

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

24 APR **COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE FOR ANZAC DAY @ 2.30 P.M.**
25 APR **ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY**
29 APR **ATHLETICS CARVIVAL FOR YEARS 4-6**
30 APR **ATHLETICS CARVIVAL FOR YEAR PREP**
 YEAR 6 EXCURSION TO THE SHRINE
01 MAY **ATHLETIS CARNIVAL FOR YEARS 2-3**

JIM BELL, PRINCIPAL

JENNY REID, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

JO-ANNE DORAN, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Welcome and Welcome Back

I trust teachers, children and parents alike had an enjoyable school break and that all have returned to school and other respective duties, revitalized for the demands of a new term!

 **Welcome**
 **To Our School**

Collectively, this first week has seen seven new children enroll at Brentwood Park. To our new families: Aung, Perham, Vinodh, Seneviratne, Patel, Kularatna and Yadav, and to our established families, may I extend a sincere welcome and welcome back, respectively.

Easter Raffle Winners

It was with great delight that the lucky students who were winners in the Easter Raffle received their special Easter prizes! Thank you to all the families who donated the Easter items for the raffle. The parent helpers managed



to arrange three prizes for each class across the school which was a great achievement and only possible through the generosity of our families. Many students were wearing huge smiles as they walked out the school gate with their raffle prize on the last day of term 1.

A **BIG THANK YOU** to the helpers:

- Christine, mother of Liam, 4HC and Luca, PTL
- Anna, mother of Daniel, 1TN
- Mayumi, mother of Noah, 4TC and Koa, PMB
- Nirosha, mother of Risindi, 2CH
- Pooja, mother of Anay, 5JD and Ananya, 2LM
- Danling, mother of Edward, 2EC
- Jess, mother of Zayden 5RH and Ratai, PEP
- James, grandfather of Eva in 3SM

Chinese Language and Culture

With school council once again approving our *Jiangsu - Victoria sister school reciprocal visits* this year, we conducted our information session on Tuesday evening at 6:00 p.m. for those families interested in their child's participation. Jiangsu schools will visit Victoria in *July* and Victorian schools will visit Jiangsu and their respective sister schools in *September*.



To date, we have 29 children [10 boys and 19 girls] who have lodged their expression of interest in attending. With numbers being capped at 30, and given the hotel accommodation being twin share, we have one remaining place for an additional girl.

A valued element of the *sister school relationship* is also the visitation to our school by staff and students from our sister school in China. As such, we are currently seeking additional families who are willing to host a visiting student in their home for four days and nights, [*Tuesday 29 July to Friday 1 August*]. Families who have previously hosted a student have found it to be a very rewarding experience.

It has always been our preference to accommodate visiting students in homestays during the school visit to experience family life in Australia. Our sister school reciprocates these arrangements when our students visit in September.

An allowance of \$300 per student will be provided to support host families for daily meals and transfers to/from school with hosting students/parents. Two students can be placed with one family should hosting families have the room. Currently, we have 14 families expressing interest to host 18 children, however, with possibly thirty students visiting, we require more. An expression of interest form, accessed through a QR Code, is again included in this week's newsletter.

Expression of Interest to host a Chinese student in July 2025

Brentwood Park Primary has a formalised sister school agreement with Yangzhong Experimental Primary School in Jiangsu, CHINA. Last year, three staff along with 17 students visited us. We were able to reciprocate the visit with 26 students from year six and four staff visiting China with a homestay in Yangzhong City.

This year, we host our fifth visitation for staff and students. They will be travelling with a number of other delegations from schools in Jiangsu who are also visiting their respective Victorian sister schools at the same time. We are looking forward to the occasion and know it will be a rewarding experience for all concerned.

Research in sister school relationships will often highlight the positive impact that such relationships can have across a range of areas for students, schools and the school community.

Our sister school delegation will arrive in Australia on July 2025 and depart approximately a week later.

To facilitate further experience of Australian culture for the children, host families within our school community are being sought to billet the children. (actual dates will be confirmed once their itinerary is finalised). As was the case last year, financial support will be made available to host families to cover costs.

Last year, our families found it a very rewarding experience.

Given the age of our visitors, this expression of interest form is being forwarded to the families in Years 5 and 6. If you are able to billet one of the visiting children, please complete the form and return it to me by Monday 22 May to enable arrangements to be commenced.

Participation would be a wonderful experience for the visiting child and host family alike.

