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### IMPORTANT DATES Term 2

Friday 26th May– Fundraising Committee AGM– 2.30pm in the Library

Friday 26th May- National Sorry Day

27th May to 3rd June– National Reconciliation Week

Thursday 8th June– Music Incursion– African Music

**Wednesday 7th June– Report Writing Day– Curriculum Day– Students not required at school**

### MAJOR EVENT

December– 150th Anniversary of Malmsbury Primary School



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# Malmsbury Primary School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 5—Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## **Womin-dji-ka | Welcome**

Once again, it was a great week of learning across Malmsbury Primary School. It was great wandering through the rooms across the week and experience everything that was happening. As part of the Berry St Education Model, Morning Circles were introduced this week. Morning circle routines are nurturing classroom practices that support student engagement, build wellbeing, and create positive classroom communities (Roffey 2006). In addition to creating a sense of safety and belonging, a predictable circle ritual evokes positive emotions. It primes students for open, flexible, and engaged thinking. I am excited to see how these routines develop over time and they effect engagement in learning.

It was also great to see a number of classes starting to make use of the Frog bog. Some students used the area as a sensory experience to learn about onomatopoeia.

I also thoroughly enjoyed being invited into the 3/4 classroom where students were learning skills to develop 'Voice' in their writing. The students had great control of word choice, punctuation and sentence structures that provided great voice to their writing.

I look forward to what next week will bring for us all.

### **OSHC Phone Number:**

We now have a mobile phone for our Out of School Hours Care (OSHC). If your child/children attend OSHC, please add the following number to your contacts list.

**0413 506 054**

Pauline will have the phone with her at all times while at school. If you need to contact Pauline while your child is at OSHC, please don't hesitate to contact her on the above number.

### **COVID-19:**

With covid appearing again in our school, we have revisited our covid protocols to continue to utilise strong hygiene practices in the school and the use of the Air Purifiers in classrooms. Some key information in the Schools Covid Guidelines are as follows:

Students who report a positive result are recommended to isolate for a minimum of 5 days and not attend school until their symptoms have resolved. Students who isolate as a result of a positive COVID-19 test will be supported in the same way as students with an extended absence due to illness or injury, with learning materials provided to support their continued learning.

Face Masks- Staff and students who wish to wear a face mask will be supported to do so, and we will continue to make face masks available for staff, students and visitors.

The Department of Health recommends that masks should be worn by a person who is a close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 when leaving home.

Additionally, the Department of Health recommends that masks should be worn by a person who has COVID-19 for at least 7 days after a positive test when they need to leave home.

### **Student Attitudes to School Survey (AtoSS):**

This week our grade 4,5, and 6 students completed the AtoSS to assist us in gaining an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Students gave their thoughts and feelings in relation to their school, their learning, peer relationships, resilience, bullying, health and wellbeing, physical activity, and life in general. I look forward to seeing the collated, confidential results to help guide the direction of our school.

Next week we are still catching up with a handful of students who were absent on days the survey was conducted. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the survey.

### **School Uniform:**

It is great to see students ensuring that they are in school uniform. If your child has outgrown or has misplaced any uniform items, we have plenty of new stock and more cost effective items are available from our Second Hand Uniform store.

### **Prep bags 2023 survey for Prep Parents:**

Have your say about this years Prep bags in a short survey, closing Sunday 9 July.

Each year, the Department of Education gives every Prep student attending a Victorian government school a bag full of goodies to celebrate this milestone in their education journey. The information and educational resources in the bags are designed to help Prep students and their families thrive from the start of Term 1.

The department is inviting parents and carers of current Prep students to participate in a short survey about the 2023 Prep bags, by 5 pm on Sunday 9 July 2023.

Your feedback will help the Department learn what families liked about the Prep bags and what can be improved in 2024. You can have your say at 2023 Prep Bags – [Evaluation Survey](#).

The survey takes 5 to 10 minutes to complete, and responses are anonymous. For more information on this year's Prep bags, refer to [Prep bags](#).

### **Information from the Office:**

**WGAC Orders: - Need extra loo paper?** - We have extended the date for orders until 2<sup>nd</sup> June, please spread the word so we can get as many orders in as possible.

**2023 Contributions:** Thank you to the families who have made Curriculum contributions for 2023. Your financial support helps us to ensure students are offered every education opportunity possible as well as ensuring we can maintain the school buildings and yards.

For those families who have generously indicated a contribution, or would like to towards our Building Fund, please note if you wish to claim a tax deduction, funds will need to be received by the school prior to 30 June so we can issue a Deductible Gift Recipient Invoice.

**Student Information Form:** If you have not yet returned this form sent out last term, could you please check and return the Student Information Form to the office so we can ensure our records and emergency contact details are up to date, please sign and return even if no changes are necessary.

