



# STRATHMERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**Newsletter No.7  
May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

## 2026 Dates to Remember

- **Fri 8<sup>th</sup> May**  
Mother/Special Person's Day stall and afternoon tea  
Responsible Pet Ownership  
Winter sports 4-6 @  
Katunga PS 1pm
- **Tue 12<sup>th</sup>-Wed 20<sup>th</sup> May**  
Somers Camp
- **Fri 15<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Pupil Free Day**
- **Mon 18<sup>th</sup> May**  
School Council 7pm
- **Thu 21<sup>st</sup> May**  
Y7 Taster Day Cobram  
Secondary College
- **Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> May**  
Walk to School Day  
Winter sports @ Nathalia
- **Tue 26<sup>th</sup> May**  
Whole School Photos pm
- **Wed 27<sup>th</sup> May**  
District Cross Country @  
Shepp qualified students

### LUNCH ORDERS

Lunch orders will be on Tuesday and Fridays..

### 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.

PLEASE JOIN OUR  
**Mother or Special  
Person's Day  
Afternoon Tea**  
FRIDAY MAY 8<sup>TH</sup> AT  
2:40PM  
WE WILL BE SERVING HIGH TEA  
SNACK BOXES FILLED WITH A  
SELECTION OF SANDWICHES AND  
SWEET TREATS.  
**\$5 PER PERSON**  
Please RSVP and pay by  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May



## Lunchtime Club

MONDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



LINE UP OUT THE FRONT OF THE  
WELLBEING ROOM



## Strathmerton Primary School ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN FOR 2027

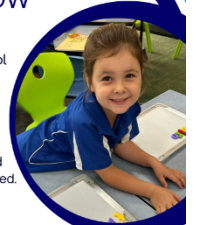
At Strathmerton Primary School we offer:

- 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.
- 11 laptops supplied by SPS.
- Outside Hours School Care available.

2027 Enrolments open now.

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

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**KINDER  
EXPRESSIONS  
OF INTEREST  
2027  
APPLY NOW!**

Apply on our website now to avoid disappointment. Free Kinder at all of our 21 services including Kialla West Kindergarten (Interim Name) opening in 2027! Expressions of Interest close on 31 May 2026.

Note that 2027 timetables will be available towards the end of the year.

**www.grpsa.com.au**

**KINDERGARTEN** Play, laugh... Learn, grow!

## Pupil Free Day

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May

Teacher Professional Learning on the VTLM 2.0

No students at school.

## **From the Principal's Desk**

### **ANZAC Day March and Service**

We were proud to see such strong representation from our students at the Strathmerton RSL's ANZAC Day Service on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April. Students marched respectfully, and our student speakers presented beautifully. Well done to Flynn, Eliza, Sonny, Kiesha and Sienna for their confidence in speaking in front of a large audience.

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April, our School Captains, Flynn and Eliza, represented our school at Cobram Secondary College's ANZAC Day Service. They read a poem and laid poppies to honour past CSC students who served and lost their lives in war.

### **Athletics Carnival**

Please note that a new date for the Athletics Carnival has not yet been confirmed. We are working to reschedule the event and anticipate that it will most likely take place towards the end of Term 3. Further information will be provided to families as soon as arrangements are finalised.

### **Winter Sports**

Winter Sports for students in Years 4–6 will commence this week, with our first match against Katunga Primary School. Please note that there is a reduced timetable this year due to several schools withdrawing from the competition because of other commitments. Despite this, the competition provides a valuable opportunity for students to build skills and teamwork in preparation for the Lightning Premiership in Term 3.

Our school will be fielding one netball team and one AFL team, with the AFL competition played as AFL 9s, in line with the Lightning Premiership format. For home games, we will be required to provide umpires for both sports. If you are able to assist, please contact Sarah McCabe. We also remind families that this is a friendly competition, and respectful behaviour towards umpires, staff and other school communities is expected at all times. Any inappropriate behaviour may result in individuals being unable to participate in or attend future events.

### **Mother/Special Person's Day Stall**

Our Mother's Day Stall will be held Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May. If students would like to buy something for their mum or special person there will be a range of items from \$1-\$5.