Please give some consideration to billeting one of our visitors within your family.

Please scan the QR code and complete the expression of interest form.



Personal Achievements

We are delighted to take this opportunity to share the recent achievements of students, **Maanya R 6KW** and **Vihaan R 3SM**.



Maanya has been an enthusiastic and dedicated tennis player, proudly representing the **Beaconsfield Tennis Club** in the doubles competition during the recent summer season, organized by the **Berwick and District Tennis Association (BDTA)**.

Over the past six months, various matches have taken place on weekends across multiple clubs in and around Berwick. In their recent finals, **Maanya's** team faced an undefeated opponent and triumphed, securing the premiership title for **Doubles Section 16**. This victory stands

as a testament to her commitment and sportsmanship.

Meanwhile, **Vihaan**, in his very first tennis competition, also participated in a tournament hosted by the **Beaconsfield Tennis Club**, despite having had no formal coaching.

Displaying remarkable determination, **Vihaan** achieved the runner-up position in his singles match. Inspired by his experience, **Vihaan** has been diligently training alongside his sister to prepare for his first winter season.



Understandably, Lavanya, mother of both children, is exceptionally proud of the children's achievements. As a school, we share in her pride! CONGRATULATIONS, **Maanya** and **Vihaan**. Maintain your passion for the game!

Parking Around School

As a school, we can empathise that parking for parents collecting their children at the end of the school day can be challenging. However, we need to be mindful of signage that informs us of unlawful parking as infringement notices have been issued in the past. Additionally, parents should not be parking in the in the medical clinic nor the adjoining kindergarten. Thank you for your cooperation.



School Council 2025

On Tuesday 1 April, the newly elected school council for 2025 held its first meeting. Prior to its commencement, an extraordinary meeting was held to induct new members and to elect office bearers. The new 2025 School Council membership and office bearers can now be presented as follows –

Executive Officer: *Jim Bell, Principal*

Parent Representatives:

Manju Babu Kiriyan, President

Jasreena Kahlon, Vice President

Lakshmi Shankar Secretary

Ragulan Karunanantham, Stuti Desai, Bijal Patel,

Suzie Flores and Hamid Ali Raja

Department of Education Representatives:

Jo-anne Doran, Treasurer

Trish Shaw, Minutes Secretary

Judy Anderson and Jenny Reid

In addition to the regular reports—Principal, Finance, Buildings and Grounds, Fundraising, Canteen, Policy and Curriculum, the meeting provided the opportunity for all in attendance to collectively celebrate the school's student achievement as highlighted in the school's **Annual Report to the School Community 2024**.

The **Annual Report to the School Community 2024** is a legislative and regulatory requirement and was presented for endorsement by School Council. The Annual Report provides an opportunity to share the year's achievement and progress with the school community and to reflect on the school's performance and how improvement efforts have delivered our positive student outcomes.

Upon school council endorsement, the report may be accessed by the Department of Education's quality assurance division. The department quality assures a random selection of Annual Reports to ensure they meet quality standards.

To meet quality standards, Annual Reports must:

- outline how the school progressed their goals and supported improvement in student learning and wellbeing outcomes
- include commentary analysing student attendance
- be written in a clear and succinct narrative style accessible to a public audience (for example, using plain language, avoiding jargon)
- omit individual staff and contractor names, for privacy reasons
- contain minimal spelling and grammatical errors

QA Pending

Current Status

Once approved by QA Division, the **Annual Report 2024** can be uploaded onto our school's website and shared with our community.



Aussie of the Month

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

CONGRATULATIONS, DHRUVI!

It is with great pleasure that I present this award to Dhruvi, a student whose actions embody the values of respect, fairness, fair-go and inclusion. Dhruvi consistently demonstrates kindness in all that she does, making thoughtful choices that not only show deep respect for those around her but also for the environment of which she is part.

Her willingness to help others is evident in everything she does. Dhruvi doesn't hesitate to support her classmates once she has completed her own work, always ensuring that no one is left behind and that everyone feels included and valued. What truly sets Dhruvi apart is her genuine warmth and openness. She has a remarkable ability to welcome new friends with a friendly, open heart, creating an atmosphere where all feel invited and comfortable.

Dhruvi's actions remind us all of the importance of fostering a community where everyone feels seen, heard, and respected. She truly exemplifies the spirit of inclusion, fairness, and kindness. Congratulations, Dhruvi, and thank you for being an inspiration to us all.

