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Brentwood Park Primary School NEWSLETTER

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TERM DATES 2026 TERM 1 28TH JAN - 2ND APRIL TERM 2 20TH APR - 26TH JUNE
TERM 3 13TH JUL - 18TH SEP TERM 4 5TH OCT - 18TH DEC

DATES TO REMEMBER

13-17TH JULY	GRADE 2 SWIMMING
20-21ST JULY	GRADE 5 SOVEREIGN HILL CAMP
21-24TH JULY	GRADE 1 SWIMMING
23RD JULY	GRADE 5/6 PRODUCTION AT BUNJIL PLACE
31ST JULY	GRADE 6 WATER SAFETY DAY AT CASEY RACE
7TH AUGUST	PREP MYUNA FARM EXCURSION

JIM BELL, PRINCIPAL JO-ANNE DORAN, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL JUDY ANDERSON AND JIM NARAYAN - ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

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!

This first week has seen ***eight*** new families and collectively ***nine*** new children enrol at Brentwood Park. To our new families: Nagavelli, Han, Choudary, Zhang, El Yassouri, Arcena, Haque & Kishmore Vidhyaa and to our established families, may I extend a sincere welcome and welcome back, respectively.

Farewelling Staff and Welcoming Staff

End of terms and end of semesters are quite often the time when we need to farewell students and staff who have a need to relocate to new schools. At the end of term 2, we farewelled two long standing staff members of Brentwood Park. Tash Cooper, a staff member of ten years and Ebony King, a staff member of eight years have taken up new teaching positions at Kulap Primary School and South Melbourne Primary School, respectively.

Just as we farewell students and staff, we welcome new students and new staff to the Brentwood Park Primary School community.

Welcome New Staff and Returning Staff

This week, two new staff members joined our school. We extend a warm welcome to ***Katrina [Kat] Wos*** and ***Yiwei Ling***. Kat and Yiwei join us from their former positions at Wulerrp Secondary College in Clyde North and Barayip Primary School in Tarneit, respectively.

We also welcome back two established staff members returning from their recent long service leave! A welcome back is extended to ***Linda Moore*** and ***Chunyan Zhang.***

Facilities Update

End of term breaks provide the best opportunities to undertake significant maintenance projects with the least impact on school operations.

Over the recent school vacation period, keyless entries to our external doors were installed. This enables the electronic opening and locking of doors at specific times of the day which will be a major boost to our school's security!

Facilities Update
Another significant project was the reinstatement of the retaining walls and raised garden beds surrounding our outdoor / under cover recreational area. It is anticipated that this area will be fitted out to serve outdoor table tennis! Funding the furniture for this recreational activity will be through the funds raised by the Year 5's endeavours at the mini fete.

NAPLAN Reporting
This week, schools received their delivery of the individual student NAPLAN reports for 2026. The reports will be distributed to families this week.

NAPLAN reports a child's achievement in relation to proficiency standards with each of the standards representing increasingly challenging skills and understandings as students move through the years of schooling.

The number and percentage of questions a student needs to answer correctly to achieve a result in a given level varies; depending on the test domain, year level and, for non-writing tests, the student's pathway through the tailored test. A student's score point on each scale is determined by the student's total test score rather than the most difficult item correctly answered.

NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process. It does not replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance, but it can provide teachers with more information about students' educational progress. NAPLAN also provides schools, education authorities and governments with information about how education programs are working, and whether students are achieving important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy.

Personal Achievements
A follow-up to the ***Personal Achievements*** features for two of our students in our last newsletter is ***Sayon W.***

Sayon has received his Honour trophy, an award that is presented to students who have completed 4 years of ***Public Speaking & Communication Skills*** training at ***Super Speak*** (equivalent to 160 hours) and presented 24 formal solo speeches.

Congratulations, ***Sayon***! As always, and as a school, we are pleased to hear of students' achievements in co-curricula or leisure pursuits outside of regular school hours. We acknowledge the opportunities parents provide to their children are very proud of the children's achievements through thosd opportunities afforded to them!

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WORLD MATHS DAY AT B.P.P.S.

On Friday 24th July, we will recognise the outstanding achievements that some of our students made during World Maths Day back in March. Our school received trophies this week to present to students at assembly.

