

Our Purpose: The Monmia school community is committed to providing innovative programs that Stimulate and challenge each student to develop lifelong learning skills and strategies. We provide a safe, nurturing environment where teachers, students and parents work in an effective partnership. www.monmia.vic.edu.au Phone: 03 9364 1007



MONMIA PRIMARY SCHOOL
- Learn and Achieve -

MONMIA MESSENGER

Dear Monmia Families,

GREAT MOMENTS I NOTICED THIS FORTNIGHT

- What a fabulous evening we had for the Twilight Picnic and Colour Fun Run. Thank you everyone for your efforts in raising \$7,152. This was incredible!
- Thank you to Talithia and Radiance who organised the Colour Fun Run including the prizes and rewards.
- It was such joy to hear happy laughter from children, staff and families as the children ran around while staff and volunteers threw coloured powder at them.
- Thank you to everyone who came to our fun evening and joined in. Thank you to those of you who volunteered to help at the stations.



- Congratulations to our school leaders and house leaders who were presented with their badges and acknowledged for their leadership.



- I think Lisa Tate, Stevie West, Merryn Auld and I had as much fun being colour bombed as did Ayla, Wynd, Tyler and Kiara did bombing us!

COVIDSAFE MEASURES TO THE END OF TERM

Thank you to all our families who have sent their children to school on time so that they could go to their classrooms from 8:45am. Thank you to our wonderful students who have been showing our school value of **RESPECT** by coming through the gates and straight to their classrooms to start their learning for the day.

We are grateful to our parents/guardians who continue to refrain from entering the school unless they need to go to the office. We will review this for Term 2. As we have managed to keep our students and staff safe over the last five weeks, we want to continue to safeguard everyone in our community.

We have started holding our whole school assembly fortnightly on Thursdays at 3pm. All classes gather on the basketball courts and our school leaders conduct the assembly. All being well, we hope to invite families to these assemblies in Term 2.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

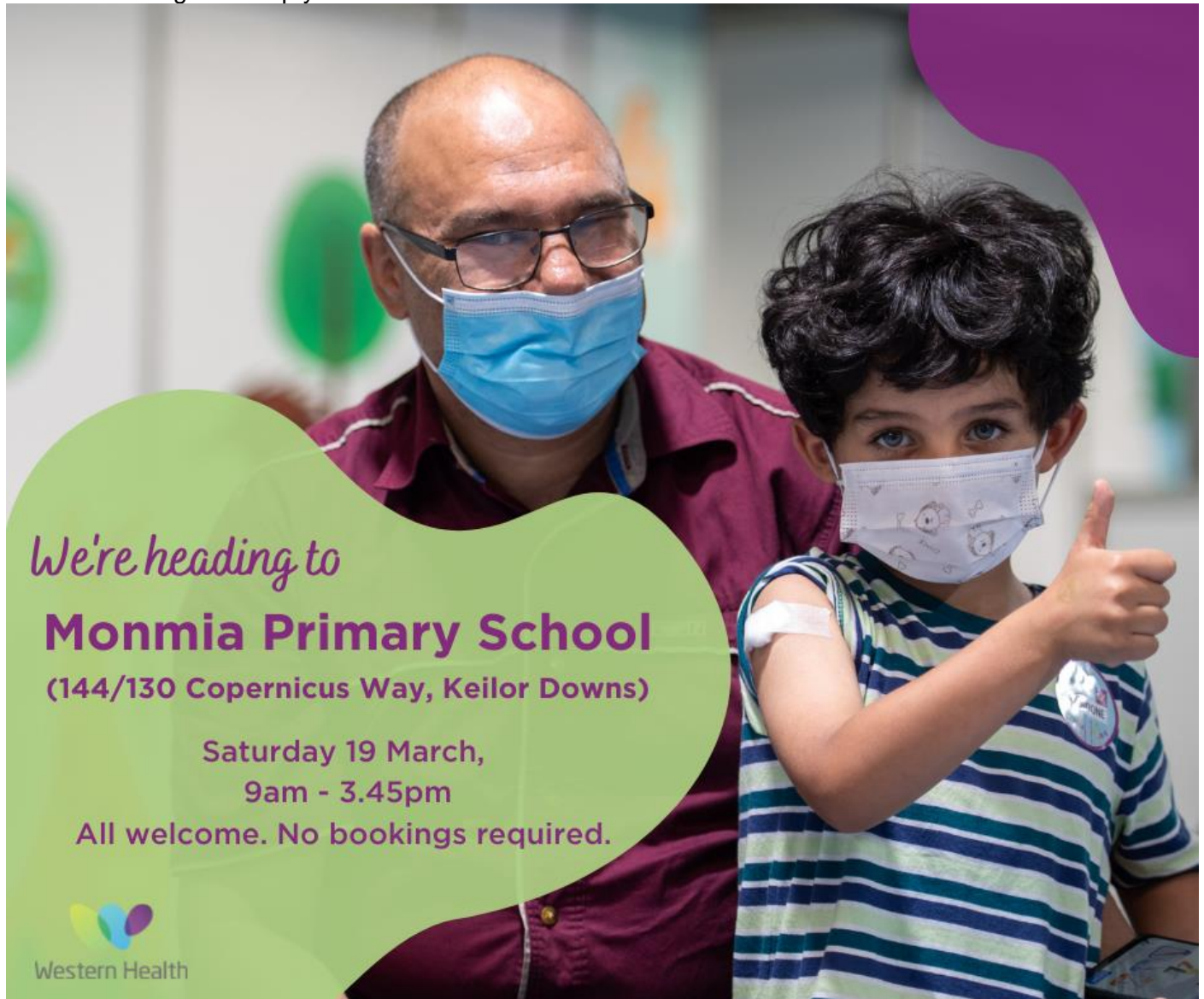
Monmia Primary School has a Student Dress Code which School Council has approved. It requires that **all students wear the approved school uniform**. School Council requests the support of **all families** in enforcing this policy.

