

**TERM DATES**    2025 **TERM 1**    28TH JAN - 4TH APRIL    **TERM 2**    22ND APR - 4TH JULY  
    **TERM 3**    21ST JUL - 19TH SEP    **TERM 4**    6TH OCT - 19TH DEC

## DATES TO REMEMBER

11, 12, 13 MAR    **YEAR SIX CAMP—PHILLIP ISLAND ADVENTURE RESORT**  
 12, 13, 14 MAR    **NAPLAN ASSESSMENTS YEARS 3 & 5**  
 18 MAR    **ICE CREAM DAY**  
 20 MAR    **HARMONY DAY ... WEAR A CULTURAL COSTUME OR ORANGE CLOTHING**  
 3 APR    **WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY**

JIM BELL, PRINCIPAL

JENNY REID, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

JO-ANNE DORAN, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

### NAPLAN Assessments

As you are aware, NAPLAN assessments are being conducted this week. These national assessments in Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation, and Numeracy are being held across three days — *Wednesday 12th, Thursday 13th and Friday 14th March* for our *Year 3* and *Year 5* cohorts:

- *Wednesday 12 March - Writing*
- *Thursday 13 March - Reading and Conventions of Language*
- *Friday 14 March - Numeracy*

The following organisations are involved in the NAPLAN assessments:

- **The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority [ACARA]** has responsibility for the development and central management of the National Assessment program—Literacy and Numeracy [NAPLAN]
- **Education Services Australia [ESA]** manages the Online National Assessment Platform on which NAPLAN tests are delivered.
- **The Test Administration Authority [TAA]** in each state or territory is responsible for the administration of the tests in their jurisdiction. All states and territories administer the tests in accordance with nationally agreed protocols.



NAPLAN assessments enable eligible students to demonstrate their acquired skills and knowledge through their regular learning and teaching programs. Schools only adopt test preparation strategies that familiarise students with the test process and question formats.

### Cultural Diversity Week

This year, *Cultural Diversity Week* is *17—23 March*. It's an opportunity to bring everyone together to celebrate our state's diverse and powerful multicultural communities.

**Multiculturalism** is a core part of the Victorian identity and the identity of *Brentwood Park Primary School*. Our state is home to people who speak **290** languages and have **314** different ancestries. Our school has **42** different languages represented.

We often make reference to the cultural diversity of our school community and acknowledge how we are enriched by it.

**Cultural Diversity Week**  
17 - 23 March 2025

Embrace the Journey  
Shape our Future

VICTORIAN multicultural communities VICTORIA GRAZE LAND

This year, the *Cultural Diversity Week* theme is **“Embrace the Journey (and) Shape our Future”**.

During Cultural Diversity Week, on Thursday 20th March 2025, Brentwood Park Primary School will celebrate **Harmony Day**. The aim of the day is to celebrate our cultural diversity and foster a sense of belonging for everyone!

Teachers and students are encouraged to wear their cultural costumes to celebrate their cultural heritage, or they can choose a country's costume to wear. If they don't have a cultural costume, they can dress up in **ORANGE** e.g. orange t-shirt, and/or shorts, hair ribbons etc. **Orange** is the colour chosen to represent **Harmony Day**. Traditionally, **orange** signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect.

Australians can choose to wear something **orange** during **Harmony Day** to show their support for cultural diversity and an inclusive Australia!

**R**amadan We often make reference to the cultural diversity of our school community and acknowledge how we are enriched by it.

For Muslim families, **Ramadan** is a month full of social festivities such as communal dinners, group prayers, and other gatherings.

**Ramadan** sees Muslims abstain from food during daylight hours and pray before breaking their fast at sundown alongside family and friends. This year, Ramadan commenced in Australia on **Saturday March 1, 2025**.

The start date of **Ramadan** can be challenging to precisely predict, as it's typically confirmed the **night before, with the sighting of a new crescent moon**. Thanks to modern technology, tracking the moon has become easier. Islamic authorities around the world announce the commencement of **Ramadan** once the moon has been sighted. The Islamic Calendar follows the phases of the moon, or the lunar cycle.

Lasting for 29 or 30 days, **Ramadan 2025** will end around **March 30**, with the celebratory days of **Eid al-Fitr** estimated to start around **30 March**, again with a possible difference of a couple of days.

During its 29 to 30 days, **Muslims abstain from food and drink, including water, every day from dawn to sunset**.



**Eid al-Fitr** or the "festival of breaking the fast" marks the end of **Ramadan**. It is likely to take place on the evening of **Sunday, March 30** depending on the sighting of the moon. It is celebrated as a time

for family and friends to come together with communal prayer, gift-giving and dressing in new clothes.