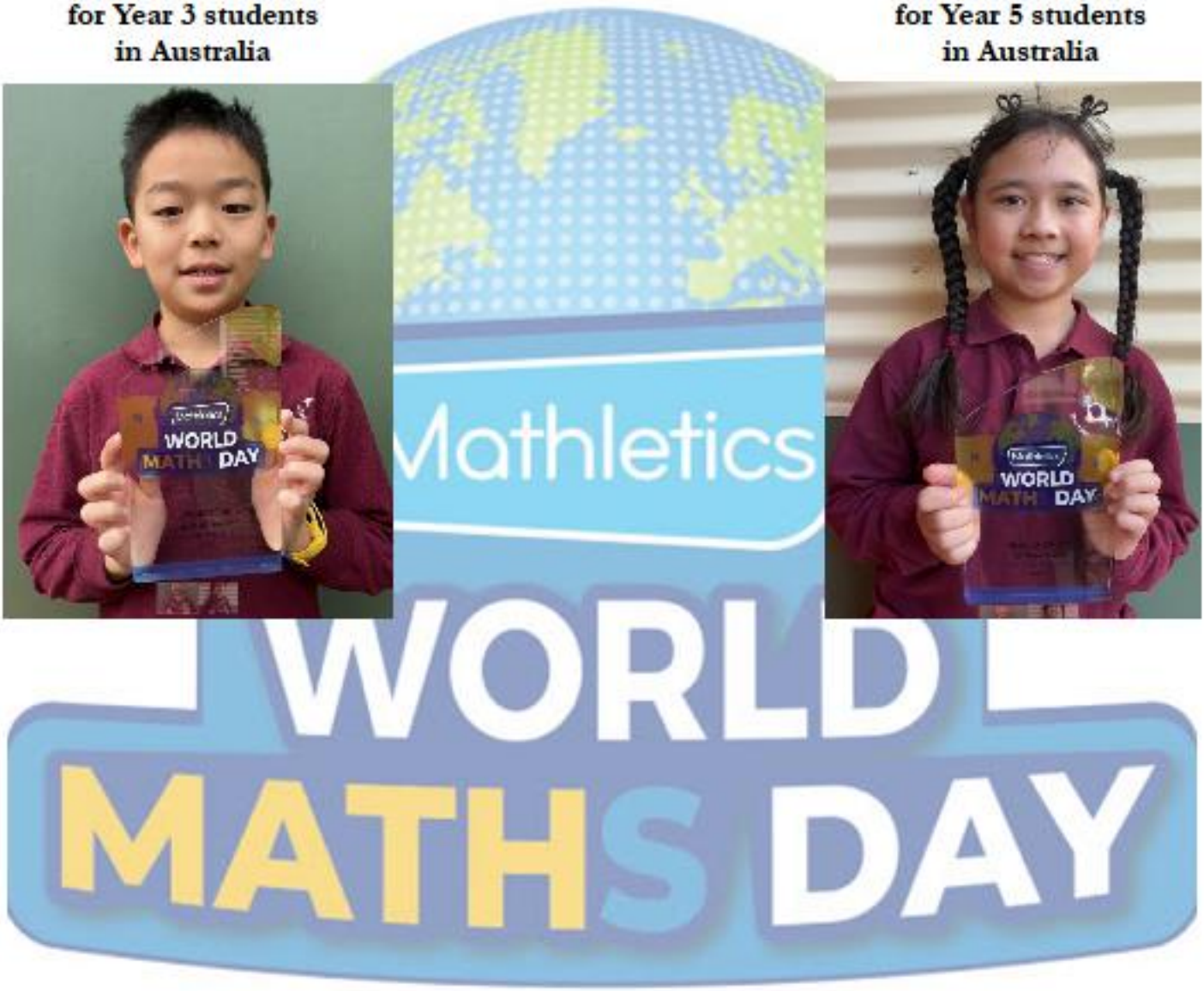
Brentwood Park PS has achieved some fantastic results on a national and a global scale, including Jayden (3AM) finishing in first place on Mathletics for all Year 3 students in Australia during World Maths Day. In addition, we had Jessica (5CW) finishing in first place on Mathletics for all Year 5 students in Australia during World Maths Day.

Congratulations, Jayden and Jessica!

