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MacKillop Express

St. Joseph's Primary School, Numurkah

WELCOME TO TERM 4



Full Summer School Uniform

We now ask that all children wear the prescribed uniform proudly in maintaining our high standards of presentation.

All:

- Shoes must be all black
- Hairstyles, jewellery & nail polish are to be neat & simple
- Navy blue broad brimmed hat with gold logo

Boys:

- Navy shorts & navy socks
- Blue and gold polo-shirt with logo
- Navy blue school windcheater

Girls:

- School dress
- Navy shorts or skirt and white socks
- Blue and gold polo-shirt with logo

Principal's Message

Ruth Hartnett-Carr

Welcome back to Term 4, our final term of the year! It is wonderful to see our students and families return for what is always a busy and exciting term filled with learning, celebration and opportunities to come together as a community.

As a Josephite school, we are reminded of Mary MacKillop's example of faith, courage and service. Term 4 offers many opportunities for our students to continue growing as learners and as compassionate members of our community, always striving to make a positive difference in the lives of others.

Next week, our Year 3/4 students will head off to camp. Camps provide a wonderful opportunity for growth and

development, supporting students to build confidence, resilience, independence and stronger friendships. We wish them a safe and enjoyable experience and look forward to hearing about their adventures when they return.

As we move through this final term, we look forward to celebrating the many achievements and special moments that make St Joseph's unique.

"Be a gift of love and compassion for one another"

St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Ruth Hartnett-Carr

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Office News

If any family would like to commence having their fees directly debited fortnightly or monthly this can be done at any time!

Next Fortnightly Debits: 9th October & 23rd October

Monthly Debits: 18th of each month.

If you have unexpected circumstances for the fortnight or month and need to stop a Direct Debit please note they are processed two days before the due date and so you will need to contact us prior to that, to put a stop on them.

If you are paying your fees in full, yearly fees are now due.

EFTPOS and **CENTREPAY** are now a payment option. Please enquire at the office.

If you have any queries or concerns about your payment commitments, please do not hesitate to come in and speak to Ruth. If you are wanting to amend your payment options please do so ASAP.

The Term Planner can be viewed from the school website under news & events \ newsletters
If you have any queries, please call the

office on 5862 1804

Dates to Remember

Monday October 12: Division Athletics

Friday October 16: Regional Athletics

Wednesday October 14: Middles Camp begins

Thursday October 15: Middles Camp returns

Friday October 16: Middles Rest Day

Wednesday October 21: Numurkah Show Day - Pupil Free Day

Monday October 26: School Advisory Council 6:00pm

Friday October 30: Day for Daniel Walk2School



Triple A Social Skills

Saint Mary MacKillop said,

"Never See a Need Without Doing Something About It!"

At St Joseph's, we Need to:

Have a positive **Attitude**, be **Aware** in all situations and take **Action**, especially when it matters

Our next fortnight's Triple A Social Skill is:

Self-discipline

Our focus within the three areas are as follows

Attitude: Be an independent learner

Awareness: That I am responsible for my own actions and the consequences

Action: Own my individual feelings, thoughts and actions

Weeks 1 & 2



Seek Peace and Pursue it!

Moira Shire Council Notices

Gender-based violence workshops

Moira Shire Council, in partnership with ARC Justice, is holding a series of free Family and Gender-Based violence Workshops at Community Houses across the Shire. These workshops are open to all community members and are designed to build awareness, knowledge and confidence around family violence.

The first workshop was held in Nathalia on Thursday 10 September, and further sessions are being held across the Shire as follows:

- Thursday 15 October: 1pm at Cobram Community House
- Wednesday 25 November: 1pm at Numurkah Community House
- Thursday 10 December: 1pm at Yarrawonga Community House

You will learn:

- WHAT family and domestic violence is and what is against the law.
- HOW to recognise if someone you know may be experiencing violence.
- HOW to have supportive and safe conversations.
- WHAT local services are available and how to access them.

Entry is free. Please register at:

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1619617>

Contributed by Moira Shire Council

Australia Day Awards 2027

Nominations are now open to celebrate the outstanding people and groups who make our Moira Shire community exceptional.

