



STRATHMERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**Newsletter No.4
March 12th, 2026**

2025 Dates to Remember

- **Fri 13th Mar**
F/1 Games and Tea Night
- **Mon 23rd Mar**
School Council 7.00pm
- **Wed 24th Mar**
Cross Country @ KPS 11am for qualified students.
Para Triathlon guest speaker Grades 4-6
- **Thu 2nd Apr**
Last Day Term 1
Easter Hat Parade 9.10am
Open Classrooms
Dismissal 2.30pm
- **Mon 20th Apr**
First Day Term 2
- **Fri 24th Apr**
Y6 ANZAC Day Service at Cobram Secondary

HATS!

Reminder that hats need to be worn in Terms 1 and 4



School Bucket Hat
\$10



BUS REMINDER

It is important that parents let the school know when their child is not travelling home by bus. Please phone the office so we can take them off the bus list.

☞ Lunchtime Club

MONDAY
THURSDAY
FRIDAY




LINE UP OUT THE FRONT OF THE WELLBEING ROOM

**SRC Fundraiser
Icy Pole Sale!**



ZOOPER DOOPER

Monday
Wednesday
Friday (Lunchtime)

\$1.00 each

Easter Hat Parade

Thursday April 2nd 2026
Front Court
Quest Expo in Classrooms

Following the Assembly, Parade and Raffle
Parade starts at 9.10am onwards



Uniting



**Strathmerton
Outside School Hours
Program**

LUNCH ORDERS

Lunch orders will be on Tuesday and Fridays.

2025 After School Care
Get in Touch
earlylearning@vt.uniting.org
1800 183 103



Now taking new families
2025 enrolments

OSHC

Annual Privacy Reminder For 2026

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the [Schools' Privacy Policy](#).

Please take time to remind yourself of our school's collection notice, found on our website www.strathmertonps.vic.edu.au

For more information about privacy, refer to: [Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents](#).

From the Principal's Desk

School Council

I am pleased to announce that we received 2 nominations to fill our 3 vacancies for School Council in 2026, therefore an election will not be required. Parent Representative Nominees were:

- Ryan Berndt (2-year tenure)
- Melissa Kelly (2-year tenure)

Congratulations to each of those parents and thank you for nominating for School Council.

We are still looking for one more parent/community member to come and join our School Council. If you would like to know more about this or are interested in filling the position, please contact me.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Term 1 Parent Teacher Interviews were well attended across the school with an impressive 89% attendance rate. These meetings provide a valuable opportunity for families and teachers to connect, discuss each child's learning progress and talk about their social development at school. We thank families for taking the time to attend and for their ongoing partnership in supporting their child's education.

NAPLAN

Our Grade 3 and 5 students have completed 2 of their NAPLAN tests, Writing and Reading. The other 2 tests will be conducted tomorrow (Conventions of Language) and Monday 16th (Numeracy). Catch up days for those students that have missed tests will be run on Wednesday 18th and Friday 20th March.

Foundation/Year 1 Games and Tea Night

On Friday, 13th March, the school will be hosting the Foundation/Year 1 Games and Tea Night. Foundation and Year 1 students will remain at school after the dismissal bell and participate in a structured program of activities and games, followed by a shared meal. Parents and carers are requested to collect their child at **5:30 pm** from the front of the school. This event provides a valuable opportunity for students to engage socially with their peers in a safe and supportive environment, and we look forward to an enjoyable evening. Thank you Mrs Mead for your organisation.

Attendance

Regular school attendance plays a critical role in supporting student learning, achievement and wellbeing. Consistent attendance enables students to engage fully in their learning, develop positive social relationships and build a strong sense of belonging within the school community. Irregular attendance, including late arrivals, can significantly disrupt learning and result in students missing important instruction and classroom activities. Families are reminded of the importance of ensuring that students attend school every day and arrive on time. If your child is absent for any reason, please record the absence promptly via Compass.

Uniform Reminders

Families are reminded that students are expected to wear full school uniform each day. Wearing the school uniform fosters a sense of pride, identity and belonging within our school community. Uniform items, including T-shirts, jumpers and hats, are available for purchase from the school office. Pants, dresses and shorts can be purchased at K-Mart, Big W, Target or any school supply shop.

SRC Easter Raffle

The Easter Egg Raffle is a major fundraiser for our Student Representative Council (SRC). We ask that families kindly donate Easter Eggs, which will be raffled at the Easter Hat Parade on Thursday, 2 April. Raffle tickets have been sent home.

