LPS Newsletter

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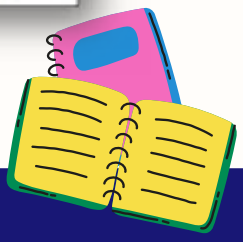


Upcoming Events

- 3rd September - STEM excursion (Prep - 2)
- 4th September - Father's Day Stall
- 5th September - Ready Set Go Week 2
- 8th September - Father's Day Breakfast
- 11th September - R U OK Day
- 11th September - Yarning Circle
- 12th September - Ready Set Go Week 3
- 12th September - Hot Lunch Day & Footy Day

Our School Vision

At Longwarry Primary School, we work together to grow our learning, in a safe and respectful learning environment, that encourages positive relationships, resilient learners, and academic growth for all.

Acknowledgement of Country

Longwarry Primary School Community pays respect to Elders, past, present and future and acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet and learn.

Principals Report

Winter weather has well and truly set in, and we encourage families to consider uniform choices to ensure students are warm and comfortable, particularly for outdoor play and PE classes. Pants, jumpers and jackets are great options for keeping children cosy during the colder months.

A highlight of the past fortnight was our School Disco – DJ Doug had everyone on their feet, the dancing was fabulous, and it was wonderful to see students and staff enjoying the evening together.

Today we celebrated our Book Parade and enjoyed an inspiring Author Visit from Chris Collin. Our students (and parents!) should be congratulated for the creativity, effort and enthusiasm shown in their costumes – it was a fantastic celebration of reading and storytelling.

We also welcomed our newest Prep students to the first of our 11 *Ready! Set! Go!* transition sessions. While some were a little timid, others bounded in with excitement, and over the weeks ahead they will become well-prepared for the routines, expectations, and joy of school life. I would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new families and encourage you to get involved in school events whenever possible – we look forward to building strong connections with you.

Looking ahead, our School Carnival is coming up in Term 4. Pre-sale of show bags and ride passes are now available, and we encourage families to get in early. This exciting event will not only be a great day for our community but will also help us raise funds towards a new playground for our students to enjoy.

Permission Slips & Attendance Notes

Submission of Permission Slips and Attendance Notices

We would like to kindly remind all families of the importance of submitting permission slips and attendance notices for school events by the specified due dates. Timely submission is crucial as it helps us ensure proper staffing ratios and allows us to make any necessary arrangements for additional supports.

Late notices of attendance or changes at the last minute can cause difficulties in securing approval for participation in or attendance at events. These delays may lead to challenges in meeting safety and organisational requirements, which could prevent students from being able to participate.

To avoid any inconvenience, please ensure all forms are returned by the due date to support the smooth running of school events.

We greatly appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Mobile Phones

The Minister for Education released a new 'Students Using Mobile Phones Policy' for all Victorian Government Schools. This means that students who choose to bring mobile phones or smart watches to school they must have them switched off and securely stored during school hours, including recess and lunchtime. Our school has developed a Mobile Phone Policy in accordance with DET guidelines. In most cases it is best children don't bring a phone to school at all. Those who for sound reasons require a phone will be required to hand it in to the office before school and the phone will be locked in a safe. It can then be collected at the end of the school day. Our Mobile Phone policy can be found on our school website.

Student Supervision

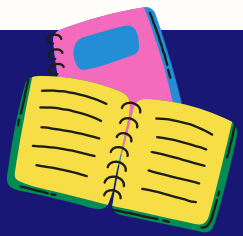
This is a friendly reminder that the school provides supervision of students only at the front and back gates from **3:15 pm to 3:30 pm each day**.

Please note that if you allow your child to play in other areas of the school, such as the playground or oval, outside of these supervised times and areas, the school cannot take responsibility for their safety.

It has come to our attention that there has been some physical aggression between students in areas outside the supervised zones and beyond school hours. In light of this, we strongly encourage families to pick up their children promptly after school hours and exit the school grounds in a timely manner.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in ensuring the safety of all students.

Thank you.



