

# 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".



**MAY 2025** 

Friday 16th

**Division Cross Country** 

Monday 19th Curriculum Day

**Tuesday 20th** 

CDSSA Winter Sports Day

Wednesday 21st

Inform & Engage Parent Information

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Friday 23rd

Meal Deal orders close—Not late

orders accepted

Friday 30th

Meal Deal Day

Over the counter sales only, No lunch

orders available on the day.

#### **JUNE 2025 Monday 9th**

King's Birthday Public Holiday

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







## Our School Values Are: Respect Integrity Responsibile





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







#### **Mothers Day stall**

On Wednesday last week our students were able to attend our Mother's Day stall. Thank you to an amazing bunch of mums who worked together to bring together the stall and produce amazing gift choices for our students. Your hard work and volunteering of your time is very appreciated by our Romsey school community.

#### Mothers Day afternoon tea

On Thursday afternoon held our Mother's Day afternoon tea and open classroom activities. Thank you to all our Mums, Nans, Aunties and special people who came to visit. We thank you for being partners with us in your child's education and hope you all had a wonderful Mother's Day last Sunday.



#### **Curriculum Day**

A reminder that Monday 19th (week 5) is a curriculum day. Students are not required to attend

school on this day. Staff will be working on assessment and reporting.

Other important days to remember for this term are Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June (Kings birthday public holiday) and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July (Week 11)

Student led conferences will be held 12-8pm. Students are not required to attend school on this day but to attend their conference time so they can share and celebrate their learning. Bookings for conference will open up on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June through Compass.

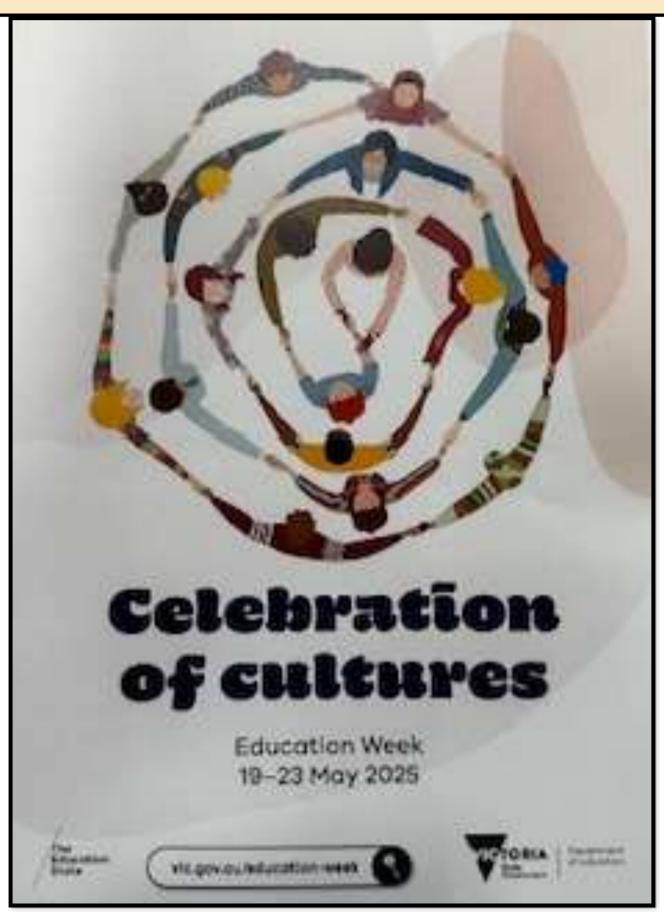
#### Leave

As of today I will be on Long Service Leave until Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. Mrs Sally Davies will Acting Principal during this time.



During Education Week every class and specialist class at Romsey Primary School will be undertaking activities in Celebration of cultures.

Look out for the next newsletter when we share the activities our students participated in.





