

## Welcome Back

Welcome back to the 2023 school year. I hope everyone enjoyed their Summer break and managed to get some rest and relaxation before what is sure to be a huge 2023.

Congratulations to all of our staff and students, including 127 new Foundation students, on a wonderful start to the year. It is always a highlight watching the students arrive for their first day of school, I hope they all enjoyed it.

In the first week I visited every classroom to remind our students of the two things they must do each day to ensure school is a welcoming, enjoyable and productive place. These things are to 'Be Your Best' and to be kind to each other. If we do these two things, everything else takes care of itself and it will be a hugely successful 2023.

Wishing all members of the Woodlands school community all the best for a wonderful 2023 school year.

### Attention:

There have already been a number of students who have severely injured themselves while doing lifts, flips and throws during school time. Handstands and cartwheels are allowed and should be done carefully and cautiously, however anything else is not permitted at school. It is very dangerous and we do not want to have to see any more students admitted to emergency for broken bones or severely injured body parts.



## CALENDAR

### FEBRUARY

*Monday 13—Wednesday*

*15th—Year 6 Camp*

*Friday 17th— School Photos:  
class photos/portraits*

*Friday 24th—school photos:  
Siblings/absent*

### MARCH

*Friday 10th—Curriculum Day  
(NO students at school)*

*Monday 13th—Labour Day  
Holiday*

## *Joke of the week !*



What do you call  
a boomerang that  
won't come back?  
A stick.

# Privacy Collection Notice

## Information for students, parents and carers

Annual privacy reminder for our school community

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the [Schools' Privacy Policy](#).

Please take time to read our school's collection notice, found on our website <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacypolicy.aspx>

We ask parents to also review the guidance on how we use [Google Workspace for Education](#) safely at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information.

If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using Google Workspace for Education, please contact the school.

For more information about privacy, refer to: [Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents](#). This information is also available in ten community languages:

- Amharic
- Arabic
- Dari
- Gujarati
- Mandarin
- Somali
- Sudanese
- Turkish
- Urdu
- Vietnamese





# IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES



## ***Important School Dates for Term***

### **2023 TERM DATES**

*TERM 1 - Friday 27th January to Thursday 6th April.*

Monday 13th—Wednesday 15th February—Grade 6 camp

Friday 17th February—Class photos/Portraits

Friday 24th February—Siblings/Absent

Friday 10th March—Curriculum Day

Monday 13th March—Labour Day

### **2023 Foundation only.**

Foundation students will also have **every Wednesday off school until** after the long week-end in March.

**First Wednesday back will be 15th March**, and the following week will be the foundation students first full week of Primary School (Full week beginning Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March).

**TERM 2            Monday 24th April to Friday 23rd June**

**TERM 3            Monday 10th July to Friday 15th September**

**TERM 4            Monday 2nd October to Wednesday 20th December**

# FOUNDATION

# FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL



BE KIND



# FIRST WEEK OF FOUNDATION!

The Foundation students have had a wonderful first week of school! They have settled into school routines beautifully, experienced some fun specialist activities with Mrs Block, Mr Hall, Mr Gough and Ms Morgan and finished off our week by making some special crowns to celebrate!



Foundation E



Foundation M



Foundation S



Foundation N



Foundation G



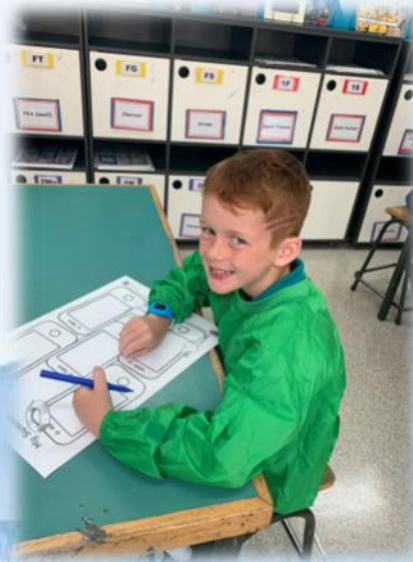
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# Year 1 Superstars

Mrs Block's Year One Superstars have had a great start to Term One.

It was wonderful to hear of all their fun holiday activities.

Have a look at these artists in action. Looking refreshed and ready for the school year.



# Art Room News:



Dear Parents,

The Art rooms have begun with a flurry of activity and colour for 2023. To give our art rooms a helping hand we would love donations in both the Junior and Senior rooms of cleaning products and tissues. (Spray and wipe, paper towel and sponges) All donations are welcome and can be dropped off at both art rooms. Alternatively your Childs' classroom teacher will happily pass them on.

