



Eagle Point Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 18th March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Harmony Week starts on Friday 21st March. This is a week that the school celebrates each year so many of us can trace our heritage back to a culture or country that came from another country. Harmony Week is a time when we can recognise that it is the differences between us that makes us individual and unique and that to be the same would be boring. There are two major activities to celebrate this week, the first being Harmony Day which will be Monday 24th March. On this day, students are invited to come to school wearing something orange which is the colour of Harmony Week. Our student leaders have been working with Mrs Wassink and Jack to organise some special activities that they will run on the day. On Wednesday 26th March, our first Nexus Arts performance, Shamita Siva will be at school. Notes were sent home to families for students who have not yet paid for the Nexus Arts performances. This is a cost of \$9, please check with your child's teacher or the office if you need clarification on this.

Congratulations to Otis Evans who travelled to Sale last Thursday for the Regional Swimming Carnival. Otis swam exceptionally well and came home with two medals. A 1st place in 9/10 year old butterfly and a 2nd in 9/10 year old freestyle. Otis has qualified for the State Carnival which will be held in May. Congratulations and good luck!

Sadly, I have the task of informing our school community that Jack Andrewartha, our school chaplain, has made the decision to pursue other employment. During his time at Eagle Point Primary School, Jack has contributed so much to students, staff and family. I would like to congratulate him on reviving the passion for the arts and rebuilding Eagle Point's Got Talent. Last year, we had more acts vie for places in the finals than ever before. We wish Jack all the best in his new role and of course, we look forward to having you visit one day soon. Jack's last day will be Friday 28th March.

In the next few weeks, we will be advertising places on the 2025/26 School Council. The School Council is a group of parents and staff who meet twice per term to discuss the direction of the school, budgets and priorities. School Councils are rich when we have a variety of people contributing their ideas and no formal qualifications are necessary. If you have an interest in keeping our school great and can represent the views of our whole school community then this might be the role for you. Nomination forms will be available next week, you will be able to self-nominate, be nominated or nominate another person (with their permission).

Have a wonderful week,

Anna Duncan
Principal

ASSEMBLY

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THIS FRIDAY

2.35PM

WATERVIEW BAKERY LUNCH ORDERS

MONDAY

Lunch Order Day

**Students need to hand in their
lunch order by 9.10am**

THURSDAY

Lunch Order Day

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lunch order by 9.10am**





SCHOOL CALENDAR—TERM 1

MARCH / APRIL 2025



Thursday 20th March	Lunch Order Day
Friday 21st March	Book Club Orders Closing Date
Monday 24th March	Harmony Day Dress up Day
Monday 24th March	Lunch Order Day
Monday 24th March	Mobile Library—9.30-11.00am
Wednesday 26th March	Division Bowls @Bairnsdale Bowls Club 10am
Wednesday 26th March	Nexus Arts: Shamita Siva Indian Dance
Thursday 27th March	Spaghetti Lunch Orders Closing Date
Thursday 27th March	Lunch Order Day
Monday 31st March	Lunch Order Day
Wednesday 2nd April	Free Coffee Morning 8.15-9.30am - Paynesville Neighbourhood House
Wednesday 2nd April	Whole School Cross Country
Wednesday 2nd April	Easter Egg Hunt & Spaghetti Bolognese Lunch
Wednesday 2nd April	Easter Raffle Drawn
Wednesday 2nd April	Nagle College Year 7 2026 Information Evening
Thursday 3rd April	Lunch Order Day
Friday 4th April	Last day of Term 1, 2.30pm dismissal—no buses in the afternoon

Regional Swimming @Sale Aqua Energy

Congratulations to Otis who competed in the Regional Swimming Carnival last Thursday 13th March. Otis came home with away with a 1st place in 9/10 year old butterfly and a 2nd in 9/10 year old freestyle. He has now qualified for the State Carnival which will be held in May. We are very proud of your efforts Otis and good luck in May!



Free coffee morning!!
Come and meet the Paynesville
Neighbourhood Centre team
and see how they can support
you and your family.

