blow up. I squealed a little bit. The balloon got 45cm big in diametre and we used 10g of bicarb soda. It was so surprising."



Ruby turned the data from the experiment findings into a bar chart



#### Canteen

Please remember orders for the canteen automatically cut off on Qkr at 9:00am sharp each day so please ensure you place your orders early to avoid disappointment.

If you have placed a lunch order via the QKR app and then your child is absent on that day, please contact the office <u>before 10:00am</u> to notify us so we can provide your child's lunch order when they return to school. After this time food is thawed and preparation begins therefore a credit or refund will not be given.

#### **Missed Calls From The Office**

Can we kindly ask that if you receive a missed call from the school that you please check your messages before calling the office.

Often times teachers will make phone calls to parents and not always inform office staff, therefore it is difficult to best direct your call.

We also phone families as well as messaging whenever a student is sent to the sick bay with a head bump. These calls will usually be just a courtesy call and may not require a call back, therefore it is important to check your messages first.



#### **Labelling Personal Items & Lost Property**

Can we please remind families to label all items of clothing, hats, lunchboxes, containers and drink bottles so we can return them to students.

The lost property pile is quickly growing once again and we have accumulated quite a lot of **unnamed lost property.** Whilst we do attempt to return labelled clothing and items, the volume of items can often make this task very difficult.

Tubs will be emptied over the coming days therefore we encourage you to come and have a look before all items are disposed of or donated.

Lost property tubs are located in the office, gym foyer and all classroom atrium

**areas**. If your child's lost classroom atrium tub it tubs.

property isn't in their could be in any of the other



# ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

Now accepting enrolments for 2026!

School tours by appointment only

#### Foundation Orientation Program Dates

- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 9:15am 10:15am
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 9:15am 10:15am
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 9:15am 10:15am
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 9:15am 10:30am



Chat with us today!



Email: romsey.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Website: www.romseyps.vic.gov.au

Phone: 03 5429 5099





## HAPPY BIRTHDAY to everyone who has celebrated their birthday's from 18th October — 31st October.

Ryder W Logan D-R Indianna L Samarvir S Tyrian S Lucas R Matilda P Zahli W Isaac G Jimmy D

# You've Been Noticed Award



Congratulations to this weeks 'JSC - You've Been Noticed' award recipients.

Thank you for keeping our school clean!

#### Weekly Toot Toot Awards

Awarded 24th October —Week 3 Term 4
To Be Presented Monday 27th October 2025

Prep C Eloise N for always putting your best effort into your learning and being such a kind and caring member of Prep C. Marley B for being such a kind, hardworking and reliable student, you have made great growth in your learning this year and I am so incredibly proud of you. Prep M Livia M for the outstanding effort you have put into your writing! Keep up the fantastic work Superstar!!!! Mia B for your excellent effort with your reading and writing! Keep up the fantastic work! Superstar!!!! Halle S for independently using tools such as the word wall to improve her writing! Well done! Prep S **Ari J** for working really hard to improve his writing! Well done superstar! 1/2K Luka C For sitting in the learning pit in phonics and getting himself out by figuring out what to do. Well done kiddo! 1/2G Rylie B for getting involved in the planet research for writing. It is great to see you so passionate about this topic. 1/2M for enthusiastically and brilliantly singing the roll song every morning! 1/2M

**1/2P**Romi I For your wonderful organisation skills. Every morning you come into the classroom and go about your routine without forgetting a thing. Congratulations too, on being such a helpful class member who puts in a huge effort to help to clean the classroom at the end of each day.

**3/4** Arlow E for his wonderful engagement and enthusiasm in all learning areas this week. Your focus and dedication have been amazing! Well done!

**3/4H** Marlee F for challenging herself during maths daily review and showing excitement when she was correct. I am very proud of you.

**3/4M** Arya D for showing responsibility all week, especially during learning time, staying focused and following instructions

**3/4S** Oscar E for making clever and interesting text to self connections in his reading.

**5/6H** Ava D for taking risks in Numeracy when unsure and not being afraid to ask for support. I am very 'PROUD' of you!

**Zoe K** for including a variety of language features into her narrative to make the story more engaging. **Charlotte M** for applying her reasoning skills when adding fractions. Amazing math thinking!

**5/6M** Levi S for your amazing work counting by fractions. Well done Levi!

**5/6P** Evie L - for including a variety of text features in her narrative writing to engage the intended audience. Great work Evie!

**Tiffany G** - for accepting feedback while revising her narrative writing and making it the best it can be. Great work, Tiffany!

Mia B Prep M for always doing her best listening and working hard in Art. Well done Mia!

Leah I 5/6P for consistently demonstrating a great attitude and fantastic effort in Art. Keep it up legend!

PE Archer B 3/4H for always demonstrating the right attitude towards participating in practical activities
Otis L 3/4H for being willing to give all activities a go and for being a responsible member of class

Meleigh H 5/6M for a great effort when programming your matrix animation.

Luka C 1/2K for problem solving your colour codes and working hard to draw the codes accurately Marylou W 5/6M for your creative designs in your matrix animations.