### Parent Modelling of Safe Practices

Whether in the role of pedestrian or driver, it is important that adults model safe practices to their children and to others! What message do we convey when we drive and park unlawfully or cross roads unsafely!

The City of Casey provides school crossing supervisors to enable parents and students to cross roads safely when coming to school and when leaving school upon dismissal.

Please use the school crossing and then walk the short distance to your parked car. The safety of our children must come before any perceived slight inconvenience by not doing so! **SAFETY FIRST**.

Can I extend a personal **THANK YOU** to all those parents and students abiding by this safe practice. For those families whose home or car is parked south of the roundabout, crossing the road once at the southern crossing of the roundabout is quite acceptable.

**S**ports Shorts - School Cross Country Carnival As the school cross country is being held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, now is a perfect opportunity to begin some fitness training in preparation for this event, which is in the last week of this term.



Jim Narayan and Erin Walters will be starting up the **running club** again which will be every Tuesday and Thursday morning commencing at 8:20 a.m. on Brentwood Park's oval. This will begin on Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> of March. Students can participate various running activities to prepare for cross country. All students are welcome!



**School Athletics Carnivals** - This year the school athletics carnival will be held over three days in the second week of term 2. We are very fortunate to have secured Kambrya College's back oval for our athletics.

Parents are welcome to come and watch the events! Please note that access to this oval is via Brentwood Park at the rear gate. The dates are:

- 29<sup>th</sup> April for Years 4 to 6
- 30<sup>th</sup> April for Years Prep and 1
- 1<sup>st</sup> May for Years 2 and 3

Thanking you for your continued support.

**Jim Narayan and Erin Walters, H. and P. E.**



### Photographing and Videoing School Activities

With **Harmony Day, School Cross Country** and **School Athletics** as major school events approaching, it is totally understandable that parents like to capture a memory through photographing or videoing their children and friends, however, such photographs or videos should **only** be for **private viewing** or shared with close family members.

It is important to remember, that when photographs and videos are placed on social media platforms, they can be viewed by an unintended audience. Student privacy should always be maintained.





# Introducing the BPPS SRC for 2025



3GA Tanya  
3AL Roohi

3AB Amy  
3DB Sarah

3AM William  
3SM Eva

4DG Dev  
4VK Denendre

4TC Nuriyah  
4HG Jade

4SA Eugene  
4JF Aria

5MF Crystal  
5EB Mason

5RH Dinuli  
5CW Jia

5JD Flora  
5BM Irie

6LM Hamdaan  
6MB Benjamin

6KR Likhitha  
6KW Victoria

6KR Abhay  
6MS Mehdi

**Good luck in your new role!**



# NAPLAN

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judgement

kindness

teamwork

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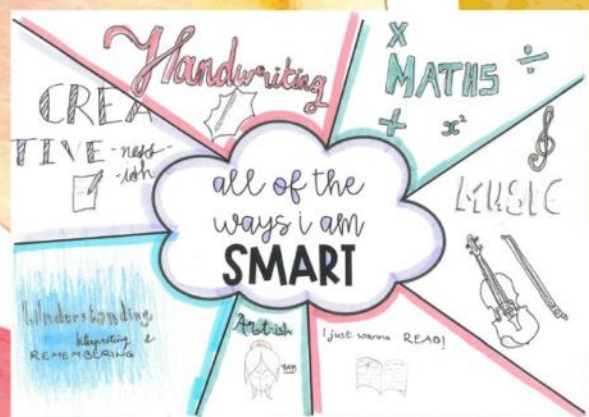
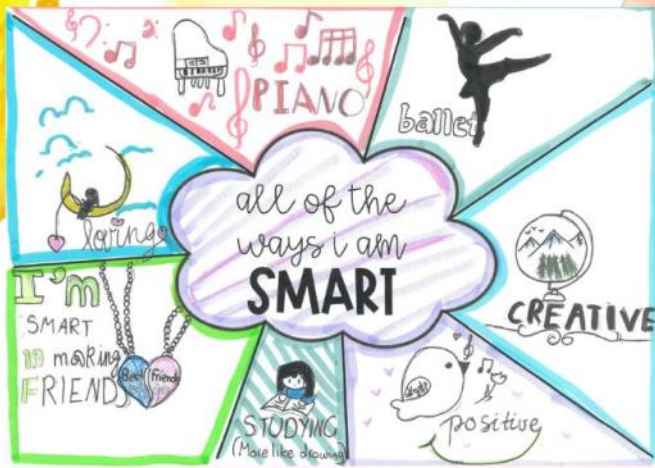
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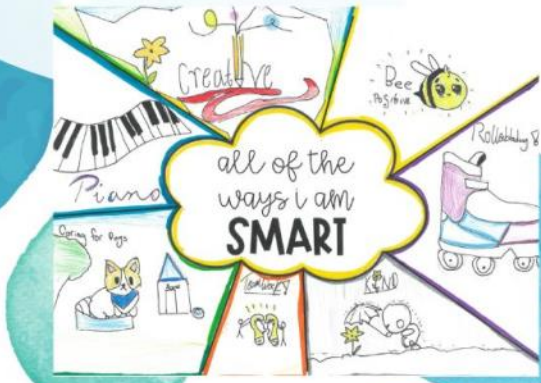
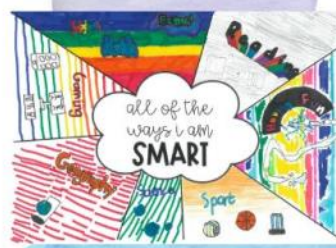
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# All the ways that 5EB ARE SMART!