#### School Saving Bonus reminder and allocation to school activities

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Victorian Government is delivering the School Saving Bonus (SSB) – a one-off support of \$400 for eligible government school students from Prep to Year 12 in 2025.

The SSB can be used for uniforms and textbooks until Monday 30 June 2025.

Any funds remaining after 30 June 2025, including online voucher amounts that have not been redeemed, will become a credit to use on school activities. However, the credit will not be available on your family account at our school until late July.

To use any remaining SSB funds to cover the cost of school activities in July, please refer to the <u>SSB Online Portal</u> and allocate the funds to school activities before 30 June 2025.

To learn more about the SSB online system, download step-by-step <u>System guides for parents and carers</u> or watch this <u>School Saving Bonus Video</u>. <u>System guide</u> <u>translations</u> are also available in 14 languages.

The Department of Education's SSB contact centre will remain available until 30 June 2025. The contact centre can be reached by:

- Completing the <u>School Saving Bonus enquiry form</u>
- Calling 1800 338 663, between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm on weekdays.

After this date, please contact our administration team for any SSB related questions.

Thank you,

Melanie Stewart

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Principal





#### 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 **before 10:00am** 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.



#### Car Parking

Please ensure when dropping your children off and picking them up from school that you use the car park out the front of the school. Parent car parking is not available on school grounds.

#### **RPS Late Arrivals & Early Departures Procedure**

Please remember that if your child is late to school they <u>must</u> present to the office before heading to class to obtain a late pass. This eliminates absence notifications being sent to parents causing unnecessary worry.

If you need to collect your child early from school, please present to the front office to obtain an 'Early Departure' slip from the school Kiosk iPad **before heading to your child's classroom**. Office staff will happily assist with this if needed.

In an emergency you may phone the school to arrange for your child to be brought to the office for collection otherwise all parents/guardians are required to collect their child from their classroom to minimise announcements and interruptions to other classes.

If you need to pick up your child for an appointment, we kindly ask that you arrive 5-10 minutes earlier to allow time to collect your child from their classroom.

For safety reasons, can we please remind families that only people listed as emergency contacts are able to collect your child. If you would like someone to collect your child on your behalf and they are not listed as an emergency contact, you must notify the school accordingly either by phone or email.

If you are not sure who you have listed as emergency contacts for your child, please enquire at the office. A maximum of 4 people can be listed for each family.

If you know in advance that you will not be able to arrive on time it is important for alternate arrangements to be made or to contact the Out of School Hours Program to see if there are any available spaces. This will ensure that your child is suitably supervised. (The Kidzone Out of School Hours Program number is 0481 212 047)

Just a reminder that assembly is held every Monday afternoon at 3pm, therefore if you need to pick up your child early on a Monday, we strongly recommend you arrive before 3pm.

We thank everyone for their cooperation and understanding.



#### **Unwell Students**

Please remember that if your child is displaying any virus or gastro like symptoms and/or is saying they are feeling unwell please keep your child home until they are symptom free.

If your child is sent to the sick bay feeling unwell or showing virus like symptoms, parents will be called to collect their children as soon as possible.

If any students develop symptoms at home we ask that parents keep their children home until they are symptom free.

The quickest and easiest way to notify the school of your child's absence is via the Compass app. You can also enter absences in advance using Compass.

Only listed emergency contacts will be able to collect your child if you are unavailable unless written consent is provided. Please ensure your emergency contacts are up to date.



#### **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.

We have already accumulated quite a lot of **unnamed lost property** which will unfortunately be donated or disposed of if not claimed.



Lost property tubs are located in the office, gym foyer and all classroom atrium areas. If your child's lost property isn't in their classroom atrium tub it could be in any of the other tubs.

#### **BOARD GAMES**

**Games Club** are in need of more board games and would be very appreciative of any **donations**. If you have any board games that are of no use at home and have all the pieces needed to be able to play the game, we would be more than happy to take them off your hands. They can be handed in at the office at any time over the next few weeks.







