



# Alfredton News

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## RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY RELATIONSHIPS EVERY CHILD WILL FLOURISH WITH TIME, EFFORT AND SUPPORT

### Principal's Report -26th February 2025

Dear Families,

Another week has passed, and we are quickly approaching the midpoint of the term!

What if we could help our children bounce back stronger from life's challenges? As parents and a school community, we play a key role in building resilience. By modelling positive coping strategies, encouraging a growth mindset, and helping children see mistakes as opportunities to learn, we set them up for success.

Creating a safe space for open communication allows children to express their feelings and seek support when needed. Celebrating effort, not just outcomes, fosters perseverance. Encouraging independence and problem-solving builds confidence. Together, we can equip our children with the resilience they need to thrive.

It was also fantastic to see our swimmers compete at the Division Swimming Competition. Watching our students showcase their talent and dedication was truly inspiring.

A huge thank you to Mr. Cleary and Mr. Cottrill for their unwavering support and dedication in coaching and preparing our swimmers. Their hard work made this experience possible, and we're so proud of our swimmers' efforts.

Our Swimming Program has now commenced. Please ensure that your child is properly equipped each day, as outlined in the correspondence from the school. A big thank you to all our staff for their dedication in providing this valuable opportunity for our community.

I've noticed that some students are arriving at school quite early in the morning. Please remember that supervision begins at 8:30 AM, and children should not be on the school grounds before that time. We've had students arriving as early as 7:55 AM, when there is no supervision, which poses a safety risk.

Our staff cannot begin supervision any earlier, so if you need before-school care, YMCA at Newington Primary offers this service. We appreciate your understanding. I did send out an EOI for before school care at Alfredton PS (onsite), please complete this quick survey.

At the last assembly, our School Leaders reflected on our core values. Throughout the week, they explored why it's so important for our community to demonstrate respect, responsibility, and build authentic relationships with ourselves, each other, and our environment. It's a powerful message for us all to embrace and reinforce.

As we continue to prioritise the safety of our students, I'd like to remind all families of the importance of traffic safety during school pick-up and drop-off times.

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## RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY RELATIONSHIPS EVERY CHILD WILL FLOURISH WITH TIME, EFFORT AND SUPPORT.

### We RESPECT:

- Individual differences
- Ourselves
- Cultural diversity
- Others' opinions
- Property
- Others' feelings

### We take RESPONSIBILITY for:

- Our behaviour
- Our actions
- Our attendance
- Our learning
- Our belongings
- Our dress code
- Our school
- Our environment
- Doing our best

### We build RELATIONSHIPS with each other by:

- Being honest & trustworthy
- Caring about the feelings of others
- Treating others fairly
- Being well mannered
- Resolving differences calmly



We recognise the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the first custodians of the land. We acknowledge the Wadawurrung people and extend respect to all Indigenous peoples of this continent recognising their cultures as the oldest continuous living cultures in human history.



# RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY RELATIONSHIPS

## EVERY CHILD WILL FLOURISH WITH TIME, EFFORT AND SUPPORT.

### JUL 17 TERM DATES 2025 JUL 17

- TERM 1: Thursday 30th Jan- Thursday 3rd April
- TERM 2: Tuesday 22nd April - Friday 4th July
- TERM 3: Monday 21st July - Friday 19th Sept
- TERM 4: Monday 6th Oct - Friday 19th Dec

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Friday 28th February**  
Assembly

**Monday 3rd March**  
Senior School Sports Day

**Friday 7th March**  
Garden Show & Grandparents Day

**Monday 10th March**  
Labour Day Public Holiday

**Friday 14th February**  
Assembly

**Wednesday 12th March - Friday 21st March**  
NAPLAN

**Friday 28th March**  
Assembly

**Thursday 3rd April**  
Last day of Term  
Students dismissed at 3.30 pm

**Friday 4th April**  
Student Free Day -  
(Teacher Professional Development Day)

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Please use the designated school crossings when crossing the street—this ensures everyone stays safe and follows the proper procedures. It's essential not to double park, as it blocks visibility for both drivers and pedestrians, creating unnecessary hazards.

