



Wednesday March 6th 2024

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Friday: 8:30—4:00pm

School Hours: 8:50am—3:30pm



Dates for the family diary

Principal's Column

Mondays 19/2—18/3	3-6 Swimming
Friday 8/3	Curriculum Day Student Free
Monday 11/3	Labour Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 13/3	School Council AGM
Tuesday 19/3 & Monday 25/3	Three Way Conferences 1:30pm Dismissal Tues 19/3
Tuesday 26/3	School Photo Day
Thursday 28/3	End of Term 1 2:30pm dismissal
Monday 15th April	Curriculum Day Student Free
Tuesday 16th April	Students return for Term 2

Easter Raffle

We are once again running our Easter raffle. Prize donations from families are welcome – whether they are easter eggs, or other Easter themed items. These can be dropped off at the office. The bags of Easter eggs and Easter themed items are spectacular and an excellent prize. Raffle tickets have been sent home and need to back at school by Friday 22nd March. The raffle will be drawn on Monday 25th March.

School Captains

Meet our 2024 School Captains, Keeley and Joe, and our Vice Captains, Luca, Evie, Ahna and Campbell.



Forward Notice :

- Wed 17th April—3-6 Swimming

Term 1 Assembly Roster

Friday 15/3	Years P-2 Assembly 2:40pm
Thursday 28/3	Whole School Assembly 1:40pm

School Photo Day

Tuesday 26th March is our school photo day. Students will need to be in their full school uniform. Parents can order both individual and family photos from MSP Photography. The link can be found on the Compass portal when you sign in on the internet browser view (not the app view). The office has hard copies of the order form if required. More information is on page 5.

Strategic Plan Review

This week the strategic plan panel have been conducting field work in our school. They have met with staff, students, and parents. The groups meeting with the panel will be made up of:

- Staff in their teams
- Student leaders - School Captains and Vice



Easter Raffle - Donations

Needed: Our annual Easter Raffle is taking place this term and we are requesting donations for the raffle. All donations can be delivered to the school office.

Did you hear that the farmer won an excellence award? He was out standing in his field. 😄



Captains

- Kids Voice – 10 students from Kids Voice from years 2 – 6
- Parents – 11 parents with students at our school from Years Prep to 6 (representative of the spread of families in our school)

The field day dates and final day for our review are:

Day 2: Field workday 5th March – involves the panel meeting with groups of the school community.

Day 3: Field Workday 7th March- involves the panel meeting with groups of the school community.

Day 4: Panel Day: 14th March

Pupil Free Days 2024

This Friday 8th March: REAL Schools PD

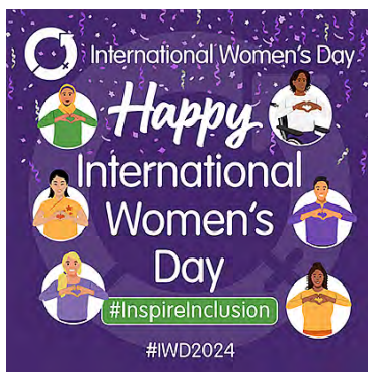
15th April: Professional Learning

7th June: Report Writing Day

4th November: Whole School Professional Practice Day

International Women's Day

This Friday 8th March is International Women's Day. It is a day when we can imagine a gender equal world. A world free of bias, stereotypes and discrimination. A world that's diverse, equitable, and inclusive. A world where difference is valued and celebrated. Together we can forge women's equality. Collectively we can all **#IWD2024** **#InspireInclusion**.



Three Way Conferences

Bookings are now open for our Three Way Conferences which will be held in Week 8 & 9 of this term - Tuesday 19th March and Monday 25th March. The teachers will offer the opportunity for parents to meet with them and their child to discuss their progress and learning goals. **You can book your appointment via Compass.** You will see the link at the top of your Compass news feed.

Please note there will be an **early finish at 1:30pm on Tuesday 19th March. Camp Australia will be open for childcare from 1:30pm for families who require it.**

Three Way Conferences give students an opportunity to share their learning achievements and goals with their parents or guardians, supported by their teachers. This relates directly to the Personal Learning Domain of our curriculum.

If you have any concerns about your child's education that you do not wish to discuss in front of them, please make a separate appointment to see your child's teacher.

If you are having any problems with logging onto Compass, we encourage you to ring or come into see us so that we can assist you.