PRIOR TO BEGINNING NAPLAN TESTING, STUDENTS EXPLORED ALL OF THE THINGS THAT MAKE THEM A 'SMART PERSON'; TO REMIND THEM THAT THEY ARE GREAT IN SO MANY WAYS THAT NAPLAN DOESN'T MEASURE.





# 6ED Newsletter

March 2025

## What We're Learning

Over the past week, Year 6 students have been working both independently and collaboratively to explore repeating mathematical patterns (mathematics), solve open-ended perimeter challenges (mathematics), refracting and reflecting light (science) and applying their practical knowledge of cooking to compose procedural writing pieces (literacy - writing).



## Upcoming Events

20th March - Harmony Day

25th March - ISS Gala Day

26th March - World Maths Day

## World Maths Day!

We're excited to have our 6ED students participate in World Maths Day challenges and dress up in their Maths-inspired outfits on the 26th March!



## Growing Patterns Creation & Perimeter Challenges



Refracted Light Experiment







## YEAR SIX CAMP AT PHILLIP ISLAND RESORT

The year six students are showing **YOU CAN DO IT!** habits of persistence, getting along, organisation, resilience, and confidence.













# FLURO DISCO AT PHILIP ISLAND







# 2025

The message of Harmony Day is 'everyone belongs'.  
The aim of the day is to celebrate our cultural diversity  
and foster a sense of belonging for everyone.

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At 9:30 am **Music of the Andes** will perform, followed by performances from some of our students and their family members in the gymnasium.

Parents welcome.

In **Music of the Andes**, participants will explore the music and dances of the Inca culture from the Andes Mountains. Students will learn about traditional instruments and melodies that have been part of the Andes for generations. The session highlights the cultural significance of these instruments and their role in South American and Andean music, providing an opportunity to understand the region's traditions and history.





# Cultural Diversity Week

17 - 23 March 2025

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*Shape our Future*



VICTORIAN  
multicultural  
commission  
*strengthening our community*



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3YEARS  
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### CLASS SCHEDULE 2025