Entering or exiting a car while it's in moving traffic is incredibly dangerous, especially for children, as they may not be seen by other vehicles. Our children's lives are precious, and their safety must always come first.

Let's all work together to make sure we are being mindful of how we park and drive around the school. By taking these extra precautions, we can ensure that our school environment remains safe for everyone. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students safe.

Finally, our Senior Athletics Day is scheduled 3rd March. We've worked hard to ensure all permission forms have been submitted, but please double-check your messages on XUNO to make sure everything is in order.

Remember to pack sunscreen, hats, and plenty of water—it's going to be a fantastic day! A special thank you to Mr Cleary for all his efforts in organising this event.

Warm regards,



### Child safety and wellbeing at Alfredton Primary School:

Information for families and the school community

The Victorian Government has Child Safe Standards to further strengthen child safety across organisations, including schools. The standards recognise the critical importance of families and the broader school community in maintaining and promoting child safety and wellbeing.

Alfredton Primary School regularly reviews and updates our child safety policies and procedures to ensure they meet the requirements of the standards. These are available to view on our school's website, or at the school's front office on request.

We welcome feedback from families and members of our school community on ways we can further strengthen our child safety policies, procedures, and practices. If you have any suggestions, comments, or questions, please contact the Principal by emailing



# Senior School Athletics Day



Students in Years 3 to 6 will participate in the Senior Athletics House Sports on Monday 3rd March at Llanberris Athletic Reserve.

Buses will depart school at 9.00am and will return at approximately 3.00pm.

There will be an 800m running race as the first event for the day at Llanberris. Only selected students will compete in this event.

All students will compete in 100m races from 1:10pm. Selected students will compete in 200m and relays, following the 100m races.

Please ensure your child has everything needed for the predicted weather.

Students should wear house colours along with school hat and runners on the day,



Lunch, snacks and water bottles are required. The canteen will be open for students to purchase snacks and drinks.

Please ensure your child has sunscreen applied before coming to school.



	9.45AM	10.20AM	10.55AM	11.10AM	11.45AM	12.20PM
12 YEARS	Discus	High Jump	Break	Shot Put	Long Jump	Triple Jump
11 YEARS	Triple Jump	Discus	Break	High Jump	Shot Put	Long Jump
10 YEARS	Long Jump	Triple Jump	Break	Discus	High Jump	Shot Put
9 YEARS	Shot Put	Long Jump	Break	Triple Jump	Discus	High Jump



**RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY RELATIONSHIPS**  
**EVERY CHILD WILL FLOURISH WITH TIME, EFFORT AND SUPPORT.**



## New netball courts officially opened!

**Photo: City of Ballarat Cr Damon Saunders and Member for Wendouree Juliana Addison with users of the newly developed Alfredton Primary School netball courts.**

The Alfredton Recreation Reserve Netball Courts project is now complete, following an overhaul of two outdated netball courts, as well as the refurbishment of a third court at the adjacent Alfredton Primary School.

The joint \$1.33 million project was supported by \$700,000 from the State Government’s Community Support Fund.

The second stage of the project, completed in late 2024, involved a reconstruction of the netball court and new lights on the Alfredton Primary School property. This court will be shared by the Alfredton Primary School and the Ballarat Football Netball Club.

City of Ballarat Alfredton Ward Councillor, Damon Saunders joined Member for Wendouree, Juliana Addison and representatives from the Ballarat Football Netball Club and Alfredton Primary School to celebrate the project’s completion on Friday 14th February.

Member for Wendouree, Juliana Addison said she was delighted to see the important upgrades completed. “With so many families choosing to live in Alfredton, it is so important we continue to invest in world-class facilities to support community sport,” she said.

“Co-locating the new community netball court at Alfredton Primary School is a win for the school – providing teaching and learning opportunities as well as an additional court for students to use at recess and lunch.” Laurel Donaldson.

