

# NEWSLETTER

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS / REMINDERS

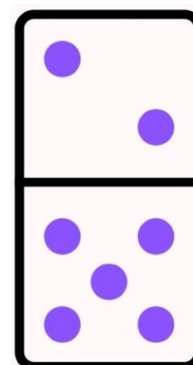
Every Friday	Lunch Orders.
Thursday 6th April	Last day of term. Early dismissal 2.30pm.
Monday, 24th April	School Council Approved Pupil free Day
Tuesday, 25th April	Public Holiday

## Term 1      Week 10

### Pupil Free Day Monday, 24th April—Focus on Numeracy

School Council has approved a pupil a pupil free day for the first day of Term 2. Teachers will be building their professional knowledge on teaching numeracy with a focus on “The Big Idea’ in numeracy.

Research has shown us that some students who are struggling with numeracy have gaps in their knowledge in critical areas. Our focus will be on the first two areas Trusting the Count and Place Value. Trusting the Count involves students having a mental picture of numbers. Imagine dice where numbers are represented by dots. If you see a three and a four it is highly likely you don’t count the numbers but intuitively know what these numbers look like. You also likely know that these numbers can be represented in a variety of different configurations. Students need a robust mental picture of numbers. If you would like to know more follow the link>



[What is Subitizing in math? Why is it important? - Number Dyslexia](#)

Our second focus area will be Place Value. Our numeration system requires students to have a robust understanding of the Base 10 system (one’s, tens, hundreds etc.) Students need to know that the 3 in 36 represent 3 tens and that 3 tens is bigger than 3 one’s and smaller than 3 hundreds. This may sound simple, however the concepts involved can be quite tricky. Students need to be given multiple opportunities to explore relationships in maths.

[Place Value – How Important Is It Really? - Maths Australia](#)

## Class Caterpillars

The P/1/2 were lucky enough to have 6 monarch caterpillars to care for this term. We discovered that the caterpillars eat only milkweed leaves and that their poo is called 'frass'. We loved seeing them grow fat like the caterpillar in 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and found that when we made loud noises, we could make them move their heads up and down. The students kept a diary documenting the changes they saw. I have shared Jack's diary below.



### Caterpillar Diary by Jack Sparrow

**Day 1:** The caterpillar is eating leaves on the tree.

**Day 7:** The caterpillar is starting to make a cocoon.

**Day 8:** They became cocoons on Friday. The cocoons are green and gold.

**Day 20:** Today I saw an orange butterfly. It had big wings



## EASTER



**BIG NEWS—Our out of School Hours Care is back, bigger and better than ever, running five days per week. If you would like your child enrolled for out of school hours care please come and get an enrolment form.**



**big**  
CHILDCARE



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT

**O.S.H.C?**

Hey! We're BIG and we're your after-school care provider at Boolarra Primary! Let me tell you a little bit about us.

We run every afternoon in the room next to the library and always serve up some nutritional, delicious food for the children. We do HEAPS of amazing activities that the children help plan out for every single day!

We'd love to see you at our next OSH session, and you can grab more information from your school office!

- This term we are planning to do;  
Amazing artwork/craft activities  
Sporting games outside  
Cooking/Food craft activities  
Board game competitions  
Scavenger hunts and lots of fun things to keep your children busy after school!












# Students of the Week



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<p><b>Week 9 Term 1</b> <b>Ruby</b></p> <p>For upholding our four school values every minute of every day. Ruby, you show great initiative and are always happy to do whatever is asked of you both in and out of the classroom.</p>		<p><b>Week 10 Term 1</b> <b>Logan</b></p> <p>For your engagement during literacy classes. Logan you concentrate, listen and participate in all activities. Well done.</p>	
<p><b>Week 9 Term 1</b> <b>Sophia</b></p> <p>Who modelled our value of respect through always being ready to learn and trying her best in class.</p>		<p><b>Week 10 Term 1</b> <b>Angela</b></p> <p>For showing respect to herself and others in all areas of her learning.</p>	
<p><b>Week 9 Term 1</b> <b>Harry</b></p> <p>For the engagement he is showing in class. Harry's confidence is growing and he is beginning to raise his hand to share his ideas and thoughts in class. Well done Harry.</p>		<p><b>Week 10 Term 1</b> <b>Jackson</b></p> <p>For his engagement with class discussions. Jack pays attention to what is being discussed and is able to answer questions and give insightful comments on topics discussed. Jack also showed perseverance when he completed all the pages of his Caterpillar Diary..</p>	

