



# Westbreen Primary School

## Newsletter

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## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been an exciting start to the week at Team Westbreen. Yesterday we had the delivery and installation of our new portable and this week also sees our Foundation Students starting fulltime. We look forward to welcoming them to our whole school assembly tomorrow morning in the Specialist Building.



Our students are engaging well in the learning and wellbeing programs, and we have also commenced our tutoring and enrichment programs. Things are really starting to feel settled.

### NAPLAN

In the upcoming next two weeks, our Grade 3 and 5 students will be involved in the NAPLAN Assessment Program. Our school has set a timeline to participate - starting on the 13th of March. Our schedule for testing will be as follows:

Wednesday March 13<sup>th</sup> ~ Writing.

Thursday March 14<sup>th</sup> ~ Reading.

Friday March 15<sup>th</sup> ~ Catch Up sessions

Monday March 18<sup>th</sup> ~ Language Conventions

Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup> ~ Numeracy

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March ~ Catch Up Sessions.

Our students will be participating in practice sessions leading up to the official NAPLAN period to ensure they are familiar with navigating a laptop, the NAPLAN software and the types of questions they will be required to respond to.

We wish our students the very best in their efforts in completing the NAPLAN Assessment Program in 2024.

For more information please see the attached information brochure here: <https://nap.edu.au/docs/default-source/default-document-library/naplan-information-brochure-for-parents-and-carers.pdf>

Should you have further questions, please feel free to contact your child's classroom teacher.



## SCHOOL VALUES ON DISPLAY

Last Friday morning I spent some time watching our students participate in the Inter-School Sport Program and the Introduction to Sport Program at Pascoe Vale Girls College. In the matches against Glenroy West, I saw students showing respect towards the umpires, opponents and each other. As the home team, it was pleasing to see the students take on the responsibility of preparing the oval & courts for the games. When I arrived at Pascoe Vale Girls College, students were working in teams (Co-operating) and giving 100% when participating in their selected sport (Achievement).

## PUBLIC HOLIDAY

A reminder that next Monday – 11<sup>th</sup> March – is a public holiday. We hope that all members of Team Westbreen enjoy the day and if you are heading away for the long weekend, we wish you safe travels.

Have a wonderful week!

*Jason Kenny*

Acting Principal

# ***Volunteering at Team Westbreen***

Every year we invite our Westbreen families and community to join us by volunteering at Team Westbreen. We believe that when schools, families and communities work together to support our students it gives them the opportunity to thrive both academically and personally.

We have lots of ways you can make a difference at Team Westbreen, including:

- · listening to children read
- · going on excursions or helping at incursions
- · helping in the Canteen with Ms Bridget
- · helping at Breakfast club with Ms Jo
- · supporting our teachers and students at Inter-school sports
- · helping at Book Fair with Ms Tamie
- · assisting teachers in making resources for their class
- · covering books for the library
- · being part of our ***Parents & Friends Community Group***, helping with:
  - ◆ · Mother's & Father's Day stalls
  - ◆ · Bunnings BBQ
  - ◆ · Fundraising events to be held throughout the year

We understand our families are busy and don't have as much time to help as they may like, so may think it's not worth offering, but could I ask you to chat to me about what may work for you before you cross it off the list. It could be once weekly, fortnightly or monthly, or maybe just every now and again. Any assistance we can get from our families and communities is appreciated, AND our students love having you involved.