# Introducing our 2025 SRC Reps

Congratulations to the following students on becoming the SRC reps for their classes

FA	Penelope	Harry
FB	TBD	TBD
FC	Penelope	Fletcher
FD	TBD	TBD
1A	Milan	Jaxson
1B	Elsabeth	Riley
1C	Bailey	Jett
2A	Lilly	Mabel
2B	Aria	Max
2C	Esme	Lily
3A	Harry	Jaxton
3B	Tait	Lennon
3C	Ryder	Mitchell
4A	Jayce	Jack
4B	Sadie	Patrick
4C	Ethan	Noah
5A	Ryan	Rose
5B	Jaxson	Jordan
5C	Dex	Noah
6A	Stella	Maeve
6B	Aashiq	Lia
6C	Meika	Brandon



# Divisional Swimming

Last Friday (21st February) we had students compete at the Sovereign & Eureka Division Swimming Sports Day. Watching our students showcase their talent and dedication is truly inspiring.

A huge thank you to Mr. Cleary and Mr. Cottrill for their unwavering support and dedication in coaching and preparing our swimmers. Their hard work made this experience possible, and we're so proud of our swimmers' efforts.



Tori & Charlotte



Isla



Thomas



Back Row L - R: Oakley & Alex  
Front Row L - R: Isabelle, Georgia,  
Tori, Charlotte




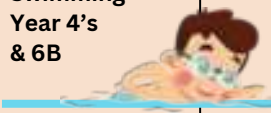











Isaac & Liam



Oakley

### TERM 1 | CALENDER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26th JAN Week 1	27th	28th	29th Interview Days	30th Students Resume Yr 1- 6	31st Foundation Starts	1st FEB
2nd Week 2	3rd	4th	5th Foundation Rest Day	6th	7th	8th
9th Week 3	10th	11th Family Picnic School Council Meeting 	12th <b>NEWSLETTER</b> Foundation Rest Day 	13th	14th <b>Assembly</b> 	15th
16th Week 4	17th	18th	19th Foundation Rest Day	20th	21st	22nd
23rd Week 5	24th Swimming Year 4's & 6B 	25th	26th <b>NEWSLETTER</b> Foundation Rest Day 	27th	28th <b>Assembly</b> 	1st Mar
2nd Week 6	3rd Senior Athletics 	4th	5th	6th	7th <b>GARDEN SHOW</b> Grand Parent's & SPECIAL PERSON DAY 	8th
9th Week 7	10th <b>LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	11th School Council AGM	12th <b>NEWSLETTER</b> Naplan Testing Begins 	13th	14th <b>Assembly</b> 	15th
16th Week 8	17th	18th	19th	20th	21st	22nd
23rd Week 9	24th	25th	26th <b>NEWSLETTER</b> 	27th	28th <b>Assembly</b> 	29th
30th Week 10	31st	1st	2nd	3rd <b>LAST DAY OF TERM:</b> Students Dismissed 3.30pm 	4th Student Free Day: Staff Professional Development Training	5th

# NAPLAN



## NAPLAN 2025 NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM – LITERACY AND NUMERACY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Dear Parents/Carers,

The annual NAPLAN testing window for Year 3 and 5 students will commence two weeks from today.

The timetable below is provided for your information and to limit any disruptions to the Year 3 and 5 classrooms during these times. Please ensure that your child arrives at school punctually on testing days and, if possible, please avoid making any appointments at these times. If your child is going to be absent, please follow our school protocols for student absences, and inform your class teacher as early as possible. We remind students with BYO devices in Year 5 to ensure they are brought to school fully charged every day during the testing period.

All students are required to participate in the National Assessment Program unless a parent request for exemption is granted and the appropriate consent documentation is completed. A reminder to communicate any such requests was given on February 12 via the school newsletter. Should you have any questions or concerns about the NAP tests, please take the opportunity to discuss this with your child's teacher as soon as possible.

### **Wednesday March 12th**

- 1. Year 3 Writing      9:35 am – 10:35 am
- 2. Year 5 Writing      9:35 am – 10:35 am

### **Thursday March 13th**

- 1. Year 3 Reading      9:35 am – 10:35 am
- 2. Year 5 Reading      11:35 am – 12:35 pm

### **Friday March 14th**

- 1. Year 5 Language Conventions      9:35 am – 10:35 am
- 2. Year 3 Language Conventions      11:35 am – 12:35 pm

### **Monday March 17th**

- 1. Year 3 Numeracy      9:35 am – 10:35 am
- 2. Year 5 Numeracy      11:35 am – 12:35 pm

If you have any further questions, please contact either myself or classroom teachers.