We appreciate our Monmia community assisting us by ensuring that their children are in the correct school uniform. I have noticed that more children are wearing the right colours and correct pieces of school uniform. If children are not wearing the correct school uniform their parents/guardians will receive an Out of Uniform Notification.

If parents/guardians have any concern with the uniform please contact Lorraine Bell, Principal. **Remember we expect all students to be in full school uniform.**

VACCINATION CLINIC


Remember that a Vaccination Clinic from Western Health will be held at Monmia Primary School. The clinic will be in the Performing Arts Room which can be accessed from the front gate of the school or the car park. There will be signs to help you find it.



We're heading to
Monmia Primary School
(144/130 Copernicus Way, Keilor Downs)

Saturday 19 March,
9am - 3.45pm

All welcome. No bookings required.



Western Health

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE DIARY

TERM 1	
<p>Friday 18 March – National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence.</p> <p>Saturday 19 March – Pop Up Vaccination Clinic 9.00am – 3.45pm</p> <p>Monday 21- 23 March – School Dental Van Visit</p> <p>Monday 28 March –Booking Close 4pm- for Student Led Conferences</p> <p>Tuesday 29 March – 3/4A Student Led Conferences 4.30pm – 7.40pm</p> <p>Wednesday 30 March – Student Led Conferences 4.30pm – 7.40pm</p> <p>Special Burger Lunch</p> <p>Friday 8 April – Last Day of Term 1 - 2.30 pm Finish</p> <p>Friday 29 April – Photo Day – whole school</p>	<p><u>Curriculum Days</u></p> <p>Term 2 Tuesday 26 April- No School</p> <p>Term 3 Wednesday 27 July-No School</p> <p>Term 4 Monday 31 October-Pupil Free Day -No School</p>

SPOTLIGHT ON BOUNCE BACK!

A WELLBEING AND RESILIENCE PROGRAM

THE FOCUS FOR THIS WEEK IS: *HONESTY*

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week, I would like to continue with the Core Values that underpin the Bounce Back Wellbeing and Resilience Program. This week we will look at HONESTY which is a Bounce Back value as well as one of Monmia's community values.

What is a value?

A value is a belief that you have that is important in your life. A value is a principle or standard that guides your behaviour and choices. Our values form our 'moral map' which we consult every time we have to make a value-based decision or we face a moral dilemma.

School values form an integral part of how we behave as individuals and as members of our school community. The first and most important step in teaching your child to live by a certain value is of course to live it yourself. Remember that actions speak louder than words.

It is important to be honest!

Being honest means telling the truth, not stealing, giving things back when they belong to someone else and "owning up" when you have done the wrong thing. Being honest also means telling people information that they need to know about. Whilst it is important to be honest, it is also important to be tactful. Tactfulness is the art of being honest in a kind way when it is necessary or sometimes not saying anything if you do not need to.