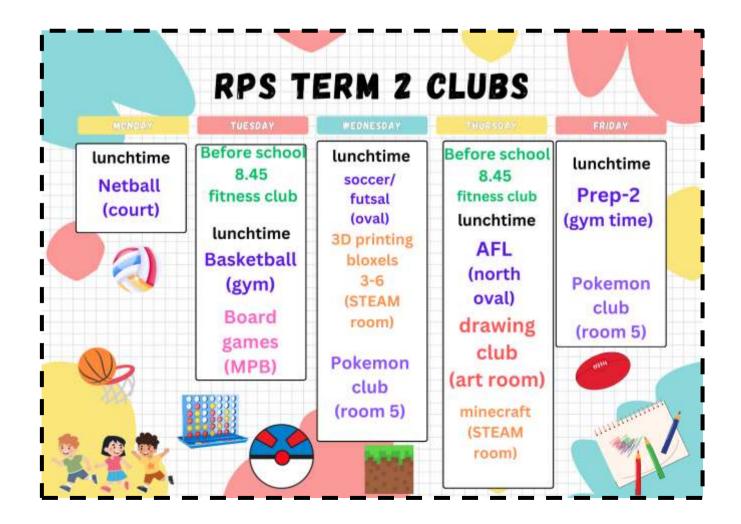


# HAPPY BIRTHDAY to everyone who has celebrated their birthdays over the school holidays and this past fortnight.

Savannah G Ruby S Shania W Jett L Toby P

Isaac P Alfie L Hudson M Willa R Darcy P

Romi I Chelsea B Jack A Jaxson B



## Weekly Toot Toot Awards

Awarded 9th May —Week 3 Term 2 To Be Presented Monday 12th May

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Prep C	<b>Phoenix K</b> for an outstanding effort learning to write your name. Keep up the great work superstar!				
Prep M	<b>Olivia W</b> for your amazing effort with learning your golden words . Keep up the great work Olivia!				
Prep S	Halle S for always showing respect and kindness to her classmates.				
1/2K	$oldsymbol{Maddison}\ oldsymbol{W}$ for writing sentences with some amazing adjectives to describe her nouns. Well done kiddo! .				
1/2G	<b>Remi W</b> for applying herself in maths, being able to recall doubles and friends of ten facts speedily.				
1/2 <b>M</b>	Oliver D for believing in himself and bravely trying harder work— even when it feels tough!				
1/2P	<b>Ruby D</b> for your excellent effort in every piece of work you do and for your wonderful respect to teachers and peers. You are a great role model to others!				
3/4A	Savannah G for working so hard on her narrative this week, well done!				
3/4H	Veer <b>G</b> for showing persistence and resilience when telling the time to quarter to the hour				
3/4M	Kaiden C for putting your brave in front and building your stamina at school. Well done!				
3/4S	<b>Eva W</b> for always being kind, caring and showing support to classmates.				
5/6H	Abbey B for beginning to trust herself and take risks in her learning. I am so very proud of you!				
5/6K	<b>Britney S</b> for recognising when she requires help and confidently asking for support. Excellent attitude Britney!				
5/6M	Hunter J for always being engaged in class activities and actively participating in class discussions.  Great job Hunter!  Marylou W for taking the time to help her peers understand the ration model in Maths. Thanks Marylou!				
5/6P	Cooper S for helping his peers develop their skills in sport. Thanks Cooper, keep it up!  Brodie P for helping his peers with a persuasive writing task, supporting them through access and re-explaining the task. Thanks Brodie, keep it up!				
Art	<b>Prep M</b> for the fantastic way Prep M listened, followed instructions and had fun making secondary colours in Art. Well done! <b>Zoe K 5/6P</b> for sharing her ideas and observations on Yayoi Kusama's artworks. Great job!				
PE	Luke VB 5/6P for demonstrating a good understanding of the need to use communication skills during games of AFL  Dakota R 5/6M for showing overall excellence in her skills and knowledge for Invasion Games				
STEAM	Oscar E 3/4S - for your amazing contributions to our class discussion around living and nonliving.  Jimmy 1/2P for paying close attention to your mixture and recording your observations carefully and accurately.  Arthur Prep M for listening carefully to instructions and planning and building a fantastic raft for the Gingerbread man				
Intercultural Studies	Anastasia B 1/2M - for making some very thoughtful and creative connections between our class story and her own work.  Hannah R 1/2M - for the great effort she put into decorating her 'Little Hippo' with colour and				