Intercultural Studies

Tully C, Ephraim M, Astin W, Casey K, and Peter Z - 5/6H for their amazing confidence and willingness to attempt some Native American Indian, Alaskan and Hawaiian dances during Intercultural Studies. Keep up the great work!

# <u>Deadly Award</u> <u>Recipients Week 3 - Term 4</u>

'Deadly Awards' are given to one student from each year level based on our school values. This week the Deadly Award is for -

'I listen and participate attentively at assembly'

Prep Emelia B

Year 1 Romi I

Year 2 Stewart B

Year 3 Lucy G

Year 4 Evelyn G

Year 5 Olivia G

Year 6 Lain H-P





Congratulations to these students for reaching 150 individual positives.

They received the 'SILVER POSITIVE AWARD'

and get to invite an adult to have lunch with them at

**Restaurant TOOT-TOOT!** 



#### Restaurant 'Toot Toot'











SITES: \$20 pay at gate ENQUIRIES:

LRswapmeet@hotmail.com

0400938160



4x4 & Car entry \$15 (includes driver only) Extra passengers and general public entry \$5

Sunday 26th October 2025 Clarkefield Reserve 8am-2pm

FROSTS
TIMBER & BUILDING
SUPPLIES

Community Bank Lancefield and Romsey

Bendigo Bank

FORBES MOTORS ROMSEY



# FIRE SEASON IS COMING ARE YOU READY?



Living in the Macedon Ranges means living with fire risk.

With large forests, open farmland, and dry conditions, our region is highly vulnerable to fire — especially with the current rainfall deficit.

#### What you can do today:



Slash long grass



Rake up leaves, bark, and debris



Remove woody weeds like gorse & blackberry



Clear gutters, rubbish around homes, sheds and fences



Keep your property maintained all summer



Create or review your Fire Plan



Have a plan for the first 72 hours

Preparation reduces risk — but it doesn't remove it. On hot, windy days, fire can still occur. That's why it's critical to have a Fire Plan and be ready to act early.

PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY | PROTECT YOUR FAMILY | START PREPARING TODAY





Macedon Ranges Shire Council



cfa.vic.gov.au (Fire safety & planning)

mrsc.vic.gov.au (Council resources)

#### Romsey Library Submission Term 4 2025

## ROMSEY LIBRARY

Phone 5429 3086 Email: romsey@ncgrl.vic.gov.au Facebook: Macedon Ranges Libraries

#### Our Fabulous Junior Collection

With the school year coming to a close we want to let you know how the Romsey Library is placed to support your child's learning journey.

Decodable Readers – With the introduction of the government mandate for schools to teach students to read using phonics, our packs of decodable readers are an excellent supplement to school readers. We have most common publishers, and you will likely find the readers your school uses on our catalogue. Speak to library staff for assistance.

Graphic Novels – popular titles including Baby-Sitters Club, Pokémon, Dog Man and TinTin.

Junior Fiction - up to date with current trends, titles and series.

Junior Non-Fiction - a range of texts to support interests and project work.

**Picture Books** - new titles arriving regularly as well as the old favourites. Our collection includes board books suitable from birth, through to older reader picture books.

Our staff at the Romsey Library are very happy to help all our young readers find reading material to suit their taste and level of reading; we are confident that we will find something for even the most reluctant readers!

We are also able to help source books on specific themes or subjects to support school projects and home school lesson plans.

Our collection also includes audiobooks and eBooks which can be easily accessed from most devices.

#### Dyslexia Friendly Collection available through the Goldfields Library Service

As well as an extensive range of information books that assist parents to support readers with a diagnosis of Dyslexia, Goldfields Library also have a collection of Dyslexia Friendly Early Reader texts designed to support children throughout their reading journey.

Please speak to a librarian for further information.



#### A Sensory Space for Children at the Romsey Library. Tuesday, 2.30 – 4.30 PM during the School Term.

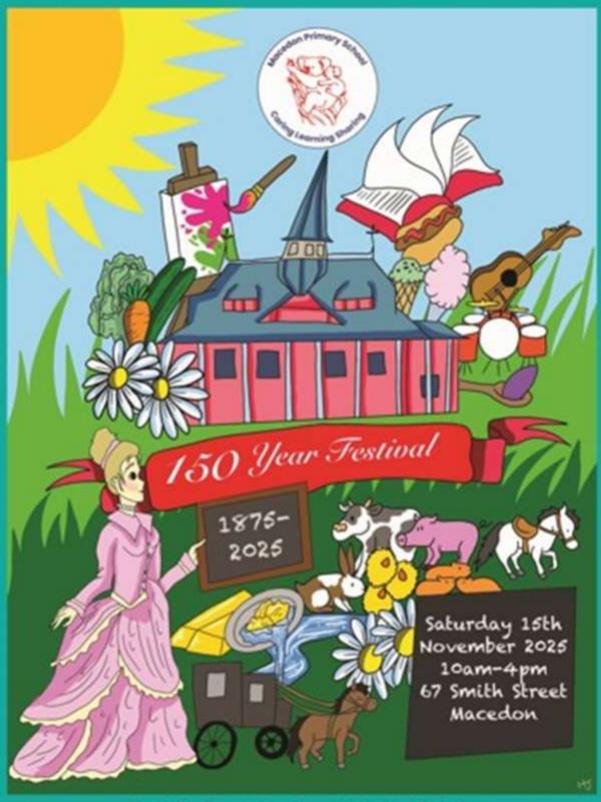
Did you know that your whole sensory system collects and organises a huge volume of information every day. It helps you unconsciously calibrate the degree to which you're affected by sensory inputs like sights, sounds and smells.