Help us recognise the everyday heroes making a difference in our community by nominating people and groups in these categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Junior Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Event of the Year
- Community Organisation of the Year
- Arts, Culture and/or Environment Project of the Year

Nominations close on Friday 20 November. For more information and to nominate, go to:

<https://www.moira.vic.gov.au/Community/Awards/Australia-Day-Awards>

Winners will be announced at town and district Australia Day events in 2027.

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Canteen

A reminder that the canteen is open **Wednesday, Thursday & Fridays only**.

If you are unable to attend on your day, can you please arrange a swap with someone else or, as last resort, let Crystal or Sherrin know in advance, so that they are aware that they have no helper that day. If you are unable to commit to a permanent day each month but are available to help out when you see a volunteer required, please contact the canteen or the office.

October

9th Gayle Morgan

14th Volunteer

15th Volunteer

16th Volunteer

21st Volunteer

22nd Volunteer

23rd Gayle Morgan

28th Volunteer

29th Volunteer

30th Volunteer

November

4th Volunteer

5th Volunteer

6th Gayle Morgan



Recently, the Reserve Bank of Australia announced significant changes to Australia's card surcharge framework that will come into effect on 1 October 2026.

These changes impact how payment costs can be managed across online payment platforms. While the intent of the reforms is to create greater consistency and transparency for consumers, they also require businesses throughout the payments industry to review and restructure their pricing models.

What does this mean for parents?

- Parents can continue to add funds to their parent wallet using a credit card or by bank transfer with no surcharge applied.
- All funds added to the parent wallet will incur a \$1.50 service fee per transaction.



IMPORTANT FEE UPDATE

Effective 1 October 2026

Supporting a Better Online Ordering Experience

To continue providing families with a secure, reliable and convenient online ordering experience, My School Connect will be introducing a small fee adjustment from **1 October 2026**.

These changes help support ongoing platform improvements, customer support, and service delivery while ensuring families continue to enjoy a simple and seamless ordering experience.



MSC WALLET SERVICE FEE

\$1.50

Applied each time funds are added to your My School Connect Wallet.



ORDER FEE

\$0.48

Applied per student order, per day.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

[My School Connect](#) | support@myschoolconnect.com.au

PARISH MASS TIMES



NUMURKAH:

Sunday 10:30am

Wednesday 9:15am

Friday 9:15am, followed by Reconciliation

NATHALIA:

Sunday 9:00am

Tuesday 9:15am followed by Reconciliation

Thursday 12:30pm

STRATHMERTON:

1st, 3rd, & 5th Saturdays at 6.00pm

Community Notices



SHEPPARTON ATHLETICS CLUB

ALL AGES AND ABILITIES WELCOME!

SEASON LAUNCH

SHEPPARTON ATHLETICS CLUB

FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER
FROM 6:00PM

SHEPPARTON ATHLETICS TRACK
Princess Park, Shepparton

COME AND TRY!
Have a run, jump or throw to see if it's for you!

- ✓ Past and new potential members welcome
- ✓ Come and try option available
- ✓ All ages and abilities welcome
- ✓ Chat to the committee about membership options
- ✓ Finish the night with a light supper

LIGHT SUPPER TO FINISH THE NIGHT!

RUN JUMP THROW MEET THE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS



SHEPPARTON ATHLETICS CLUB

ALL JUNIORS (UNDER 20)

WHO JOIN FOR THE 2026/2027 SEASON

RECEIVE A **FREE** COMPETITION TOP

THANKS TO A SPORT AND RECREATION VICTORIA GRANT

VICTORIA State Government Sport and Recreation Victoria



Numurkah Re-School

KINDERGARTEN
Victorian Government Approved

KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT 2027

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3 AND 4 YEAR OLD FREE KINDER

For a tour of our facilities and learn about our programs please contact us and we can organise a time for a tour of our service

- ✓ Outdoor Activities
- ✓ Bush Kinder
- ✓ Play based Program
- ✓ Early Childhood Teachers

ENROLL NOW

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5th QUARTER CAMPS
Harvey Norman

YARRAWONGA FOOTY CAMP!

FUN DRILLS & GAMES

SKILL TUTORIALS FROM AFL STARS
TOBY GREENE, JEREMY CAMERON & MORE

PHOTOS & SIGNATURES

PARTNER GIVEAWAYS

BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5-13 OF ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

TUESDAY 29TH & WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

YARRAWONGA FOOTBALL & NETBALL CLUB, 16 BURLEY RD, YARRAWONGA

9AM - 1PM

\$140 FOR 1 DAY, \$250 FOR BOTH DAYS

LIMITED EDITION T-SHIRT, PLENTY OF EXCITING PARTNER GIVEAWAYS & LUNCH PROVIDED

DON'T MISS OUT - REGISTER NOW!

