



**Westbreen Primary School**

# Newsletter

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## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

During my learning walks last week, I observed our Foundation students working on phonics in the morning, focusing on the letters, 'd' and 'o'. Our Year 1 and 2 students were learning about addition and subtraction in numeracy, as well as length. Meanwhile, our Year 3 and 4 students continue working on reading strategies, particularly paraphrasing various texts. Our Year 5/6 students are learning about the different levels of government in Australia. During one of my classroom learning walks, I joined a Kahoot Quiz on this topic and worked with a Year 5/6 group. Keep up the learning everyone!

Special thanks to the parents who helped move the mulch last Wednesday afternoon and placed some mulch behind the new Year 5/6 portables with our maintenance staff member, Ricky.

Thank you:

- Sasa- parent of Aava and Gordana
- Nelly- parent of Saviour and Zoe
- Andrew- parent of Caspian
- Lidia- parent of Mario

Another thank you to the parents and friends committee for preparing the Mother's Day raffle prizes and stall.

Thank you:

- Aysel- Parent of Meryem, Davud and Nur
- Jonathan and Yuko- Parent of Cooper and Evelyn
- Atika- Parent of Eliot and Suriani
- Rhoda- Parent of Ahmad and Tannah
- Fariha- Parent of Marni, Mahmoud and Norah
- Sophie- Parent of Hunter
- Bonnie- Parent of Zoe
- Alison- Parent of Leon and Raffy
- Georgia- Parent of Michael and Raphy
- Lucinda- Parent of Harry and Maddie
- Christine- Parent of Alexa and Nicholas



## Education Week

During Week 5, we will celebrate Education Week across the state from Monday, May 13th to Friday, May 17th. This event occurs annually. This year's theme is "Spotlight of STEM," which highlights the significance of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) in our daily lives, in the classroom, and beyond. Our students will celebrate and share ideas about the endless possibilities of STEM, and be inspired throughout the week. To help inspire your Education Week, check out our list of idea-starters below. For parents or caregivers, learn more about encouraging your child to develop STEM skills. The following external websites may also help provide further ideas:

- Scienceworks
- Melbourne Water activities for all ages
- Junior Landcare Just for Kids Activities
- NASA Kids' Club
- Maths video resources for young children can be accessed through the Mathscots animation series and Everyday Maths animations.

Westbreen Primary School is holding an Open Day on Wednesday, May 15th as part of Education Week. We aim to showcase our classroom learning during this event. As someone who visits classrooms as part of my role, I feel very fortunate and privileged to experience this every day.

Please come to our school from 9.00am- 12.00pm.

- School Assembly- 9.10am- 9.40am
- Classroom Visits- 9.40am- 11.00am
- Morning Team for all guests- 11.00am- 12.00pm
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## 2024 Enrolments

Enrolments are now open for Foundation (Prep) 2024. Parents are welcome to visit the Office and complete their child's enrolment process by filling out the school enrolment form. They should also provide evidence of their child's date of birth and immunization record. After completing the enrolment process, new enrolments will be added to the student register for 2024 classes. To help us with planning, we would like to request parents to finalise their enrolments by the end of this term. If you have any questions or need clarification regarding the enrolment process, please feel free to speak with or email Ms. Kerry Parfett, our Community & Enrolment Facilitator at [Kerry.parfett@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Kerry.parfett@education.vic.gov.au).

## 2024 Semester One Reports

Our staff is currently working on Semester One (Terms 1 & 2) reports. They will be released to parents/carers on **Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> of June**.

The Semester One 2024 reports will consist of the following areas:

Classroom Teachers:

- Overview of Learning taught during the semester in English, Mathematics, and Integrated Studies
- General Comment about your child as a learner, with reference to the Personal and Social Capability in the Victorian Curriculum

Progression Points (grid of dots) for the areas of the Victorian Curriculum covered during Semester One, including Physical Education and Health

Specialist Teachers:

- Behaviour and Effort five-point scale rating Specialist Teachers (Science, Visual Arts (Art), Performing Arts (Music), Social Skills and Italian):
- Overview of Learning taught in that subject during the semester.
- Progression Points (grid of dots) for the area of the Victorian Curriculum taught by that specialist

## 2024 Student Attitudes to School Survey

We believe that listening to students' voices is important for improving their engagement, wellbeing, and the quality of education they receive. That's why we are conducting a survey to find out what your child thinks about their school. The Attitudes to School Survey (AtoSS) is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that helps schools understand students' experiences and perceptions of school.