Nominated by Sunny.

Congratulations, Dhruvi, on receiving the Aussie of the Month certificate.



Key Values

Fair-go

Same opportunity for all people and having a go



Mateship

Generosity of spirit and compassion for those in need



Respect

For self, for others, our way of life and the environment



Inclusion

Acceptance of difference, feeling of belonging



 THURSDAY 24TH APRIL 2025
BRENTWOOD PARK'S STUDENT LED SERVICE

ANZAC DAY

FOR THOSE BRAVE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES SO WE COULD LIVE
OURS.

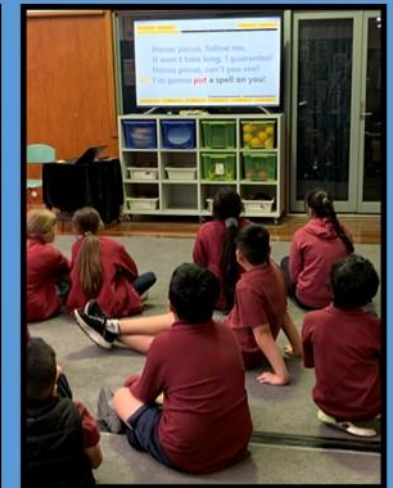
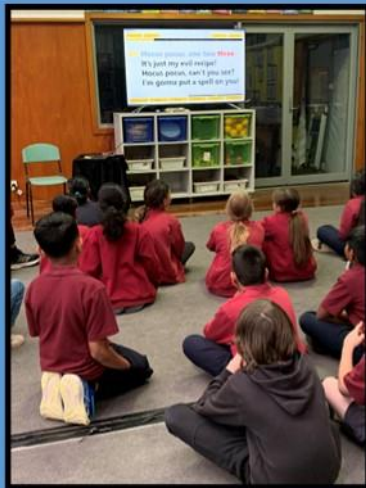
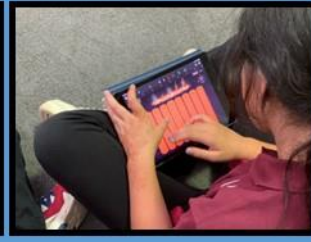
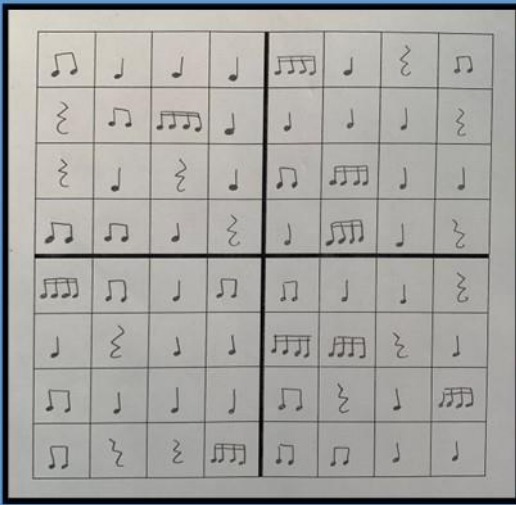
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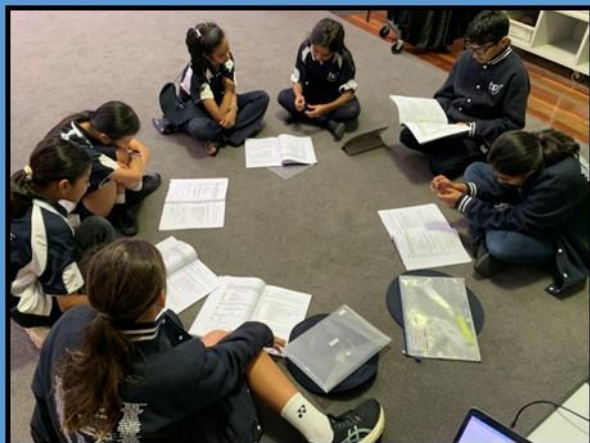


LEST WE FORGET

Performing Arts Year 5 and 6



During Performing Arts, the year 5 and 6 students have been writing their own compositions using a beat grid. We then used GarageBand on our iPads to record it and add guitar, bass guitar and string accompaniment parts. We have also started the Production journey by learning the songs and script reading.