Kind Regards

Marc Marnica  
APS NAPLAN Coordinator

# Alfredton Primary School's Annual Garden Show and Grandparents Day

**WHEN: FRIDAY 7TH MARCH, 2025 BETWEEN 9AM-11AM**

THIS INCLUDES CLASSROOM VISITS AND VISITING THE GARDEN SHOW DISPLAYS

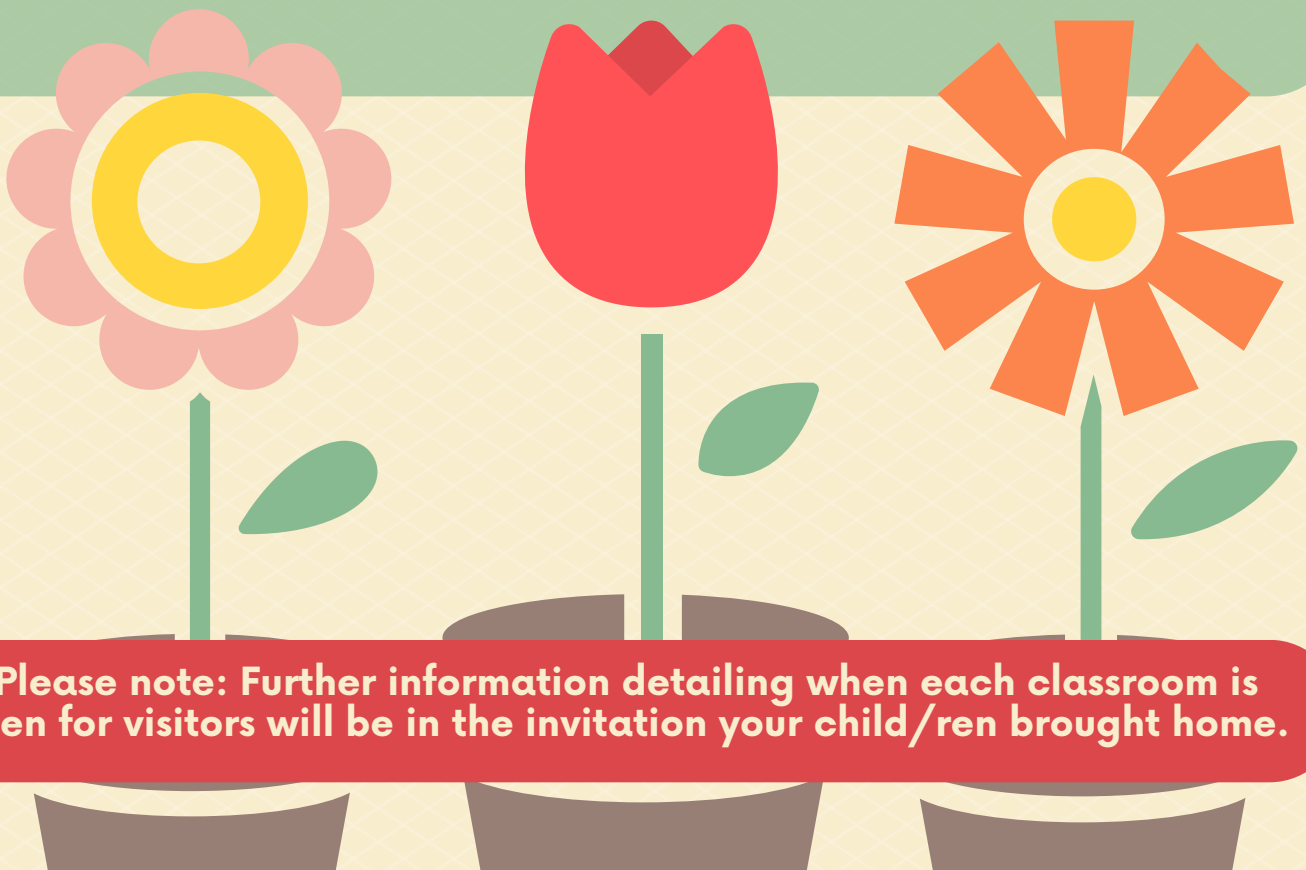
Come along and enjoy the magnificent displays. Morning Tea will be available to purchase on the day.