The survey will cover various topics, such as students' thoughts and feelings about their school, learning, peer relationships, resilience, bullying, health and wellbeing, physical activity, and life in general. This year, the AtoSS will be conducted at your child's school from 15th May to 1st June. If your child is in Years 4, 5, or 6, we will send you further information about the survey, including the timeline for our school.

## A Very Special Message

I would like to extend my warmest wishes to all the mothers of Team Westbreen on this special occasion of Mother's Day. May you relish a relaxing day with your loved ones. I would also like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the Westbreen Parent and Friends Community group for offering our students the chance to purchase a gift for their mothers or a special person. Aysel and Ms Kerry, we greatly appreciate your hard work and dedication in organising this event.

## Their Care

Their Care is our before-and-after-care program at Westbreen Primary School. We would like to remind you that you can book this service in advance. This will help the organisation and guarantee adequate staffing ratios and food allocation for each session. A big thank you in advance from 'Their Care.'

Have a wonderful week of learning,

*Justin Lania*

Acting Principal

# Cross Country

A massive **congratulations** to the amazing athletes at Westbreen Primary School for participating in the Westbreen Primary School Cross Country Event on the 25<sup>th</sup> of April. Students from Foundation all the way up to Grade 6 took part by running/jogging/walking around the track for 12-15 minutes, which each lap added to their house groups total.

Tomorrow at assembly, we will be presenting the 2024 Westbreen Primary School Age Group Champions with their certificates.

## **A huge thankyou to:**

- WPS School and House Captains,
- Mr Kenny, Mr Lania & teacher helpers
- Parent helpers and course gurus, Jono and Chris!

Mr Nolan



# STUDENT OF THE WEEK

<b>FA</b>	<b>Everyone in FA</b>	For their amazing attitude towards all of their learning. Well done FA
<b>FE</b>	<b>All of FE</b>	For putting so much effort into learning how to read. What an incredible group of readers you all are! Great Work FE!
<b>FS</b>	<b>Everyone in FS</b>	For being superstars and always trying their best. Keep up the amazing work!
<b>1H</b>	<b>Adam T</b>	For always showing his school values and helping others when in need. Great Work Adam!
<b>1S</b>	<b>Mason P</b>	For working extremely hard to improve his writing. You rock, Mason!
<b>1T</b>	<b>Jacob M</b>	For improving his reading skills. Keep up the great work Jacob!
<b>2F</b>	<b>Ata A</b>	For trying his best at sounding out his letters and creating words all by himself! Well done Ata!
<b>2L</b>	<b>Coen S</b>	For confidently sharing your ideas and knowledge in class discussions. Keep up the amazing work Coen!
<b>2V</b>	<b>Bilal A</b>	For being a kind and considerate member of 2V that always demonstrates the Westbreen values. Well Done Bilal.
<b>34C</b>	<b>Muhammad M</b>	For consistently demonstrating a positive mindset to his learning and showing improvements in all areas.
<b>3 4H</b>	<b>Sam H</b>	For making a big effort to complete all his learning tasks. Well done superstar keep up the great work!
<b>3 4O</b>	<b>Cleo I</b>	For being a polite, friendly and cheerful member of 3 / 4 O.
<b>3 4P</b>	<b>Justin J</b>	For trying his best in all tasks and aiming high! Keep up the great work Justin!
<b>3 4Z</b>	<b>Zoe F</b>	For consistently showing our school value of Achievement through working hard and doing her best work at all times. Well done Zoe!
<b>5 6D</b>	<b>Nicholas K</b>	For living our school values, putting his best efforts into learning sentence structure and helping keep our classroom clean and organised. Thanks Nicholas!
<b>5 6N</b>	<b>Isha R</b>	For always showing care and compassion to all members of our class. Fantastic work Isha!
<b>5 6W</b>	<b>Nesrine T</b>	For her dedication to consistently delivering high-quality work both during class and at home. Amazing work!
<b>5 6Z</b>	<b>Oscar H</b>	For his leadership qualities both inside and outside the classroom. Keep it up!

**Please note the above Students of the Week will be presented their certificate at assembly on Wednesday 15th May 2024**

# Westbreen Community News

**Hi Team Westbreen,**

## **Mother's Day Stall – Friday 10th May**

This Friday we will be holding our annual Mother's Day Stall and our P&F Community Group are busy setting up the tables and marking all the gifts ready for Friday. All classes will be allocated a time to visit the stall throughout the day. Gifts range from \$0.50 to \$10.00.

There is no pressure for students to bring lots of money to school, just send what you think is appropriate. Money can be placed in an envelope with your child's name & class on it, this is especially important for our younger students so they don't lose their money before visiting the stall. Could you also include a shopping bag for your child to put their gift/s in, something like a Coles or Woolies paper shopping bag is perfect. Alternatively, gift bags can also be purchased at the stall.

