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Primary School

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We acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung people who are the Traditional Custodians of this land.
We pay respect to the Elders both past and present of the Kulin Nation
and extend that respect to other Aboriginal people.



NEWSLETTER

Eaglehawk Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people.

18th September, 2026

2026 Calendar

Term 3

Sunday 4th October	NAIDOC Week
Monday 5th October	First day of term 4
Monday 19th October	2pm School Council meeting 7
Wednesday 28th October	Bendigo Cup Holiday
Wednesday 4th – Friday 6th November	Grade 3/4 Camp Cottage by the Sea
Monday 16th November	Pupil free day
Thursday 19th–Friday 20th November	Grade 1 & 2 Sleepover Discovery Centre
Monday 30th November, Tuesday 1st, Thursday 3rd, Friday 4th December	Swimming Week 1
Monday 7th December	2pm School Council meeting 8
Monday 7th Wednesday 9th Thursday 10th & Friday 11th December	Swimming week 2

Holidays

We would like to wish our families and staff a wonderful, restful holiday with lots of fun and sunshine.

We look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 5th October. Just a reminder Day-light Savings starts the day before so we will all be up an hour earlier!

2027 Planning

As we begin planning for 2027, we ask families to assist us by sharing enrolment information as early as possible.

If you know of any families considering Eaglehawk Primary School for 2027, please encourage them to contact the school and arrange a tour.

Similarly, if your family will not be returning in 2027, please let us know as soon as possible. This information is essential in supporting our planning processes, including class structures and staffing next year.

"Together we grow and learn"

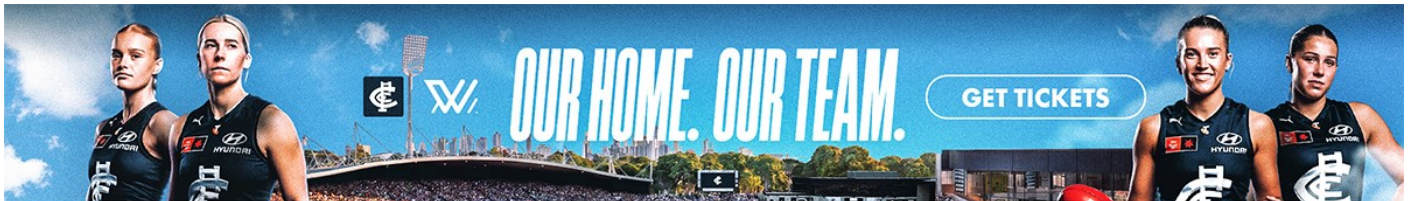
Tuesday 15th September our School Captains travelled to the studio of Phoenix FM to speak with John Pearce. At first they were a little nervous, but as they warmed to the mic they made us proud by being insightful and sharing many wonderful things about Eaglehawk PS.

Authentic experiences that require students to step out of their comfort zones in a safe and well supported way, can lead to greater self-confidence, creating future leaders.



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SORTED

BENDIGO AFL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



Carlton Football Club acknowledges the traditional owners of the land on which IKON Park is located, the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation. The Club also acknowledges and pays its respects to their Elders past and present and the traditional owners of country across Australia, where we play our great game.



**STRONGER
TOGETHER**



Great Southern Bank

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3/4 UPDATE - WEEK 10

WHAT WE'RE LEARNING

Reading

This week we read minecraft build texts to finish our unit on procedural texts. The students loved pulling apart the way they were different to the other texts we've used so far.

Writing

Students were able to build their own minecraft creations, and then write a procedural text so another gamer would be able to build the same thing. They did such a good job!

Numeracy (3)

Grade 3 Caleb have represented larger amounts of money. They also discussed saving money across multiple weeks, and then spending. They have been reviewing and practicing becoming more fluent with their subtraction skills.

Numeracy (3/4)

3/4 Stef have finished off shape with some work on rotation and translation of 2D shapes. They also did a money task where they looked into

Auslan

This week was a revision lesson on ALL of the learning we have done so far this term.

100 GOTCHAS

Alyssa W



SWPBS

Use the EPS High Five in the classroom and the yard.

UPCOMING OCTOBER

● MONDAY 5TH

First day back!

NOTE FROM 3/4 TEACHERS

Reminder: Please complete your:

- Online permission
- EPS consent &
- EPS medical

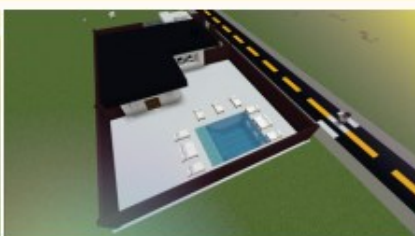
forms for Cottage by the Sea as soon as possible.