Hannah R 1/2M - for the great effort she put into decorating her 'Little Hippo' with colour and

Egyptian patterns.



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

'Working Cooperatively to encourage my peers'

Prep Alfie L

Year 1 Frankie D

Year 2 Alexander R

Year 3 Ryan A

Year 4 Otis L

Year 5 Millie H

Year 6 Gian D

NAMES AND ADDRESS OF

Week 2 Award Recipients





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

'I am quiet and aware of other classes when moving around the school'

Prep Shaelee C

Year 1 Marnie H

Year 2 Nate B

Year 3 Emma S

Year 4 Zoe S

Year 5 Frankie N

Year 6 Meleigh H

Week 3 Award Recipients



# COBAW Soccer Gisborne



# ART ROOM NEWS

## **RPS ART SHOW**

We are super excited to be holding our biennial Art Show in Term 4 this year. We would love to see as many students, grown ups, family and community members join us to celebrate our student's creativity. Please pop Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November in your calendar and join us after school for a fabulous evening of art, celebration and fun!

## **HELPERS**

Mrs McGuffie is hoping to recruit a small group of parent helpers to meet a couple of times a term to assist with Art Show preparations. Our Art Show in 2023 was a huge success largely due to the incredible parents we had helping & we would love to make this year even better! If you are interested in helping please email romsey.ps@education.vic.gov.au with

Mrs McGuffie as the subject line.



Students in grade 5 were able to participate in a STEAM incursion about drones. Students explored different careers that use drones and how to program and control drones.















#### Romsey Primary School Canteen Menu – Term 2, 2025



Canteen operates Monday to Friday.



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		Chicken Tender Crunch Wrap	\$8.50	
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COLD FOOD		Lasagna (Beef & Vegetarian)	\$9.50-\$10.50	
30251305		Lamb Kebab	\$8.80	
Boiled Eggs	.90c	More Hot Food options will be available	e please refer to Qkr	
Salad Box GF	\$6.50	арр		
Wrap (Mini)	\$3.90	SAUCE		
Wrap Large	\$6.50	Tomato Sauce	.50c	
Salad with your choice of lettuce, tomato,		Soy Sauce	.60c	
beetroot, cheese	and an in a section of	100000000000000000000000000000000000000		
Add on Mayo, Relish, Ranch		SNACKS		
Virginian Ham	+\$1.40	Popcom	.70c	
Tuna	+\$1.90	Pringles	\$1.40	
Chicken	+\$1.90	Red Rock Deli (Sea Salt or Honey So	y) \$1.60	
Eggs	+\$1.5	Grain Waves	\$1.80	
Mini Fruit Salad	\$4.50	* Baked Goods are also available daily via Qkr or over the counter		
Large Fruit Salad	\$6.50	at recess or Lunch until sold out (scones, ies, cake ext.)	Anzac biscuits, brown-	
SNACK HOT FO	OD	DRINK		
Mini Vegetable Spring Roll	.70c	Water 300ml	.80c	
Tempura Chicken Nugget	\$1.00	Juice Box	\$2.50	
Hash Brown	\$1.20	Glee Juice	\$3.20	
Sausage Roll (mini)	\$1.30			
Party Pies	\$1.30	Milkshake	\$3.50	
Steamed Dim Sim	\$1.30			
Corn on the Cob (serve of 2) GF	\$3.50	FROZEN		
Jumbo Vegetable Spring Roll	\$3.60	Quelches Icy poles ()99% fruit juice	.60c	
HOT FOOD		Zooper Dooper (Sugar Free)	.60c	
		Bulla Mini Yoghurt	.60c	
Hot Soup	\$4.80-\$6.00	Mini Choc Bar	.60c	
Croissants/ Toastie	\$4.00-\$5.80	Fruit Popsicle (No added Sugar)	\$1.00	
Popcorn Chicken /Fish Bites & Wedges	\$5.90	Twin Pole	\$1.50	
Cannelloni	\$6.50		\$2.00-\$3.00	
Butter Chicken & Rice	\$9.50	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 CAN-TEEN 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 stakes 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.