Here are some thoughts about Honesty:

- Owning up is sometimes hard to do but it is better to own up. It is braver that way.
- If you are honest then people trust you and they will want to be your friend.
- If you make up stories and you are not honest, people will not listen to you anymore.
- Honesty is keeping your promise.

I am sure you have all heard the saying '**Honesty is the best policy**'. It is one of the most universally recognized and encouraged phrase. This phrase signifies the importance of being a moral and truthful person. Honesty is an important and admirable characteristic that a person can have. A situation in which one must be honest occurs on a day-to-day basis. Lessons and values of honesty have appeared throughout history and in the children's stories.

Pinocchio was written by Carlo Collodi, and is a moral story about dishonesty and its consequences. Pinocchio is a very curious and naive boy, who has a solid desire for adventure but an unstable sense of what's right and wrong, despite the persistent advice of his official conscience, Jiminy Cricket. As his nose begins to grow longer and longer, the Fairy explains that 'A lie grows and grows until it's as plain as the nose on your face'. Children are taught from a very young age that lying is wrong and that consequences will always follow lying.

Family Activity

Discuss how being honest made them feel and the other person feel. See if you have the book Pinocchio at home or other books that deal with the theme of honesty or dishonesty.

Warm Regards,

Lucia Verpasse

Assistant Principal - Student Engagement and Wellbeing

SPOTLIGHT ON BOUNCE BACK

A WELLBEING AND RESILIENCE PROGRAM

THE FOCUS FOR THIS WEEK IS: ***NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST BULLYING AND VIOLENCE FRIDAY 18 MARCH 2022***

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This year the Monmia PS community will be participating in the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence on Friday 18 March. The theme for 2022 is **KINDNESS CULTURE...IT STARTS WITH YOU!** The day is set aside for all community members to focus on what bullying is, what bullying is not and what to do if you get bullied or see someone else being bullied. The school views this day as an introduction to the concept of Bullying. In term 2, staff and students will learn concepts and strategies in greater detail as part of the BounceBack, Wellbeing and Resilience Program. The school will revisit Bullying concepts each term so the community has a stronger understanding of 'Bullying' and the very important role of the 'Active Bystander' if you see Bullying happening.

It is important to know what bullying is and what it is not.

Monmia has NO TOLERANCE on bullying. We often hear the term "bullying" being used, but most of the time it is not used correctly. It's hurtful but NOT bullying if students just have an argument or if someone says or does just one nasty thing to someone else. It is very important to understand what bullying is and what it is not.

WHAT IS BULLYING?

The Department of Education and Training's definition is:

'Bullying is when someone, or a group of people, deliberately upset or hurt another person or damage their property, reputation or social acceptance on more than one occasion. There is an imbalance of power in incidents of bullying with the bully or bullies having more power at the time due to age, size, status or other reasons'.

Bullying can take many forms:

1. **Direct physical bullying** includes hitting, tripping, pushing or damaging property
2. **Direct verbal bullying** involves name calling, insults, 'put down' comments and racist remarks
3. **Indirect emotional bullying** is harder to recognise and often carried out behind the person's back. It is designed to harm someone's social reputation and cause humiliation. Indirect bullying includes lying and spreading rumours, playing nasty jokes or mimicking to embarrass and humiliate, encouraging others to socially exclude someone or damaging someone's social reputation and social acceptance
4. **Cyber-bullying**, which involves the use of technologies such as the use of email, text messages, chat rooms, Facebook or Twitter to humiliate and distress.

Family Activity

Check in with your child and reinforce what they have learnt about bullying this week.

Warm Regards,

Lucia Vorpasse

Assistant Principal - Student Engagement and Wellbeing

Student Engagement and Wellbeing



Bucket Fillers

Introducing...

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am sure you will join with me in saying '**WE ARE FILLING LOTS OF BUCKETS AT MONMIA PRIMARY SCHOOL!** We have all noticed how excited our students are about the **Bucket Filling Philosophy** and how they are being proactive in writing 'drops' for others. I think **Bucket Filling** is catching on at Monmia Primary School!!!

Last week I shared some information about the **Bucket Filling Philosophy** and this week I would to continue sharing important information about **Bucket Filling**.

WHAT DOES **BUCKET FILLING** LOOK LIKE?

- ⦿ actions or words that you care about someone
- ⦿ saying or doing something nice
- ⦿ helping without being asked
- ⦿ giving sincere compliments
- ⦿ showing respect to others
- ⦿ apologising
- ⦿ having a 'Glass Half Full' mindset and respond in that manner.
- ⦿ show empathy to other people
- ⦿ being an active bystander when someone is being hurt by trying to help in some way

WHAT DOES **BUCKET DIPPING** LOOK LIKE?