Please reach out to me if you would like more information about any of the above. You can chat to me out in the yard, give me a call, pop into the office to speak to me, or email me at [kerry.parfett@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:kerry.parfett@education.vic.gov.au)

# STUDENT OF THE WEEK

<b>FA</b>	<b>Campbell L</b>	For always trying his best and helping others. Well done Campbell!
<b>FE</b>	<b>Livia J</b>	For all your amazing effort learning letters and sounds. Great work!
<b>FS</b>	<b>Kobe N</b>	For being a helpful classmate and always trying his best.
<b>1H</b>	<b>Saba T</b>	For always showing the school values and being a kind 1H class member!
<b>1S</b>	<b>Jackson C</b>	For showing great initiative in the classroom. You see what needs doing, and get the job done! You're a fantastic role model, Jackson.
<b>1T</b>	<b>Johncy C</b>	For always displaying the Westbreen Values and putting 100% into his learning. Keep up the great work Johncy!
<b>2F</b>	<b>Jude M</b>	For trying his best in Reading and Writing and always trying to improve! Keep it up!
<b>2L</b>	<b>Harry T</b>	For being an amazing class member by always trying his best, engaging with class mates and connecting to his learning. Well done Harry!
<b>2V</b>	<b>Beatrix Mc</b>	For always being a wonderful helper and caring classmate. Congratulation on becoming 2V's class captain.
<b>34C</b>	<b>Jada N</b>	Congratulations on becoming Class Captains for 3/4C in 2024!
<b>34C</b>	<b>Ava S</b>	Congratulations on becoming Class Captains for 3/4C in 2024!
<b>3 4H</b>	<b>Tia K</b>	For using a variety of writing devices in her narrative and great editing skills to engage her audience. Keep up the amazing work!
<b>3 4O</b>	<b>Bilal K</b>	For doing some great writing and drawing about the BFG.
<b>3 4P</b>	<b>Luis V</b>	For your great efforts in Maths this week, expanding 5-digit numbers. Well done!
<b>3 4Z</b>	<b>Saira H</b>	Congratulations on becoming 3/4Z's Class Captain!
<b>3 4Z</b>	<b>Muhammad P</b>	Congratulations on becoming 3/4Z's Class Captain!
<b>5 6D</b>	<b>Anouk De</b>	For an amazing, well planned persuasive text that used interesting language devices. Keep up the great work Anouk!
<b>5 6N</b>	<b>Adam Y</b>	For always showing care and compassion to your classmates. Great job Adam!
<b>5 6W</b>	<b>Juanmi S</b>	For creating connections with his peers in his first week at Westbreen. Bienvenido Juanmi!
<b>5 6Z</b>	<b>Jayden H</b>	For always giving his 100% in all learning areas and consistently showing the school values. Super role model! Keep it up!

**Please note the above Students of the Week will be presented their certificate at assembly on Wednesday 13th March 2024**

# Westbreen Community News

Hi everyone,

## Assembly

This week is the first full week of school for our 2024 Foundation students and also the first time they will be joining Team Westbreen at our assembly tomorrow. Lots of parents have been telling me their children were excited to attend assembly, especially to hear Mr Kenny's jokes which he shares with us fortnightly. Mr Kenny is always looking for **new funny jokes** to share at assembly, so if you or your child/children have any jokes that you think will make us laugh, please feel free to share with Mr Kenny by putting them in his jokes mailbox at the school office.

To our new parents that haven't attended our school assembly before, please know you are welcome and encouraged to attend when you can, staying for the whole assembly or just part of it. You can make your way into the Specialist Building once your child has gone into their classroom at 9am. The children will put their school bags away, lunch orders in the class box and make their way over to the Specialist Building by 9:10am. If you are running late on Wednesday, please just bring your child with you to assembly. They can leave their bag outside the door and then join their class mates. After assembly they can collect their bag as they leave.

Our assemblies are run by our very capable School Captains, Ella & Oscar, and we start off with our Welcome to Country and National Anthem. Next our Students of the Week are presented with their certificate, our House Captains give a sports report, the Nude Food Dude is presented to the class with the most number of students that bring nude food lunchboxes and then the winner of House Points is announced.

During the year Mrs Delacoe will get classes to do a performance each week. It's a bit early in the year for that to start but it is probably not far away. Mrs Delacoe will email you when your child's class is going to be performing.

Please note that our students of the week receive their certificate at assembly the week **after** it is announced in the newsletter.