## **Mother's Day Raffle – drawn tomorrow at assembly**

Thank you to everyone who has purchased tickets in our Mother's Day raffle, the response has been fantastic! Ticket numbers for our families that purchased tickets via Qkr! were sent home yesterday so if you didn't receive them please check your child's bag. If winners are not in attendance at assembly, they will be contacted by phone after assembly.

*Thank you to our wonderful Westbreen community for your support with purchasing raffle tickets and donating goods to our Mother's Day stall/raffle.*

## **Open Day – next Wednesday 15th May**

**Team Westbreen is excited to invite our current families, as well as any prospective families, to join us next Wednesday for our OPEN DAY.**

We start the day at 9am with our full school Assembly in the Specialist Building. After assembly you are invited to wander throughout our school, observing our teachers and students in their classrooms. From 11am all our visitors are welcome to join us in the Staff Room for Morning Tea. Open Day is a great way to see our fabulous Teachers and Integration Aides working together to help our students learn and grow.

## **Family Time**

This week we will be making 2D Mother's Day cards in the Specialist Building. Aysel & I look forward to you joining us at 3:15-4:15pm.

**Please note: all children must always be accompanied AND supervised by an adult.**

Board games last week proved to be a big success with lots of smiles from our students and families participating in various games.



*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**

Team Westbreen invites all our community to join us for our:

**WESTBREEN PRIMARY**  
LEARNING TOGETHER FOR LIFE

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\*For up to date information please continue to check our website

## Open Day

Wednesday May 15, 2024

9.00am - 9.45am	Whole School Assembly
9.45am - 11.00am	Classroom visits
11.00am - 12.00pm	Join Team Westbreen for Morning Tea

## 2<sup>ND</sup> HAND UNIFORM

Thank you to all those families that donate 2 hand uniform items it is much appreciated. I'd just like to take this opportunity to ask that anyone wanting to donate items to please check them over carefully and be mindful that if there are any stains eg. paint, permanent marker, texta etc. then I am unable to offer them to other families. Whilst the effort is made to launder all items there are some stains that just will not come out.

I appreciate your support with this.

I'd also like to remind you of the 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform sale days; the last Tuesday of each month in the morning before school and again at the end of the day.



**SCHOLASTIC**

# Book Club **LOOP**

for Parents

**LOOP** is the Scholastic Book Club **Linked Online Ordering & Payment** platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:  
**www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP**

GET IT ON **Google play**      Download on the **App Store**

Dear Westbreen Families,

**Our Book Club ordering systems is moving online!**

**The Book Club LOOP platform for parents allows you to pay by credit card.**

**Your child's order is submitted directly to school safe and sound and the books will be delivered to the class.**

**Each student will bring home a step to step guide this week.**

**Please see the below flyer for more information.**

**Thank-you Team Westbreen**



Westbreen P&F group are excited to host the annual


# Mother's Day Stall


**Friday 10th May**



**Specialist Building, Westbreen PS**

All proceeds go towards our school IT program

 Please supply shopping bag for your child on the day

Thank you for your generous contributions 

## Volunteers needed

8.45am - 11am

11am - 1pm

1pm - 3.15pm



 SCAN ME

# OR

Click the link below

**Volunteer Sign-Up**

P & F Group  
Coordinator: Aysel Ilhan-Pasevic

[westbreen.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:westbreen.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

Community & Enrolment  
Facilitator: Kerry Parfett

# ART NEWS

*Thank you families for your contributions with all the recycled goods you have kindly donated. We now have quite a collection at the moment, if we can pause on the items being brought in to school until we need to replenish our stock again.*

*Thank you kindly from the Art Room.*

# ANZAC DAY

At 9:00am on the 25<sup>th</sup> of April, representatives from Westbreen Primary School and other schools in our area attended an ANZAC Day service in Pascoe Vale to pay our respects to those who have fought to keep our nation safe. Ella, Jayden, Khayle, Quinton, Leon, Raffy, Thomas, Meryem, Ava, Charlie and I were in attendance, as well as Mr Nolan, Mr Lania and families from our community. Ella and I had the opportunity to speak at the service, with Jayden, Khayle and Quinton laying a wreath on behalf of our school.

Lest We Forget.

