Strathewen Primary School

Wednesday 6th August 2025

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Monday 11th August	Table Tennis Program begins for next 5 weeks
Tuesday 12th August	CFA Program resumes
Wednesday 13th August	School Photos – The Group photo in the package is the photo of the Class your child/children are in. Uniform is compulsory.
Thursday 14th August	JSC – Pie/Pastie/Sausage Roll Day
Tuesday 20th August	CFA Program
Thursday 21st August	DVC School Production – Cinderella at DVC 9.30am
Tuesday 26th August	Sugarloaf Athletics Day grade 3-6 – Willinda Park, Greensborough
Thursday 4th September	Fathers Day Stall

SAVE THE DATE – Sunday Oct 26th – SPS fundraising role – car parking support at the Kinglake Market

We acknowledge the traditional Owners of the land on which we stand and pay our respects to the Elders, past, present and emerging.
We honour and respect the histories, cultures, knowledge and perspectives of First Nations peoples
We value the guidance of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as we support and create opportunities for the future custodians- the children
Let us always remember that First Nation children played, danced, sang and learned on this place they called home

News from Ballarat! Our grades 3-6 students are having a wonderful time. So far it has been a fun-packed few days of high interest activities in Sovereign Hill. The accommodation is wonderful and we have our own 'little house' in the grounds and all children have quickly settled in. The food has been great and everyone is eating very well. During Monday and Tuesday we had some education lessons, including dressing up to and replicating the Eureka Stockade. We have also been out and about enjoying the 'living history' that Sovereign Hill offers like ten pin bowling as well as visiting some of the shops in Main St. We saw how confectionary is made and learnt some interesting facts -did you know at the time of the goldrush to give barley sugar its distinctive colour they used rusty water! We have also panned for gold and the children are all now keen prospectors and they are eager for more panning over the next few days. It was great to hear their excitement as they found specks of gold however Darren is definitely the best gold panner of our group!

While the senior grades are enjoying their Ballarat experiences back at school are also having a great time during their 'gold' themed week of activities. So far this week they have done artwork based on the goldrush, played with golden playdough and also had a games afternoon.

Thank you to all those who attended the Songroom concert last Wednesday afternoon. This rounds off our lessons for the year and I would like to thank Dan for all his efforts with our students throughout the first half of the year.

The Junior School Council fundraiser was held last Thursday and it raised $23.00.. We had a range of popstar costumes including K Pop Demon Hunter characters, ACDC legends, Taylor Swift, and Ariana Grande as well as a few country and western stars as well. The next fundraiser is on August 14th and it will be a hot lunch - Pie/pastie/sausage rolls.

Diane

ALL-STAR STUDENTS!

Vivi – for confidently navigating her first camp experience.

Arthur - for being so keen to join in all the camp experiences.

Margaret – for persevering with her writing and using lots of the right sounds she could hear in the words

Wes - for getting stuck into his skip counting work and adding great detail to his artwork.

Do you have any spare 5c coins hanging around? We'd love you to add them to our silver coin tube collection in the hallway, so that we

JSC – Popstar Day

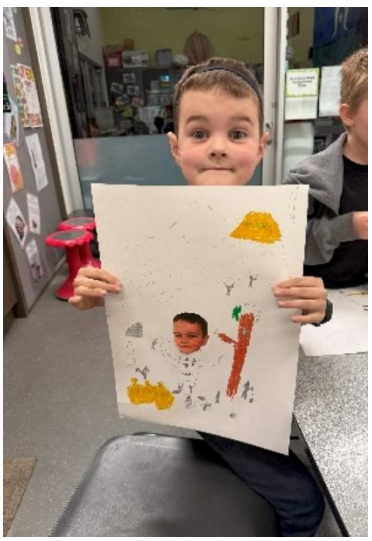
Did you know that our Junior School Council collects and returns cans and bottles through the 10c Cash for Containers program?
Deb regularly returns our bags/boxes of collected cans and bottles and we've already raised $24 this year.
If you're not collecting and returning your own eligible containers, we'd love to have them.
JSC funds go towards chosen student leadership projects each year and also support the educational sponsorship of Cinta and Mang Adi in Bali.

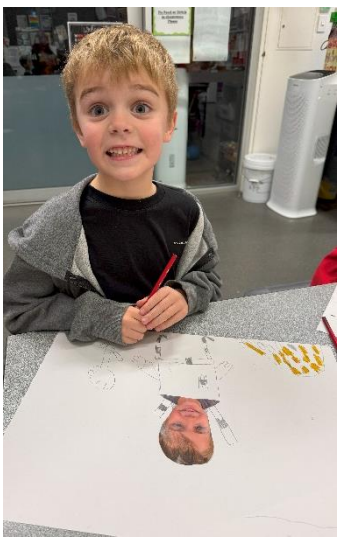
Campers of 2025

In the Art Room With

Clare

creating Gold inspired artwork





This week was a watery one! Both outside and inside, we made water wheels in the wet weather! Turns out we've got some great creative capacities in making different styles of water wheels. Some of us were able to make water wheels that served other functions such as winches, others used them to generate as much power as possible with a range of water catching designs!

RESILIENCE
RIGHTS &
RESPECTFUL
RELATIONSHIPS

- Topic 1: Emotional literacy
- Topic 2: Personal strengths
- Topic 3: Positive coping
- Topic 4: Problem-solving
- Topic 5: Stress management
- Topic 6: Help-seeking
- Topic 7: Gender and identity
- Topic 8: Positive gender relationships

Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships Program

The RR program begins in the first year of school and continues from there. Some topics covered in the junior classroom include:

- ways we help to make a safe and happy class
- acts of friendship, with a focus on empathy● acts of kindness
- personal and cultural strengths
- knowing and showing respect
- respecting and valuing difference
- positive coping- cheering up and calming down

Behind the Scenes:

- Mark from Air Right Aircondition came in to do the 6 monthly service.
- Last Thursday it was all hands on deck as the staff and students all helped to move the contents of the greenhouse up the hill to its new home.