NOTE FROM STEF

This has been my last week as the 3/4 teacher. I will hopefully drop in day 1 next term, but will be away on maternity leave after that. I am very pleased to say Lucy Wells will be taking over in term 4.

Thank you so much for everything. Teaching your children has been an absolute pleasure!!!!

SOME OF OUR MINECRAFT BUILDS



GRADE 4/5 BLUE LIGHT

TERM 3
2026



EPS



This term our students took part in the Blue Light DASH program. Many parents will remember Blue Light Discos. Victoria Police started Blue Light Victoria in 1976. It has since grown into a not-for-profit charity that runs programs in schools and communities across Victoria. Police and emergency services still support its programs, with a focus on building trust and positive connections with young people.

DASH stands for Dynamic, Active, Safe, Healthy. Blue Light facilitators run the program with support from police, emergency services and community partners. It helps students build confidence, connection and leadership, and gives them a real say in making their community better.

Over Term 3, students worked in teams through hands-on sessions that built their teamwork and leadership skills. The centrepiece of the program is a student-led community project. Each group picked an issue they care about, worked out how to speak up for it, and developed a plan to make a real difference.

On Monday, students presented their projects to our community partners. Every group put a lot of work into their ideas over the term, and it showed. We finished the morning with a morning tea to celebrate.

Two winning groups were announced, and their projects have now joined together. Phoebe, Paw Lar and Savannah, along with Dah Moo and Malia, will tackle littering in our community. Their aim is a cleaner school and a cleaner area around it. The group will receive up to \$1000 to put their ideas into action.

On Tuesday, the students built an action plan for how they will use the funding and carry out the project. This project belongs to the students. They chose the issue, planned the solution and will drive the next steps. It's a strong example of student voice in action, and we look forward to seeing the difference they make.



4/5/6 Classroom Newsletter

T3 W10

Literacy

In reading, we kept working with explanation texts. Students learned to sort them into two groups: natural processes, like how icicles form or how volcanoes erupt, and human-made processes, like how a zip or a kettle works. We then looked at cause and effect language, the words that link one step to the next, such as because, as a result and which means. Later in the week we looked at how a good introduction names the topic and tells the reader what the text will explain, and we finished by summarising the information in a diagram.

In writing, students used cause and effect language in their own explanation texts. They also learned to write a conclusion in two steps: sum up the process, then explain why it matters. To finish the term, students added a short definition for a technical word their reader might not know, and then published their work.

Numeracy

In maths, we started the week by finding all the ways a number can be split into equal groups, for example all the ways to pack 144 books into boxes. Students then sat their decimals post-test to show what they learned this unit. After that, we moved on to coordinates. Students plotted and read points on a grid with four sections, including negative numbers, and described how a point's coordinates change when it moves.

Thank you for
your continued
support!
Nick, Dean,
Jake and
Megan



Term 3 - Week 9		
Class	Student of the Week	Attendance
Prep Mon/Nina	Respect: Eh Th Yu-For always showing kindness towards your classmates and teachers. You make our classroom a happy and welcoming place!	Imogen
Prep/1 Jameela	Miqdad - Respect: For being a thoughtful classmate who notices when someone needs help and kindly offers support. You are a wonderful role model in the Prep/1 classroom!	Jazzy
1 Emily	Responsible - Zane: for showing great improvement and developing independence when completing his morning routines! Very impressed with the effort being put into this. Great work, Zane!	Leah
3 Caleb	Responsible: Tom Hains for being a responsible learner during his mine-craft builds for procedural texts and helping other students with their work. Awesome work Tom!	Ally
3/4 Stef	Responsible: Zane, for consistently giving his best effort during independent writing time. Your focus has been wonderful! Keep it up, Zane!	Kim B
4/5 Nick/Megan	Responsible: Layci- For committing to her learning goals and ensuring she edits her work and implements feedback.	Nathaniel
5/6 Jake	Isabelle M: Safe - For demonstrating excellent safety and responsibility during our excursion. You followed instructions, made safe choices and helped make the day enjoyable for everyone!	Zali R

SPECIAL LUNCH – THURSDAY 8TH OCTOBER

****Please hand this order into the office by Wednesday 7th October 9am.**

Spaghetti Bolognese \$3.00 Zooper Dooper \$1.00

Student Name	Class	Spaghetti Bolognese \$3.00	Zooper Dooper \$1.00	Total
1.				\$
2.				\$
3.				\$
4.				\$
5.				\$
			Total Enclosed	\$



Running for over a decade, the program now delivers 1,500kg of free fruit to Bendigo school children every week.