5thquartercamps.com.au/camps



IMAGINE THE FUN

COST \$16
INCLUDES 8 SESSIONS
A PACK OF YOUR CHOICE
BLAST PASS
NYCCC HAT
BBQ END OF BLAST CELEBRATION

Join Woolworths Cricket Blast to receive your Blast Pass








- 1 x BBL MBG Match of your choice
- All WBBL matches at Junction Oval
- All Victorian State Cricket Matches
- 10% off Stars merchandise
- Exclusive partner offers
- 20% off selected New Balance gear

NUMURKAH YOUTH CLUB CC- BLAST PROGRAM
(AGES 4-12YRS) BOYS AND GIRLS
VENUE: NUMURKAH SHOWGROUNDS
DATES: THURSDAY 29TH OCT- 17TH DEC
TIME: 4.00PM-5.00PM
SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER!



SIGN UP TODAY! [Q Play cricket](#)

NYCCC JUNIOR CRICKET FOR SEASON



2026/27



We are looking for junior players of all ages to join our club for season 2026/27. Blasters Ages 4-8. Under 10s Under 12s Under 14s & Under 16s.

For more information please contact numurkahcricket@gmail.com. We will have more information on training nights closer to the season.

Blasters
Registration



Junior Registration
Under 10s, 12s, 14s & 16s




Girls COME PLAY TODAY!

Try cricket for free in a welcoming, fun and all-girls program.
FREE ALL GIRLS PROGRAM

HER GAME GROWS ALL GIRLS PROGRAM - CRICKET VICTORIA
VENUE: ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL NUMURKAH
DATES: MONDAY 12TH, 19TH, 26TH OCT & 9TH NOV
TIME: 3.15PM-4.30PM
REGISTRATION IS FREE, SO TELL YOUR FRIENDS!



PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY WESTPAC
Championing opportunities for women and girls in sport.

[Register Today](#)




HER GAME GROWS

JUNIOR PLAYERS WANTED!



HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO PLAY CRICKET? NOW IS THE TIME!

NATHALIA ASSOCIATION CRICKET CLUB IS LOOKING FOR JUNIOR PLAYERS FOR SEASON 2026/27.



Age Groups:

UNDER 11'S (SOFT BALL)

UNDER 13'S, UNDER 15'S, UNDER 17'S (HARD BALL)

FREE Registration and playing shirt provided!

No experience needed!

IF YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED, CONTACT LUKE: 0447 662 505 OR LUKE@FERTGRAIN.COM.AU TO HAVE A CHAT!





CHRISTMAS MINIS

With Beccy Lee Photography

Capture your family's Christmas joy in a relaxed and beautifully designed space



21 & 22 NOVEMBER 2026



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15-minute family photo session



Includes a mixture of family photos and Santa photos



\$250

\$50 deposit on booking



All edited images supplied via online gallery



Approximately 25 images



Book your session

SECURE YOUR SPOT IN OUR BOOKING SYSTEM

@beccyleephoto



Scan to book

Canteen Menu Term 4 2026

CLEARLY WRITE NAME AND CLASS ON PAPER BAG ORDERS AND PLACE IN CLASSROOM TUBS

PLEASE ENSURE ALL GLUTEN FREE OR DAIRY/LACTOSE FREE ORDERS ARE CLEARLY MARKED

SANDWICHES – White or Multigrain, ROLLS – White, Multigrain or Wholemeal, WRAP – White

GLUTEN FREE OPTION (rolls/sandwiches/wraps) 50c extra

Butter or DF spread	\$2.00	Chicken (real BBQ)	\$4.00
Salad (no meat)	\$5.00	Chicken & Cheese	\$4.50
Chicken & Salad	\$7.00	Vegemite	\$2.50
Ham	\$4.00	Egg	\$4.00
Ham & Cheese	\$4.50	Egg and lettuce	\$4.50
Ham & Salad	\$7.00	Cheese	\$2.50
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$5.00		

Please note on order if you choose to have your sandwich toasted.