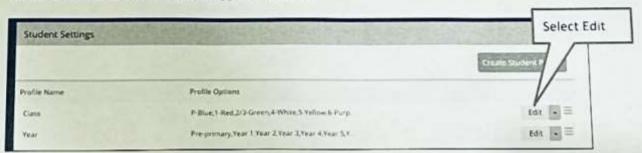


Our canteen staff rely on the correct information from the Qkr! app to be able to deliver your child's lunch order to the correct classroom. Please check the app to make sure your child's correct class is entered. This doesn't automatically update each year, you need to edit it. Please find instructions below to assist you to update

#### PROFILE MANAGEMENT

#### Editing a Profile

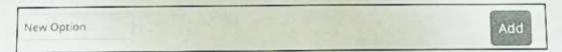
Select-SETTINGS-STUDENTS-EDIT PROFILE



### Adding a Profile

Select-SETTINGS-STUDENTS-EDIT PROFILE

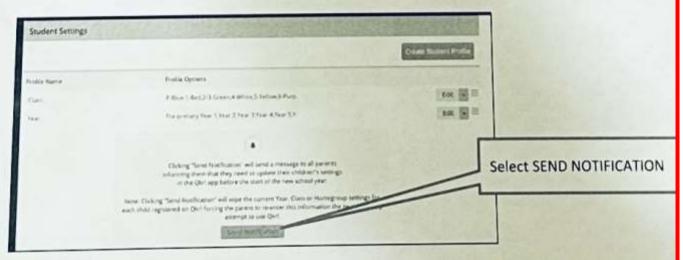
Add information into the New Option at the bottom of the Profile Options list.



Once an edit or new addition has been made select SAVE the customer/parent will receive a message when they access Qkr to 'Update their Profile'.

#### Commencing a New Year

Edit and/or add new profile options for the new year SAVE



Select 'SEND NOTIFICATION' All customers/parents will be notified update the child's Year and Home group/class profile (Refer to Appendix 1 for "Updating Homegroup Reminder' notice



# **TERM 2- May 2025**



# **Meal Deal**



Class

When: Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of May 2025 Cost: \$7.50 - \$9.80

Cakes	Tomato Sauce□	\$7.50
ole Spring Roll	Soy sauce □	\$7.50
	Tomato sauce □	\$7.50
	Tomato Sauce□	\$9.50
table Pastie 🗆	Tomato Sauce□	\$9.70
Pie□	Tomato Sauce□	\$9.80
Drink include	d- Please select one of	the following
Strawberry Milk D	]	
ry Tropical Or	ange and Mango  Appl	e and Blackcurrant 🗆
Snack included- Ple	ease select one of the fol	lowing
	table Pastie  Pie  Drink include  Strawberry Milk Ery  Tropical	ole Spring Roll □ Soy sauce □  Tomato sauce □  Tomato Sauce□  table Pastie□ Tomato Sauce□



Available to order Via QKr App or at the Office by Friday 23rd of May 2025

OVER COUNTER ITEMS ARE STILL AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE AT RECESS AND LUNCH

Normal Canteen menu is NOT available on this day



#### 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 on Fridays only,

Friday13th

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 2, 2025.