- ⦿ making fun of someone
- ⦿ saying or doing unkind things
- ⦿ refusing to help
- ⦿ failing to show respect or being intentionally disrespectful
- ⦿ ignoring
- ⦿ bullying

When we unintentionally dip into another's bucket with a thoughtless word or careless action, we must repair the relationship with a quick and sincere apology.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PROTECTING YOUR LID

- ⦿ Your lid helps you to protect the good thoughts and feelings you have collected.
- ⦿ When you use your lid, you stop and think through a situation even though it may be hurtful or embarrassing.
- ⦿ When you stop and think through situations, you develop necessary resilience to work through life's challenges.
- ⦿ You are using your lid the moment you stop, think and visualise a person's empty bucket and understand why he or she is dipping.

In next week's newsletter I will provide you with more information about the '**Bucket Filling Philosophy**' at Monmia PS.

Happy Bucket Filling!

Kind Regards,

Lucia Vorpasso

Assistant Principal Student Engagement and Wellbeing

I am a Bucket Filler

I would like to fill D.J.'s bucket by saying:

thank you for
handing in for the
money D.J.!

From Mrs Caridi

He / She has been caught demonstrating the Monmia Primary School value of:

- ☐ Acceptance ☒ Caring ☐ Friendliness ☒ Honesty ☐ Respect



I am a Bucket Filler

I would like to fill Zarif, Maleka,'s bucket by saying:

Dillon
for being honest and
handing in the money they
found

From Mrs Lonigro

He / She has been caught demonstrating the Monmia Primary School value of:

- ☐ Acceptance ☐ Caring ☐ Friendliness ☒ Honesty ☐ Respect



I am a Bucket Filler

I would like to fill Maya Ettumara's bucket by saying:

Thanks for handing in
the 20 that you found.

From Mrs Burgess

He / She has been caught demonstrating the Monmia Primary School value of:

- ☐ Acceptance ☐ Caring ☐ Friendliness ☒ Honesty ☐ Respect



I am a Bucket Filler

I would like to fill Lydia (3/4B)'s bucket by saying:

Thank you for handing in \$2
you found near the playground.

From Mrs Auld

He / She has been caught demonstrating the Monmia Primary School value of:

- ☐ Acceptance ☐ Caring ☐ Friendliness ☒ Honesty ☐ Respect



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ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

**IT'S NOT OK
TO BE AWAY**

EVERY DAY COUNTS:

Attendance Research Facts!

Did you know that research shows that higher student attendance at school is associated, on average, with higher student achievement.

Regular school attendance will mean that your child has a better chance in life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every school day. They will:

- learn better
- make friends
- be happier
- have a brighter future.

Lucia Vorpasse

Assistant Principal: Student Engagement and Wellbeing



EVERY DAY COUNTS



STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

The Student Led Conference is an opportunity for students to open communication between school and home, it teaches self-evaluation and reflection and focuses on goals setting and learning.

Please note that student led conferences will be occurring on **Tuesday 29 March on Webex for 3/4A between 4.30pm- 7.40pm and all other classes on Wednesday 30 March on webEx between 4.30pm- 7.40pm**. The student led conference is a conversation conducted by your child about their learning. It is a self-reflection of their achievements as well as demonstrating next steps for future progress for the semester. This is a valuable opportunity for your child to share their learning goals and successes experienced through effort so far. Each student led conference will be for duration of **10 minutes**. Your child will be expected to lead the conference discussion in the presence of their teacher and a parent/guardian. If you have specific questions /concerns you would like to discuss, please arrange a meeting time outside of the Student Led Conference with your child's teacher.

To book a suitable time for Student Led Conferences use the **Sentral Management System**.

To make your booking you must:

- download the Sentral App
- **If you do not have the Sentral app please contact the office to request instructions on how to support you to do this.**

Bookings will close on Monday 28 March at 4.00 pm.

If you are having any problems booking, contact the office as soon as possible.

Let's work together to support the learning of your child.

Vineta Mitrevski | Assistant Principal- School Improvement |

SCHOOL DENTAL HEALTH VISIT

The School Dental Van will be visiting Monmia the week of Monday 21 March to see students that have returned their dental forms.

CANTEEN NEWS

The canteen will be CLOSED for lunch orders and over the counter sales until **Wednesday 23 March**.