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Made possible thanks to McKern Foundation and our supporting partners:



Want to support the program? Contact us to sponsor and provide more fruit to your school.



NEW FAMILIES REGISTER NOW!

COME & TRY DAY

8:15am • Saturday 3rd October 2026
Lar Birpa Athletics Complex



Scan to register now!



FREE ONE HOUR SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES TERM THREE 2026

The Local is offering one-hour sessions on topics for building skills in relationships and wellbeing during the September school holidays. And they are Free and open to children 4-11.

The sessions are fun, educational and a safe space to explore the topics listed below. You will gain skills to apply at home to help build confidence with these topics.

Staff from the Child Health and Wellbeing local will run the sessions and answer questions throughout.

Groups are small: five children with one parent per child attending.



TOPICS and DATES

21st Sept, Mon Bendigo, **Magnificent Me**, at the Local 10.30am **4-6 year olds**; learn to celebrate your unique qualities and build your self-esteem.

30th Sept Wed Bendigo, **Managing Feelings**, at the Local 10.30am **4-6 year olds**; 1.30pm **7-11 year olds**. Learning about what happens in your body when you have big feelings, what you can do to help yourself cope.

2nd Oct Fri Bendigo, **Building Social Skills** 10.30am **4-6 year olds**, 1.30pm **7-11 year olds**. Learn about friendships, what is helpful and when boundaries might be needed.

Bookings are essential:

Please call Annette or admin on 1800 433 977 or email us which sessions you want to attend, your child's name and age, your name and contact details including telephone number and email address, info@chwb.local.

We will be in touch prior to the session to confirm details including how to access the venue.

For Our School Community

Do you need some support?

Parenting is wonderful — and sometimes really hard. Free help is available right in your community.

HELP IS AVAILABLE FOR



You don't need to have all the answers.

Ask Izzy helps you find local support services quickly — free & confidential.

Find help near you today

Search over 450,000 services across Australia. Just enter your suburb or postcode.

askizzy.org.au
Free - No login needed

Proudly shared by our school community

Emergency? Call 000



In partnership with Bendigo Health, Bendigo and District Aboriginal Cooperative, Ngundee Aboriginal Cooperative, Echunga Regional Health, North Central Local Health Network, District Health, Shepparton Health and Omeira Community Health.

The Children's Health and Wellbeing Local is jointly funded by the Victorian Government and the Australian Government through the Medicare Mental Health Kids Hub initiative.

OFFICIAL



School Holiday Program Highlights



Writing & Sketching with Jess McGeachin

We are delighted to welcome wonderful children's author and illustrator Jess McGeachin! Drawing quite literally from a day job at Melbourne Museum, Jess loves sharing stories about hidden worlds, sometimes magical and sometimes real!

Monster Making

What makes a good monster in a story? Are they hairy, scary, or just misunderstood? Jess will help you find monster inspiration in stories to design your own spooky (or very friendly) monster. Ages 5-8 years.

Wed 30 Sep, 10-11am
Bendigo Library

BOOK NOW

Drawn to Nature

Stuck for ideas? The natural world is full of inspiration just waiting to be found. Discover some amazing places and animals, learn how to keep a sketchbook and understand the importance of inspiring others to care for the environment. Ages 8-13 years.

Wed 30 Sep, 11.30am-12.30pm
Bendigo Library

BOOK NOW

Wed 30 Sep, 2-3pm
Kangaroo Flat Library



Pop-Up Museum Dinosaurs, Megafauna & More

Journey back through time and get up close and personal with touchable fossils, collection objects, taxidermy and activities supported by Museums Victoria educators. Ages 5-13 and families. 30-minute timeslots available. Book to confirm your spot, or drop-in and try your luck!

Mon 28 Sep, 11am-2pm
Bendigo Library

BOOK NOW

Full school holiday program:
ncgrl.vic.gov.au/holidayprogram

BOOK NOW

BOOKINGS REQUIRED
www.goldfieldslibraries.com

HARVEST MOON FESTIVAL 2026

A FREE COMMUNITY EVENT ON
GRAND FINAL EVE 25/09/2026

DAI GUM SAN PRECINCT, BENDIGO

15+ FOOD VENDORS
12PM - 8PM

PERFORMANCES 2PM - 6PM
FEATURING BCA LION TEAM

CRAFT ACTIVITIES AND MOONCAKES

LOGISTICS PARTNER
CITY OF GREATER BENDIGO

大金山中华公会
BENDIGO CHINESE ASSOCIATION

IN ASSOCIATION WITH
BENDIGO CHINESE ASSOCIATION
GOLDEN DRAGON MUSEUM

ELMORE FIELD DAYS

OCT 6, 7 & 8 2026

ELMORE AND DISTRICT MACHINERY FIELD DAYS INCORPORATED

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Elmore Events Centre Elmorefielddays.com.au 48 Rosaia Rd, ELMORE VIC