Well done to all of our students and teachers across the school for getting involved with World Maths Day! You should all be very proud!

Jayden (3AM) #1 for Year 3 students in Australia

Jessica (5CW) #1 for Year 5 students in Australia



1CM

Building Resilience Through Respectful Relationships

This term, the students in 1CM have been exploring Topic 5: Coping with Challenges as part of the Respectful Relationships program. Throughout our lessons, students have been learning that everyone experiences difficult emotions and challenging situations, and that there are healthy ways to manage these feelings.

Together, we have explored a range of coping strategies that students can use when they are feeling worried, frustrated, sad or overwhelmed. These strategies include talking to a trusted adult, taking slow, deep breaths, using positive self-talk, drawing or writing about feelings, taking a movement break and practising mindfulness.

One of the highlights of the unit has been our guided meditation sessions. Students thoroughly enjoyed taking time to slow down, relax their bodies and calm their minds through peaceful visualisations and breathing exercises. It has been wonderful to see the children embrace these moments of mindfulness. By learning and practising these coping skills, students are developing resilience, emotional awareness and confidence to manage life's ups and downs. We are incredibly proud of the thoughtful discussions, empathy and personal growth that 1CM have demonstrated throughout this unit.

We encourage families to continue these conversations at home, by asking your child about the coping strategies which they believe help them feel calm and ready to learn.

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

FOOD BANK

SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Tuesday and Thursday
8:30am – 8:45am
All welcome!

Breakfast Club – Thank You for Your Support!

A huge thank you to our wonderful school community for your ongoing support of our Breakfast Club. Your generosity helps us provide a warm, welcoming start to the day for so many of our students.

Our Tuesday sausage special continues to be a crowd favourite! A big thank you to the families who have generously donated sausages. The delicious smell wafting across the playground each Tuesday morning is hard to resist and brings in plenty of happy, hungry students.

We have also recently received a generous donation of hot chocolate powder, thank you the Mellican/Taylor family. On these chilly Thursday mornings, a warm hot chocolate paired with a toasted sandwich is the perfect way to help students feel warm, settled and ready to learn.

This term, we're excited to add freshly squeezed orange juice to the menu thanks to the generous donation of a juicer. A heartfelt thank you to the De Silva / Abeywickrama Gunaratne family for this wonderful contribution.

If you would like to support the Breakfast Club, donations of **disposable gloves, margarine and dishwashing liquid** are always greatly appreciated.

Thank you for helping us make Breakfast Club such a positive and valued part of our school community.

Any donations can be directed to Mel at Breakfast Club on a Tuesday or Thursday morning.
melanie.dennis@education.vic.gov.au

Aussie of the Month

Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

Congratulations, Angela!

Congratulations, Angela, on consistently demonstrating our school values and the Aussie of the Month values of mateship, fair go, inclusion, and respect. You are a wonderful example of excellence, always putting 100% effort into your learning and challenging yourself to do your very best. Since arriving in Australia, you have made outstanding progress in a very short time, and your growth and determination have been incredible to see.

You show genuine care and kindness towards others every day. You are always willing to include classmates in games and activities, ensuring that everyone feels welcome and valued. Your thoughtful nature shines through when you check on others who may be hurt or upset, showing empathy and compassion towards your peers. These actions reflect the true spirit of mateship and inclusion.

Angela, your willingness to participate in class discussions and learning activities is especially commendable. Even while continuing to learn English, you contribute confidently, take risks in your learning, and embrace new challenges with a positive attitude. Your resilience, courage, and enthusiasm inspire those around you and demonstrate that hard work and perseverance lead to success.

You should be extremely proud of all that you have achieved. Thank you for being such a caring, respectful, and dedicated member of our school community. Keep shining brightly, believing in yourself, and striving for excellence in everything you do.

Nominated by Chanel, Mel, and Nina

June 2026

WORLD BEE DAY

Recently, students across the Casey area were invited to participate in Brad Battin's World Bee Colouring Competition. Many talented junior school students from a range of schools entered the competition, showcasing their creativity, effort, and artistic skills.

The winning year one entry, from Casey, came from right here at our school! A huge congratulations goes to Dhyaan from 1CM, whose outstanding colouring entry was selected as the winner amongst all the Year 1 students who entered across Casey.