The Senior art room requests donations of: Colour Wool and Cardboard Boxes of various sizes. (Looking for Medium sized Cereal boxes, tissue boxes down to sultana boxes) All of these will go into making some fabulous art works this year.

All the art teachers are excited about sparking your Childs's artistic abilities and making a creative mess with your children throughout the year.

Kind Regards

Kristen Clowes, Kirsty Livera and Lisa Block.



# Library News

Welcome back to 2022

Children are welcome to visit the library to read and or borrow before school and the first half of recess. Please use backdoor entrance.

To borrow books students in all grades must have a [waterproof library bag](#).

Despite all good intentions, [PLEASE DO NOT MEND](#) any books (library or take home readers). If a book is in need of repair please send to the Resource Centre or give to your class teacher.

Book Club brochures will come home twice per term.

We also host two Book Fairs during the year June 5th – 9th and November 20th – 24<sup>th</sup>

Wishing everyone a fantastic year,  
Ms Burke.



**Book Club LOOP**  
The EASIEST way for parents to order and pay for Book Clubs!

**Parents: Are you registered for LOOP?**  
LOOP is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order, if you wish to pay by credit card.

Parents who are registered for LOOP receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads and offers throughout the school year—don't miss out!

Head to [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) and register today!

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# THRIVE AWARDS

Term 1 Week 2

'Be HEALTHY'

Class	Recipient Name		Class	Recipient Name
FE	Winter A		4AW	Oliver P
FG	Lucy N		4D	Leo C
FM	Evie N		4I	Maddox H
FN	Darcie M		4MR	Austin T
FS	Violet M		4W	Stevie M
FT	Avery R		5A	Stella F
1A	Olivia H		5B	Jensen M
1E	Lexi M		5D	Jasmine G
1F	Arielle L		5S	Belle B
1J	Evie A		5W	Ellie D
1S	Charlie C		6BP	Levi P
1SR	Torah A		6C	Tj G
2F	Nixon W		6H	Heidi L
2H	Layla C		6P	Grace B
2I	Keira M		6S	Thiridy F
2J	Ivy S		PERFORMING ARTS Mr Gough	Laney M 2I
2M	Piper M		PE Mr Dowling PE Mr Birnie	Hayden D 4I Cooper K 2H Keara B 6H Londyn M 2MU
2MU	Parker S		STEM Mr Schaus	Zane D 4W
3E	Parker W		VISUAL ARTS Mrs Black	Mila A 1F
3H	Cruze D		VISUAL ARTS Mrs Clowes	Annaliese B 6P
3L	Tyler B		VISUAL ARTS Mrs Livera	Emmelyn C 2J
3P	Violet N		ICT Mr Hall	Ashar M 1A
3W	Logan H		MEDIA Mr Hall	Bella C 5W
			PE Mr Hall	Lola R 1R
			AUSLAN Ms Morgan	Oakley G 6P Lachlan K 2H
			Prep PE Mrs Schraath	Polly S FE

## Elections of School Councillors for 2023

The Department of Education and Training has approved the commencement of the electoral process for the elections of School Councillors for 2023. Below is an outline of the process and a timeline for the completion of the elections. I have also included some information about the School Council, its membership establishment and role within our school.

### **Membership**

Our School Council consists of 8 elected parent members, 4 elected members of staff, and the Principal, with two optional School Council appointed community members.

### **Terms of Office**

The term of office is for two years.

### **Retiring School Councillors**

The following members of the School Council retire at the end of this month.

**Parents:** Lisa Meddings, Daniel Boyle, Will Sederino, Simon Maddock and Zac Critsilis

Retiring members are eligible for re-election

**Parent Positions Available:** 5

**Staff:** No staff retiring in 2023

**Staff Position Available:** 0

### **Timeline for Elections**

- Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Feb: Call for Nominations (Nomination box located at the office).  
Nomination forms can be collected from the Principal's office.
- Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Feb: Nominations close 4:00 pm.
- Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Feb: Nominations displayed at School. Election held if Required.
- Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Feb: Close of Ballot and Votes counted.
- Wed. 8<sup>th</sup> Mar: School Council AGM & School Council Meeting.

## **What is a school council and what does it do?**

All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally formed bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within centrally provided guidelines. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

## **Who is on the school council?**

There are three possible categories of membership:

### **A mandated elected parent category.**

More than one-third of the total members must be from this category. Department employees can be parent members at their child's school as long as they are not engaged in work at the school. [?](#)

### **A mandated elected school employee category.**

Members of this category may make up no more than one-third of the total membership of the school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members.

### **An optional community member category.**

Its members are co-opted by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DET employees are not eligible to be community members.