Performing Arts Year 3 and 4



Year 3 and 4 students have been working on their recorder skills. The year 3 students have been working on their left hand, learning the notes A,B, and G. This week joining these 3 notes together.

The year 4 students have extended their knowledge from year 3, starting to learn notes in the right hand. We have played many songs including American folk tunes, TV themes and We Will Rock You.



**Brentwood Park Primary School Year 5 & 6 Students
Proudly Present**



ROCK BOTTOM

Wednesday 6th August, 2025. Bunjil Place, Narre Warren

At the start of Term One, over 100 Year 6 students auditioned for this year's 5/6 production, "Rock Bottom". Students are looking forward to presenting this to all the year 5 and 6 families of the Brentwood Park community.

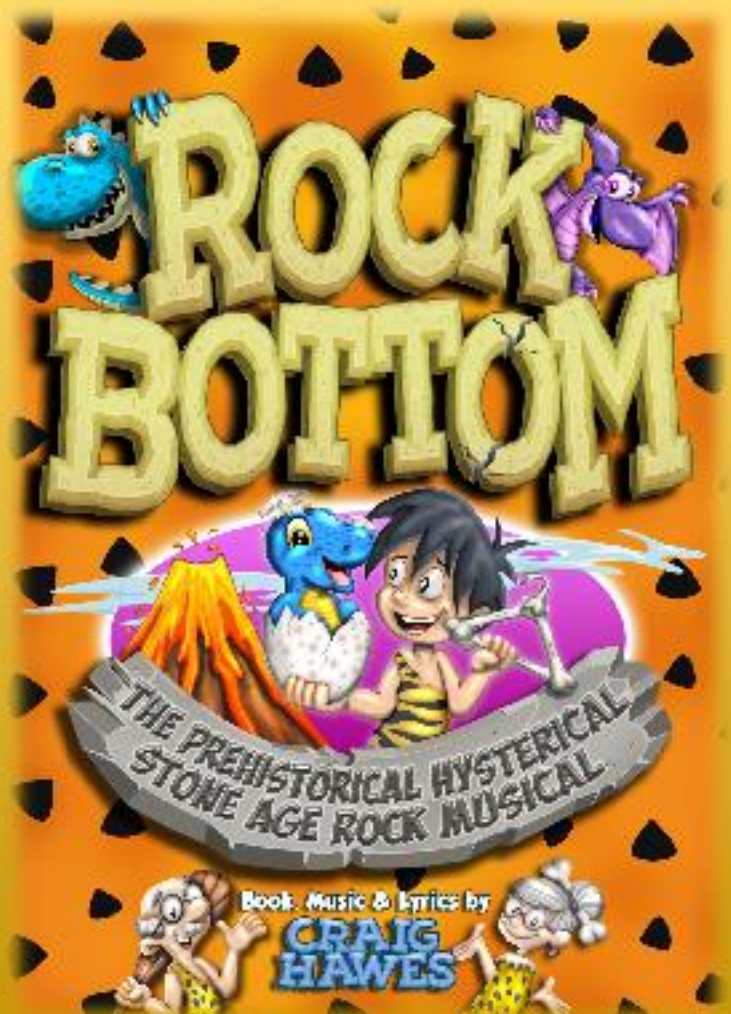
On Wednesday the 6th of August, the 5/6 production will be performed at
Bunjil Place, Narre Warren.

Please keep this date free.

Kenneth Mills (Performing Arts Teacher)

M eet The Cobblestones, just an ordinary Stone Age family of cave folk living on Stoney Street, Rock Bottom! But when cave girl inventor Bobby Cobblestone hatches her very first good idea, she's whisked off to work for none other than the beautiful celebrity Lady Lava! Unfortunately, BC is soon up to her neanderthal neck in trouble when she discovers her new boss hides a dark secret that will rock Rock Bottom to its foundations. With mysterious monsters terrorising the town and a volatile volcano ready to blow its top, can BC become a little boulder and hatch a plan to save her family, her friends and her very own precious Rock Bottom? Only time will tell...

A cast of crazy cave folk join in the neolithic naughtiness, not to mention a flock of prehistoric birds, two dippy dinosaurs, a vacuum-cleaning mammoth and a sabre-tooth tiger called Tiddles! With eight toe-tapping songs to get you rocking like a rolling stone and a puntastic script as sharp as a flint, one thing's for sure - the Stone Age rocks!