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BENDIGO'S CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

SAT. 03. OCT. 26

ULUMBARRA THEATRE, BENDIGO

10 AM - 4 PM

FREE & TICKETED
EVENTS

thecreativerse.org.au

Calling All Young Inventors! Put your imagination to work! Draw your most creative farm invention and show us your big idea!

Prizes up for grabs! Entries close on Tuesday 29th September 2026.

**DRAW YOUR
BEST FARM
INVENTION!**

What will you invent to help on the farm?
Draw it below!

GET CREATIVE!
BE CLEVER!
HELP YOUR FARM!

Name: _____

Age: _____

Phone / Contact: _____

TELL US ABOUT YOUR INVENTION!
What does it do? How does it help on the farm? Why is it awesome?

BIG IDEAS
BRIGHT FUTURES
STRONG FARMS

ELMORE AND DISTRICT
MACHINERY FIELD DAYS
INCORPORATED

SCHOOL HOLIDAY NETBALL CLINIC

6-14 YEARS

WITH THE BENDIGO STRIKERS!

FOR YOUNG NETBALLERS AGED 6-14

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Train with Bendigo Strikers players
- Skills, games & challenges
- Build confidence & have fun
- Photos, signatures & giveaways
- Fresh fruit supplied by the McKern Steel Foundation

RED ENERGY ARENA BENDIGO

WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

1:00PM - 4:00PM

\$50 PER PARTICIPANT

BENDIGO STRIKERS

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Paw & People SUPPORTS
People. Paws. Practical Understanding.

Amegilla ND Community Hub
Hosted at

CONFUSED ABOUT THE NDIS CHANGES?

You don't have to navigate it alone.

- SHOULD WE STILL APPLY NOW?
- WHAT EVIDENCE DO WE NEED?
- WHAT DOES FUNCTIONAL CAPACITY MEAN?
- WHAT CHANGES IN 2028?
- WHAT SHOULD WE BE DOING NOW?

A practical information evening for NDIS participants, parents, carers and neurodivergent families.

WHAT YOU'LL LEAVE UNDERSTANDING:

- What's changing**
What is happening now, what comes next and what begins in 2028.
- What evidence helps**
What the NDIS looks for, why functional impact matters and the evidence that supports it.
- What to do next**
Practical steps, questions to ask and information to start gathering.

TICKETS \$10
Ticket proceeds donated to Amegilla ND Community Hub

"You don't need ALL the answers. Just the next question."

FRIDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2025
6:00PM
Doors open 5:45pm

AMEGILLA ND COMMUNITY HUB
20 Longles Lane, Longles

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Scan the QR code or visit
<https://info144385.wixsite.com/pawandpeople/supports>

Spaces Limited. Book early!

HUNTLY MEMORIAL HALL

CRAFT AND ALL SORTS MARKET

HANDMADE GIFTS. UNIQUE CRAFTS AND LOCALLY PRODUCED GOODS CREATED BY TALENTED INDEPENDENT MAKERS

9AM TO 2PM SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2026

647 MIDLAND HIGHWAY, HUNTLY.

FOOD RELIEF

We know that many families in our school community face challenges when it comes to putting food on the table, and we want you to know that support is available. Needing help with food is nothing to be ashamed of—it's a normal part of life that many people experience at different times.

If your family is finding it difficult to afford groceries right now, there are several local food relief services that can help:

BENDIGO FAMILY AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

- Free financial counselling | Utility Relief Grants support for bills | No Interest Loans
- Location: 37-39 Rowan Street, Bendigo
- Days/times: Mondays - Fridays - 9 AM to 3 PM
- Contact: 5441 5277

THE SALVATION ARMY

- Groceries | Free lunch | No Interest Loans
- Location: 65-71 Mundy Street, Bendigo
- Days/times: Mondays - Fridays - 9 AM to 3 PM
- Contact: 5440 8410

COMMUNITY HOUSE - EAGLEHAWK

- Groceries | Lunch | Meals

VINNIES - EAGLEHAWK

- Food vouchers | Bill assistance

MORE INFORMATION AND SERVICES AT

<https://www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/2025-09/Food-Relief-Info-Flyer-September-2025.pdf>