Easter hat or a touch of Easter

All students are invited to wear an Easter Hat or a touch of Easter added to their uniform on Monday 25th March. We will be conducting an Easter parade in the gym from 2:30pm on that day as well as some other whole school fun. Our teachers will be conducting Three Way Conferences and students who are attending those will be sent over to the room at their allocated time. Children will be dismissed from outside their normal classroom building by one of our specialist teachers.



Fundraising - Foodbank Victoria

This term Kids Voice, supported by Chrissy Biggin and Claire Heyne along with Mrs Westlake and Chloe Dew have organised an amazing last day of term. We are so excited to be taking part in Foodbank Victoria's Food Fight – the messiest, funniest way to help raise funds to feed those in need. The event will take place on 28th of March, which is going to be great fun for the kids. We want to make sure we raise as much as we can for **Foodbank Victoria** and we need your help!

Information is on the Blueprint from the 26th of February and information for parents has been given to students to take home, so keep an eye out for the details. Here is the link to last week's Blueprint:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cgVj8Qs-cDg>

School Council

Our next meeting is on March 13th. This meeting will be a special meeting to elect the office bearers of the Black Hill School Council.

Swimming Program

Our Year 3 - 6 students are continuing their swimming program with weekly lessons at the Ballarat Aquatic Centre each Monday. This is a valuable opportunity for students to continue to develop their swimming skills and water safety awareness in the comfort of a climate-controlled environment.

Birthdays

I would like to acknowledge all those students who have had birthdays this week.

Happy birthday to:

Milla	56B
Johanna	34E
Maxx	34C
Connor	12E
Leo	0PA
Alice	0PA
Archer	0PC

Donna Bishop
Principal

Team News

Prep/1/2 Team



The Preps are bucket-fillers!

Bucket-filling is a term used to refer to positive attitudes and behaviour.

It relies on the analogy that every person carries with them an invisible bucket which contains a person's feelings and emotions. When the bucket is full, this represents us feeling happy and contented. However, when it's empty, we feel low, upset or dissatisfied. Bucket-fillers are those who act in a way that fills another person's bucket and refers to those who practise kindness and good behaviour. Last Friday the Prep classes celebrated Dr. Seuss Day which is held each year on March 2nd. We read some of his books and completed tasks with a 'Seussical' theme. Prep B even had a Photo Booth and turned themselves into some fantastic Cat in the Hat artwork. They have really brightened up the corridor!



Just a reminder that on Thursday the children will be taking part in Bike Ed Program. It is encouraged that all Prep-2 children bring a named bike helmet to school if they have one on this day.



Owen



Elle



Harper

Parents of students in Grades 4, 5 and 6 are warmly encouraged to attend our



Information Evening

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Information Sessions

will be held at 5.00pm and 6.00pm in the Theatre, followed by school tours.
Bookings essential.



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See learning as it occurs!

Team News

3/4 Team



Grade 3/4 has been buzzing with creativity and exploration lately! Our young storytellers have been diving into the world of fiction, spinning tales about "The World's Worst Children."

From mischievous pranks to daring adventures, their imaginations know no bounds!



Last week, students were learning about shapes. 3/4E students went outside to build 3D shapes using their imagination and nature.



5/6 Team

Every day, 5/6A eagerly gather around to listen to Squiz Kids. We tune in to the engaging podcast, learning about fascinating facts, exploring the world through interviews, and enjoying quirky stories.

There is a weekly 'squiz' and so far, the score is.... students 3, teachers 1. Check it out for yourself.

<https://www.squizkids.com.au/>

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NEWS S'QUIZ**



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KIDS

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**PHOTO DAY IS
COMING**

**Tuesday
26th March 2024**

**MSP Photography will be visiting our school on
the above day.**

- ❑ Read all the relevant instructions carefully before making your package choice.
- ❑ Order via the Compass App.
- ❑ Sibling photos can be ordered online via the Compass Portal.
- ❑ Please note that sibling photo orders must be placed by Midnight on Monday 25th March 2024.
- ❑ The portal does not have a cut off ordering date, however any orders placed more than 7 days after photo day will no longer be at the bulk discounted price, and will revert to the standard pricing cost.