Wednesday 2nd April
8.15 - 9.30am
(before the School Cross Country)
Eagle Point Primary School

Brought to you by
Paynesville Neighbourhood Centre

www.pnc.vic.edu.au



HARMONY DAY

We will be hosting 8 activities to represent our culture and to realise that we all belong. Students are welcome to wear orange clothes, clothes of their culture or black, yellow and red to represent the Indigenous. Singlets are only allowed if a t-shirt is worn underneath.

Harmony Day will be held on Monday the 24th of March.



HARMONY WEEK

Let's come together to celebrate our cultural diversity.



Junior School Council

Spaghetti Bolognese & Drink Order

Orders must be in by Thursday 27th March!!!

Wednesday 2nd April 2025 we are having a Spaghetti Bolognese Lunch.

NAME: _____ ROOM _____

Bowl of Spaghetti Bolognese \$5.00 each Bowl of Spaghetti Cheese Only \$4.00
Drink \$1.50 each

Please tick

- Spaghetti Bolognese & Cheese
- Spaghetti No Sauce /Cheese only
- GLUTEN FREE OPTION
- Drink

Can of Soft drink / Juice Box/ Water (please Circle)

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

JSC EASTER RAFFLE DONATIONS

**We are seeking donations for
the annual Easter Raffle.**

**Some ideas include Easter chocolate,
craft, giftware's and other suitable
items for children to win.**

**Donations are being collected at the
office until Monday 31st March.**

***Raffle will be drawn on
Wednesday 2nd April***



**Thanks
from JSC**



WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Wednesday 2nd April @ School

9.30am to 11.30am

Students to wear house colours

Parents most welcome

The school will be holding the Cross Country run on this day for all students in Grades Prep-6 at school.

The Cross Country will begin at 9:30am with Junior students and then through the age levels. Students in Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2 run approx. a 1km course, 9-10 and 11 year old 2km and 12+ run the full 3km. Students are practicing long distance running during PE and also at lunchtime.

Students are encouraged to dress up in house colours on the day, this can be t-shirts, shorts, skirts, fancy dress, hair etc. as long as students can still run and be active.

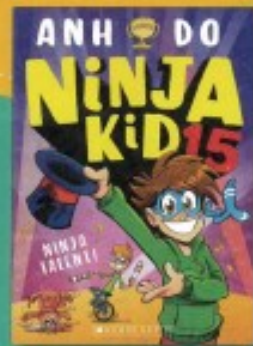
Mrs. Simpson will be coordinating the set up of the day and would appreciate parents to assist. Please let us know if you are able to help out on either Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday morning.



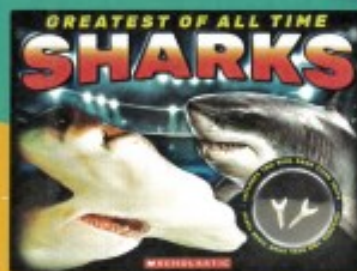
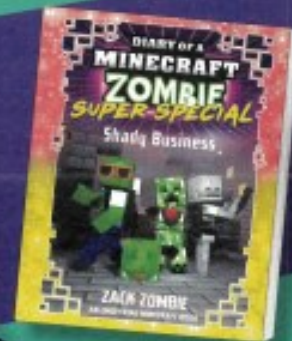
2 ISSUE
2025

Book Club

PULL OUT
POSTER
HANG ME
UP IN YOUR
CLASSROOM!



KEEP THE
**READING
ROLLING**
WITH SCHOLASTIC



INCLUDES 2 REAL
SAND TIGER TEETH!



SCHOLASTIC

ORDERS DUE!
21 / 3 / 25

HOW TO ORDER

Visit [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) OR download the **LOOP** app.
Your order will be electronically linked to the rest of your school's order.

You do not need to complete the order form.

Orders close Friday 21st March

Measles alert

Please be advised of the following health alert from Dr Tarun Weeramanthri, Chief Health Officer. March 4th 2025.