Oscar Hughes







**FREE**

**CHILDREN'S  
VISION SCREENING**

**For children aged 4-7 Years**

**SATURDAY**

**25th MAY 2024**

**WESTBREEN  
Primary School**

2-10 Pascoe St Pascoe Vale

**9:00AM > 3PM**

**NO Booking Necessary**

**Professional Orthoptists**

**Contact Dick Tracy 0400 132 730 for further information**

# nab AFL Auskick

**Glenroy Auskick Center  
Thursday May 2nd**

**Bring a Friend Night!**

**No AFL Experience?  
No Worries!**

**5pm  
till  
6pm**

**All  
Genders.  
Non  
Contact.**

*Learn to play footy  
and have fun at the same  
time!*



**Hot Dinner  
available for the  
whole family  
after training!**



**Any Questions?**

**Contact:**

**Ness**

**0400 063 027**

**Sewell Reserve, Glenroy Rd. Glenroy**



# Raising resilient, healthy children and young people in Hume | Term 2 & 3 | 2024

Information sessions for parents and carers

**FREE EVENTS**



## Raising Resilient Teens


A session targeting parent and carers with children aged 12-17 years of age.

Increase your knowledge in:

- Responding to your child's fears, worries in a productive way
- Connect with and understand your child.
- Building your child's resilience and nurture a positive self-view
- Explore opportunities to build their self-confidence.

 **Online**

 Thursday 2 May

 6pm – 7:30pm

Facilitator: ParentZone, Anglicare



## School Refusal (Primary school aged children)

This session targets parents/ carers of Primary school aged children


Increase your knowledge in:

- Understanding your child who may be anxious about going to school.
- Understanding what makes it tricky for them.
- Learning additional strategies about ways you can help.

 **Greenvale West community Centre:**

**7 Ventura Way, Greenvale 3059 (Community room 2)**

 Tuesday 7 May

 10am – 12:00pm

Facilitator: ParentZone, Anglicare



## School Refusal (Secondary school aged children)


This session targets parents/ carers of Secondary School aged children.

The first 12 people to register will be offered a spot in the session.

**Register your Expression of Interest for the afternoon or online evening session.**

 **Homestead Community and Learning Centre: 30 Whiltshire Drive, Roxburgh Park 3064**

 Tuesday 14 May

 1pm – 2:30pm

(Face to Face)

 6pm – 7:30pm (Online session)

Facilitator: ParentZone, Anglicare

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EVENTS



HUME CITY COUNCIL  
**Youth**  
services



## Supporting your Neurodivergent Child

This session targets parents/carers of children aged 10 and up.

Some topics that will be explored include:

- What is disability?
- What is neurodivergence?
- Affirming language

**Greenvale West Community**

Centre: 7 Ventura Way, Greenvale, 3059  
(Training room)

Thursday 6 June  
5:30pm – 7:00pm

Facilitator: YDAS



## Raising Resilient Kids

This session targets parents/carers of children aged 5 to 12 years old

- Get a clear understanding of resilience and coping with lifes setbacks.
- Learn how to build and foster resilience in your child.
- Learn strategies to help your child bounce back from adversity.

**Greenvale West Community Centre: 7 Ventura Way, Greenvale, 3059**  
(Training room)

Thursday 25 July  
10am – 12:00pm

Facilitator: ParentZone, Anglicare



## Managing anxiety in your child (2-10 years)

This session targets parents/carers of children aged 2 to 10 years old.

We understand managing anxiety in children requires patience, understanding, and consistent support.

By creating a safe and nurturing home environment, this enables a space where your child can openly express their emotional needs and learn how to regulate themselves.

**Online Webinar**

Tuesday 6 August  
10am – 12:00pm

Facilitator: ParentZone, Anglicare



## Setting Healthy Boundaries

This session targets parents/carers of school aged children.

Topics to be explored include:

- Creating and maintaining healthy boundaries using positive approaches
- Punishment vs Discipline
- Boundary setting at home

**Online Webinar**

Wednesday 29 August

6pm – 7:30m

Facilitator: ParentZone, Anglicare



To register or for more information, visit our website via the QR code or type the url provided

Have a question? Let's talk  
email [youth@hume.vic.gov.au](mailto:youth@hume.vic.gov.au)  
or phone 9205 2556.



[www.hume.vic.gov.au/parent-carer-workshops](http://www.hume.vic.gov.au/parent-carer-workshops)



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## Primary School Refusal Session

**This free workshop provides information and strategies to parents/carers to help with this ever-increasing issue.**

Increase your knowledge in some of the following areas:

- understanding your child who may be anxious about going to school
- learning additional strategies about ways you can help
- being aware and manage your own emotions about refusal

Date: Tuesday the 7th May

Time: 10am-12pm

Location: Greenvale West Community Centre, 7 Ventura Way, Greenvale



**Registrations are essential, to book scan QR code or visit [hume.vic.gov.au/parent-carer-workshops](https://hume.vic.gov.au/parent-carer-workshops)**



# LETTER OF NOTIFICATION

Reference No. #81963

## Rhodes Pde & Northumberland Rd, Glenroy

Dear Resident,

Please be advised that Power Works will be conducted in your area which may affect access to and from your property.