<p><b>TEACHER OF THE WEEK</b></p> <p><b>Mrs Duncan</b></p> 	<p>For trying to make her lovely vision of our school come true! Thank you so much.</p>
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## Positive Yard Behaviour

Congratulations to the following students.  
You have demonstrated our school values out in the Yard:

**Ashton Gus**

Student can choose an item from our prize box or a hot chip lunch on Friday

## Maths Achievement Awards

# Thank You

**Week 7 Term 1**

**Sian**



**Week 8 Term 1**

**Ashton**



**Week 7 Term 1**

**Richie**



**Week 8 Term 1**

**Ethan**



- Liz and Doug Black for running our breakfast at school.
- Barb for her volunteering and help in the school.
- Thank you to Gewalin's Dad, Craig for giving us donuts and donating the eggs for our egg roll.
- Isabelle's Mum, Nadine for our Easter Fundraiser.

### AUSSIE OF THE MONTH

**Matilda**



Matilda is a model student who shows our school values. She is kind and caring to all in our school. When it comes to learning Matilda always aspires to do her best. Well done Tilly.

### CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS—PARENT PAYMENTS 2023

We are asking \$150 for 2023 curriculum contributions and are asking for parents to pay by the end of March 2023. We thank those of you who have already contributed.

If you would still like to make payments for this year's curriculum contributions you are welcome to do so.

Our bank account details are BSB 063522 Account No. 1006 8539. Please use your child's name as reference and contributions for easy receipting.

### Attendance Requirements

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify the school as soon as possible on the day of absence, through SkoolBag or phone

Notifying the school of your child's absence either prior to, or on the day that they will be away, helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and will fulfil your legal responsibility.

From the end of Term 2 2018, all Victorian government schools are required to contact parents/carers as soon as practicable on the same day of an unexplained student absence. If your child is absent on a particular day and you have not contacted the school to explain why or the school has not been able to contact you, the absence will be marked as unexplained.

This system also promotes daily school attendance. Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education, they learn new things every day – missing school puts them behind.

The <insert school name> Attendance Policy which outlines the school's processes and procedures for monitoring, recording and following-up of student absences is available <insert details>.



For an effective way of receiving our school emails and other notifications and notices if you do not use our website, please follow this link to jump on board with our SkoolBag App.

You can also enter your child's absence from school.

<https://www.mogproducts.com.au/skoolbag/installation-instructions/>

## JUST A REMINDER.....

### If your child is absent

Please let us know by calling on 5169 6471 or entering the absence via the Skoolbag app by 8.45am.

Thank you



## Community News



*Boolarra Community*

# EVENT DAY

SATURDAY 8 APRIL

EASTER EGG HUNT • CAR BOOT SALE • GARAGE SALE • BBQ • MUSIC

### EASTER EGG HUNT

From 9.30am to 10.30am  
Railway Park. Lots of eggs to collect.  
All welcome!

Please remember to leave your dog at home or kept on a lead as chocolate and dogs don't mix!

### Car Boot Sale

From 9am to 2pm in Centennial Park. Assorted bargains to be had. Bring along your items for sale or find a bargain in someone else's boot.

### Boolarra - Wide Garage Sale

Purchase a map (only \$2) from Railway Park from 9am to 2pm and head off to all the different garage sales to be held locally on the day.

### BBQ

From 10am to 1pm in Railway Park. Grab a sausage and catch up with those you might not have seen for ages.

### Music

Enjoy the sounds of local musicians in Railway Park while you feast on the BBQ and catch up with friends.

This event is organised by the  
Boolarra Community Development Group

## BOOLARRA COMMUNITY MARKETS

To raise funds for the Boolarra Memorial Hall,  
on the first Sunday of each month  
the Boolarra Community Development Group will host  
Boolarra Community Markets.

Our first market will take place on  
Sunday the 2<sup>nd</sup> April from 10 - 2pm.  
at the Boolarra Memorial Hall

Bric-a-brac, clothing, books, plants, veggies  
To hold a stall costs \$20 (trestle tables available for \$5 hire).

if you would like to hold a stall please contact:

[boolarracdgc@gmail.com](mailto:boolarracdgc@gmail.com)

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## ARE YOUR KIDDIES ReadySetGo FOR.....