#### SATURDAY:

G2-4 BALLET BEGINNER: 9AM -10AM

PRIMARY AND G1 COMBINE JAZZ CLASS G2-4: 10AM-10.45AM

PRIMARY AND GRADE 1 BALLET: 10.45-11.30AM

PRE BALLET: 11.30AM-12.15PM

SENIOR BALLET INTERMEDIATE (G5-7): 12.15PM-1.15PM

#### TUESDAYS:

PRE BALLET: 4.30PM-5.15PM

JAZZ G2-4: 5.15PM-6PM

BALLET G2-4 - 6PM-7PM

#### WEDNESDAYS :

STUDIO 2

PRIMARY AND G1 BALLET: 4.30PM-5.15PM

PRIMARY AND G1 JAZZ- 5.15PM-6PM

CONTEMPORARY CLASS: 6.15PM-7PM

SENIOR BALLET ADVANCED (5-7): 7PM- 8PM

STUDIO 2

ACROBATICS PRIMARY & LI: 5.30PM-6.15PM





# Term 1

## Week ending 7th March, 2025

# STARS OF THE WEEK

- OMB** Vrushik always staying on task and trying his best. You are AWESOME!
- OEP** Adrienne showing great kindness to your peers and teacher, trying your hardest and showing excellent work. Well done!
- OMS** Arjun for giving your best effort while writing independently. It's fantastic to see you listening closely and recording sounds you hear. Well done on getting so many correct.
- ORC** Devaj for your growing confidence in our classroom. Your developing Connie Confidence skills are a great example for us all. Keep up the great progress.
- OTL** Valentina for making a wonderful start to prep. You are a fantastic student and a kind and caring friend.
- 1AU** Ajanthan for consistently demonstrating kindness, respect and a strong work ethic. Keep up the amazing work!
- 1CM** Wishmitha for putting in so much effort into your work! Keep trying hard to stay focussed. We are proud of you!
- 1NG** Julien You have been trying really hard to sound out unknown words when doing your morning reading. Keep up the great effort!
- 1TN** Brooklyn you presented the classroom calendar confidently this week! Super job!
- 1MS** Maeya for always displaying positivity and confidence.
- 1SL** Baani for your excellent recount writing. You also showed your confidence when standing in front of the class and sharing your story. Good job!
- 2SM** Aryana for always helping others with a kind heart, showing kindness to everyone and putting a huge amount of effort into her work! You're a superstar!
- 2KM** Aadhya always trying your best; having a growth mindset and being kind and respectful.
- 2EC** Radvin for always being so helpful in the classroom. 2EC is lucky to have you.
- 2LM** Myra for being a kind and considerate student who always works well with others.
- 2BC** George Excellent work in our handwriting lesson.
- 2CH** Tommy for participating in our chemical science lesson with enthusiasm.
- 3AB** Ellie for your focus and determination during our NAPLAN revision lessons. Well done.
- 3AM** Nylah for demonstrating the school value of 'teamwork' in 3AM.
- 3DB** Misha for demonstrating excellence during NAPLAN preparation and being a fantastic learner.
- 3AL** Yousuf for having a fantastic start at school and for putting a momentous amount of effort into all of your class work. Well done.
- 3GA** Kaya for having compassion for his classmates and showing how lovely he is!
- 3SM** Vihaan for taking care with his handwriting and presenting a neat homework book.
- 4SA** Praabhdev for your willingness to challenge yourself when completing 'rounding' tasks in maths this week! Keep it up!
- 4DG** Kaitlyn for always giving everything a 'red hot go' and putting a tremendous amount of effort into everything you do.
- 4HC** Nina for a fantastic effort and having a positive attitude.
- 4TC** Kuothekeur for never giving up; even when something has challenged you!
- 4VK** Maxine for her wonderful mathematical skills and dedication to her work!
- 4JF** Kartik for producing a fabulous narrative writing piece during 'free write' that was engaging and action packed.
- 5CW** Rayona for giving excellent evidence to support your arguments for your persuasive texts! Great job!



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# Term 1

## Week ending 7th March, 2025

- 5MT** Kian for making an amazing improvement since the beginning of the term, particularly your focus and persistence. Keep going!
- 5BM** Kiana for how quickly she has settled into our school. She has embraced our programs with enthusiasm and has made lots of friends.
- 5JD** Jade for displaying excellence during all our practice NAPLAN tasks this week. You should be proud. Well done!
- 5RH** Onara for demonstrating significant improvement in narrative writing by actively incorporating feedback and applying it to your work!
- 6KW** Ayda for consistently demonstrating the school values and making valuable contributions to our class discussions.
- 6MB** Nevon for making significant improvements to his homework and for making regular contributions during class discussions.
- 6ED** Shahwaaiz for your focussed efforts in reading strategies this week. You used the tools around you to complete your non-fiction summary independently. Well done!
- 6KR** Makaio for demonstrating the school value of excellence with submitting three pieces for free write of an incredible standard!
- 6LM** Shay for demonstrating a growth mindset and putting in 100% effort in her learning.
- 6MS** Vaanya for your enthusiastic approach to learning. You make valuable contributions to our classroom discussions.

### SPECIALIST

- CHINESE-DAISY**  
6LM awesome work on daily conversation practice. Keep up the amazing work!
- CHINESE-CHUNYAN/SARAH**  
0TL well done on your excellent learning about Chinese New Year!
- DIGITAL TECH-LISA**  
1TN we met the new character of Hector's World internet safety. You answered questions about being private and not sharing personal details and passwords.
- MEDIA-LIMING**  
6MS well done on using binary coding to design your logo! Your hard work and creativity truly stands out!
- PA-KENNETH**
- PA-FELICITY**  
0EP for working so well in 'We Are The Dinosaurs'. You took turns so respectfully with the chimes. I loved how you played the wood blocks quietly when the dinosaurs were sleeping, and you were excellent dinosaurs.
- PE-ERIN**  
4TC Amazing effort and determination, challenging yourself to be able to jump over the high jump rope.
- PE-JIM/SARAH**  
6ED for the class giving their very best efforts when completing a running warm up in very hot conditions. Great effort!
- VISUAL ART-JESS**  
n/a
- VISUAL ART-BREE**  
6MS for excellent focus while drawing a 2 point perspective building.
- LIBRARY**  
6KR &  
6MB for your amazing, calm & respectful manners in the library. Well done!