STRATHEWEN LANDCARE MEMBERS ONLY

Log Splitter available for hire!
Borrowing donation: $20
Pick up Strathewen
Questions and bookings can be made via emailing
enquiries@strathewenlandcare.org.au

CHILD SAFE: *Strathewen Primary School is a child safe organisation which welcomes all children, young people and their families. We are committed to providing environments where our students are safe and feel safe, where their participation is valued, their views respected, and their voices are heard. Our child safe policies, strategies and practices are inclusive of the needs of all children and students. We have no tolerance for child abuse and take proactive steps to identify and manage any risks of harm to students in our environments. Child safety is a shared responsibility.*

Child safety and wellbeing at Strathewen Primary School: information for families and the school community

Strathewen Primary School is committed to providing an environment where students are safe and feel safe.

Our child safety framework includes policies, codes and procedures that explain how we support and maintain the safety and wellbeing of our students and protect them from harm. These documents are available on our website: http://strathewenps.vic.edu.au/

We are also committed to continuous improvement of our child safety framework. We are currently reviewing our child safety policies and practices to ensure they are up-to-date and effective.

Our students and families are important partners in this process. We welcome your feedback or ideas on ways we can improve our approach to child safety and wellbeing.

If you have any suggestions or comments, please contact Jane Hayward, our school principal on 9714 8278.

WINTER WARM UP
- LIVE MUSIC -

STRATHEWEN COMMUNITY HALL

DATE - SATURDAY 16 AUGUST 2025

- **LIVE COVER BAND - MODERN VINTAGE**
- **BYO DRINKS AND NIBBLES**
- **7.00PM TILL LATE**
- **INVITE OPEN TO FAMILY, FRIENDS & NEIGHBOURS**
- **TICKETS $15.00 PER ADULT AND UNDER 18 FREE!!**

- **BOOK NOW – SEE LINK BELOW**
- https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1438614

2025 Art Exhibition

Artsbridge JUNIOR

Artist Call Out

Primary & Secondary students

Sunday 31st August 10am - 3pm

Part of the Hurstbridge Wattle Festival
presented by **Hurstbridge Primary School**

Awards and Prizes

For more information and enquiries:
https://www.hbridgeps.vic.edu.au/
hpsartsbridge@gmail.com

Entries close Wednesday 27th August

Proudly Supported by: Bendigo Bank

Victorian Artists Supplies

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WHAT'S ON @ THE HOUSE

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WINTER WARMERS

WEDNESDAYS 30 JULY - 3 SEPTEMBER
12PM - 1PM

Thanks to the ongoing support of the BENDIGO BANK we are able to provide this service to the Kinglake Ranges community.
Join us for lunch at the House and enjoy a delicious meal, good company and a warm welcome, for only a small monetary donation. Bring your friends, family & neighbours - everyone is welcome!

WORKSHOPS & COURSES

MEDITATION & SOUND BATH
Saturdays, 2 & 30 August
12pm-1.30pm | $70 per session

FIRST AID & CPR
Saturday, 9 August
9.30-10.30am | $75 (CPR ONLY)
9.30am-12.00pm | $150.00 (Full course, Incl. CPR)

PAINT & SIP
Friday, 15 August
7pm-9.30pm | $65 | BYO drinks/nibbles

DRY FELTING PICTURES
with Gay Chatfield
Saturday, 16 August
1pm - 3pm | $50 (incls. all materials)

GLUTEN FREE MUFFINS
Friday, 22 August
6.30pm-8.30pm | $60 (incls. all materials)

HORTICULTURE ADVANCED
with Kathleen Tants
Fridays, 22 August - 7 November
10am- 1pm | $70 for 10 sessions

BOAT LICENCE
Saturday, 30 August
9am-1pm | $180 Boat & PWC | $80 PWC Only

MAKE YOUR OWN NATURAL PERFUME
with Diane Boede
Friday, 29 August
9.30-11.00am | $25 per person

VOLUNTEER @ THE NOOK

Can you help out on a Friday, Saturday OR Sunday shifts from: 11am – 1pm &/or 1pm – 4pm
Whether you can do a full day, half day, or even just an hour, your time makes a difference. No experience needed – we provide full training and support. To join our friendly and dynamic team, contact Laura on 5780 1301 or laura@kinglakeranges.com.au

SEMESTER 2 PROGRAM - OUT NOW
Keep up-to-date with all our workshops, courses and activities at krnh.org
Follow us on Facebook, or pop in and see us at the House or The Nook!

Tuning in to Kids™

Emotionally intelligent parenting - Six week group program

Join Family Support Worker Joan Lauricella for this six week program to learn how to:

- Improve how you communicate and understand your child
- Help your child learn to manage their emotions
- Help prevent behavioural problems in your child
- Teach your child to deal with conflict

Tuning in to Kids shows you how to help your child develop emotional intelligence.

Children with higher emotional intelligence:

- Have greater success with making and keeping friends
- Have better concentration at school
- Are more able to calm down when upset or angry
- Tend to have fewer childhood illnesses

Emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ!

Please scan to book:

Booking link:
https://events.humanitix.com/tuning-in-to-kids

For more information:
Email: joan.lauricella@healthability.org.au

- 9.30am – 11.30am
- Wednesdays 6 August, 13 August, 20 August, 27 August, 3 Sept and 10 Sept
- $80 per adult, $130 per couple, $50 concession
- healthAbility, 917 Main Road, Eltham Vic 3095

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