Proudly Present

GROSS BUSTERS

Thursday, July 23rd 2026.

Bunjil Place, Narre W

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SOLD OUT

Students have been rehearsing since the start of term two, and we are putting the final touches to this amazing show. We are looking forward to presenting this to all the families of the Brentwood Park community.

This is going to be a SELL OUT, so don't miss out on this fantastic musical, performed by our Year 5 and 6 students.

S.R.C news

WHAT?
Brentwood Park Primary is now recognised as an official donation partner of the CDS Victoria's container deposit scheme.

WHY?
By participating in this scheme we are reducing litter, helping our environment and earning funds to improve our school community.

WE can help reduce litter, help the planet and be rewarded.

OUR recycling supports a circular economy and means new products can be made out of existing materials.

VICTORIA'S CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME

Please help your SRC to raise funds for our school.

Check for the 10c mark

VICTORIA'S CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME

You can bring your drink containers with the 10c refundable mark to school.

Please leave them in the tub outside Daryl's shed. The tub will be there before school each day.

Your Zone ID Barcode.

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Our nearest reverse vending machine is located at:
Berwick Springs Hotel
288 Clyde Rd, Berwick

Or you can take them to your nearest container deposit location.

Just enter our BPPS ID barcode or scan it and donate to us directly.

Term 2

Week ending 26th June, 26

STAR OF THE WEEK

0MB	Ivaan	for consistently making positive choices in the classroom and being a wonderful role model for others.
0EP	Arjun	for showing amazing partitioning skills in maths! Great work, Arjun.
0LP	Aaryan	for doing FANTASTIC work during our phonics and writing activities. You are doing a great job sounding out and spelling words. SUPERSTAR effort!
0RC	Avraaj	for listening during floor time and having a go at your work.
0TL	Rose	working really hard to learn the sounds.
1AU	Danny	for his excellent narrative writing with 'sizzling starts'.
1CM	Dollar	for showing EXCELLENCE in our class, especially during phonics & maths lessons. Keep shining!
1NG	Luna	because you are always a kind and caring friend to everyone in our class. You consistently try your very best with every task and never give up. Keep up the fantastic effort!
1KM	Jahaan	working hard all term and producing fantastic writing.
	Marlee	working hard on your spelling and sounds.
1SL	Minhas	for always making respectful choices and never giving up. Keep up your great work!
2SM	Sofia R	making positive progress with completing your homework.
2SY	Zev	for your awesome work in science this week!
2LD	2LD	for completing another term with hard work, teamwork and a positive attitude!
2LM	Miyuki	for working hard to remain focused and on task.
2AL	Videshant	for your impressive efficiency in mathematics.
2CH	2CH	for your wonderful effort and creativity in learning. You should all be proud of how much you have learned and grown this term!
2JL	Imanka	For actively making positive and respectful choices in class.
3AM	Tommy	for writing a detailed information report on koalas.
3BC	Damon	for bringing us so much joy and happiness in our class. You are so kind and caring.
3JR	Balraj	for creating a brilliant information report on a Woolly mammoth. Your poster was so detailed!
3GA	Risindi	for her focus during writing sessions! You are great.
3AJ	Rosalyn	for your detailed information report on koalas. Well done!
4SA	Mahreen	for your persistence when converting mixed number and improper fractions. Well done!
4MS	Theyon	for your excellent writing in the style of the author of 'The Tale of Despereaux'. Your skilful work was a great example to others. Well done!
4NH	Kevin	for settling in well by keeping up academically and making friends through shared interests.
4TC	4TC	for being an amazing grade. Thank you for all the memories, laughter and learning.
4VK	Amelia	for her wonderful effort in writing tasks. Lovely improvement in Vicki 's 4VK use of interesting sentences!
4CR	Leah	congratulations on your fantastic work researching the Savannah biome.
5CW	Vanya	for being a polite and respectful student all term. Well done!

STARS OF THE WEEK

Term 2

Week ending 26th June, 26 .