Kind Regards

June

Friday 6th

Tuna regards			
Trish Castle			
Canteen Manager			
		Canteen	Help
Name:	•••••••		
Phone number	****************		***************************************
Please circle dates yo	u prefer		
May			
Friday 2nd	Friday 9th	Friday 16th	Friday 23rd
Friday 30th (Meal Deal)			

Friday20th

Friday27th (Meal Deal)



# HOW YOU CAN COMMUNICATE WITH SCHOOL

# COMMUNICATION

EMAIL - you may email the school inbox on romsey.ps@education.vic.gov.au. This inbox is checked on a daily basis between 9am-4pm. Please allow a 48 hour response time. Please email this address if you wish to contact the classroom teacher.



PHONE - call the school office on 5429 5099. Teachers are unable to leave class to take phone calls during lesson time but will call back as soon as practicable.



COMPASS- you may communicate student absence reasons via the Compass app.

If your child attends sickbay this will also be communicated via email through the app.



FACE TO FACE- You may quickly cotch up with the classroom teacher in the morning between 8.45-9am or after school. Please be mindful that this is an informal quick chat opportunity.



NOTE/DIARY - you may write in your child's diary or a note to the teacher. Please ask your child to let their teacher know if there is a note/message for them.



Facebook-we have a school facebook page that is used for reminders and to share celebrations. This is not one of our communication tools that is monitored to answer questions.



# Are you a waste warrior?

Enter the waste truck art competition!



Entries close Friday 30 May 2025
Scan the QR code or visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/truck-art
Terms and conditions apply.







#### Bin truck art competition

Are you a waste warrior? Enter the competition to have your artwork displayed on one of Council's waste collection vehicles for years to come! Create an artwork reflecting one of the chosen categories to creatively show the community how to best sort their waste and protect our environment!

#### Details/How to enter

- The competition opens Term 2, Tuesday 22 April 2025 and closes Friday 30 May 2025.
- Create an artwork reflecting one of the chosen categories to creatively show the community how to best sort their waste and protect our environment!

#### Categories:



#### The four bin system

Show us how to correctly sort our waste into the right bin!



#### Hazardous waste

From batteries to chemicals, there are lots of dangerous items that don't belong in your bins. Help us empower people to dispose of waste safely.



#### Choose to reuse

Let's work together to reduce waste, how can we inspire others to choose reusables over single use?

#### Terms and Conditions:

- · Entrant must live or go to school within the Macedon Ranges.
- One entry per student. Entries must be received by Council by close of business on Friday 30 May 2025 via post to: PO Box 151, Kyneton VIC 3444 or delivered to a Customer Service Centre.
- Artwork must be completed on paper or cardboard and be flat.
- · Artist can use any of the following mediums: paint, ink, pencil, crayon, chalk.
- Digital artwork will be accepted from primary and secondary school entrants but must be provided in printed format.
- Combined group artworks will be accepted from early learning centres and kindergartens only.
- Maximum sizing for the artwork: A3 (297mm x 420mm)
- Artist must include their name, school and class on the back of the artwork.
- · Please include contact details for home school and private entries.
- Optional: provide a brief description of the artwork.
- One entry per student. Entries must be received by Council by close of business on Friday 30 May 2025 via post or delivered to a Customer Service Centre.
- Original artworks will not be altered. Council may use partial artworks, add logos, mascots, slogans and other branding.
- Original artworks will not be returned to artists or schools, so please take a photo before sending if you wish.

#### Judging and prizes

Competition entries will be shortlisted by a panel of staff from the Resource Recovery team with final winners judged by a panel of Councillors.

Minimum of three winners from each age/learner group (early learning, primary and secondary) will win a waste warrior starter kit to take home as well as having their artwork featured on a Council waste collection truck.

