



NEWSLETTER

Dear Families,

Last Friday we had our annual fundraiser event for the Missions. Our Mission Day activities were a great success with over \$2400? raised. The funds raised will go to *Catholic Missions*, who work with children in over 160 countries worldwide to improve their living conditions. Thank you for the generous donations from families and extra special thanks to all the students who planned, organised and ran the activities that raised money to support such a worthy organisation. This truly is an example of our faith in action.



YEARS 3/4 CAMP

The Year 3/4 students thoroughly enjoyed their overnight camp to Cave Hill Creek earlier this week. I would like to thank the staff for all their efforts in making this camp possible and for providing such wonderful and safe experiences for the students.



SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

A reminder that we have a school closure day (Pupil Free Day) next **Monday, 4th November**, to allow staff to undertake assessment and reporting requirements. **Tuesday 5th November** is a public holiday for the Melbourne Cup therefore the school will be closed on Tuesday. School will resume on **Wednesday 6th November**.

COLOUR EXPLOSION FUN RUN TERM 4

Next Friday, **November 8th** we will be running a Colour Explosion Fun Run! Not only will this be a fun day for the students but also a great fundraiser for our school. Students will receive a sponsorship book with instructions on setting up their cybersafe, online fundraising profile at www.australianfundraising.com.au. Students can win up to 15 unique prizes just by fundraising via online sponsorship donations. Fundraising is now open and ends on the **Friday 8th November**. All students will also receive a pair of sunglasses and a headband on the day. The P&F Committee are looking for parents to help on the day (and once prizes arrive) so if you are keen to volunteer, please let admin know or get in touch with Amy – adonald1905@gmail.com or Jess - jess.sewell678@gmail.com



SCHOOL TV: Update Week 4, 2024

Resilience

'Resilience is important for a child's mental health. It is their ability to bounce back from failure, challenges, adversity and stress. It's not something that kids have or don't have but a skill that kids develop over time as they grow. Building resilience not only helps a child deal with current difficulties, but it also helps develop a resilient mindset that will help them deal with challenges later in life. All children are capable of working through challenges and coping with stress, but they require guidance and support from a charismatic adult role model.' (School TV, 2024)



SPORTING SUCCESS

Last week Year 5 student, Olivia McConchie, participated in the Primary All-Schools Golf Championship held at Midlands Golf Course. Olivia came first in her age group division and as a result has qualified for the Greater Western Regional Championships which will take place next Tuesday. Olivia is a talented athlete in many sports having already represented our school this year at the Greater Western Region level in Swimming, Cross Country, Athletics and now Golf. Additionally, Olivia went on to compete at the Victorian state titles and Australian national titles in Cross Country. We wish Olivia all the best in her next golfing competition.



IMPORTANT DATES

I would like to confirm some important dates relating to Term 4 and the start of the school year in 2025 so that you can plan as needed. Please see the calendar that is attached to this newsletter for additional important dates for Term 4.

Important dates	Event
Monday 4th November 2024	<i>School closure day Assessment and reporting</i>
Tuesday 5th November 2024	<i>Melbourne Cup - Public Holiday</i>
Wednesday 18th December 2024	<i>Last day for students</i>
Wednesday 29th January 2025	<i>First day for students (Including Foundations)</i>

May God bless you and keep you safe.

Mr. Simon Duffy,
Principal

Term 4 Calendar, 2024

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4 Oct	28 Year 3/4 Camp	29 Year 3/4 Camp	30 Senior Cricket Competition – Eureka Division	31 GWR Basketball Competition in Colac for Senior Boys Team Whole School Prayer led by 5/6 Davis @ 2.55pm	1 Foundation MOPA Excursion, Geelong
5 Nov	4 School Closure Day- Assessment and Reporting Student free day.	5 Melbourne Cup Day - Public Holiday	6	7 Assembly presented by 1/2 Turkenburg/Hoffmann @2.55pm	8 P and F Colour Run Fundraiser event at school
6 Nov	11 Remembrance Day Whole School Prayer led by 5/6 Dodd @ 2.55pm School Advisory Council Meeting 5pm	12	13 Foundation 2025 Transition 9.15 – 11am	14	15 Year 5/6 Interschool Sports Day with Emmaus Primary School
7 Nov	18	19	20 Foundation 2025 Transition 9.15 – 11am	21 Assembly presented by 1/2 Smith @2.55pm	22
8 Nov	25	26	27 Foundation 2025 Transition 9.15 – 1pm.	28 Assembly presented by 5/6 Gittings/Hoyle @2.55pm	29
9 Nov/ Dec	2	3 Transition day for Year 6 students attending Loreto, St Patrick's College and Damascus in 2025	4 Yr. 6 Adventure Park Excursion	5 Assembly presented by 3/4 Hawkes / Blachon@2.55pm	6 Years 3/4 Excursion
10 Dec	9 Parent classroom helpers Thank You Afternoon Tea	10 Transition day for Year 6 students attending Ballarat High School in 2025	11 Nativity play Whole School Prayer led by Foundation students @ 2.30pm	12 P and F Christmas Carols 5pm at St Thomas More School	13 Years 1/2 Excursion
11 Dec	16 Thanksgiving Mass @ 9:15am Going-up Day for 2025 REPORTS GO HOME 2:00pm Yr. 6 Graduation dinner 6:00 – 9:30pm	17	18 Student's last day Final fun day activity at Vic Park Finish 1.45pm	19 School holidays	20 School holidays

COMMUNITY NOTICES & EVENTS

Alfredton OSHC Service



The YMCA After School Care program will be running a whole day program from 7am-6pm on the **Monday 4th of November** when our school has a pupil free day. If you are interested in making a booking, please contact the YMCA Tel: [0492 847 596](tel:0492847596)

Email: alfredton.oshc@yballarat.org.au

CRICKET BLAST STARTS SOON AT BALLARAT-REDAN CRICKET CLUB

- Everyone welcome - Kids aged up to 10 years old
- Over in a flash - 60 minute sessions in a safe and inclusive environment
- Make pals, catch skills, throw like a boss, and teamwork like a pro!
- Kids will be able to rock the colours of their favourite Big Bash heroes with their own Cricket Blast pack
- All the gear, no fear!
- Sunday mornings, 10am to 11am - 10 week program!

Starting: SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER @ Alfredton Oval

Last session before Christmas break - Sunday 8th December

Returning in 2025 on Sunday 2nd February

Final session on Sunday 2nd March 2025

For more information and to register, please Call Sam Neale - 0400 839 872,
Blast Co-Ordinator or visit our Facebook page - Ballarat-Redan Cricket Club