Burger Day Lunch order

The canteen has organised a very special BURGER DAY lunch. The special Lunch is to be held on **Wednesday 30 March**. If you would like to order, please complete the order form with the correct payment no later than **Monday 28 March**.



ANZAC Appeal 2022



BUY A BADGE, WEAR IT WITH PRIDE

Once again Monmia Primary School is supporting the Keilor East RSL by selling Anzac Day Badges on their behalf. The ANZAC Appeal begins in early April and runs up until **ANZAC Day** on 25 April. We encourage everybody to buy a **badge** and wear it with pride this ANZAC Appeal. There are \$1, \$2 and \$5 badges. All badges sold help the RSL help thousands of veterans and their families.

Face Masks with Monmia Logo for sale



Student size \$10.00 ea

Size: 210w x 120h mm (recommended for ages 8-12 years).

Note: Sizing may vary due to manufacturing

- **Premium 3 Layer Cotton Face Mask**
- **Washable and Reusable over and over again**

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

EVERY CHILD DESERVES AN EDUCATION

YOUR CHILDREN NEED YOUR HELP TO DO WELL AT SCHOOL. YOU CAN HELP BY:



Ensuring children get a good night's sleep and get ready for school in the morning



Getting children to school every day

Asking questions to find what your child likes about school



Talking about going to school every day and how it helps children reach their dreams.



Talking about how school can be fun



EVERY DAY THEY MISS ADDS UP!

Skip
1 day a week
Miss 3 Years

Skip
2 days a week
Miss 5 Years

Skip
3 days a week
Miss 7 Years

Skip
4 days a week
Miss 10 Years

Skip
5 days a week
Miss 12 Years

FAMILY & FRIENDS NEWSLETTER



**SCHOOL
FUNRUN**

CONGRATULATIONS

Highest Fundraising Class - 1/2A (\$1,717)
Highest Fundraising Student - **Louis Kalms 3/4C** (\$700)
\$10 Canteen Voucher Draw Winner - **Kayden L. 1/2A**

THANKYOU!

Thank you to all **Monmia families and staff members** for all your support and help in making the Fun Run a huge success and fun! We have raised a total of **\$ 7,152!** Well done everyone!

1/2 A - \$1,717

3/4 C - \$1,270

3/4 A - \$ 870

5/6 A - \$ 810

1/2 B - \$ 810

5/6 B - \$ 565

3/4 B - \$560

Prep A - \$550

Thank you to the **Stone family** for donating the \$10 canteen voucher!

**PRIZE
ORDERING IS
CLOSING SOON**



Claim Your Prize Here:
schoolfunrun.com.au

**Missed the Family &
Friends AGM?**

**IT'S NOT
TOO LATE!**

Just get the membership form
from the school office!

Second Hand Uniform

Need some extra uniforms from our Second-Hand Uniform shop? Let the office know or drop an email to **talithiadiessel@gmail.com**. Here are the price list (subject to stock availability):

Polo tshirts/School dress - \$2

Jackets/jumpers - \$5

Shorts/Pants/Skorts - \$1

School Bag - \$5

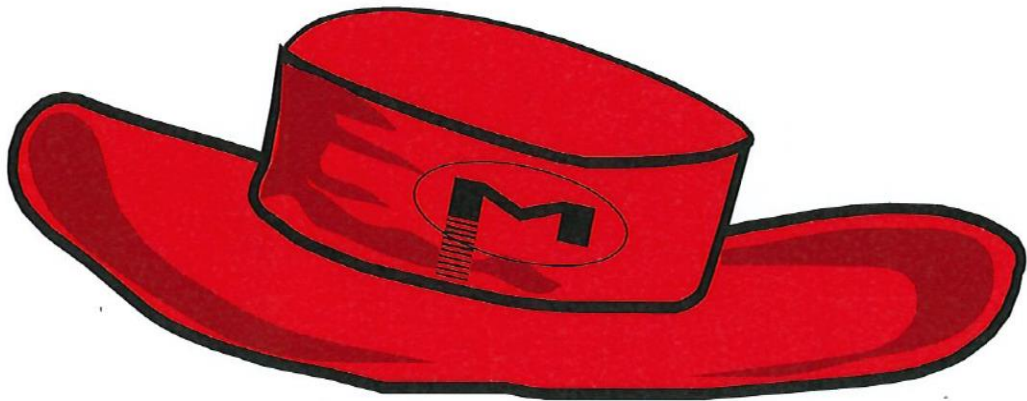
Hat - \$1

Library bags - \$1

Donate

Do you have any Monmia uniforms that your child has outgrown or not in used anymore? You can donate them to the second-hand uniform shop by dropping them off at the school office.

