



PRIMARY SCHOOL

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ACT SAFELY



RESPECT

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SPS's Vision: To prepare young people to be active, engaged and responsible citizens of the local and global community.

2025 Dates to Remember

- Fri 23rd May No Winter Sports for G456
- Wed 28th May Cobram SC Taster Day G6
- Fri 30th May No Winter Sports for G456
- Mon 2nd June Milkshake Monday
- Mon 9th June King's Birthday Public Holiday
- Mon 16th-Fri 20th June Whole School Swimming @ Aqua Moves

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Strathmerton Primary School

ENROL IN 2026

At Strathmerton Primary School we offer:

- No school fees including free stationery and books.
- High quality teaching and learning.
- A wide range of curriculum and extracurricular activities provided.
- · Small class sizes.
- 1:1 laptops supplied by SPS.
- Outside Hours School Care available.

2026 Enrolments open now.

TO BOOK A TOUR, OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE OFFICE:

- **(03)** 58745295
- www.strathmertonps.vic.edu.au/
- 43-51 Findlay St, Strathmerton VIC 3641

LUNCH ORDERS

Lunch orders will be on Tuesday and Fridays..









From the Principal's Desk

Sickness and Attendance

Please be aware that there is a lot of sickness about the community. If your child/ren are absent for any reason, including sickness or medical appointments, please either upload it onto Compass or ring the office. Notes have been sent to families with outstanding unexplained absences. These need to be completed and sent back to school as soon as possible.

School Review

Last newsletter I missed a very special thank you for their contribution during the School Review, and that is to our wonderful School Council President Lisa Bramich. Thanks Lisa for giving up your time and helping us set our next goals and targets.

Swimming

As part of the Victorian Curriculum, we are required to deliver swimming and water safety education, outlined in the Health and Physical Education curriculum. We have again booked Aquamoves in Shepparton for our official swimming lessons. These lessons will occur each day in Week 9 (16th-20th June). This year there is no bus cost due to the generous donation from the Railway Hotel. The swimming lessons are covered by the school's PE program. A permission note can be found on Compass.

Attitudes To School Survey

This survey is an annual student survey offered by the Department of Education and Training to assist our school to gain an understanding of students' perceptions and experiences of school. Students will be asked about their thoughts and feelings in relation to their school, their learning, peer and family relationships, resilience, bullying, mental health and wellbeing, physical activity, and life in general. This survey is completed by our Year 4, 5 and 6 students and is completed as a questionnaire online. Each student will have a unique login that protects their identity, so that their responses are confidential. The school receives a summary of the results from the survey company, which we then analyse to determine the students' views and to improve their schooling experience. If you do not wish your child to do the survey, please contact the school office, to inform us of your wishes.

Mobile Phone Policy

A reminder that the Department of Education has in place a mobile phone ban that requires students who bring mobile phones to school to have them switched off and securely put away during school hours. This includes smartwatches and similar personal devices. The Department of Education is requiring all schools to ensure this ban is in place and enforced. The ban applies equally to all government schools right across the state. This ensures that school is a learning environment free from unnecessary distractions and disruptions. By ensuring mobile phones, smart watches and similar devices are kept away during school hours, students can interact with each other face-to-face, without the distractions and social pressures that mobile phones can cause. I ask for the support of all our families, staff and students in continuing to support the implementation of this policy in our school. It is required that students check in their phone upon arrival to school and collect it upon departing school at the end of their school day.

Emergencies: In the event of an emergency of if you need to immediately contact your child, I ask that families contact the school office who will pass on a message as required.

Parent Support: The <u>Mobile phones in schools webpage</u> provides links to resources for families to help them balance their children's time using mobile phones.

If you have further questions, please contact the administration office.







Jo Paton

Strathmerton Primary School Calendar 2025	
Term 2	
Friday 23 rd May	4/5/6 Winter Sports @ St Joesph Numurkah-CANCELLED
Wednesday 28 th May	CSC Taster Day Year 6 Students
	School Council
Friday 30 th May	4/5/6 Winter Sports @ Numurkah PS-CANCELLED
Monday 2 nd June	Milkshake Monday
Friday 6 th June	4/5/6 Winter Sports @ CAGs
Monday 9 th June	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 13 th June	4/5/6 Winter Sports @ Strathmerton
Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th June	Whole School Swimming
Friday 27 th June	4/5/6 Winter Sports @ Strathmerton
Monday 30 th June	Milkshake Monday
	Semester 1 Reports Released
Tuesday 1 st & Wednesday 2 nd	Parent Teacher Interviews PM
July	
Friday 4 th July	Last Day Term 2. 2.30pm Dismissal
Term 3	
Monday 21 st July	First Day Term 3
Thursday 14 th August	Numurkah SC Taster Day
Monday 25 th August	Pupil Free Day
Friday 19 th September	Last Day Term 3 2.30pm Dismissal
Term 4	
Monday 6 th October	First Day Term 4
Monday 3 rd November	Pupil Free Day. Report Writing Day.
Tuesday 4 th November	Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 9 th December	Statewide Transition Day
Tuesday 16 th December	Fun Fields G6 Students
Friday 19 th December	END OF YEAR 1.30pm Dismissal

NUMURKAH SECONDARY COLLEGE

Transition program dates for Year 7 students commencing 2026



Keep an eye out on the NSC facebook page for updates and more information closer to events.



WEDNESDAY 30TH APRIL NSC DISCOVERY NIGHT 6:00PM-7:00 PM



THURS, 14TH AUGUST: NSC TASTER DAY



SEPT./OCT. PRIMARY SCHOOL VISITS



5TH-7TH OCT. EXTRA TASTER SESSIONS



13TH-17TH OCT. YEAR 7 MEETINGS AT NUMURKAH SECONDARY COLLEGE



TUESDAY 9TH DECEMBER STATEWIDE TRANSITION DAY



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NUMURKAH SECONDARY COLLEGE

Inspiring aspiration and 2026 YEAR 7

DISCOVERY NIGHT

Information session commencing at 6.00pm with tours following.



Please register your interest by ringing the College on 03 5862 1088. Walk ins welcome.















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KINDER ENROLMENTS 2026

APPLY NOW!

www.grpsa.com.au

All GRPSA services will offer 15 hours of free kinder for 3 and 4 year olds in 2026. Strathbogie services will offer 20 hours of free 4 year old kinder as of 2026! Applications close May 31, 2025 for all GRPSA services. Apply on our website now to avoid disappointment.

Note that sessions/days are subject to change based on enrolments.





Uniting

Do you need after school care? You may be eligible for after school care for as little as \$5 a day (dependent on your CCS). You may need to make an appointment or schedule a meeting; we can support you with care for your family whilst you get things done.

T 1800 183 103

unitingvictas.org.au/el





Enrolments for 2026 are open now. Visit our website to learn more.

Early Learning

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

- Opening day/Pancake Day 3rd April- Come and visit the Strathy OSHC service and take a look around.
- ♣ 26th / 28th March- Centre closed
- 31st March-Pupil free day (OSHC service closed)
- 4th April-last day of term
- ♣ 22nd -1st day of term
- 25th April-Anzac Day Centre closed
- ♣ 19th-20th May-Centre Closed staff professional development training.
- ♣ 9th June-Centre Closed Kings Birthday Public Holiday
- 4th July-Last day of term.

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