There has been two new cases of measles reported in Victoria that have not travelled overseas, and have no known links to recent cases of measles. These cases were infectious at multiple locations in Greater Bendigo and metropolitan Melbourne. This means there is now local transmission of measles in the community.

Measles is a highly infectious viral illness that can lead to uncommon but serious complications, such as pneumonia and brain inflammation (encephalitis). There have been 8 cases of measles identified in Victoria in 2025.

A number of populations in Victoria are susceptible to measles, including anyone who is unvaccinated, infants under 12 months of age, immunocompromised people and adults who were born between 1966 and 1992 who may not have received two MMR vaccines in childhood.

Symptoms include fever, cough, sore or red eyes (conjunctivitis), runny nose, and feeling generally unwell, followed by a red maculopapular rash. The rash usually starts on the face before spreading down the body. Symptoms can develop between 7 to 18 days after exposure.

Initial symptoms of measles may be similar to those of COVID-19 and flu. If a symptomatic person tests negative for COVID-19 and/or influenza but develops a rash, they should be advised to continue isolating and be tested for measles.

Infectious period People with measles are considered infectious from 24 hours prior to the onset of initial symptoms until 4 days after the rash appears. Measles is highly infectious and can spread through airborne droplets or contact with nose or throat secretions, as well as contaminated surfaces and objects. The measles virus can stay in the environment for up to 2 hours.



A typical measles rash

Anyone who develops symptoms of measles should seek medical care and testing for measles. Call your GP beforehand to advise that you may have been exposed/have measles symptoms. You will be given instructions on what to do next.

<https://www.health.vic.gov.au/health-alerts/new-measles-case-in-victoria-4>



Nagle College
Bairnsdale

ENROLMENTS YEAR 7 2026

Nagle College is an active and proud Catholic learning community that provides a rich holistic education to the young people of East Gippsland.

Applications for Year 7 in 2026 will open on Monday 31 March 2025.



ENROLMENTS TIMELINE



Applications
Open



Applications
Close



Enrolment
Interviews



Offers of
Placement Made



DISCOVER NAGLE YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING

WED 2 APRIL 2025

We welcome you and your family to learn how Nagle College can support your child's secondary school journey.

There are 3 sessions:
4.00pm, 4.45pm & 5.30pm

Sessions are limited.
Bookings essential.



For further information, visit our website: www.nagle.vic.edu.au

Holiday Program Important Information!

Serious stuff!

Medical Management Plan & Medication

All children who have been diagnosed with a medical condition including allergies, food/chemical intolerances, anaphylaxis, asthma, epilepsy will need to provide:

- a completed Medical Management Plan with a colour photo
- necessary medication

Please note it is a legal requirement under the Education & Care National Regulations and the Terms and Conditions for booking that these are provided.

In the interests of child safety, care may be refused on the day should the appropriate documentation or medication or medication not be supplied.

What to bring

- A healthy morning tea and lunch
- A labelled drink bottle for water
- Suitable clothing for an active day – closed toe shoes and jacket if wet/cool
- SunSmart hat for Spring and Summer holidays
- Medical Management Plan & Medication if applicable – see below for details

Don't forget!

- Keep your lunchbox nut-free to keep everyone safe
- Do not include food items that need to be reheated
- Label all items with child's name!
- Bus departure and arrival times are indicative only. For an accurate estimated time of arrival and departure please contact your service directly.

Child Care Subsidy

Please note that subsidised hours are calculated and allocated by Centrelink on a fortnightly basis. Check Centrelink for eligibility.

Fortnightly childcare subsidised hours

Each session is calculated using the full service operational hours, not the hours attended by the child.

Additional Child Care subsidy will not cover any hours beyond the subsidised hours per fortnight.

Refer to TheirCare Holiday Program FAQ <https://theircare.com.au/holiday-programs/> for further information and example.

Changes to your booking

Simply log into your account anytime to make the relevant changes or call us between 6:30am - 9:00pm weekdays on 1300 072 410.

Fees for changes to your booking

More than 5 days	Less than 5 days*	On the day
No Charge	\$10.00	Full Fee

*Less than 5 days from the start of the booking (120 hours from the start of the session).