Absences - Late Arrival/Early Departure

If your child is away you are required by law to let the school know the reason your child is absent. Please make sure you complete one of the following steps by 9.15am on the day of your child's absence. -

Call the absence line and leave a message

Log on to Compass and add absence

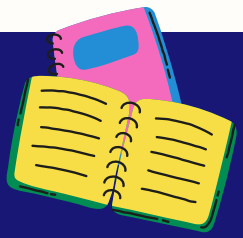
If you are late, all students must go to the office to be signed in. You will receive a late pass that you need to give to your teacher.

Early Leavers – If you need to pick up your child early from school, you must come to the office and sign them out. It helps if you can notify the office early so we are not chasing students that may be in specialist classes.

Breakfast Club

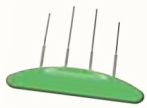
Welcome back to Breakfast Club for 2025! Breakfast club will run this term on Wednesday and Friday from 8.00am - 8.40 in Crows kitchen.

Students are welcome to come and enjoy some nutritious breakfast to kickstart their day. All students welcome.



Important Dates

Term 3 is very busy with lots of events and notices going home. Please take note of the following important dates as we head towards the end of Term!

12th September - Hot lunch Day & Staff vs Students (5/6) Footy Match 

17th September - PB4L - Student Work Showcase afternoon - **2:30pm - 4:30pm**

18th September - School Closure Day

19th September - Last Day of Term 3 - **2:30pm finish**

Term 4

24th October - Crows Carnival

31st October - School Closure Day (Report Writing)

6th November - Grade 2 Sleepover

1st December - Christmas Concert & Final Assembly

3rd - 5th December - 3/4 Camp

8th December - School Closure Day

9th December - Statewide Transition Day

10th -12th December - 5/6 Camp

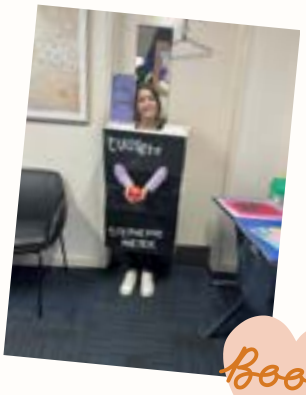
15th December - Grade 6 Fun Day

What's been happening in Library?

Book Week Parade!

Our Book Week Parade was held today. A huge congratulations to all our students (& staff)—and a big round of applause to our amazing parents and carers—for the incredible effort, creativity, and imagination that went into this year's Book Character Costume Day!

It was amazing to see our school transformed into a living library, filled with heroes, villains, adventurers, and magical beings from the pages of our favourite books.



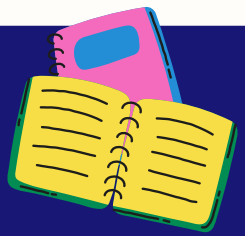
Books

CONGRATULATIONS

to our award winners as voted by the Junior School Council!

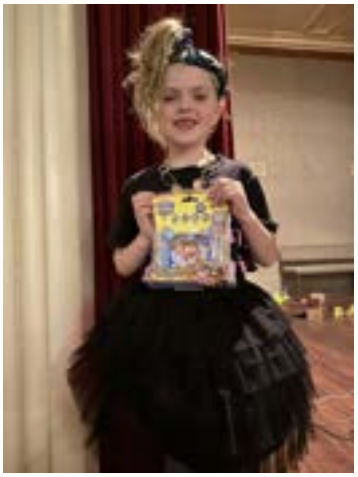
What's been happening in Art?

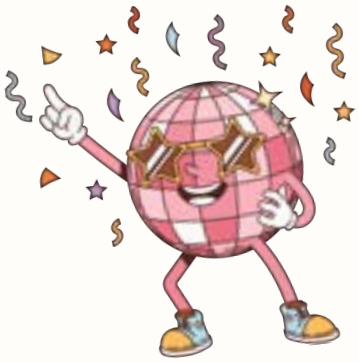
The 3/4 students recently attended the Australian Centre for Contemporary Art to view the Five Acts of Love Exhibition. Students toured the gallery & saw some public art. They made their own sculptures & even got to display their own work in the Gallery. They also visited a public art playground where all of the play equipment was very rock and roll!