I strongly encourage all our families to read our weekly newsletter and attend assembly when possible as it is a great way to find out what is happening now, as well as what events we may have coming up at Team Westbreen.

## Tomorrow is our Monthly Chat & Chew!

On the first Wednesday of each month you are invited to join myself, and any other available members of Team Westbreen, for a cup of tea/coffee, biscuit & chat in our staff room straight after assembly. It's not formal, just another casual way to make connections with other members of our community and Team Westbreen as they come and go. Younger children are also welcome, with a box of toys to keep them entertained.

## Family Time

The weather is looking good for this Wednesday afternoon so we are planning to do a **Scavenger Hunt**. Join Aysel and I under the big blue shade sail at 3:15 to 4:14pm. Hopefully lots of families, including younger siblings, join us for the fun. **Please note: all children that attend Family Time need to be supervised by their parent, grandparent or carer.**

Look forward to seeing you throughout the week.

*Kerry Parfett*

**Community & Enrolment Facilitator**

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# 2024 Photo Day

## Online and Envelope Order Instructions

**Dear Parents and Students of Westbreen Primary School,**

Your school photo day is on 25-03-2024 and your school has chosen to order via online and/or envelopes which has been or will be distributed to every student. Therefore, it is important that the ordering instructions below are followed, and all students are photographed regardless of purchase.

**\*\* IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE – ONLINE ORDERING FOR SIBLING PHOTOS WILL CUT OFF ON 24-03-2024 \*\***

**ONLINE ORDERING:** Your child's school photos are now available for secure online purchase, please note if you are ordering online, you do not need to return an envelope to the school

### 4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Step 1:** [Click Here](#). - For online ordering process for your school - OR - Go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) before photo day and enter your school code [5YM TXF 14K]
  - Step 2:** Enter your student's details
  - Step 3:** Choose the package that best suits your needs (*all orders will be delivered to the school for collection*)
  - Step 4:** Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)
- \*\*Online Orders have a 1.5% merchant fee applied when using Visa, Mastercard or PayPal.**

*Please note: If you miss photo day, portrait and group packages can still be ordered online for 7 days afterwards with no late fees. After that time, late orders will require separate processing and handling and therefore will*

**FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS:** No envelope required if ordering online

### 3 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) before photo day and enter your school code [5YM TXF 14K]
- Family/Sibling photo orders online close on [24-03-2024]
- Orders can be placed by returning an envelope up until photo day with exact cash amount. (*no change given*)

### ORDERING USING AN ENVELOPE:

**ENVELOPES WILL BE HANDED TO EACH CHILD, PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE**

- Step 1: Student Details - Complete the section for student details on the front of the envelope. (Please use black or blue pen).**
- Step 2: Purchase Details - Complete the purchase details on the front of the envelope.**
- Step 3: Payment Method - Select your payment method.**
- Credit Card – Online Only at [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au)
- Cash – Please enclose correct money – no change is given under any circumstances

Please Note: A portrait and a class group photograph will be taken of every student at the school, regardless of purchase. Photographs of your children taken as part of a class group are only permitted to be distributed within their own class. Your child's name will appear on the class group photo. If you **DO NOT** wish your child to be photographed, please contact your school office with your instructions prior to Photo Day.

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries regarding your child's school photo order.  
[info@advancedlifevic.com.au](mailto:info@advancedlifevic.com.au) or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team

# CAMP SPORTS EXCURSION FUND APPLICATIONS

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the cost of school trips camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means—tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

Payment amounts this year are \$150.00 for eligible primary school students. Payment are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application from this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on 93069481 and ask for an application form or we have some in the stand at the front office.

Check with the school office if you are unsure and please return completed forms to the school as soon as possible with your card so we can photo copy your eligible card.

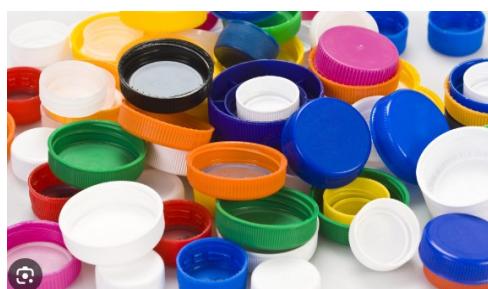


## Visual Arts - Bottle top Mural

Hello Westbreen Community!