5NR	Kayla	for your excellent presentation of your inquiry project. You demonstrated confidence, preparation and strong communication skills.
	Ethan	for presenting your inquiry project with excellence, you demonstrated confidence and enthusiasm with your learning.
5RH	Rahitha	for consistently demonstrating Respect, Responsibility, Teamwork and Excellence through your kindness, helpfulness and inclusive attitude.
5MT	5MT	for an awesome semester 1! You all have learnt so much and have shown big growth in your learning as well as yourselves! Well done!
5BM	Narun	for producing consistently high quality work across all learning areas and always striving to do your best! .
5KW	Keith	for his enthusiastic dancing during our school production rehearsals. Keep it up!
6EK	6EK	for displaying maturity, understanding and resilience when faced with change. Your critical thinking and emotional intelligence have blown me away this semester and I am so grateful to have been your teacher!
6MB	Orion	for demonstrating our school values of responsibility throughout term 2!
6ED	Riya	for your incredibly detailed and creative Expo Project on 'Life in the Trenches' You went above and beyond to present your research.
6KR	Ethan	for demonstrating our school value of responsibility by including other students daily.
6LM	Liam	for his positive effort and growing confidence in sharing his Expo Project.
6SM	Kennudi	for working hard on your fluency and phrasing regularly. Keep it up, Kennudi!
6LS	Amya	an impressive, creative and comprehensive Expo Project on the RFDS.
	Jay	showing consistent improvement in all areas of the curriculum through effort, organisation and listening to feedback.

SPECIALISTS

PE—DYLAN		
	5BM	for your outstanding effort and participation in our softball match this week. Fantastic work, 5BM!
PE-JIM		
	2SY	for your outstanding teamwork skills when participating in tunnel ball and egg and spoon races. Awesome work, 2SY!
PA-SARAH		
	2LM	for enthusiastically exploring the exciting work of foley artistry, by using instruments to creatively perform sound effects to enhance storytelling.
ART-JESS		
	2LM	for the amazing spiders you made with model magic and the vibrant beading designs you created on their legs.
ART-BREE		
	3JR	for working hard to complete your paintings. Well done!
CHINESE-DAISY		
	6LM	for your amazing job finishing the Dragon Boat Festival activities. Thank you for an amazing term 6LM!
CHINESE-LORRAINE		
	4CR	you have been doing really well learning how to tell the time in Chinese. Everyone tried their best to say the time in Chinese and showed great effort throughout the lesson. Keep up the fantastic work and positive attitude!
DT-LISA		
	2SM	Fantastic coding this term using the Edison robots. Well done.
DT-SARAH		n/a
PA-KENNETH		
	4NH	for a focused lesson recording rhythm patterns and recording smart drum patterns using 'Garageband' on our iPads.
MEDIA-DAISY		
	6EK	for your amazing job completing the photography unit in media this term!
LIBRARY-ANNETTE/JO/VERONICA		
	Hetvi	for your consistent dedication helping out at the library. Your beautiful bright smile and presence are greatly appreciated. You are just amazing!

Brentwood Park Primary School has been fundraising since the 1990s to support the school garden by selling the **ENTERTAINMENT BOOK.** The book is now an app and much bigger. It is full of discount vouchers that make purchasing something small to anything big a little more affordable. When purchasing a 12-month digital subscription online, you select BPPS as the school you wish to support, and 20% of your purchase goes towards the school. You can also participate in their competitions for extra bargains! See their offers at www.entertainment.com.au and visit their Youtube channel at https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=entertainment+book.

You can get discounts for airfares, holiday accommodation, theme parks, clothing, food, attractions, social activities, entrance fees, car hire, wine, gift cards, retail for appliances, petrol, tours, cruises, travel insurance, camping, and much, much, more. Have a look and see!

Support our school garden with the Entertainment Book App.

Cheers Vicki Kromlidis

Tuning in to Toddlers™ Officer

This fun, practical, and evidence-based 6-week program is designed for parents and carers of children aged 1 to 4 years.

Discover how to navigate your toddler's big emotions while building a calm, confident, and strong connection.

Come along and learn how to:

- Understand, accept, and respond to your toddler's emotional needs.
- Build practical skills to stay calm during tough moments.
- Deepen your daily connection and attachment.
- Create a safe environment for your toddler to grow, learn, and thrive.