Jo Paton

Strathmerton Primary School Calendar 2026

Term 1

Wed 11th – Tue 24th March	NAPLAN Grades 3 & 5
Friday 13th March	F/1 Games and Tea Night
Monday 23rd March	School Council
Wednesday 25th March	Cross-Country @ Katunga PS for qualified students. Para Triathlon guest speaker.
Thursday 2nd April	Last day Term 1 - 2.30pm dismissal Easter Hat Parade 9.10am Open Classrooms 10am

Term 2

Monday 20th April	First day Term 2
Friday 24th April	ANZAC Day Service Grade 6 @ Cobram Secondary College
Saturday 25th April	ANZAC Day
Friday 1st May	Athletics Carnival @ Nathalia Rec Reserve
Friday 8th May	Responsible Pet Ownership Winter Sports Grade 4-6 @ Katunga PS
Friday 15th May	Pupil Free Day
Monday 18th May	School Council
Thursday 21st May	Grade 6 Taster Day @ Cobram Secondary College
Friday 22nd May	Winter Sports Grade 4-6 @ Nathalia Rec Reserve
Friday 29th May	Winter Sports Grade 4-6 @ Strathmerton Rec Reserve
Friday 5th June	Winter Sports Grade 4-6 @ Strathmerton Rec Reserve
Monday 8th June	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Monday 15th June	School Council
Friday 19th June	Winter Sports Grade 4-6 @ Numurkah
Friday 26th June	Last day Term 2 2.30pm dismissal

Term 3

Monday 13th July	First day Term 3
Mon 13th – Wed 15th July	Grade 5/6 Camp to Sovereign Hill
Monday 3rd August	Pupil Free Day
Monday 10th August	School Council
Monday 7th September	School Council
Friday 18th September	Last day Term 3 2.30pm dismissal

Term 4

Monday 26th October	School Council
Monday 2nd November	Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 3rd November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Monday 30th November	School Council
Friday 18th December	END OF YEAR 1.30pm dismissal

SPOTTED!

Strathy Stars



Support Each Other!

Here we have Milla and Remi supporting each other by reading their books together.



Shane, Axle, Nathan and Bellamii are working together to build a base.



Try Your Best

LEVI IS WORKING ON HIS READING SKILLS WITH MR PRICE.



KYABRAM FAUNA PARK
IS CELEBRATING

50 WILD YEARS

Saturday 14 & Sunday 15 March

Join us for a birthday celebration packed with:

KIDS' ACTIVITIES

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

FREE KEEPER TALKS

Plus, cool off in the **NEW SPLASH PARK** and
take a look back at the park's wild history.

Celebrations run 10am to 3pm each day, park closes at 5pm.

Kids visit free on weekends, public holidays and Victorian school holidays*



**KYABRAM
FAUNA PARK**



SOCCER SPECIFIC HOLIDAY CLINICS



DATES

April: 9th, 14th, 15th, 16th
Time: 10am - 12pm



WHAT IT IS

Soccer training, games & tournaments designed for children who love soccer



WHERE & WHO

Cobram Apex Reserve (Grass)
children aged 5-9 & 10-12



WHAT TO BRING

Water Bottle, light snack, hat, sunscreen,
boots, sneakers, shin pads



HOW TO BOOK

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fostering teamwork and team spirit.



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MULTI-SPORTS HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

Join our passionate & experienced team during the school holidays, we guarantee a safe and secure environment supported by incredible staff. Our Multi - Sports holiday programs cater for children aged 5 - 14 working in age-appropriate groups. Our services operate from 8am until 3pm with our Cobram service open until 4pm

LOCATIONS

- SHEPPARTON
(Visy community Centre)
(April 7th, 8th, 9th & 14th, 15th, 16th)
- YARRAWONGA
(Yarrowonga P-12 ECA)
(April 7th, 8th, 9th & 14th, 15th, 16th)
- WANGARATTA
(Cathedral College)
(April 8th & 15th)
- COBRAM
(Cobram Sports Stadium) (7th, 8th, 9th, 10th & 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th)

BOOK TODAY!

to secure your spot please visit our website and select the holiday camp tab

Contact Phone:

0400 615 145

More Information:

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WHAT TO BRING:

- Packed recess & Lunch
- refillable water bottle
- suitable indoor footwear
- appropriate active wear



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