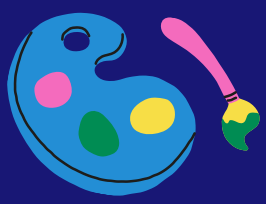


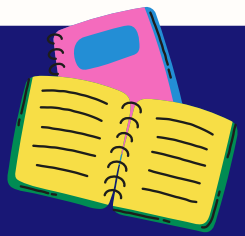
School Disco!

We recently held our School Disco. The students (and staff) all had a great time! DJ Doug had the Longwarry Hall shaking with the students favourite tunes. Thankyou to all of the parents and carers for braving the cold winter's night and allowing the children to be involved.



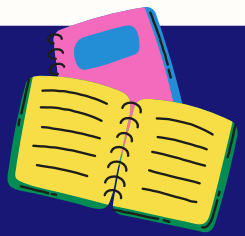






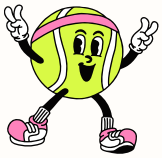
Bully No Way Day!

Students showed their support during Bully No Way week by dressing in purple. Throughout the day classes took part in a range of activities focused on kindness, respect and standing up for others.



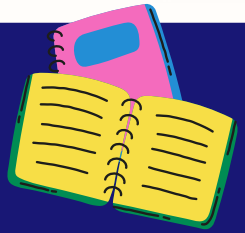
What's been happening in PE!

In PE the junior students have been getting creative making their own rules for tennis, mini golf, four square and table tennis!



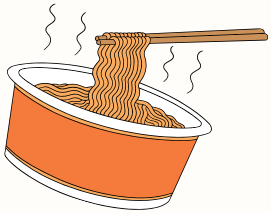
Grade 5/6 students participated in the West Gippsland Lawn Bowls competition. Thankyou to volunteers from the Longwarry Bowls Club for assisting the students.

The Grade 3/4 and 5/6 netball teams participated in the Casey Primary Schools Competition. All students should be very proud of their efforts. A huge thankyou to our parent helpers on the day!



Junior School Spotlight

Lincoln S



What is your favourite food?

My Great Grandma's noodles

Do you have any pets?

A Cat and 2 Fish

Favourite school subject?

Writing

What do you like to do on the weekend?

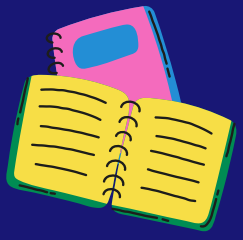
Hang out with my Dad

Which football team do you barrack for?

Hawks

What job would you like to have when you grow up?

YouTuber



Middle School Spotlight

Bronson W

What is your favourite food?

Nuggets

Do you have any pets?

A rabbit named Bugsy

Favourite school subject?

Sport

What do you like to do on the weekend?

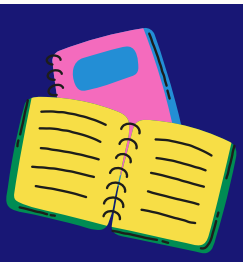
Play footy or ride my dirt bike

Which football team do you barrack for?

Richmond

What job would you like to have when you grow up?

Football Manager



Senior School Spotlight

James P

What is your favourite food?

Sushi

Do you have any pets?

A dog named Archie

A cat named Zara

Favourite school subject?

Art

What do you like to do on the weekend?

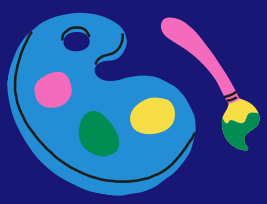
Chill in my room

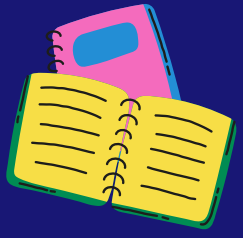
Which football team do you barrack for?

Collingwood

What job would you like to have when you grow up?