When making additional bookings, the \$10.00 fee is eligible for the Child Care Subsidy, which means you may only need to pay the gap, depending on your families' circumstances.

Personal belongings

Electronic devices, money and other valuables should be left at home.

If brought to the service, these items remain the responsibility of the family. TheirCare does not accept responsibility for loss or damage.

TheirCare provides

- Breakfast and afternoon tea snack
- Sunscreen
- Water to refill bottles

Unexpected changes to activities

In the unlikely event that an activity is unable to run, an alternative activity will be provided.

Activities and times are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances such as severe weather or provider availability. If an alternative cannot be sourced we will update your invoice to reflect this.

General daily advertised activities are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances, at the discretion of the service coordinator.



If you have any questions, please speak with one of our friendly Educators or call Customer Support on 1300 072 410.

TheirCare
where Kids love to be!

presents

FUN

AUTUMN Holiday Festival

featuring... YOU!



A Minecraft Movie

Bubble - O - Fun

Talent Spectacular

African Drumming

Book now at theircare.com.au

Save up to 90% with the Child Care Subsidy



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where Kids love to be!

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Times 6:45am - 6:00pm

Location Balmoral Cres, Bairnsdale VIC 3875

Call 0455 886 578

With the maximum CHILD CARE SUBSIDY. ****Without** the CHILD CARE SUBSIDY.

There are **2 types** of Child Care Payments.

1. Child Care Subsidy

The **amount you can get** depends on:

- 1 your family's income
- 2 the type of childcare you use
- 3 the age of your child
- 4 the hours of recognised activities you and your partner do

2. Additional Child Care Subsidy

This is **extra support** for some families including:

- 1 grandparents / great grandparents
- 2 families moving from an income support payment to work
- 3 those experiencing temporary hardship

Claim these subsidies via **myGov**

For more information, call Theircare on **1300 072 410**

Up to **90%** of Child Care costs can be covered by Child Care Subsidy!



Excursion & Super Excursions days: Arrive at the service by 8:00 am. Pick-up after 2:30 pm. Wear sunnys & socks.

MONDAY



7 APR



Lil Rockstars

Get to teach with your musical side! Use your creativity to make DIY Drums and Pan flutes and experience the water xylophone experiment that can unleash your inner musician.

Test your minds by putting your memory to use by joining in on a variety of memory and group games. Become an artist, musician and creator for a day!

From as low as \$6.50*
Full fee \$94.98**

TUESDAY



8 APR



Bubble - O - Fun

Get ready for a splash of colour with Rainbow Bubble Magic! Blow and catch magic bubbles and enjoy making rainbow bubble snakes, you will get to take home your own reusable bubble kit. Afterwards, continue the fun with Bubble Hydrangeas Art, the Broken Windows Group Game, and Nature's Stamps. Its going to be a colourful day!

From as low as \$7.85*
Full fee \$78.60**

WEDNESDAY



9 APR



Pass the Popcorn

Welcome to the world of Minecraft, where creativity doesn't just help you craft, it's essential to one's survival! Four misfits - Gareth 'The Garbage Man' Garrison, Henry, Nadia and Dawn find themselves struggling with ordinary problems when they are suddenly pulled through a mysterious portal into the Overworld!

From as low as \$10.85*
Full fee \$108.61**

THURSDAY



10 APR



M.A.D Science

Dive into some sensory science fun at service today! Engage in a variety of art science activities, create beautiful sensory autumn leaves, DIY soap slime experiments and creating your own stylch DIY Croc, Jabbitz, then spark your creativity with monster exploding bags and well even get to craft our very own pair-pain launchers!

From as low as \$6.50*
Full fee \$64.98**

FRIDAY



11 APR



Wild Life Warriors!

It's a wild world! Get up close with and explore the incredible world Australia Wildlife. The fun continues with Caterpillar races and 3D butterfly garlands.