NO HAT



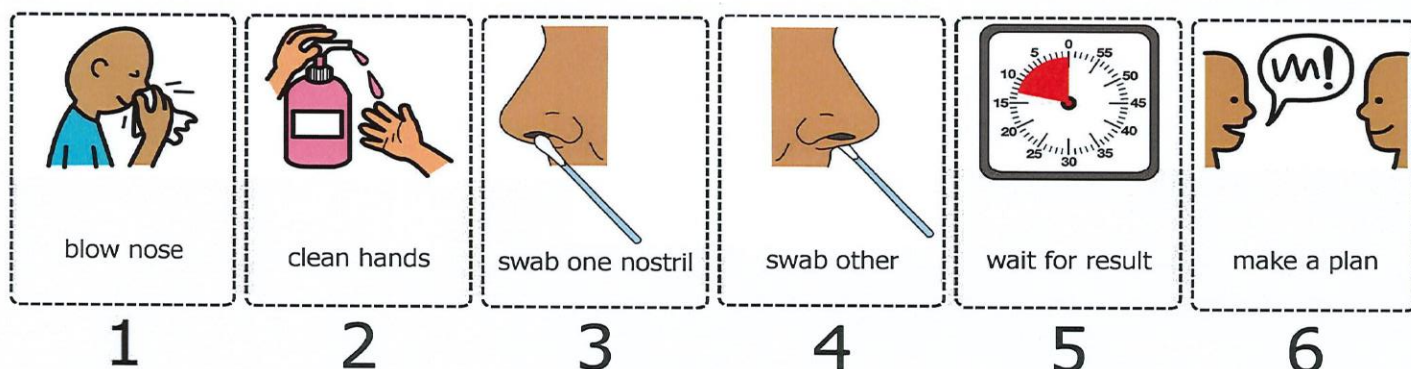
NO PLAY

*Mid-August until
the end of April*

Please wear a Monmia Primary School Wide Brimmed Hat
when outside to keep your skin safe.

Rapid Antigen Test

Using a Nasal Swab test



Instrumental Music Lessons - on school campus
Places available for Term 1, 2022



Small Group & Private Lessons

- Primary Music Institute offer instrumental music lessons right here on school campus!
- To find out all about the music lessons please visit PMI's website. You can check which instruments are available, get up to date program details and apply for lessons online
- Please **ENROL TODAY** via PMI's website
- Lessons are held once per week on school campus – with lessons typically during school hours
- Only \$19.50 per child per small group lesson (2-5 students for 30 minutes)
- Private lessons (1-on-1) and pair lessons (max 2 students) are also available
- Online lessons (after hours) are also available direct to your home – contact us to find out more
- Instrumental music can improve your child's school results – including for reading, maths, coordination, IQ, abstract reasoning, performance confidence... and is great fun!

STUDENT AWARDS



PRA	<i>Meharjot B.</i>	For being friendly and kind to everyone at Monmia.
	<i>Wave C.</i>	For always doing her very best in Visual Arts room. Well done!
1/2A	<i>Ameera C.</i>	For practising her reading goal during Guided reading. Well done!
1/2B	<i>Nyalath M.</i>	For always showing co-operation. You are a 5 Star Learner!!!
3/4A	<i>Kristan Z.</i>	For his excellent attitude towards his homework. Well done, Kristian!
3/4B	<i>Callan T.</i>	For being a wonderful helper to Mrs Caridi and the Preps in the Library.
3/4C	<i>Jacob D.</i>	For the effort he always puts into his learning and knowing when to ask for help.
5/6A	<i>Sahar H.</i>	For always putting in 100% effort every day.
5/6B	<i>Eliah Z.</i>	For showing such enthusiasm in all areas of work. You are a great role model to our peers.
Physical Education	<i>Jasper B. 1/2A</i>	For showing friendliness and encouraging his classmates during P.E.
	<i>Noah C. 1/2A</i>	For being a respectful ember of P.E. class by showing 5 Star Listening.



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Introducing Qkr! (pronounced 'quicker') by Mastercard, the secure and easy way to order and pay for school items from your phone at a time and place that suits you.

With Qkr you can:

- Pay for a variety of school items;
- See your receipts on the app and get them sent by email if required.