Sponsored Skateboarder





Recipe of the Week
Fairy Bread Weet-bix Slice

Ingredients

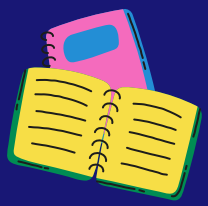
- 3 Weet-Bix, crushed
- 100g (2/3 cup) self-raising flour
- 55g (1/4 cup) caster sugar
- 45g (1/2 cup) desiccated coconut
- 150g butter, melted
- 30g (1/4 cup) hundreds and thousands

Topping

- 70g (1/2 cup) custard powder
- 310ml (1 ¼ cups) milk
- 300ml thickened cream
- 170g tube condensed milk
- 40g butter, chopped
- 1 tsp vanilla extract

Method

- Preheat oven to 180C/160C fan forced. Grease a 16.5 x 26.5cm slice pan and line with baking paper, allowing the paper to overhang the sides.
- Combine the Weet-Bix, flour, sugar and coconut in a large bowl. Make a well in the centre. Add the melted butter and stir until combined. Transfer to prepared pan then use the back of a spoon to press and spread mixture firmly over base. Bake for 15 minutes or until light golden. Set aside to cool completely.
- To make the topping, whisk together custard powder and 60ml (1/4 cup) milk in a medium saucepan until smooth. Stir in the remaining milk. Add the cream and condensed milk and stir until well combined. Place over medium-low heat and cook, whisking slowly then more vigorously as mixture thickens and comes to a simmer, for 10 minutes or until thickened. Cook, stirring constantly, for a further minute. Add the butter and vanilla. Whisk until combined.
- Pour the custard mixture into a heatproof bowl. Set aside, stirring often, until cooled slightly. Spoon into prepared pan and smooth the surface. Cover the surface with plastic wrap and place in the fridge for 2 hours or until set.
- When ready to serve, sprinkle slice with hundreds and thousands (see note). Slice into triangles to serve.



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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The impact of trauma on children, families and community

Delivered by the Australian Childhood Foundation, this PD is back by popular demand. Places are limited.

- Principles of trauma informed care
- Neurobiology of trauma theory
- Healing, recovery, resilience
- Using a trauma informed framework to build community capacity

Who should attend?
Anyone who works with children, families and communities that have experienced trauma.

Date: Monday 22 September 2025

Time: 9am - 3pm

Place: The ParentZone Hub,
75 Army Rd, Pakenham

Cost: FREE - registrations essential

Register: CLICK HERE or scan the QR code

Contact: 0457 825 076 or
cfccardinia@anglicarevic.org.au

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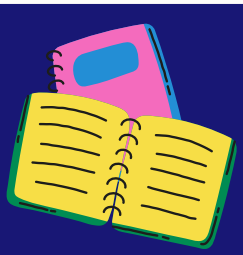


1/2A needs YOUR help!

As part of the Longwarry Primary School

Crows Carnival Fundraiser

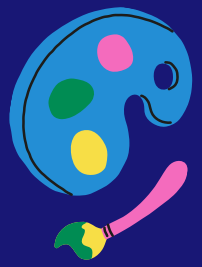
the class of 1/2A has decided to operate a bake sale!

We are seeking donations of cakes, slices, biscuits and any other sweet treats to sell at our stall.

Students will be doing some baking at school prior to the event but we would love to have some donations from families as well!

Donations will need to be delivered to the school kitchen between Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd of October – ready for the carnival on Friday 24th.

All donations must be accompanied by a form – see next page.
If you have any questions at all please see Miss Hill ☺



Family Name: _____

Phone contact: _____

Please note no names will appear on the items for sale – this is just a safety precaution we must take.

- What is being donated: _____
- Date of baking: _____
- Ingredients:

FREE- ALL GIRLS COME AND TRY MORNING

Join Warragul and District Cricket Association for an Unforgettable Morning of Cricket Fun!

Register Here

BELLBIRD PARK, DROUIN

Sunday 14th September

10am-12pm

FREE BBQ lunch provided

Who Can Join?