COST
Free

DATES
Wednesdays

July: 29th
August: 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
September: 2nd

TIME
10am until 12:30pm

VENUE
Kurmboon Child and Family Centre
297 Pink Hill Blvd, Officer

Light refreshments will be served

Bookings Essential
REGISTER HERE:
https://forms.office.com/r/ea1LPtZdvG

ENQUIRIES
P: 9704 8377
groupwork.south@vt.uniting.org

Please note: This program is for caregivers residing in the City of Casey, Cardinia Shire, and Greater Dandenong who have at least 50% custody. Please be aware that children cannot attend the sessions, and childcare services are not provided.

Uniting

Parenting Adolescents
Narre Warren

This 6-week program offers an opportunity to reflect on parenting and adolescents, and how you can support your child in having the experiences you hope for as they grow. It is suitable for parents and carers of children aged 10 to 17 years.

The Bringing Up Great Kids Parenting Adolescents program supports you as a parent or carer to:

- explore your parenting style.
- learn more about brain development during the adolescent period and its influence on the adolescents thoughts, feelings and behaviour.
- explore new ways of communicating with your adolescents.
- discover ways to take care of yourself, practice self-compassion and how to find support when needed.

Please note: This program is for caregivers residing in the City of Casey, Cardinia Shire, and Greater Dandenong who have at least 50% custody. Please be aware that children cannot attend the sessions, and childcare services are not provided.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
Scan the QR code to register
https://forms.office.com/r/f1uNRQTPt5

COST
Free

DATES
Mondays [6 weeks]
27th July and 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st August 2026

TIME
10:00am until 12:30pm

LOCATION
Uniting Narre Warren;
55 Webb Street, Narre Warren
VIC 3805

ENQUIRIES
P: 9704 8377
E: groupwork.south@vt.uniting.org

Australian Childhood Foundation

Uniting

July Activities
for dads & kids in Casey

JULY 05
11.00 AM - 12.30 PM
Soccer World Cup Fun

JULY 8
2.00 PM - 4.00 PM
Mysterious Mushrooms

JULY 10
7.00 PM
Fatherhood Space men's group

JULY 16
10.00 AM - 11.30 AM
50th PlayDaze event

JULY 18
10.00 AM - 11.30 AM
Gardening Together

JULY 20
6.00 PM - 7.30 PM
Night Walk

JULY 22
7.00 PM - 9.00 PM
Dads' Golf Night

JULY 24
7.00 PM
Fatherhood Space men's group

These community-led groups are supported by: VICTORIA State Government · City of Casey · Dads Matter

OFFICIAL

SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISOR
CASUAL POSITIONS AVAILABLE

City of Casey

NOW RECRUITING

We need you to help protect our school communities

Become a School Crossing Supervisor today!

- Multiple casual positions across the City of Casey available (up to a maximum of 20 hours per fortnight)
- Rewarding position making a real difference in our community
- Earn an income and still have time to do all the things you love doing during the day!

A bit about the role:

As a School Crossing Supervisor, you will assist students and families to travel safely to and from school. The crossings are located at selected intersections, pedestrian light crossings and at flagged children's crossings across the City of Casey.

You will be required to travel between various locations across the City of Casey. You will need to be available between the hours of 8:00 am – 9:15 am and 2.30 pm- 4:00 pm Monday – Friday within the school term (crossing shifts will vary between 30 minutes – 1 hour, with a maximum 1.5 hours per day).

Does this sound like you?

- Reliable in good or bad weather
- Good communication skills
- Community spirit
- Positive energy
- Comfortable using technology and operating a handheld device which includes, completing online training and using text messaging systems.
- Willingness to undergo pre-employment background checks including: National Criminal History Check, Working with Children Check and Eligibility to Work check, Functional Assessment (physio/medical)

Next Steps

For more information, please call: 9705 5304, or scan the QR code below and apply now!

Contact the City of Casey:

Web: [illegible]
Email: [illegible]
Phone: 03 9705 5200
Post: PO Box 1000, Narre Warren VIC 3805
NRS: 133 677 (for the deaf, hearing or speech impaired)

Customer Service Centres:

Narre Warren: Bunjil Place, Patrick Northeast Drive, Narre Warren
Cranbourne: Cranbourne Park Shopping Centre, Cranbourne
ABN: 43 320 295 742

TIS: 131450 (Translating and Interpreting Service)

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