I would like to call on families to save **bottle tops** of various **sizes** and **colours**, and to bring them into the school when you have collected at least a zip lock bag full or even a shopping bag full. Bottle tops collected can be given **directly to me (Ms. Mahlis)** when your child attends their art session. The mural project will begin in Term 2.

Also we have received enough Recycling now thank you again for your support.





# EASTER RAFFLE



**Westbreens Parents and Friends (P&F) Committee is excited to announce its 2024 Easter Raffle.**

**Prizes will be hampers and gift vouchers!**

**We would appreciate any of the following donations for the prizes.**

- Chocolates of any kind
- Toys, figurines
- Craft packs
- Story books, board games, card games
- Art supplies, Colouring books
- Cellophane, ribbons

**DROP OFF DONATIONS AT THE OFFICE BY FRIDAY  
22ND MARCH.**

**Easter raffle tickets will be sent home on Friday 8th March for \$1 per ticket. All Monies and sold/unsold Tickets to be returned to the school by Friday 22nd March.**

**Easter raffle will be drawn by the Junior School Council and winners will be notified by sms.**



All funds from the raffle will go towards P&F priorities such as laptops and iPads for the students.



# GLENROY



## JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

# 2024 REGISTRATION DAY

*Friday 1st  
March  
From 5pm*

All Junior Girls & Boys Welcome

Ages from 5yo to 16yo

Meet the Coaches

Sewell Reserve



information Contact: Vanessa 0400 063 027





CELEBRATE

# International Women's Day 2024

**FREE MORNING TEA  
MULBERRY COMMUNITY GARDEN**

OPPOSITE 125 GLENROY ROAD GLENROY

**10.00am - 11.30am  
Friday 8 March 2024**

Tea and Coffee provided by Barry Plant Real Estate Agency and made with love by MaryLou's Cafe Glenroy.

Please feel free to bring a plate of homemade food to share.  
(Ingredients list to be provided).



[www.mcgg.com.au](http://www.mcgg.com.au)

## St Marks Calisthenics Club FIRST TWO CLASSES FREE\*

*If you love to dance, sing, perform and have fun, then come along*

**Tots 3-5 years Saturdays 9am-10am**

**Tinies 6-7 years Saturdays 10am-11:30am**

**Subbies 8-10 years Saturdays 11:30am-2pm**

**Juniors 11-13 years Wednesdays 5:00-8:00pm**



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**Newlands Road  
Coburg North**

St Marks Calisthenics Club

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# March 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1*Interschool Sport Grade 5/6 home	2	3
4*First full week for Foundation students @ school	5*Breakfast club	6*Breakfast club	7*Breakfast club	8*Interschool Sport Grade 5/6 away	9	10
11*LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	12*Breakfast club	13*Breakfast club *Naplan Writing	14*Breakfast club *Naplan Reading	15*Interschool Sport Grade 5/6 home	16	17
18*School Council *Naplan Language Conventions	19*Breakfast club *Naplan Numeracy	20*Breakfast club	21*Breakfast club	22	23	24
25*School Photos	26	27	28*3/4 Continents of South America and Africa EXPO *Last day of Term 1 Finishing @ 2:15pm	29*GOOD FRIDAY	30	31

# April 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1*Easter Monday	2*School Holidays	3*School Holidays	4*School Holidays	5*School Holidays	6	7
8*School Holidays	9*School Holidays	10*School Holidays	11*School Holidays	12*School Holidays	13	14
15*First day of Term 2 starting @ 9:00am *MSO Incursion Grade 3-6	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 *Breakfast club	24 *Breakfast club	25*ANZAC DAY Public holiday	26	27	28
29	30*Breakfast club					