- Girls
- Ages 7-17yrs
- All skill levels welcome
- Equipment supplied

Contact Us:

Dylan Grandell - Cricket Victoria
dgrandell@cricketvictoria.com.au

WARRAGUL & DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION

LONGWARRY PRIMARY SCHOOL

CROWS CARNIVAL FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

AT LONGWARRY PRIMARY SCHOOL

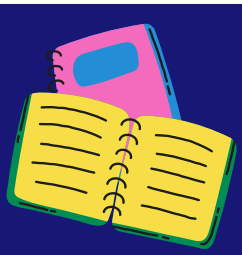
02:00PM - 07:00PM

$5 ENTRY FEE

Hot food, Coffee Van, Poffertjes, Live Music, Popcorn, Fairy Floss, Rides, Pony rides, Animal Farm, Showbags, Market stalls & more

$35 UNLIMITED RIDE WRISTBAND

ADMIT ONE



Crows Carnival SHOWBAGS
PREORDER NOW!

Presenting our Crows Carnival Showbags!!
If you would like to preorder your showbags, please fill in the form below and return it to school by
Friday 5th of September.
Note: There will be a limited number of showbags sold on the day.

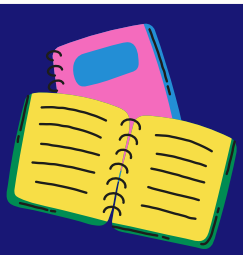
Showbag Order form

Please complete one form for each child so that these can be bundled into classes for simplified collection on the day.

Student Name: ..... Class: .....

Showbag	Price	QTY
Monster Munchies	$6.00	
Lollipops	$6.00	
Cadbury Dairy Milk	$8.00	
Furry Friends	$8.00	
TNT	$8.00	
AfterShocks	$10.00	
Super Size Zappo	$12.00	
	TOTAL	

Payment Methods Accepted:
- Cash - Eftpos (See office)
- Bank transfer Longwarry PS BSB: 033-262 Acc: 504840
*Please ensure you use your child's name as reference when depositing.



3X3 COMPETITION

BASKETBALL WARRAGUL ASSOCIATION

REGISTER NOW

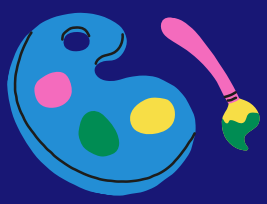
TUESDAY 30TH SPETEMBER
SECOND WEEK OF SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

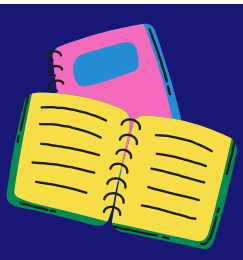
Under 11: 2016 & 2017
Under 13: 2014 & 2015
Under 15: 2012 & 2013
Under 17: 2010 & 2011
Under 19: 2008 & 2009

New season
New Qualifier

BASKETBALL VICTORIA
3X CUP

THIS EVENT WILL ACT AS A STATE QUALIFIER EVENT





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HOLIDAYS
SORTED
BELLBIRD PARK EAST, DROUIN
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 1ST
9AM - 3PM
AGES 5-12

Woolworths NET SET GO!

Sign up now at https://bit.ly/NetSetGo_Summer25

Find out more

Meaghan Romano, NSG Coordinator

M 0409 990 867 or wdna@hotmail.com.au

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Art Therapy for Mums

This FREE 6-week program is for local Mums.
No artistic experience required.

Art therapy is a creative form of psychotherapy and allows for thoughts and feelings to be expressed that are sometimes hard to verbalise.

It's time for you, Mum.

- Facilitated by a La Trobe University Master of Art Therapy student.
- All art materials and afternoon tea provided.