Students are invited to enter items into the Garden Show with a variety of categories to choose from:

- Environmental Posters
- Single Flowers
- Floral Arrangements
- Australian Plants
- Biggest Leaf
- Largest Zucchini
- Most Horrible Weed
- Scarecrows
- Fruit and Vegetables Sculptures and Novelties
- Floral themed Artwork
- Garden/Plant Photos
- Cakes
- Scones/Slices/Biscuits
- Decorated Bikes/Scooters
- Mini Gardens/ Fairy Gardens

Raffle Tickets will be available to purchase for \$1 with some amazing prizes on offer!

Prizes include an incredible prize pack from Formosa Nursery, a massive craft pack, beautiful Ivy and Coco pot and more!



**Please note: Further information detailing when each classroom is open for visitors will be in the invitation your child/ren brought home.**

# Garden Show Inspiration



# Alfredton Primary School's Annual Garden Show and Grandparents Day

## CALL FOR DONATIONS

**Alfredton Primary School will be holding their annual  
Garden Show on Friday 7th March 2025.**

We are seeking interest from local businesses who may be able to support our school by offering donations of goods or services that could be used as prizes in our raffle.

All funds raised from the Garden Show will be used to purchase or upgrade much needed resources that will help benefit our students and school community.

Businesses who kindly donate goods will have their business acknowledged in our school community newsletter and advertisements.

If you are able to assist us, it would be greatly appreciated.  
Please find our contact information below.

Alfredton Primary Schools Garden Show Committee  
Alex McQueen, Anna Jackson, Sarah Mann, Zinah Habash,  
Eleanor Petrie and Lisa Cairns

**Ph:** 5334 1572

**email:** [alex.mcqueen@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:alex.mcqueen@education.vic.gov.au)



# DONATIONS REQUIRED



## ANNUAL DRINKS DRIVE

**We are asking for families to donate either cans of brand name soft drinks, 600ml bottles of water, or pop top juice.**

**We use these drinks to assist with fundraising throughout the year, starting with the up-coming Garden Show.**

**Donations can be dropped to the front office during school hours.**



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP**

# Meet the Grade 6 Specialist Captains!

## JAPANESE CAPTAINS/COMMITTEE:

Issy, Evie, Grace, Liz, & Zach



Isabella, Amitiel, Ruby, & Evania



## VISUAL ARTS CAPTAINS:

Fatima, Rianna, Averie, Jasmine, Manshika, & Crissa



## PERFORMING ARTS CAPTAINS:

Issy, Keeley, Eliza, Ivy, Indi, & Willow



## HOUSE CAPTAINS:

### STURT:

Charlie & Gemma



### EUREKA:

Indy & Layla



### LALOR:

Jayden & Ava



### GILLIES:

Phoenix & Hudson



## SCIENCE CAPTAINS:

Yagmi, Marlee, Alexei, Caiden, & Miles



## LIBRARY CAPTAINS:

Ruby, Max, Connor, Sehaj, & Milly



# Foundation

## **Literacy Update (reading writing)**

In Literacy, the Foundation children have been working on building their Phonemic Awareness. They have been practising identifying rhymes, syllables and beginning and ending sounds in words. It is wonderful to see their confidence grow when practising these skills.

In our phonics lessons, they have continued learning to identify and blend sounds to read and write words. The children are currently reviewing and building fluency with the sounds s, a, t, p, i, & n. They have also explored new and interesting vocabulary and the theme of friendship through the Rainbow Fish story.

## **Numeracy Update**

In Mathematics, the Foundation children have been learning about sequencing events and the Days of the Week. They explored the terms before, first, after, next, and last. They have enjoyed identifying events that occur during different times of the day.