Term 1

Week ending 4th April, 2025

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| OMB | Sienna | for her amazing work in the classroom during term 1. |
| OEP | Rihanna | for consistently demonstrating great honesty and showing wonderful manners in the classroom. Your kindness respect and integrity set a great example for your peers. |
| OMS | Sanayah | for making great improvement in segmenting and blending CVC words. Keep up the wonderful effort! |
| ORC | Lana | for your terrific weekend writing. Great job sounding out your words and writing down all the sounds. Fantastic! |
| OTL | Haris | Successfully segmenting and blending sounds to read words. You are a superstar! |
| 1AU | Vasudev | for his amazing persistence and growth this term. He has been so dedicated to his learning and made fantastic progress |
| 1CM | Imanka | Well done on publishing your first piece of writing. Your CFA incursion recount included all of the features that make a great recount. |
| 1NG | Maive | for her amazing writing this week! |
| 1TN | 1TN | your brilliant work in term 1. You all worked so hard and gave everything a 'red hot' go! |
| 1MS | Gihen | for writing a detailed recount of your weekend. |
| 1SL | Deon | for taking great responsibility as a lunch order monitor and helpful helper, and gave your best effort during cross country. |
| 2SM | Ashley | for your wonderful focus and enthusiasm while learning to use number lines for subtraction! |
| 2KM | Jesslyn | making leaps and bounds in your learning. Way to go! |
| 2EC | 2EC | for an outstanding term, full of focus, teamwork and resilience. We are so proud of you! |
| 2LM | Melina | for always greeting her teachers in the morning and taking the time to chat with them throughout the day! |
| 2BC | 2BC | for an outstanding term full of focus, teamwork and resilience. We are so proud of you! |
| 2CH | Tejveer | for demonstrating your understanding of idioms this week during writing. |
| 3AB | Vinuja | for your detailed sticky notes and reading journal. Well done! |
| 3AM | Nathaniel | for your fantastic effort in term 1. |
| 3DB | Tilly | for demonstrating the school value of excellence throughout term 1. Well done on a fantastic first term, Tilly! |
| 3AL | Krishna | for writing a fantastic reading journal on the story 'There's a Bat on the Balcony'! Well done, Krishna! |
| 3GA | Isabeau | for her perseverance during Cross Country! You can do it if you put your mind to it. |
| 3SM | Davinesh | putting excellent effort into his learning. Awesome work! |
| 4SA | Janudi | for always having a positive attitude and giving your best effort to everything you do! |
| 4DG | Seth | for your fantastic narrative & sentence 'up levelling'. It was fantastic to see you trying to include more ambitious vocabulary in your writing! |
| 4HC | Lara | for always being respectful and doing your best as well as showing kindness to others! |
| 4TC | Annette | for always being thoughtful of others & consistently trying your best! |
| 4VK | Eugene | for being a respectful, responsible and a hard working student. |
| 4JF | Brianna | a fantastic sustainability project presentation. You spoke clearly and presented your work well. |
| 5CW | Amy | for always showing the school values and trying your best on all tasks! Well done. |

Term 1

Week ending 4th April, 2025

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| 5EB | Mia | for her wonderful and thoughtful advice. I liked that you put so much effort into your ideas! Well done. |
| 5BM | Irie | for writing a fantastic introduction to her persuasive writing text, using persuasive devices and well chosen vocabulary. |
| 5MT | 5MT | for your outstanding effort, dedication and hard work throughout Term 1. You have shown incredible perseverance teamwork and enthusiasm in every task and challenge. Keep up the fantastic work! |
| 5BM | Irie | for writing a fantastic introduction to her persuasive writing text, using persuasive devices and well chosen vocabulary. |
| 5JD | Joaquin | for always displaying respect, excellence and high focus during your learning. Well done! |
| 6KW | Ansh | for being able to create accurate & neat cross-sections of a 3D shape during maths. |
| 6MB | Benjamin | for demonstrating our school values of responsibility and teamwork with the group task of wizard world and confidently being the speaker of your 'party'. |
| 6ED | Vihaan | for your entertaining and informative presentation about the Australian government. |
| 6KR | Liam | for demonstrating our school values of responsibility and excellence when completing your reading journal and book grid activities for the term. |
| 6LM | 6LM | for all your amazing hard work and being so welcoming when Leanne was away. |
| 6MS | Lexi | for producing a great reading journal on Paper Planes. You used a range of evidence from events in the movie to support your thoughtful entries. |