Dates: Tuesdays - 9th, 16th, 21st, 28th September & 11th, 18th October
Time: 1.00-2.30pm
Where: ParentZone Hub
75 Army Road, Pakenham

Register:
scan the QR code
or click here

Enquiries:
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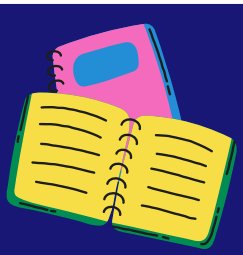


Birthday Parties

Grass Roots Party
$280 + GST

- 2 - hour party
- Up to 15 kids, $17.33 per child for additional
- 1 Sports coach
- Your choice of up to 3 sports

Bronze Party
$370 + GST

- 1 Inflatable
- Personalised invitation
- Sport Specific/Themed
- Up to 20 kids
- 1.5 hours
- Lolly bags
- 1 Party host

Silver Party
$570 + GST

- 2 Inflatables or the obstacle course + Sport Games
- Personalised invitation
- Sport Specific/Themed
- Up to 20 kids
- 2 hours
- Lolly bags
- 1 Party host

Gold Party
$930 + GST

- **Obstacle Course , 1 other inflatable & Sport Games**
- Personalised invition
- Sport Specific/Themed
- Up to 25 kids
- 1.5 hours
- Fully Catered
- Lolly Bags
- Ice cream cake
- 2 Party hosts

DS SPORTS

Our Inflatable Options

"Pick & Choose to make your event a memorable one"

Zorb Balls

Obstacle Course

Dart Board

Nerf Wars/Bunkers

Tropical Course (New) Factory ONLY

Rock Climbing Wall (NEW)

Multi Sports

Archery

Axe Throw

SCAN HERE

DS SPORTS

Hello Spring

CCS approved save up to 90% off*

WEEK 1

SEP 22	ALL STARS DAY $97* - $9.70*	HOMEBASE	Full on sports day. What sports are you going to star in?
SEP 23	MELBOURNE SHOW EXPERIENCE $135* - $13.50*	EXCURSION	We are hosting the biggest event yet! 10+ Rides, Show Bag per participant, Games, Face Painting, Prizes & Much more. This day is not to be missed! Event held at Toomuc Reserve - Pakenham
SEP 24	ROLL THE DICE $97* - $9.70*	HOMEBASE	What is it going to land on? You need to attend to find out! Games, Sports, Activities, Prizes you name it! It's going to be EPIC.
SEP 25	GRAND FINAL DAY $97* - $9.70*	HOMEBASE	Kicking goals, taking marks, its footy all day. Make sure you wear your footy colours!
SEP 26	CLOSED		

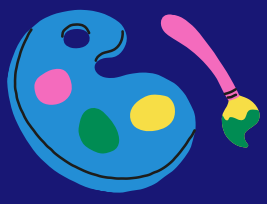
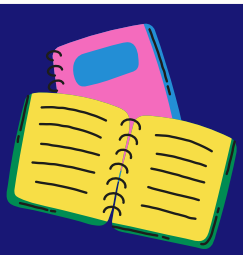
WEEK 2

SEP 29	NERF WARS & OUTDOOR SPORTS DAY $97* - $9.70*	HOMEBASE	The battle of all battles will heat up. Nerf wars, and outdoor sports in the lovely spring weather.
SEP 30	DODGEBALL & REPTILE ENCOUNTER INCURSION $115* - $11.50*	INCURSION	Reptile Encounters brings the best of Australia's native wildlife to YOU with purposeful, impactful shows. Experience and reconnect with nature through our interactive, educational experience
OCT 1	NBA & MASTER CHEF DAY $97* - $9.70*	HOMEBASE	Cooking up a feast! Are you prepared to eat yummy food? Fan favourite NBA day. Mixed in with other fun games & sports.
OCT 2	INFLATABLE WORLD $135* - $13.50*	EXCURSION	Fun in a safe, active space. For an out of this world experience as you bounce, climb, dive, slide and jump into Australia's largest Indoor Inflatable Playgrounds
OCT 3	NINTENDO WII SPORTS DAY $115* - $11.50*	INCURSION	We are going old school. Nintendo sports day with Mario Carts, Wii Sports all ready to be battled.