Getting started is easy - try it yourself today

Step 1 Download Qkr!

on your Android phone or iPhone, iPad users can download iPhone app



Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

Step 3 Find our school

Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

Search for our school name





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Add your children's details in Student Profiles

Select
'Add student profile'



Add each
child's details



Manage each
child's details in
Student Profiles



Purchase school items

Select a menu
from our school



Select child
you are
ordering for



Select your items

Tap 'Checkout'
then confirm and pay



Making payments

Add up to 5 cards to your wallet



At checkout select which card to
pay with.

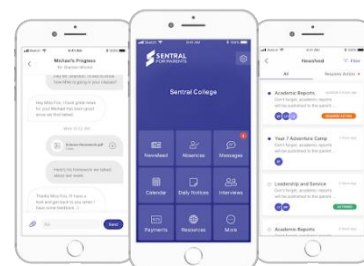
Pay with any cards accepted
by the school.

Once your payment is approved you
can continue to the home page, or
view your receipt.



Monmia Primary School uses the platform Sentral to engage with parents. The Sentral for Parents App allows families to:

- View academic reports
- Message your child's classroom teacher
- View school documents
- View school newsletters
- Explain past and upcoming student absences
- View calendar events
- Student Led Conferences
- As well as receive real-time notifications and messages from the school or your child's classroom teacher.



How to Access:

1. Download the 'Sentral for Parents app.
2. Search for Monmia Primary School.
3. Click **Register here** to register a new account. You will receive a verification email which **MUST** be verified in order to continue.
4. Once verified, log back into the app and enter your access key. (**Note: Your access key was sent home via a letter last term.** If you did not receive, please contact Daniela in the office to provide you with your personal access key



GYMNASTICS

FREE First lesson

ALL AGES 2 YEARS-ADULTS



BEGINNER

ADVANCED

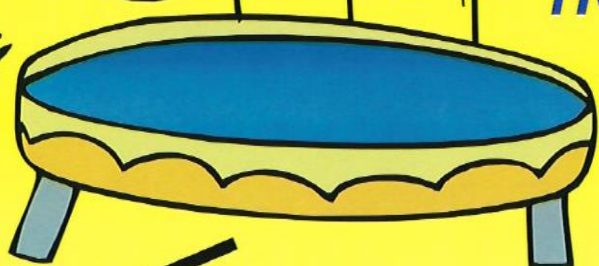
COMPETITIVE

TRAMPOLINE ACROBATICS

KINDER GYM

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

HOLIDAY PROGRAM



 *Gymnastics Unlimited Caroline Springs*

 *Gymnastics Unlimited Australia*



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12 Malcolm Court
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0410 651 155