From as low as \$8.62*
Full fee \$88.19**

MONDAY



14 APR



Talent Spectacular

Step into the spotlight with TheirCare School of Talent Spectacular! Engage in the amazing Dancing Milk Experiment, create charming Dancing Sun Playdough, Rock the floor with G.O.A.T Dances and see what moves you'll get to rock with the Dance Move Cube! Let your creativity and imagination shine!

From as low as \$6.50*
Full fee \$94.98**

TUESDAY



15 APR



Adventure Fun

Join us today for a mini golf experience at Adventure Fun Park. With 18 adventurous and challenging holes of mini golf!

From as low as \$10.85*
Full fee \$108.61**

WEDNESDAY



16 APR



The Magic Vault

Step into a world of wonder, today you will receive your very own magic book! Learn mesmerising card tricks, create your own DIY top hats, and discover the secrets behind the magic. Afterwards, keep the energy flowing with the Beat Jumping Group Game, unleash awesome Hip Hop Dance Moves, and create a DIY Lemon Enchanting Volcano!

From as low as \$7.85*
Full fee \$78.60**

THURSDAY



17 APR



Bunny's Picnic

Today, the bunnies are in charge! Get ready to hop, paint, and play with our bunny-themed activities. Create Scrapie Painting Bunnies and DIY your very own Pom-Pom Bunnies. Show a playful treat of Fairy Bread Balls, test your skills with Pin the Tail on the Bunny, and join in lively Picnic Games! Let the bunny adventure begin!

From as low as \$6.50*
Full fee \$64.98**

FRIDAY



18 APR

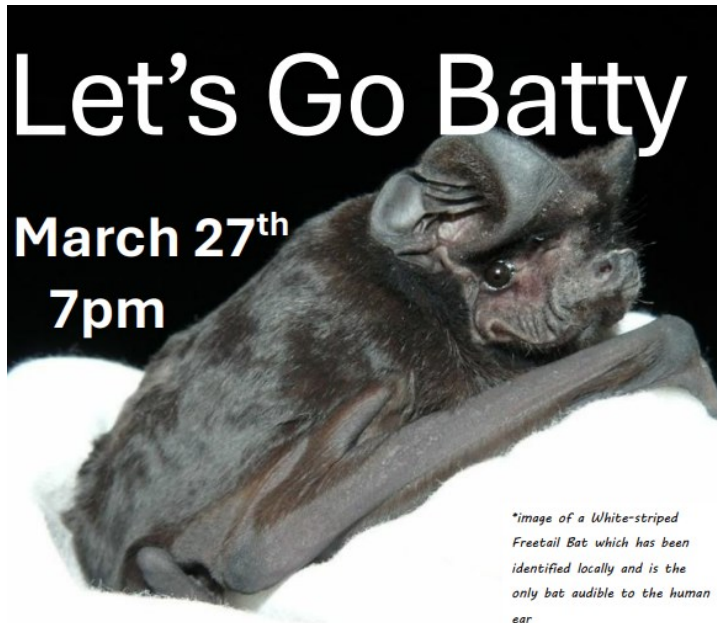


Service closed!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Let's Go Batty

March 27th
7pm



**image of a White-striped
Freetail Bat which has been
identified locally and is the
only bat audible to the human
ear*

Newlands Arm Community Centre – March 27th 7PM

Learn about bats in our area – bring the kids!

A presentation by Ecologist Laura Owen from Wildlife Unlimited followed by a walk with an echometer to hopefully identify some local bats. The evening will conclude with a hot chocolate, billy tea, & batty treats. Please bring along your torch and wear appropriate bushwalking footwear.

Contact Newlands Arm Landcare Coastcare Group nalcgroup@outlook.com to register your interest

BAIRNSDALE
BASKETBALL

U10 GIRLS BASKETBALL

Girls born 2016-2017
Monday night graded competition

Nagle College Courts
Winter season 29th April-12th
September

Season fee \$132
Basketball Australia annual fee
\$29
Basketball Victoria annual fee
\$5.50

Email:
competitions@bairnsdalebasketball.com.au
For more information