*PRICES ARE DETERMINED BY EACH FAMILIES CHILD CARE SUBSIDY ELIGIBILITY - TO FIND OUT MORE PLEASE VISIT CENTRELINK ONLINE TO COMPLETE YOUR ACTIVITY TEST
*MAX PRICE & MAXIMUM CCS LISTED

HOMEBASE EXCURSION INCURSION

Admin - 0479 125 796

HOLIDAY PROGRAM IMPORTANT INFO

HELLO SPRING

VENUE DAYS

During our venue days, you are welcome to drop off your child at anytime throughout our opening hours. This Vacation Care all three venues will be open from 7 am until 5 pm. If there are any special events on during a venue day, these will be communicated with you via email prior to the day. Our dedicated coaches work hard to ensure a fun and engaging program is planned for these days with a range of sports, craft, cooking activities planned and so much more!

EXCURSION DAYS

During an excursion day, the times where we leave the venue via bus may change. These times will be communicated to all parents via **email** a week prior to the week the excursion falls on. If you're ever unsure on the time please reach out to your service coordinator or our admin team.

BOOKING CHANGES

CANCELLATIONS

NEW!

Cancellations are only permitted **1 week prior** to the beginning of vacation care. To have a cancellation and not be charged for the booking ensure you contact us at least 1 week before vacation care begins.

CHANGES

If you wish to modify any bookings this is the same as cancelling. You will need to notify us at least 2 weeks before the start of vacation care in order for us to change your booking date.

REFUNDS

Unfortunately we are not able to issue any refunds if you attempt to cancel within 2 weeks of vacation care starting. This is due to having resources, staff and transportation secured based off your booking.

CHILDCARE SUBSIDY

Before attending our Vacation Care program you will need to ensure you have your CCS active through Centrelink. If you attend without CCS, you will be required to pay full fees for your bookings with DS Sports. If you have any questions please reach out to our admin team.
For more information regarding CCS please go to Centrelink online to apply for the Childcare Subsidy.

WHAT TO WEAR?

We ask that children wear comfortable, closed toe shoes and weather appropriate clothing for the day.

WHAT TO BRING?

Children need to bring a Backpack with lunch, morning tea, water bottle and a hat. In the case of a water activity day, a change of clothes, towel and a plastic bag for the wet clothes would be needed.

WHAT NOT TO BRING?

We ask that children do not bring the following items as DS Sports will not be responsible for any damage/loss of valuable belongings. We ask you do not pack **phones, iPads, devices of any kind and pocket money for spending.**

CHILDRENS SAFETY

All children will be provided with a bright orange vest for excursion days to ensure DS Sports children are easily identifiable in the public.

DISCLAIMER

Excursions are subject to change due to weather or other unforseeen circumstances. Your service coordinator will notify you via email or text regarding changes.

MEDICAL INFO

MEDICAL PLANS

If you have a child attending our services with a medical condition we will require their medications alongside a completed action plan before your child can attend. All medication must be in original packaging, labelled clearly with your **child's name, dosage and expiry date.** Additionally, parents must complete a medication consent form at the centre when dropping your child off. Please speak to your service coordinator who will be able to assist you with this.

FEE STRUCTURE

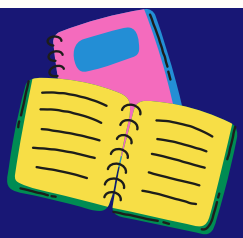
When enrolling with DS Sports you will need to set-up Direct Debits to ensure smooth payment of fees. Your fees get direct debited on the **Thursday** of each week for that week of care. Please ensure funds are available for the direct debits so it doesn't affect your future bookings. If you miss a payment, please make sure to contact us or make a payment on the **Xplor Home App.**

SIGN UP TO YOUR VENUE

WONTHAGGI	PHILLIP ISLAND	OFFICER	ENDEAVOUR HILLS	DROUIN
41 Wentworth Rd	10-14 Church Street	Officer - 2 Parket St	E'Hills - 104 Reema Blvd	Drouin - 52 Main Sth Rd

Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be Resilient

Be a Learner