Our 2023 program starts on

**SATURDAY, APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>**

Our 45-minute program includes warm up, skill development & modified netball games.

Leongatha & District Netball Association (LDNA)  
Netball Courts  
(behind the Leongatha Velodrome)

Girls & Boys aged 5–10 years old can participate

### Registration Link:

<https://registration-netball.squadi.com/userRegistration?organisationId=bc03d189-ba52-46ee-9b7a-2515377327d1&competitionId=2d395ea1-ac03-498c-915b-3e321a30ea12>

All participants receive a NetSetGo pack!

For further information please contact:

Leongatha & District Netball Association

[Leongathaanddistrictnetball@gmail.com](mailto:Leongathaanddistrictnetball@gmail.com)

## Boolarra Community Day

Easter Saturday, 8th April. 9.00am to 12.00pm

Lots of activities to enjoy.

Car boot sale.

Community wide garage sale

BBQ

Free live music

**Easter Egg hunt** In Railway Park, Boolarra from 9.30am to 10.30am there will be an with heaps of chocolate eggs for the kids to collect.. Please note, it's best to keep your dogs on a lead or at home as chocolates are not good for our canine friends

In Centenary Park from 9am to 12pm you can forage for a bargain at the car boot sale. Heaps of different items on offer.

From there you can also purchase (for \$2) a map to all the local garage sales to be held on the day (9am to 2pm) throughout Boolarra. The handout will also include information about the bigger items on offer at the various garage sales.

Also, enjoy the free live music in the park, grab a BBQ sausage a baked spud or delicious coffee, have a chat with friends and compare bargains throughout the morning.

The event is organised by the Boolarra Community Development Group, with support from the Community Bank, Mirboo North and District, to bring the community together.

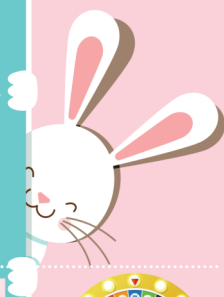


Mirboo North & District  
Community Bank\* Branch



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## FREE FUN FOR ALL!



### Meet the Easter Bunny

Wednesday 5th,  
Thursday 6th & Saturday 8th April  
10am - 1pm daily

### Easter Rhyme Time

Wednesday 5th & Saturday 8th April  
10.30am - 11.30am

Easter story time, dancing, music making and so much more!  
Plus... a visit from the Easter Bunny with a special Easter treat!  
No bookings required.

### Easter Garden

Wednesday 5th,  
Thursday 6th & Saturday 8th April

Visit the Easter Garden for some FREE Easter activities!  
Plus... Snap a photo and share your pic on social media  
#midvalleymorwell  
for a chance to WIN 1 of 3 Easter prize packs!

\*Free activities and giveaways available while stocks last. Refer to website for terms and conditions.

All activities located in Centre Court near Cotton On.



### SPIN TO WIN

Wednesday 5th  
to Saturday 8th April  
12pm to 1pm  
(Excluding Good Friday)  
Make a purchase at specialty stores for a chance to SPIN TO WIN exciting prizes!  
\*See promoter stand for T & Cs

### EASTER MARKET

Thursday 6th April  
from 9am  
Showcasing the finest local produce, crafts and more from Gippsland and surrounds.

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SHOPPING CENTRE

WEEK ONE

Mid V FREE holiday fun!

WEEK TWO

## KAISERCRAFT Canvas Painting

Tuesday 11th  
to Friday 14th April

45 min Workshops: 10am 11am, & 12pm  
Located in Centre Court, near Cotton On  
BOOKINGS ARE REQUIRED.



Kids can get creative and paint their own work of art to take home!



SCAN THE QR CODE to book or visit:  
[www.midvalleyshoppingcentre.eventbrite.com](http://www.midvalleyshoppingcentre.eventbrite.com)  
- Recommended for Ages 3+  
- Parental supervision required



Becky Bubble

Monday 17th  
to Friday 21st April

Shows at 11am & 1pm each day  
Located in Centre Court, near Cotton On  
Immerse yourself in the incred-bubble world of Becky Bubble.  
NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED.

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Celebrating 40 years