



Westbreen Primary School

Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for the warm welcome to Westbreen Primary School. As I mentioned during the assembly, it was great to speak with families at the gate, visit the students in their learning spaces, and connect with them throughout the day.

Below is a message for Deputy Premier, Minister for Education, Hon. Ben Carroll.

Please click on the link: [Term 2 message from The Hon. Ben Carroll MP on Vimeo](#)

During Term Two in Inquiry Learning, all classes have settled in well and students are investigating various topics.

Our Inquiry focus for Term 2 is CIVICS (*Civics and Citizenship*).

Foundation~ **Families**

Students will explore and learn about their family, and how it contributes to them being safe and healthy individuals. They learn about and celebrate special cultural days, including significant celebrations in Australia.

Years 1 & 2~ **I Rule, You Rule, We Rule**

Students will explore the meaning of right and wrong, good and bad, the types of acts often considered right and those often considered wrong, and the reasons why they are considered so.

Middle School:

Years 3 & 4 ~ **Civics: Rights, Responsibilities and Participation**

Students explain how decisions can be made democratically and the role of local government. They recognise the importance of rules and distinguish between rules and laws. They describe how people participate in their community as active citizens and the factors that shape a person's identity and sense of belonging.

Senior School:

Years 5 & 6~ **Who Rules?**

Students investigate and explore the roles and responsibilities of the three levels of government: Local, State and Federal. They explore and respond to current political issues.

Please take the opportunity and time to discuss your child's learning journey nightly, as often learning is reinforced when children share their daily learning



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This is just a reminder that the S.T.R.I.V.E program has launched in Term 2 in our Junior School. Students participate in engaging group activities for a session each week. The associated values of Support, Trust, Respect, Involvement, Value, and Encouragement will be reinforced during STRIVE activities.

Cross Country- Wednesday, 24th of April

Our school is organizing the Whole School Country Cross Event on Wednesday. Mr. Nolan has prepared a schedule and running courses suitable for each year level in the school. The students are encouraged to participate in the event and wear their house colours to earn points for their team by running or walking the course.

We are excited about this first-time event and hope to expand it in the future with the support of our school community.

ANZAC Day- Thursday, April 25

Please note that there will be a **student-free day** this Thursday to reflect on the significance of ANZAC Day. Some of our Year 6 student leaders will participate and represent Westbreen Primary School in a commemoration service at Pascoe Vale RSL at 9:00 a.m. It is not a day to glorify war but to honor the ANZAC spirit, which was born over a century ago and still lives on in Australia.

We will raise funds for the ANZAC appeal by selling pens, badges, keychains, and other merchandise. The Junior School Council (JSC) will handle the sales from Monday, April 22, to Wednesday, April 24. JSC Representatives will visit classrooms throughout the day to sell items priced between \$2 and \$10. Please ensure students bring the exact amount, as change will not be provided. Thank you for supporting the JSC and the ANZAC appeal.

Have a wonderful week of learning,

Justin Lania

Acting Principal

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

FA	Jasmine A	For being a computer superstar and helping others. Well done Jasmine!
FE	Noah C	For putting s much effort into learning the first letters. Nice work Noah!
FS	Muzaya A	For working hard to learn the letters and sounds and use them to read new words. Well done!
1H	Norah M	For always being a kind, caring and responsible 1H class member. You are a wonderful friend to everyone.
1S	Oliver L	For putting in a fantastic effort to improve his writing. Keep it up, Oli!
1T	Michael G	For his wonderful expressive reading. Great work Michael.
2F	Lily J	Welcome to Westbreen! We are so excited to have you in 2F!
2L	Talah C	For being such an encouraging and hard working team player during maths tasks. Well done Talah!
2V	Malika Y	For showing persistence, determination and making connections to your learning. I am very proud of the progressive you have shown this year, Malika. Well done!
34C	Maribel M	For showing a great improvement in approaching new things with confidence in herself and a positive mindset. Well done Maribel.
3 4H	Nisa C	For demonstrating her amazing maths knowledge on rounding numbers. What a maths whiz you are!
3 4O	Hashim	For working hard on his handwriting. Well done Hashim.
3 4P	Vanshi S	For confidently rounding decimal numbers to the nearest whole number. Fabulous work!
3 4Z	Mia K	For always being a wonderful role model and helping hand in our class. You are amazing Mia!
5 6D	Eric P	For being a supportive member of Team Westbreen especially with our Foundation buddies. Keep it up Eric!
5 6N	Talon B	For bringing your positive attitude to school at the start of Term 2. Awesome job Talon!
5 6W	Ella S	For always coming to class ready to learn with a positive attitude.
5 6Z	Venuka	For his continued efforts in improving his reading skills. Keep up the great work.

Please note the above Students of the Week will be presented their certificate at assembly on Wednesday 1st May, 2024

Westbreen Cross Country Day

This Wednesday, Westbreen Primary School will conduct a Cross Country Trial Day/ Fun Run. Each year level will take part in a short walk/jog/run for 10-15 minutes to earn points for their house groups. We ask that students wear the colour of their houses (Grevillea - Green, Jacaranda - Blue, Waratah - Red & Wattle - Yellow) on the day, as well as shoes that they can participate in. The students will be running a short course at school, which will focus on the kids having fun and earning points for their house.

Date: Wednesday, April 24th

Time: Students will take part with their year level at different times during the day

Equipment: Shoes to run/jog/walk in and a drink bottle



Late Photo Orders 2024

Dear Parents and Students of Westbreen Primary School,

IT'S STILL NOT TOO LATE TO ORDER 2024 SCHOOL PHOTOS

Your school photo day was held on 25-03-2024 and all students are photographed regardless of purchase. If you did not place an order but would like to, it is not too late to order online.