Every Friday in the computer lab students can come in and watch a short movie at lunch time. We need some cushions to sit on - if you have any to donate please bring them to me in the computer room (next to the library).

Lisa - DT specialist teacher



MOONLIT SANCTUARY

# AUTUMN HOLIDAY CLUBS



## JNR KEEPER CLUB

Ages: 7-14

9:00am-2:00pm

Registration Fee

**\$104**

In Keeper Club kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care. Junior Keepers help with feeding animals and animal enrichment activities. See our website for dates.

Groups are small, with a maximum of 14 children.



## CONSERVATION CLUB

Ages: 12-18

9:30am-3:30pm

Registration Fee

**\$119**

Perfect for older kids passionate about wildlife and conservation, this program includes animal encounters, enrichment activities, and environmental projects.

Thursday, 10th April



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Info : (03)5978 7935







Year 7 2026

Transition Information Evenings

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March, and Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

*Location: Kambrya College's Theatre*

Kambrya College would like to invite prospective parents and carers of 2026 Year 7 students to attend **one\*** of our Transition Information Evenings.

The night will provide the chance for attendees to learn about the excellent education and opportunities the school provides for all our students. In addition, information will be provided on the exciting programs we have available for students in 2026.

Further information regarding the programs will be provided at the start of Term 3 on our website:

[www.kambryacollege.vic.edu.au/year7-transition/](http://www.kambryacollege.vic.edu.au/year7-transition/)

To attend **one** of the Transition Information Evenings - **Bookings are essential, each family member attending the session must have a ticket (up to 4 tickets per family)**

As spaces are limited, please carefully choose the date you wish to attend and **only book 1 session.**

**Bookings can be made via our website and using the links below:**

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

**Session 1:**

4:15-5:00pm -School Tour  
5:15-6:00pm-Formal Presentation  
6:00-7:00pm-Program Presentations

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025**

**Session 2:**

4:15-5:00pm -School Tour  
5:15-6:00pm - Program Presentations  
6:15-7:00pm - Formal Presentation

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025**

**Session 1:**

4:15-5:00pm – School Tour  
5:15-6:00pm- Formal Presentation  
6:15-7:00pm – Program Presentations

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March Session 1: - <https://compasstix.com/e/142dcoeaco>

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March Session 2: - <https://compasstix.com/e/3kda44vbi0>

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April Session 1: - <https://compasstix.com/e/ivuvkqvh22>

*(Please note: Program Presentations provide information about our Athlete Development Program (ADP), Musician Development Program (MDP) and our Select Entry Accelerated Learning Program (SEAL).*

**2026 Kambrya School Zone**

**(School Zones are subject to change by DE at any time in Term 1 each year\*\*):**

**Priority enrolments are provided to students within our current School Zone\*\* as set out by the Department of Education. We foresee that students living within our school zone or with older siblings enrolled for 2026 will most likely bring the school to full capacity in Year 7 for 2026. Those living outside our school zone are still invited to attend the transition evening for more information, however due to our current Enrolment Implementation Plan, enrolment applications from outside our zone are unlikely to be successful. This applies to all students, including those wishing to apply for specific curriculum/sporting/other programs (SEAL, ADP, MDP).**

For additional information please refer to the following websites:

<https://www.kambryacollege.vic.edu.au/zone/>

<https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au>

**Grade 6 only school tours in Terms 1 and 2: Bookings are essential and places limited.** Please refer to our website for details:

<https://www.kambryacollege.vic.edu.au/school-tours/>

\* As each session is identical please note you will only need to attend **one** session to gain all the required information.



# 2025



Wulerrp  
Secondary  
College

## TWILIGHT OPEN NIGHT



Wednesday  
26 March  
4.30 to 6.30pm

Meet the Principal and Assistant Principal,  
the Junior Team, as well as our teachers.  
Take a tour and learn more about:

- Junior School Curriculum and Subjects
- Year 7 Programs
- Enrichment Program
- Our School Facilities

**4.30pm**

School Tour Group 1

**5:15pm**

Information Session  
*in the gymnasium*

**5.45pm**

School Tour Group 2

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# OPEN DAY

**SATURDAY 22 MARCH 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

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- Faith-Based Curriculum
- Academic Excellence & Innovation
- Thriving Arts & Sports Programs
- Supportive Community

Explore our facilities, and discover how our students are empowered for life beyond school.