It can sometimes be overwhelming though. Loud noises and glaring lights – we've all felt the need to sit somewhere quiet and shut out the world for a time.

On **Tuesday afternoons**, between **2.30 and 4.30 PM**, the Romsey library is switching off the lights in the children's area and asking all patrons to minimise noise. We have comfortable couches and soft cushions to help you relax. There are fidget toys available to borrow if you need to keep your hands busy while you read or listen to a story.



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MACEDON SIGNS

#### Come and Try Orienteering at the home of the Ashes!

#### <u>Wednesday November 5<sup>th</sup> 6pm Salesian College</u> <u>Sunbury.</u>

Awaken your sense of adventure this year: try orienteering!

It's the versatile and exciting adventure sport where your aim is to reach all the checkpoints on a special map as quickly as you can.

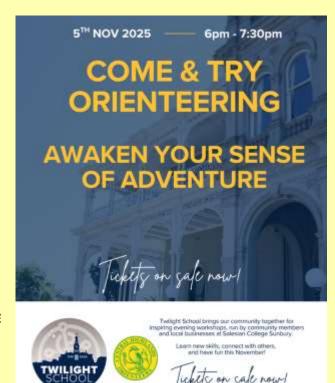
We'll explain how the maps work, what you are looking for and what you need to do.

All equipment is loaned on the night, just wear comfortable clothes and shoes to walk / jog in. This event is part of the Twilight school workshops aimed at learning new skills, connecting with others and most of all having fun!

Registrations are accepted through:

https://events.humanitix.com/twilight-school-single-sessions

Cost: \$10 + booking fee



#### MACEDON RANGES TWIILIGHT SUMMER SERIES RETURNS NOVEMBER 12

Looking for an opportunity to keep fit and socialise? Try orienteering!

Tackle courses set around your local area by yourself or with friends and family.

With a range of distances on offer suitable to all fitness levels, you will find something to enjoy!

Our club is ready to welcome you. At just \$5 per participant which includes coaching, map and hire of electronic timing chip what are you waiting for?

12 NOV KYNETON QUARRY RESERVE - PIPER ST

19 NOV GISBORNE JACKSON RESERVE
26 NOV WOODEND CAMPASPE PARK
3 DEC MACEDON TONY CLARKE
RESERVE

To find out more visit: https://centralhighlands.weebly.com/







Making friends and connections

THE ROMSEY MATE'S

COLLECTIVE

Join us for a BBQ

Where: Romsey Eco Therapy Park

When: 7pm Friday, November 14

Register for catering purposes http://bit.ly/3ISVWRF

Activities you want to try? What do you want to do?

# Featuring: Junkyard Wizards

Rhiannon Winchester

Felonys Mousie Coco

All-ages | Drug, alcohol, smoke & vape free

Kyneton Showgrounds

The Romsey Mate's Collective (RMC)
is a space for local men to meet,
share conversations, and plan
adventures together.



#### OFFERING:

- **HotShots Tennis**
- **Group Lessons**
- High Performance Squad
- Private & Semi-Private
- Cardio Tennis

**Diggers Rest New Gisborne** Riddells Creek Romsey

E: mrtc.scott@gmail.com

#### **REGISTER NOW**

M: 0414 493 948 Scott Vaughan, Head Coach

Our Aussin Hoops program teaches banketball-skills.

through activities and fun games in an inclusive environment for children aged 5-8 years old.

Where: Romsey techeation Centre, Romsey When: Saturday morning 9:00am - 10:00am

ord **GISBORNE 2025** 

MONDAY

4PM-5PM

Macedon Ranges **Sports Precinct** 



Build skills, confidence, and friendships Inclusive coaching tailored to individual needs



Scan to Register

- All Ages
- All Abilites





Relaxed, welcoming environment Great for physical activity, social development!







For more information, please contact Nikki plusocialmedia@gmall.com Come join the funtill!!

www.specialisthoops.org.au | Info@specialisthoops.org.au



#### AN INITIATIVE TO SUPPORT OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY.

Kyneton Baptist Church, Sunbury and Cobaw Community Health and the Macedon Ranges Shire have partnered together to support local families this Christmas.

#### WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

This year we are providing families with gift cards to spend at our local businesses. We need your financial help to make this possible. Donations can be made at Bendigo Bank Branches and via bank transfer by 17th November 2025. Find us on Facebook for more details.







P: (03) 5422 1782 M: 0404 442 891

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Supporting local families at Christmas

A community initiative of the Macedon Ranges