ONLINE ORDERING: Your child's photos are now available for secure online purchase

4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

Step 1: Go to www.advancedlife.com.au 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: Online ordering is available up to 7 days after photo day and after this time, a processing fee of \$15.00 will apply to all orders.

Any orders after **01-04-2024** processing fees apply

Westbreen Community News

2024 Open Day – Wednesday 17th May

We love Open Day each year as we get to welcome our existing families, as well as any prospective families, to join us to witness all things Team Westbreen. The schedule for the day is:

- 9:10am – 9:45am** **Whole school assembly**
- 9:45am – 11:00am** **Classroom visits**
Our School & House Captains will escort our prospective families around the school, visiting all the classrooms and explaining how Team Westbreen operates from their point of view.
Our existing families are welcome to join these small group tours, or alternatively, are welcome to make their way around the school at their own pace.
- 11:00am – 12:00am** **Morning Tea**
Will be in our staff room with all our visitors invited.

Family Time is back tomorrow....

Join us in the Specialist Building where we will be making some Origami masterpieces.

Family Time is held Wednesdays from 3:15pm to 4:15pm (except the first & last week of each term) in the Specialist Building or outdoors when the weather is fine.

Family Time is a wonderful opportunity for children and their families to participate in lots of fun activities while also getting to know other families within the Team Westbreen community. Younger siblings are always welcome to join the fun.

Please note: all children must always be accompanied AND supervised by their parent/grandparent/carer.



2025 Foundation Enrolments are now open – do you have a child that is ready to start school next year? If yes, enrolment forms are available from our school office. Alternatively, you can contact me so I can organise to send the enrolment form to you via email, or I can give a hard copy to your child that is already at Westbreen. If you have any questions regarding enrolments, please do not hesitate to call or email me at kerry.parfett@education.vic.gov.au

Volunteering – If you are interested in volunteering, please contact me so we can discuss what activities are available to you and how we can make it happen. You will need to have a current Working with Children Check (WWCC) card and complete our Volunteer's Induction Program. WWCC's are free and available online at www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/individuals/applicants

Have a great week everyone and look forward to saying hi to you out in the yard during the week.

Kerry Parfett
Community & Enrolment Facilitator



Mother's Day Raffle Prizes



Raffle tickets are Available via Qkr!

Raffle ticket number allocated to you once you've made your purchase!
(Tickets from Qkr! must be purchased by 3rd of May).

With thanks to...



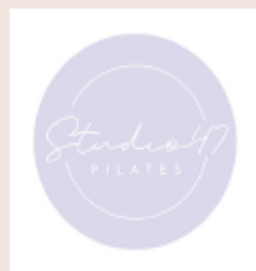
Tutti Trattoria Restaurant
\$150 voucher
 (Essendon)



Poppy Cafe and Pantry
\$60 gift card



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\$100 gift cards x 2



Studio 47 Reformer Pilates
\$125 voucher + pair of socks
 (Pascoe Vale)



La Manna
\$50 gift card



Mulberry Community Garden Glenroy
Membership

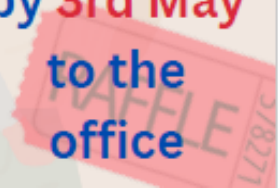


All monies to be returned by 3rd May to the office

Good luck



Raffle drawn at school assembly 8th May





Westbreen's Parent's & Friends Group is organising our annual Mother's Day stall and we need **your help.**



Please drop off items to the office or Kerry Parfett by **May 1st**

thank you



Open Day

Wednesday May 15, 2024

9:00am – 12:00pm

Join us for Assembly, Classroom Visits and Morning Tea





Free health, wellbeing and development checks for prep students

The Primary School Nursing Program is a free health and wellbeing service offered to all Victorian students in their first year of school.

The program aims to assist with the early identification of children with potential health, wellbeing or development concerns which may impact on their education and offers screening which may include:

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| Hearing | Vision | Speech | Dental | Motor Skills | Behaviour and social skills |

The Primary School Nurse also provides advice, information and referrals to other health and support services.

Please remember to complete:


The Online School Entrant Health Questionnaire (which can be accessed through this QR code or link on your mobile device or computer)



<https://students.educationapps.vic.gov.au/sehq/s/>

A paper version of the School Entrant Health Questionnaire is available from your child's school if you would prefer.

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 ISO Incursion Grade F-2 AM & 3-6 PM	16	17	18	19*Interschool Sports Semifinals	20	21
22*Excursion Westbreen Creek ART Grade 5/6	23 *Breakfast club	24 *Breakfast club *Cross Country	25*ANZAC DAY Public holiday 	26*Interschool Sports Grand Finals	27	28
29*School Council	30*Breakfast club					

May 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1*Breakfast club	2*Breakfast club	3*Interschool Sports Home	4	5
6*School Council	7*Breakfast club	8*Breakfast club	9*Breakfast club	10*Interschool Sports Home	11	12
13	14*Breakfast club	15*Breakfast club *Open Day	16*Breakfast club *Cross Country 4 to 6	17*Interschool Sports away	18	19
20	21*Breakfast club	22*Breakfast club *Simultaneous Storytime 12pm	23*Breakfast club *3/4 Incursion	24*Interschool Sports away *3/4 Incursion	25	26
27	28*Breakfast club	29*Breakfast club	30*Breakfast club	31*Interschool Sports away		