The early learning centre or school from which the winners are from, will win a delivery of organic compost for their gardens.

Each entrant will have the chance to have their artwork used in ongoing waste education campaigns.

Council will contact the school or early learning centre directly to notify the winners. Winners will be invited to a photo opportunity.

#### Questions?

Contact Waste Education Officers - Krystina Simpson or Meredith Blake on MRSC\_resource\_recovery@mrsc.vic.gov.au or 5422 0333



# Free Outdoor Fitness Classes

Learn how to use the outdoor fitness equipment at Kyneton, Romsey and Gisborne

Hosted by an experienced Exercise Physiologist from Sunbury Cobaw Community Health.

During May and June various sessions will be held at the outdoor fitness equipment at Kyneton, Romsey and Gisborne to learn how to use the equipment safely. Come to one or as many sessions as you'd like – no experience required!

Sessions in Romsey will be held at 9 or 9.30am after school drop off. To book in and see days and times available visit:

Romsey https://mrsc.sales.ticketsearch.com/sales/salesevent/149426











# #playtolearn with The Ranges Music Network at your school!

Keyboard | Strings | Guitar | Drums | Harp Woodwinds | Brass | Voice | Composing | Electronic Music | DJ | Ensembles

+ CODING | MAKING | FILM & PHOTO | CREATIVE ARTS





a fun mix of individual & small ensemble instruction where you learn the language & then start speaking right away!



# **Individual**

tailored just for you and your interests working 1:1 with your mentor

# Just for P-2

Li'l Bites individual lessons & Discovery are perfect for our youngest musicians & creatives









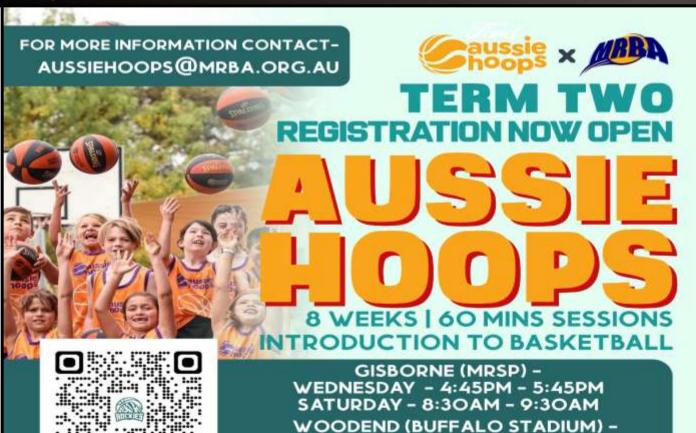


visit rangesmusic.net to get started





storyboarddrama.com storyboarddramastudios@gmail.com



FRIDAY - 4:30PM - 5:30PM SATURDAY - 8:30AM - 9:30AM

## How to order your child's BYOD device





#### Better learning is just a click away

JB Hi-Fi Education's Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program is the easy way to purchase education-specific laptops, tablets and accessories that are compatible with your child's school and designed for the rigours of student life.

- Dedicated portal with products approved by your school and school-specific software.
- Education-specific product at commercial pricing.
- Extended warranty and insurance options.

Scan here to access the BYOD portal



#### Follow the step-by-step guide:



Or scan the QR code at th top of the page















PLUS BV & BA FEES, WHERE APPLICABLE

#### MACEDON RANGES BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

FUN, BEGINNER-FRIENDLY GAMES TO BUILD SKILLS AND CONFIDENCE

MONDAY NIGHTS

@ MACEDON RANGES
SPORTS PRECINCT

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS
@ MACEDON RANGES
SPORTS PRECINCT

**15 WEEK SEASON** STARTING MAY 12TH INCLUDING GRADING & FINALS

UNIFORM PROVIDED

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT DOMESTIC@MRBA.ORG.AU

# REGISTER



CLOSES









HONORING THE PAST, EMBRACING THE FUTURE