Ham or Chicken & Salad Bowl \$6.00

Salad options lettuce, cheese, cucumber, carrot, tomato & beetroot

Salad Only Bowl \$4.50

Fresh Fruit Cups (with or without Greek yoghurt) \$3.50

Shez's Granola Bowls with Greek Yoghurt and Mixed Berries \$4.50

Smoothies Choc banana, Mixed Berry & Banana or Tropical \$3.50

Plain Milk 200ml \$2.50

Water 500ml \$2.00

HOT FOOD OPTIONS

WEDNESDAY: Croissant: choice of Ham, Cheese, and/or Tomato \$4.50

THURSDAY: Beef Burger: choice of Beetroot, Tomato, Lettuce, Cheese, Tomato Sauce, and/or Aioli \$6.00

FRIDAY: Creamy Chicken & Tomato Pasta \$6.00

WINDOW ITEMS THAT CAN BE PURCHASED DURING RECESS

Plain Chips and Popcorn GF/NF \$0.50

Frozen Pineapple GF/DF \$0.50

True Fruit Bars GF/NF \$1.00

Home Baked Treat (type changes without notice) limit of 2. \$0.50

Homemade Icy Pole GF/NF –Tropical, Watermelon/Pineapple, Raspberry/Orange and Choc Banana \$1.00

2026

St. Joseph's School Numurkah

Calendar Dates

5 OCTOBER - 16 DECEMBER

TERM

FOUR



Week 1	Monday	October 5	First Day - Term Four
	Thursday	October 8	MacKillop Express (Bulletin)
Week 2	Mon / Fri	Oct 12 & 16	Division Athletics & Regional Athletics
	Monday	October 12	Assembly: Senior S & N
	Wed-Thurs		Middles Camp
	Friday	October 16	Middles Rest Day
Week 3	Monday	October 19	Assembly: Senior M & H
	Wednesday	October 21	Numurkah Show Pupil Free Day
	Thursday	October 22	MacKillop News (Full Newsletter)
Week 4	Monday	October 26	Assembly: Middle AA & T
	Monday	October 26	School Advisory Council @ 6PM
	Friday	October 30	Day for Daniel Walk2School
Week 5	Monday	November 2	Report Writing Pupil Free Day
	Tuesday	November 3	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
	Thursday	November 5	MacKillop Express (Bulletin)
Week 6	Monday	November 9	Assembly: Junior H & M
	Mon-Wed		Seniors Camp
	Wednesday	November 11	Remembrance Day
	Wednesday	November 11	SMOTA Yr 7 Information Night
	Thursday	November 12	Grade 2 Sleepover
	Friday	November 13	Junior Activities Day

Week 7	Monday	November 16	Assembly: Junior C & W
	Tuesday	November 17	Prep Excursion Bendigo
	Thursday	November 19	MacKillop News (Full Newsletter)
	Friday	November 20	Advent Liturgy 1
Week 8	Mon/Wed/Fri	November 23, 25 & 27	Junior Swimming (P-2)
	Monday	November 23	Assembly: Middle A & P
	Tuesday	November 24	SMOTA Yr 7 Information Night
	Friday	November 27	Advent Liturgy 2
Week 9	Mon/Wed/Fri	Nov 30, Dec 2 & 4	Junior Swimming (P-2)
	Monday	November 30	Assembly: Grade 6 Leaders
	Thursday	December 3	MacKillop Express (Bulletin)
	Friday	December 4	Advent Liturgy 3
Week 10	Monday	December 7	Assembly: Year 6 Leaders
	Tuesday	December 8	Whole School Orientation Day
	Tuesday	December 8	SMOTA Yr 6 Orientation Day
	Thursday	December 10	MacKillop News (Final Full Newsletter)
	Friday	December 11	End of Year Mass
Week 11	Monday	December 14	Assembly: Prep Nativity
	Monday	December 14	Middle School Celebration Day
	Monday	December 14	Grade 6 Graduation
	Tuesday	December 15	Last Day of School for Students

LOOKING AHEAD

Term 4

Division Athletics

Monday, October 12th (Week 2)

Numurkah Show Holiday

Wednesday, October 21st (Week 3)

Pupil Free Day

Monday, November 2nd (Week 5)

Jump Start

Wednesday & Fridays (Weeks 5, 6 & 7)

Grade 6 Graduation

Monday, December 14th (Week 11)

* Prep/Senior School Celebration Day TBC