*Have a safe and happy weekend everyone and thank you for your continued support.*

Travis Pool, Principal

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## **THIS WEEK'S AWARD WINNERS**



# WHAT IS NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK?

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

The dates for NRW are the same each year; **27 May to 3 June**.

These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey— the successful [1967 referendum](#), and the [High Court Mabo decision](#) respectively.

**27 May 1967** On this day, Australia’s most successful **referendum** saw more than 90 per cent of Australians vote to give the Australian Government power to make laws for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and recognise them in the Census.

**3 June 1992** On this day, the Australian High Court delivered the Mabo decision, the culmination of Eddie Koiki Mabo’s challenge to the legal fiction of ‘terra nullius’ (land belonging to no one) and leading to the legal recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the Traditional Owners and Custodians of lands. This decision paved the way for Native Title.

Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The day before National Reconciliation Week, 26 May, is National Sorry Day, which was first held in Sydney in 1998 and is now commemorated nationally to remember and honour the Stolen Generations.

Source: <https://nrw.reconciliation.org.au/about-nrw/>

**Nalderun Education Aboriginal Corporation**  
with support from  
**Friends of Nalderun**  
The 2023 Sorry Day commemoration  
Venue Castlemaine Secondary College  
10.30am Friday 26 May  
MC: Vic Say & Zeppein  
Welcome to Country ceremony with Aunty Paulette Nelson  
Address by the Mayor Rosie Annear

**Sorry Day Friday May 26**  
**Reconciliation Week**  
**Saturday 27 May - Sunday 4 June 2023**

**About Nalderun**  
Nalderun is a Dja Dja Wurrung word which means ‘all together’, because we believe by moving forward together we can make the change needed for our children, our mob and the wider community in the Mount Alexander Shire region of Victoria to thrive. We are Aboriginal led and run - we know what our Community needs, as we are part of it. For 10 years we have seen our children become stronger, proud and deadly. We know our future, and the future for our children's children is safe, having created programs and ways of being and teaching. We want you to join this journey in this two-way learning space. We look forward to walking forward together. We invite you to support us in caring for Culture, Country and Community and to meet the needs of our mob, and the ever-increasing commitment to support these changes in the broader community, which builds respectful and reciprocal relationships for all.

We invite you to watch this video- a celebration of the work and community over the last 10 years. <https://youtu.be/aWNBTPpz1f0>  
To find out more about Nalderun or to Donate please go to [www.nalderun.net.au](http://www.nalderun.net.au)

We Acknowledge the Djaara People, the custodians and caretakers of this land and pay our deep respect to their Elders and Ancestors

**BE A VOICE FOR GENERATIONS**  
**Act Today For A Reconciled Tomorrow**

# AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

## Prep/1 Classroom:

Most afternoons in our room, we have Developmental Play, where we are encouraged to express our thinking and ideas using a variety of materials. Some students enjoy creating movable creations using Mobilo and Duplo, others create 3-D models of characters of favourite computer games, and some just enjoy experimenting with different drawing techniques. This week, Audrey chose to use her free 'expressive' time to create her own version of the Indigenous Flag, with a statement that reflects her thinking and beliefs. It is clear Audrey has deep and passionate feelings and appreciation of our Indigenous people and feels very safe to share and celebrate in her classroom environment.



## 2/3 Classroom:

This week in the grade 2/3 classroom we have been investigating how the texture between different materials can change how fast a zipline may go. Students investigated how friction works and how it can slow down the movement of an object. We had a lot of fun sending our zipline passengers down the different textured materials.



## 5/6 Classroom:

This week in the 5/6 classroom, students were displaying their poetry skills which helps develop the skills and understanding of word choice, sentence fluency and organisation. Please enjoy the fruits of their labour below.

Birds

Birds, birds lots of birds.  
They squawk, they screech, yodel and chirp.

Magpies, corellas, crimson rosellas they're all the squawkers.  
Now for the chirpers, budgies, chickens, ravens go waaaa.  
So do crows, hawks have the loudest screech I suppose.

If you want to see all these magnificent birds,  
They're all at my garden, just give out a chirp.

Sid

My favourite birds

I went to the doctors he checked my head.  
This is what he said.  
"It looks like you have got birds in there  
They are flying in the air."

I can see pigeons, pelicans, penguins, parrots.  
A seagull, swan, sparrow and swallow.  
There's a kookaburra, magpie and cockatoo  
Up in a tree and they see a bee.

With all the birds that you have in your head,  
It's kind of amazing you got out of bed.

Lachlan

Show don't tell object poems

The grey lead scraped softly across the paper making a smooth  
line,  
It was so fine.  
The object is cinnamon brown colour, wooden and long  
With fancy writing along the side of it.

You can hold it in your hand and sharpen it to make it more  
pointy.  
It can make all sorts of lines,  
Dark, light and straight lines.

Do you know what my object is?

Elena

The item I have has legs that equal four,  
Pattern seating and it can't open a door.  
Wooden legs, wooden back,  
You could find them anywhere, even in a shack.