The term of office for members is two years. Half the members must retire each year and this creates vacancies for the annual school council elections.

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## LIVE STREAMED INCURSIONS

Dear Parents & Carers,

In 2023 our students will be participating in the Inform & Empower **digital safety & wellbeing** program. This means that your child/children will be tuning in to live streamed incursions (with their teachers) every term that focus on healthy and safe digital habits. The incursion content is all written and delivered by qualified teachers who are endorsed by the eSafety Commissioner as a Trusted eSafety Provider.



These sessions aim to help children better navigate the online world and become more aware, clever, brave and kind. They will focus on topics including navigating unwanted contact, cyberbullying, help-seeking strategies, unsafe content, balancing screen time with "green time" and sharing personal information. While Foundation (Kinder/Prep) students do not participate in live streamed sessions, they will be exploring the basics of the online world through guided activities.



You, the parents and carers, will also be given resources to support conversations with your children at home. You will receive a concise "tip sheet" each term that outlines what your child learned about in class and how you might open up these important conversations.

### Student Surveys

In Years 3-6, Inform & Empower will invite students to complete anonymous surveys asking them about their digital habits. **No identifying information, such as name or school, is collected.** This survey is **optional**. You or your child may choose to opt out at any stage, please inform the school if you do not wish your child to complete these surveys. Questions examples include: *What online games do you like to play? How many hours do you spend online each day/week? What are the best/worst things about the internet?* The survey data will be used by Inform and Empower to help improve their programs and may be published online.

As a school, participation in this digital safety and wellbeing program forms part of our ongoing commitment to child safety.



## Discovery Mornings

Term 1 - Thursday 23 March

Term 2 - Thursday 15 June

Term 3 - Wednesday 2 August

9:00am - 11:00am

See the College in action as you tour our grounds and facilities, engage with our students and enjoy a morning tea with our leading staff and College Principal.

Register online at [jpc.vic.edu.au](http://jpc.vic.edu.au)

Enrolments for Year 7 2025 close on 18 August 2023



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## OPEN NIGHT

Monday March 27th 5:30pm - 7:00pm

80 Warrandyte Rd, Langwarrin

Check in at the senior school entrance

**Please note:** Street parking only, on-site car park will be closed

We welcome the community to:

- See our outstanding facilities and grounds
- Speak with students about our broad range of programs
- Meet with our dedicated teachers
- Hear about our future direction and unique opportunities that we offer
- Learn about our specialist programs

Applications for **2024** are opening soon. For more information visit the college website at [www.emc.vic.edu.au](http://www.emc.vic.edu.au)



Holiday Camps  
Doxa

2023

### WHAT IS ON OFFER?

During the summer and term 1 holidays, Doxa will be running camps in both the city and our bushland camp in Malmesbury. They will cater for children aged 10 to 12 years and will be free for participants registered with the Victorian Government Positive Start Programme.

### MALMSBURY CAMP

Our Malmesbury Camp is located in an idyllic bush setting in Central Victoria where campers will have exciting outdoor adventures. Onsite there are all sorts of facilities including a giant swing, a climbing wall and trampolines and we visit stand out local attractions such as the steam train.

### CITY CAMP

Located in the heart of the Melbourne CBD, our City Camp will offer participants the opportunity to discover all the things that our vibrant city has to offer. From the large iconic attractions to the hidden gems of Melbourne's laneways, sporting activities, and even an amazing race, the experience they have will be like no other.

### DATES FOR BOTH OUR MALMSBURY & CITY CAMP

January 9 to January 13  
5 days and 4 overnights

January 16 to January 20  
5 days and 4 overnights

April 11 to April 14  
4 days and 3 overnights

April 17 to April 21  
5 days and 4 overnights

### TRANSPORT

We will provide buses to and from central pick up points at the Southern Cross Station in Melbourne and the regional towns of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong and Traralgon or you can pick up and drop off your child from the camp.

### FURTHER INFORMATION AND BOOKINGS

For further information, to book or help to register for a free camp with The Victorian Government Positive Start,

email: [info@doxa.org.au](mailto:info@doxa.org.au)  
or phone: Marianna Anthony on (03) 9046 8200  
or see our website:  
[doxa.org.au/holiday-camp/](http://doxa.org.au/holiday-camp/)

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## PARENTS BUILDING SOLUTIONS

For parents, step-parents, grandparents, families and carers of children of all ages. Come join along for the 6 week group. Share ideas and feel supported. Free for all.