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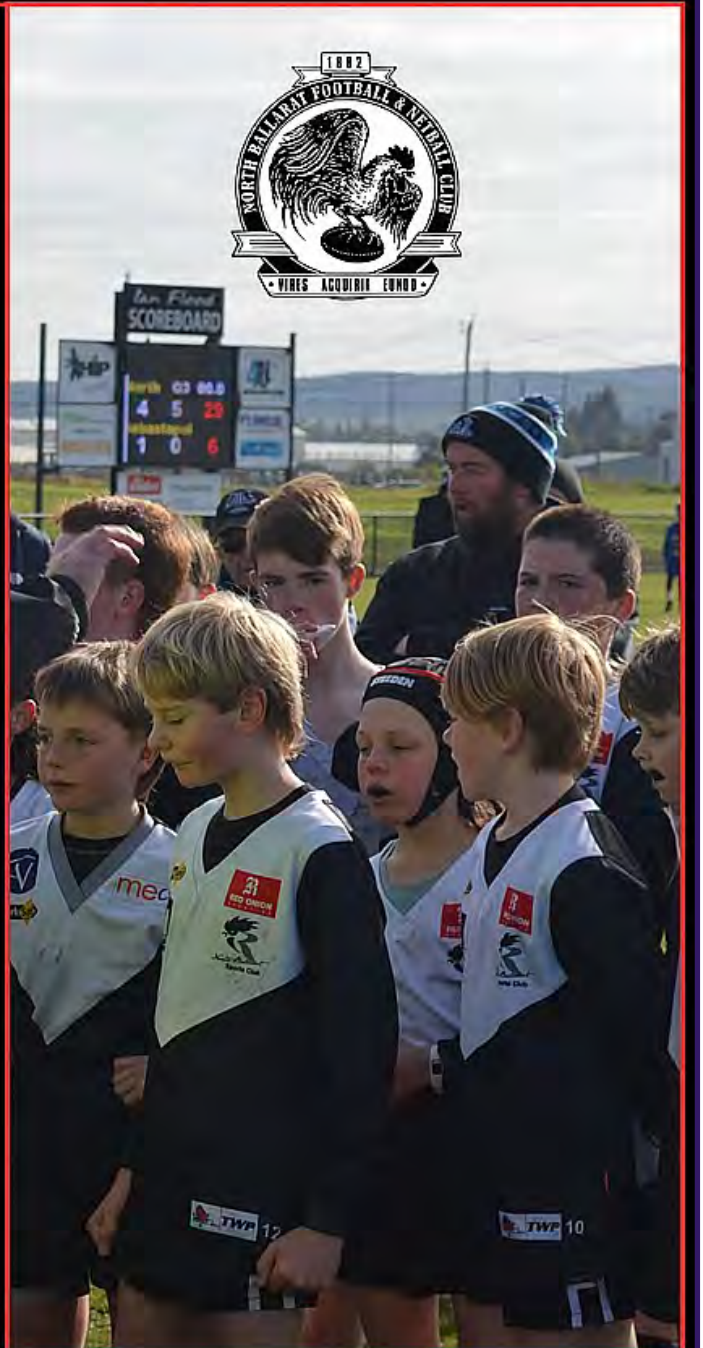


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OPEN EVENING

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Our Open Evening will showcase our specialty areas and provide an insight into the quality education students are provided at our College. Join one of our tours to experience the exceptional and unique opportunities our College offers for Years 7-12. The tours will showcase our extensive renovations and refurbishments and you will view our specialty areas and gain an insight into the quality education students are provided at our College.

To provide a more personal and interactive tour, we are placing a limit on the number of people in each group. Tours will be conducted at 15 minute intervals, and we ask that you register for a tour via our College's website and select a time that is most convenient to you.

All tours will commence from the College Main Entrance/Foyer. We look forward to meeting you.

20 MARCH 2024

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2024
SATURDAY 9th March
10am - 4pm
SUNDAY 10th March
10am - 3pm
MONDAY 11th March
10am - 3pm

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School Holiday Program

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Band members will show you how to set up, hold, and play a few notes so you can work out what instrument you want to learn. You can then consider joining our Development Band and hiring one of our instruments or buying your own. All ages welcome. Our development band consists of children and adults. For this event, children must be accompanied by an adult.

Saturday 20th April

2.30pm – 5.30pm

Wilkinson Hall

109 Barkly St, Ballarat

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