These works will take place on **Saturday, 11 May 2024**

Between the hours of 7:00AM - 4:00PM

See map below for road closure points, this should help with planning your commute. It would be appreciated if you could minimise traffic flow to avoid delays and disappointment on this day.

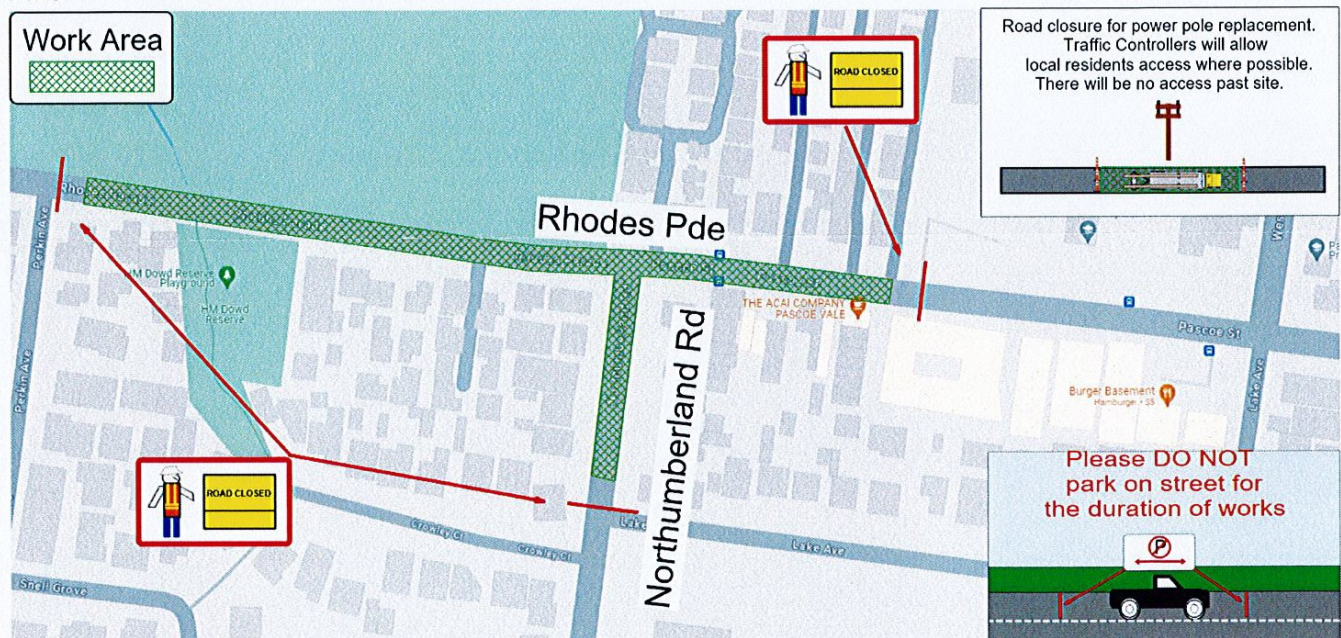
We are not the power provider so we cannot advise if your power will remain on.

**If your power is to be turned off, it is the power providers responsibility to notify you.**

Our friendly staff will be onsite to aid you, help with pedestrian movements and accommodate emergency vehicles should the need arise. We ask that you treat them with respect as they are there to help you.

Kindest regards,

ATC





# May 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1*Breakfast club 	2*Breakfast club 	3*Interschool Sports Home 	4	5
6*School Council *Last day for Bookclub 	7*Breakfast club	8*Breakfast club	9*Breakfast club	10*Interschool Sports Home *Mothers' Day Stall	11	12
13	14*Breakfast club	15*Breakfast club *Open Day	16*Breakfast club *Cross Country Grade 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 *2nd Hand Uniform	29*Breakfast club	30*Breakfast club	31*Interschool Sports away		

# June 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
					1	2
3*School Council	4*Breakfast club	5*Breakfast club	6*Breakfast club	7	8	9
10*Kings Birthday Public Holiday	11*Breakfast club	12*Breakfast club	13*Breakfast club	14	15	16
17	18*Breakfast club	19*Breakfast club *Glenroy College Science Fair Grade 5	20*Breakfast club	21	22	23
24	25*	26*	27	28*Last day of Term 2 finishing at 2:15pm	29	30