### ARE YOU TIRED OF ALL THE YELLING?

How to communicate better within the family

**DATES:** Wednesdays  
15, 22 February  
1, 8, 15, 22 March 2023

### DEALING WITH ANGER

Helping parents deal with anger in themselves and the kids

**TIME:** 9.15am - 11.15am

**WHERE:** Aldercourt Primary School  
Silver Avenue  
Frankston North

### RESPONDING TO BEHAVIOUR

Understand why children behave the way they do

**COST:** Free

### STRATEGIES THAT WORK

How can parenting be easier and more fun

**For more information contact:**  
Michelle Brown 0429 174 150  
Michelle.brown@anglicarevic.org.au

Register using the QR code or this link  
<https://forms.office.com/r/MQHC10AWXc>



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BETTER TOMORROWS



## PARENTS BUILDING SOLUTIONS

For parents, step-parents, grandparents, families and carers of children of all ages. Come join online for interactive parenting sessions. Share ideas and feel supported. Free for all.

### ARE YOU TIRED OF ALL THE YELLING?

How to communicate better within the family

**DATES:** Tuesday 7, 14, 21, 28 February  
7, 14 March 2023

### DEALING WITH ANGER

Helping parents deal with anger in themselves and the kids

**TIME:** 1pm - 2.30pm

**WHERE:** Online

### RESPONDING TO BEHAVIOUR

Understand why children behave the way they do

**COST:** FREE!

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For parents, step-parents, grandparents, families and carers of children of all ages. Come join a 6 week face to face parenting group. Share ideas and feel supported. Free for all.

### ARE YOU TIRED OF ALL THE YELLING?

How to communicate better within the family

**DATES:** Thursday 16, 23 February  
2, 9, 16, 23 March 2023

### DEALING WITH ANGER

Helping parents deal with anger in themselves and the kids

**TIME:** 9.30am - 11.30am

**WHERE:** The Corner youth services building  
Wilson's Road, Mornington

### RESPONDING TO BEHAVIOUR

Understand why children behave the way they do

**COST:** FREE!

### STRATEGIES THAT WORK

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## PARENTS BUILDING SOLUTIONS

Open to Parents & Carers of Teenagers. Come & share experiences, ideas and learn new strategies. Join the interactive sessions online.

- Feeling stuck or struggling with your teenager
- How to get your teenager to listen, without having to yell
- Building a better relationship with your teens
- Discuss and share strategies that work

**DATES:** Tuesday 14, 21, 28 February 7,  
14, 21 March 2023

**TIME:** 7pm - 8.30pm

**WHERE:** Online

**COST:** FREE!

**For more information contact:**  
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**Body Confident Children: Supporting Healthy Relationships with Food and Exercise in Young People**

CFC Frankston Community Workshop Series is designed for local parents/carers, sport and recreational groups, volunteers and staff working or living with children, who are seeking information and practical strategies.

Facilitated by the Butterfly Foundation

This workshop is interactive and covers:

- The spectrum of body and eating issues from healthy to unhealthy, to disordered and clinical diagnosis
- Key influences on body image, including social media
- Diet culture and weight stigma
- Busting myths around eating disorders
- Reducing appearance based talk and how to respond when a child expresses negativity towards themselves or others
- The power of role modelling positive body image
- Understanding early warnings signs and the importance of early intervention

**DATES:** Wednesday 1st March 2023  
**TIME:** 7:00pm - 8:15pm  
**WHERE:** Online Zoom Webinar

SCAN QR CODE BELOW TO REGISTER



For questions contact Emma Rafferty at [cfc\\_southern@anglicarevic.org.au](mailto:cfc_southern@anglicarevic.org.au)

**Butterfly**  
THE FOUNDATION FOR EATING DISORDERS

CFC is funded by the Australian Government, Department of Social Services. See [www.dss.gov.au](http://www.dss.gov.au)

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**Anglicare Victoria**



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**COST:** FREE!

For more information, contact Michelle Brown 0429 174 150 [Michelle.brown@anglicarevic.org.au](mailto:Michelle.brown@anglicarevic.org.au)

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## PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Joining the Woodlands PnF team is a fantastic way to become involved in the school community. We organise events such as Mother's and Father's Day Stalls, Second Hand Uniform Sales, Colour Runs, Pyjama days etc, with meetings and the majority of activities held during school hours.

The PnF is different to and less demanding than other groups, such as committees of management.

We are looking for the following members in 2023;

**\*Secretary**

**\*General Members** (i.e. non position holders)

**\* Event helpers** (i.e. available to assist at events, such as stalls etc.)

The 2023 AGM will be held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February, 9.10am in the staff room (located in the main office area).

We invite all interested parents and carers to attend – younger siblings (future Woodlands students!) are always welcome.

We look forward to seeing you there!