### **Mother or Special Person's Afternoon Tea**

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May, we will be holding a Mother or Special Person's Afternoon Tea at 2.40pm to celebrate Mother's Day. Snack boxes will be made that include sandwiches, slices, fruit, and chocolates. The afternoon tea will take place on the front court.

### **Pupil Free Day Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

Please note that Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May will be a Pupil Free Day. No students are to attend school on this day. Staff will be working collaboratively on the Victorian Teaching and Learning Model (VTLM 2.0), with a focus on professional learning in explicit explanation and modelling, and how these practices can be consistently applied across our school. We will also be joined by Robyn from Active Schools, who will support staff in exploring ways to create more active classrooms using brain breaks, effective classroom set-up, and strategies to support students' emotional regulation.

## 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, and can be navy blue or black in colour.

Jo Paton

### Strathmerton Primary School Calendar 2026

Term 2	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Mother's Day Stall Responsible Pet Ownership Winter Sports Grade 4-6 @ Katunga PS
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Somers Camp selected Grade 5/6 students
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Pupil Free Day</b>
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	School Council 7pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Grade 6 Taster Day @ Cobram Secondary College
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Winter Sports Grade 4-6 @ Nathalia Rec Reserve
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Whole School Photos - pm
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	District Cross Country qualified students
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Winter Sports Grade 4-6 @ Strathmerton Rec Reserve
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Winter Sports Grade 4-6 @ Strathmerton Rec Reserve
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>King's Birthday Public Holiday</b>
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Winter Sports Grade 4-6 @ Numurkah (new date)
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	School Council 7pm
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Swimming Foundation – Grade 3 1.00pm- 1.45pm
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Last day Term 2 2.30pm dismissal</b>
Term 3	
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>First day Term 3</b>
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Grade 5/6 Camp to Sovereign Hill
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August	<b>Pupil Free Day</b>
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> August	School Council 7pm
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> August	Swimming Grade 4-6 11.15am- 12.00pm
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	School Council 7pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Last day Term 3 2.30pm dismissal</b>
Term 4	
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	School Council
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	<b>Pupil Free Day</b>
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	<b>Melbourne Cup Public Holiday</b>
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	School Council
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>END OF YEAR 1.30pm dismissal</b>

# SPOTTED!

## Strathy Stars



### Try Your Best!

Eliza and Flynn are demonstrating their best leadership skills by reading to the Strathy Kinder kids.

Riley is participating in our Respectful Relationships program, trying her best to identify how our feelings and emotions can change through the day.



### Respect

JAX, CALEB AND LIAM ARE WORKING TOGETHER, TAKING TURNS AND PATIENTLY WAITING FOR THEIR TURN IN A GAME.



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STREET**

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## Become a foster carer with Berry Street

What does a safe place look like to you? Maybe it's a cozy bedroom, a lively kitchen, or just the feeling of belonging. For a child who has experienced trauma, a safe place is more than a location—it's a chance to recover from their trauma and thrive.

At Berry Street, we believe every child deserves a chance to heal and thrive. That's why we're looking for people like you to become foster carers for local children in need.

You might be single, in a partnership, have a family of your own, or rent your home. You could be a young professional or enjoying retirement. There is no "typical" Berry Street foster carer—only a person with an open heart and a spare room.

Our carers are a diverse community from all walks of life. They do wonderful work to give children the support they need to grow, develop, and feel safe.

Learn more

Ph. 03 5822 8100

[berrystreet.org.au/fostercare](http://berrystreet.org.au/fostercare)



## Your Health Matters!

### Cervical Screening available in Numurkah

Cervical cancer is the fourth most common cancer in women worldwide, but it is also one of the most preventable. **Free** cervical screening tests (formerly called pap smears) are available for Medicare card holders, with self-collection options and no referral required.

Screening is recommended for anyone with a cervix aged 25–74 who has had sexual contact.

**Appointments are available at Community Health @ GV Health,  
121 Corio Street, Shepparton, or at their outreach clinic's at  
NCN Health Numurkah, 2 Katamatite Road, on**

- **May 25<sup>th</sup>**
- **July 27<sup>th</sup>**
- **September 28<sup>th</sup>**
- **November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

To book an appointment today, call the GV Health Service Access Unit on 1800 222 582 (option 4). By keeping up with cervical screening, you are taking an important step to protect your health and wellbeing.

The test is quick, simple, and could save your life.