SPECIALIST

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| CHINESE-DAISY | 5RH | your persistence and positive attitude towards learning Chinese have really impressed me. Keep it up! |
| CHINESE-CHUNYAN/SARAH | 2LM | Well done for your effort in completing the Chinese Animal Zodiac. |
| DIGITAL TECH-HOSAY | 4TC | you learnt how to email and add contacts in MS outlook and how to format your emails correctly and safely. Your level of focus is amazing. Congratulations. |
| MEDIA-LIMING | 5BM | Amazing work turning binary into colour that fast shows great understanding and creativity. |
| PA-KENNETH | n/a | |
| PA-FELICITY | 1MS | for a fantastic lesson learning "Sasha", a dance from Russia and 'Obwisana', a game from Ghana. Great work. |
| PE-ERIN | 0EP | Amazing listening skills and everyone giving their best efforts this term. Keep up the great work. |
| PE-JIM/SARAH | 3AB | for the class always giving their very best efforts in Health & Physical Education. |
| VISUAL ART-JESS | 1SL | Well done for finishing your wind socks with such enthusiasm. They look amazing. |
| VISUAL ART-BREE | 6ED | for your great effort on your 2pt perspective buildings. Well done! |
| LIBRARY | 0MS | for being magnificent when borrowing your books. Do keep up with the beautiful manners too! |

AIRCRAFT

EDUCATION EDITION

YEAR 5'S – TERM 2

BYO DEVICE – ATTENDANCE OPTIONAL

WEEKS 1 - 4

TUESDAY LUNCH PLAY: **5RH**

THURSDAY LUNCH PLAY: **5CW**

WEEKS 5 - 8

TUESDAY LUNCH PLAY: **5JD**

THURSDAY LUNCH PLAY: **5MT**

YEAR 5'S – TERM 3

BYO DEVICE – ATTENDANCE OPTIONAL

WEEKS 1 - 4

TUESDAY LUNCH PLAY: **5EB**

THURSDAY LUNCH PLAY: **5BM**



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Boost Self-Esteem: Support your child's confidence and self-worth.

Trust Your Parental Instincts: Embrace your natural wisdom and commitment to your child's security.

COST
Free

DATES
Wednesdays

May: 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

June: 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

TIME
10:00am until 12pm

VENUE
Orana Community Place
16 – 18 Playwright Street
Clyde North VIC 3978

Light refreshments will be served

Bookings Essential

ENQUIRIES
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REGISTER

<https://forms.office.com/r/gSNWj2DYq>



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DADS MATTER FAMILY CAMPFIRE NIGHT



Calling all dads, grandfathers and father figures! Bring your children and family along to the Dads Matter campfire for a night of fun and entertainment.

There will be games, entertainment, drumming, marshmallow toasting, and a free sausage sizzle (vegetarian and halal options available).

Tuesday 29 April 2025 6.30 PM to 8.30 PM
Cranbourne West Community Hub
4 Flicka Boulevard, Cranbourne West

RSVP: www.trybooking.com/CZHAP

Dads Matter
(It's a Family Thing)

Please note this outdoor event may be cancelled in the circumstance of severe weather

Tel: 131450 (Translating and Interpreting Service) 131450 (تفسير اللغة) 131450 (تفسير اللغة) 131450 (تفسير اللغة)



This program is designed for caregivers residing in the City of Casey, Cardinia Shire, and Greater Dandenong. Please be aware that children cannot attend the sessions, and childcare services are not provided.

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Talking all things money: Making money work for your family

Communities For Children Frankston Community Workshop Series is designed for local parents/carers, volunteers and staff working or living with children, who are seeking information and practical strategies.

Facilitated by Melissa Meagher

This practical and informative presentation gives you the opportunity to explore your own financial health and flex your financial capability muscle (promise it won't hurt!). Walk away with proven strategies that you can implement and embody immediately to step up and (re) claim your financial independence once and for all!

The free, online workshop will cover:

- How to feel empowered and in control of your personal finances
- Gaining clarity, awareness and efficiency with your money and take simple steps to create financial security
- Tips on talking money with children to set them up for the future

DATE: Wednesday 30th April 2025
TIME: 7.00-8.30pm
WHERE: Online event via Zoom webinar

SCAN TO REGISTER:



For questions contact Sally McIntyre at cfc_southern@anglicarevic.org.au



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