## **Any other Areas of key learning?**

The students have enjoyed building connections with each other during our developmental play sessions. They have focused on demonstrating our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Relationships when working with others.

## **What can you do to support your child?**

To support your child at home please help them to practise their sounds and reading daily. You may like to encourage your child to write their letters, make them with playdough/ lego and identify them in their environment.

## **Key dates and reminders:**

- Full weeks for the Foundation students begin next week.
- Show & Tell is every Thursday, please see the Term 1 Show & Tell schedule for weekly topics.

Regards

Foundation Teachers

Kaitlyn, Sharon, Nicole & Sharni

# Year 1 & 2

## Literacy Update (reading writing)

### Year 1 Update

In literacy, we are practicing our routine of how to write on our whiteboards, chin them for feedback, and park them ready for our next instruction. We are 'keeping our voices on ' as we say each sound and then blend the sounds to read words. We have been revising plural 's' means more than one, and making sure that we begin each sentence with a capital letter, end with a full stop and leave finger spaces between words.

Could parents please log their child into Sunshine Online if they haven't already? Passwords should be in your child's Home Reading Journal.

### Year 2 Update

In literacy, our Year 2s are practicing and learning about phonemic awareness. Our students are learning to blend sounds to help read words. Students are also segmenting sounds and manipulating sounds to build new words to help support their reading and spelling. The Year 2s are also completing daily fluency practice to ensure that they read most words accurately.

## Numeracy Update

### Year 1 Update

In Mathematics, we have been working on place value and learning how to make and write the numbers to 120. We have been grouping two-digit collections of icy pole sticks into tens and ones for efficient and accurate counting.

### Year 2 Update

In Mathematics, we have been working on place value. Students are focusing on manipulation where they are required to work with numbers to partition, rearrange, regroup and rename two and three-digit numbers. Playing dice games at home, and ordering numbers from smallest to largest are great ways to support your child at home.

## Any other Areas of key learning?

### Year 1 Update

Year 1 has been focusing on learning classroom routines and how we move around the school. In Geography, we have been sharing what we know about Ballarat and what we want to learn more about.

Please look out for an invitation to Grandparents Day/The Garden Show which should have come home last week.

## Key dates and reminders

### Garden Show/Grandparent Day:

Next Friday (7th March) is our **Grandparent's Day and Garden Show**. Our amazing 1-2 classes have different times to welcome special guests into our classrooms.

We are so excited to welcome our special guests so please ensure that you refer to specific class invitations that have been sent home, or speak to your child's teacher.

Students are encouraged to participate in the Garden Show and bring along an entry to display in one of the categories.

## Regards

### The 1-2 Teachers

Mark, Anna, Alyse, Natalie, Helen, Alex, Mary and Cathy,

# Year 3 and 4

The weeks are disappearing quickly!

## **Literacy Update (reading writing)**

In Reading, Year 3 and 4 students have been learning about Finding the Main Idea of a sentence, paragraph or a whole text. This week we're expanding on this strategy by learning about Facts and Details and how they can support the Main Idea.

In Writing, Year 3 students have been learning about the structure of Narratives and how to plan for them. They have thought about the difference between a sentence fragment and a whole sentence, including punctuation. This week, we began to explore expositions or persuasive writing. We built paragraphs using a topic sentence (main idea) and supporting details (facts and details). Students enjoyed writing on the different coloured cards and their arguments were very creative.

In Writing, Year 4 students have been learning about Narratives. We've studied the structure and have used writing checklists to edit and improve narratives. This week we'll be working on adding description to the orientation, as well as sizzling starts.

## **Numeracy Update**

Year 3 experienced the different materials we represent numbers with. Using Think Boards children showed how they can make two-, three- or four-digit numbers using MAB, counters, place value charts and abacus diagrams. This week students were taught what it means to 'expand' a number and to 'rename' a number.