When you move it, it scraps along the ground  
And some even weigh a pound.  
Anyone can sit on it, and they can't get a zit.  
They can come in any size, so that's all guys.

FOOD!

Food is the best,  
If you like a hairy chest.

I like chips, lollies and even lamb,  
Seaweed, fish and a clam,  
40 000 lollipops, and plenty of roast lamb chops.  
Bacon, pizza, grated cheese  
And some chocolate cake please.

Food puts me in a happy mood  
When it all gets chewed!  
I love food!

Eleanor

There's something I have to tell you about,  
And I don't need to shout.  
I own a billion dollars,  
And use it to buy some collars.

Don't forget to buy the moors, as well as some doors.  
Buy Ferraris, Mustangs and a Lambo,  
Own movies like Marvel, Star Wars and even Rambo.  
I'm very composure to say,  
I've bought an enclosure for Asher's monsters, Will's  
birds and Liam's turtles.

But the best thing you could buy are commercials  
For your turtles.  
As you can see now,  
a billion dollars  
Can buy you a lot of collars.

Lucius

Monsters in the night

I get monsters in the night,  
They always give off a fright.

All monsters bite under my bed  
Their names are Fred, Ted and one chopped off  
its head.  
The others are Ross, Moss, Boss too  
They toss and turn.  
But my least favourite of them all is Mr Burn

Arke



RSVP  
HERE!

FRIDAY JUNE 2  
9.30AM AT KHS

MONDAY JUNE 5  
7PM WEBINAR

SUNDAY JUNE 11  
10AM AT KHS

# INFORMATION SESSIONS & SCHOOL TOURS



KYNETON  
HIGH SCHOOL



9-12 JUNE  
KING'S BIRTHDAY  
LONG WEEKEND



GET YOUR TICKETS HERE  
[woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au](http://woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au)



PROKOFIEV

## Peter and the Wolf

Scotch College Orchestra with John Ferguson  
Narrated by Max Gillies

2.30PM MONDAY 12TH JUNE 2023

The Woodend Winter Arts Festival returns over the King's Birthday weekend this June. Don't miss your chance to experience some of Australia's finest musicians performing in the Macedon Ranges. Kids and families will love the performance of Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf by the Scotch College Orchestra, narrated by renowned actor Max Gillies.

Venue: Heywood Hall at Braemar College\* | Adults \$20 / Child \$10 / Family \$40

\*Ticket purchase includes return transport from Woodend

[woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au/peter-and-the-wolf](http://woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au/peter-and-the-wolf)



ORGAN'S COACHES



BRAEMAR

### FREE EVENTS

The family favourite fireworks will also be back, this year synchronised to classical music, while the High Street Festa is an exciting new addition bringing live music and illuminated artworks to Woodend's main street over one evening.

View the full program at [woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au](http://woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au)



**Fireworks to music**  
With live performances  
& food trucks  
**Buffalo Stadium**  
Friday 9 June



**High St Festa**  
With street light exhibition,  
food trucks & choir  
performances  
**Woodend High St**  
Saturday 10 June



Community Bank  
Tasman & Otago  
Bendigo Bank

RT Edgar

Keatings

The Cranbourne  
Foundation





## Legs for Legacy's goal of raising \$1 million helps keep Legacy's Promise alive



**My name is Isabella Bates and I am honoured to be one of youngest Official Torch Bearers for the Legacy Centenary Torch Relay 2023, presented by Defence Health.**

Commemorating 100 years of service, the Legacy Centenary Torch Relay will cover a distance of 50,000km across the globe, with 1500 Torch Bearers participating in the relay.

For my leg of the relay, I will be travelling from my hometown of Malmesbury to Ballarat on September 19 to honour the memory of my great-great uncle Private William Hood, a member of the 2nd 7th infantry battalion who was killed in action in New Guinea in 1943. As part of my role, I will also be going the extra mile to raise funds for the **Legs for Legacy** Fundraising Campaign—a dedicated fundraising initiative running alongside The Legacy Centenary Torch Relay 2023.

The goal of 'Legs for Legacy' is to raise **\$1 million dollars**, toward the campaign's \$10 million dollars target. Every donation contributes towards continuing Legacy's services which provide financial, emotional, and social support for veterans' families so they can grow and thrive despite adversity.

Please support my leg of the relay by donating to my Legs for Legacy campaign page here:

**[www.legsforlegacy.com.au/fundraisers/IsabellaBates/torch-bearers-2023](http://www.legsforlegacy.com.au/fundraisers/IsabellaBates/torch-bearers-2023)**  
or you scan the QR code below.

You can learn more about the initiative at **[www.legacytorchrelay.com.au](http://www.legacytorchrelay.com.au)** and follow the journey on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.

Join me in commemorating 100 years of service.

**[legsforlegacy.com.au](http://legsforlegacy.com.au)**



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1923 - 2023