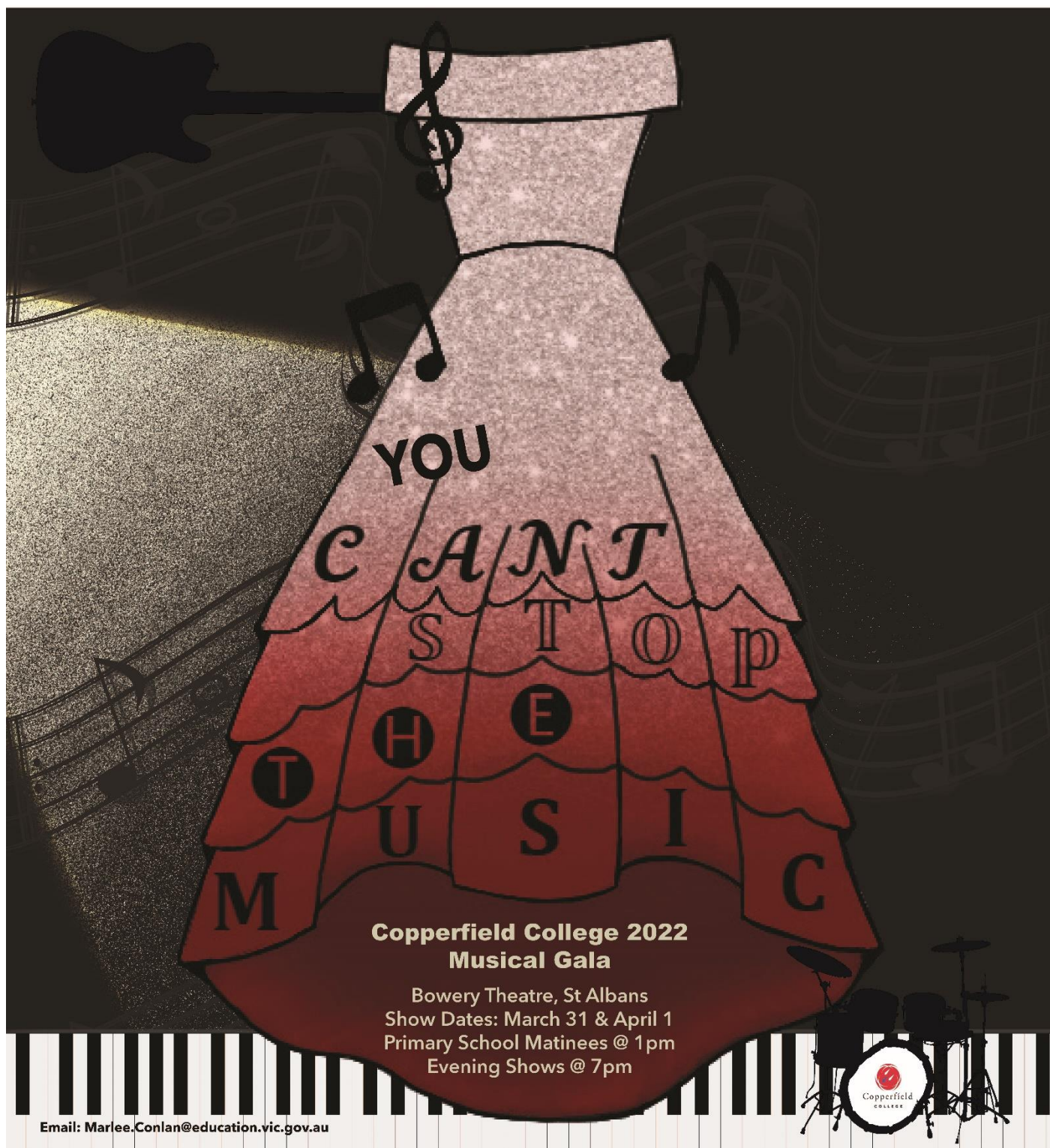
Email: vladgym1@gmail.com



CAROLINE SPRINGS
Unit 3
4 Waigani Ave
Ravenhall
Phone: 8338 8673
0421 017 750

gymnasticsunlimitedcs@yahoo.com

www.gymnastics-unlimited.com.au



**Copperfield College 2022
Musical Gala**

Bowery Theatre, St Albans
Show Dates: March 31 & April 1
Primary School Matinees @ 1pm
Evening Shows @ 7pm

Email: Marlee.Conlan@education.vic.gov.au





Discover Copperfield



Discovery Night 2022

Thursday
24th March
from 6pm

There is more to Copperfield College than you know

As one of the top VCE schools in Brimbank, this invaluable evening will inform prospective parents and students about why Copperfield also has the highest number of Year 12 VCE, VET & VCAL students enrolled.

Learn about our:

- Exceptional VCE Study scores in Maths; English (EAL); IT; Economics; and Engineering
- Dedicated Numeracy and Literacy programs
- A safe and orderly learning environment
- Outstanding Performing Arts program, and comprehensive academic and vocational pathways



Registration for this evening is highly recommended. Scan the QR code to register.

For more information and to register your attendance scan the QR code or visit

<https://copperfieldcollege.vic.edu.au/discoverynight>



Discover Copperfield



EMPOWERING EVERY STUDENT TO ASPIRE AND ACHIEVE

Copperfield College provides multiple pathways so every student finds success. We empower students to maximise the range of opportunities available to them and ensure our teachers and staff are applying the most up to date educational research. Our two junior campuses at Kings Park and Sydenham for Years 7 and 10 students and a VCE/VCAL campus for Years 11 and 12 students provide age appropriate learning environments. In Years 7 and 8 and then 9 and 10, small teams of teachers work collaboratively to understand and support the learning needs of each student, thus promoting positive relationships with students and their families and carers.

I invite you to come to our Discovery Night and see why there is more to Copperfield College than you know.

Pip Griffiths - College Principal

<https://copperfieldcollege.vic.edu.au/discoverynight>

**DISCOVERY NIGHT
THURSDAY 24TH
MARCH FROM 6PM**

Kings Park Junior Campus

Kambalda Circuit
Kings Park
9365 41111

Sydenham Junior Campus

Community Hub
Sydenham
9361 3888