Year 4 students have completed their beginning of the year testing which ascertains their starting point for all areas of Maths moving forward. This week we're beginning our unit on Whole Numbers and Place Value. We'll be looking at digits and how they are used to create numbers, the value and importance of 0 as a place holder, how we can expand numbers to see the value of each digit and modelling and ordering large numbers.

## **Any other Areas of key learning?**

Year 3/4 students have been busy practising for the Senior School Athletics day which is on Monday 3rd March.

Please remember to send along morning tea, lunch, and a couple of water bottles as students will be at Llanberris Reserve all day. Broad brim hats and sunscreen are a MUST!

We will transport students to Llanberris by bus in the morning, so please ensure your child is at school by 8:45 am. We are unable to hold buses for late students. Students will then be returned to school in time for dismissal.

You are extremely welcome to come along and watch the sports at Llanberris. Students, however, are expected to stay with their house groups.

## **What can you do to support your child?**

- Practice skip counting by 2, 3, 5 or 10
- Practice skip counting beginning at any number
- Ensure hats and water bottles are sent to school every day
- Support your child in returning Reading Journals and library books on your child's allotted day.
- Remind Year 4 students to charge their device every night

## **Key dates and reminders:**

- Monday 3rd March - Senior School Sports for Years 3 to 6.
- Friday 7th March - Garden Show and Grandparents/Special Persons Day.
- 12th March – 21st March - NAPLAN week: (Year 3 only)

## **Kind regards,**

Year 3 Teachers – Lynn Schuller, Michael Busija, Bethany Devlin

Year 4 Teachers – Matthew Heinrich, Tim Huglin, Monica Angel

# Year 5 and 6

## Literacy Update (reading writing)

### Year 5 Update

In Writing, Year 5 students have continued to focus on narrative texts. They have practised using an agreed structure for an orientation paragraph and have experimented with figurative language. This week we will be moving on to exposition texts, where students will formulate arguments for or against topics and will learn to articulate these with a range of persuasive devices. In Reading, students have been 'making connections' with text - to self, to text, to world.

### Year 6 Update

In the past fortnight, the Year 6s have finalised their understanding of narrative texts, writing a story based on a person surviving the events of a natural disaster, imitating the works of Jackie French. This week, we have begun looking at explanation texts, with students writing a short piece about how tsunamis occur. In reading, students have explored the skills of cause and effect and comparing and contrasting whilst exploring a range of non-fiction texts.

## Numeracy Update

### Year 5 Update

Year 5 students have been focusing on multiples, factors and prime / composite numbers. They have strengthened their understanding of critical mathematical vocabulary and continued to work on their recall of number facts.

### Year 6 Update

We have begun exploring Special Numbers in Numeracy, including Factors, Multiples, Prime and Composite Numbers and Square Numbers. In the week prior, students created their number systems, demonstrating their knowledge of how different number systems like the Roman, Egyptian, Greek and Mayan systems work as well as deepening their understanding of place value.

## Any other areas of key learning?

The Year 6s have continued to explore Natural Disasters, looking into how they happen, ways of measuring them, and how to keep safe and historically significant disasters from around the world. The Year 6's will also look at extending their ICT skills through Google Sites, allowing them to create their own informative websites. In Well Being lessons, we explored the use of emotional literacy to understand better how and why we feel a certain way and develop empathy skills further.

## What can you do to support your child?

In the past week, students will have received details about the Natural Disaster project for this Term. The project includes a home task of creating a diorama of their chosen disaster.

We ask that parents and guardians please help their child with the completion of the task, along with encouraging 5-7 nights of reading each week. The project is due on the 31st of March.

Hats are required to be worn at school this term.

## Key dates and reminders:

- **Monday 24th to Friday 28th of February** - 6B has swimming lessons this week, so please ensure your child comes to school each day with the appropriate attire for swimming, including a towel. For parents wanting to see their child swim, 6B will be at Shayne Reese between 2:15 and 2:45 pm.
- **Monday 3rd March** – Years 3 to 6 Athletics Day
- **Wednesday 5th March** – Year 5 & 6 students will participate in Clean Up Australia Day activities.

## Kind regards,

Year 5 Teachers – Arlyn Harris, Teresa Wright,  
Darcy McQuinn

Year 6 Teachers – Tim Smith, John Saitta, Sarah  
Mann

# School Awards

**FA Harry** - For demonstrating wonderful leadership and care in the classroom. You go above and beyond to help your new friends. Thank you, Harry!

**FA Dakota** - For your willingness to have a go during our phonics and handwriting lessons. You have demonstrated great perseverance and enthusiasm for learning. Well done, Dakota!

**FB Tilly** - For truly embodying all of the qualities that make her a model student. Being responsible, respectful, focused, and positive are such valuable traits that Tilly has, and it's wonderful that her efforts are being exhibited in a student who has just started her learning journey at school. Well done Tilly!

**FB Ayat** - Is off to a fantastic start on her learning journey! Her ability to begin tasks promptly, stay focused, and be respectful to others are all wonderful traits. It's great that she's demonstrating such responsibility and kindness right from the beginning. Ayat's positive approach to learning will surely help her continue to succeed. Well done Ayat!

**FC Fletcher** - For being elected as our Student Council Representative member. You will be a fabulous SRC representative. Congratulations!

**FC Penelope** - For being elected as our Student Council Representative member. You will be a fabulous SRC representative. Congratulations!

**FD Addyson** - For demonstrating our school value, responsibility. Addyson is great at following our classroom rules and kindly reminds her peers what full body listening looks like. Thank you for being such a great leader in our classroom Addyson.

**FD Thomas** - For persisting and practicing his letter sounds during fluency pairs. It is great to see you working so well with your partner and learning together. Well done Thomas.

**1A Eddie** - For applying different strategies when reading harder texts. Keep up the great reading, Eddie!

**1A Jaxson** - For choosing a successful spot in our classroom and displaying an 'I can' attitude to your work. Thank you for being a great role model in 1A, Jaxson!

**1B Archie** - For your wonderful focus and attention in Literacy. You model our routines to the class beautifully. Well done!

**1B Louis** - For always showing our school values of respect, responsibility and relationships. We are so lucky to have you in 1B, Louis.

**1C Abdul** - For working well during Mathematics and successfully identifying the number of tens and ones in a 2-digit number. Well done!

**1C Rithuli** - For consistently being a 'whole body listener' and demonstrating our class routines. You are a wonderful role model for others to follow.

**2B Isaac** - For putting in your best effort in all areas! Thank you for working hard and trying your best in the classroom and the yard. Keep it up!

**2B Bella** - For demonstrating respectful behaviour. Thank you for always using your manners and being a happy classroom member.

**2C Thomas** - For being a consistent at-home reader and a wonderful role model demonstrating all school values. Well done Thomas!

**2C Alex** - For being a consistent at-home reader and a wonderful role model demonstrating all school values. Well done Alex!

**3A Miguel** - For asking questions when he doesn't understand

**3A Marshall** - For his helpfulness in class

**3B Tait** - For being elected as our class SRC.

Congratulations on this achievement and we look forward to watching you represent our class throughout 2025. Well done Tait!

**3B Minuka** - For making a wonderful start to 2025. Your contributions to class discussions and ability to demonstrate the school's values makes you a classroom leader. Well done, Minuka!

**3C Hudson** - For being keen to improve his writing skills, setting goals and showing progress already! Well done, keep striving to do your best!

**3C Xavier** - For striving to improve, taking on feedback and working diligently in class. You have a fantastic attitude to learning, well done!

**4A Jayce** - For being elected as our class SRC. We know you will do an excellent job as you are already a wonderful role model for 4A. Congratulations, Jayce!

**4A Jack** - For being elected as our class SRC. We know you will do an excellent job as you are already a wonderful role model for 4A. Congratulations, Jack!

**4B Sophia P** - For helping a member of the community in need and reflecting the values of Alfredton Primary School.

**4B Felicity** - For helping a member of the community in need and reflecting the values of Alfredton Primary School.

**4C Vihaan** - For his incredible use of multiple strategies when writing sizzling starts. Keep up the great work!

**4C Will** - For his efforts in improving his narrative writing and having neat, clear bookwork. Well done!

**5A Ava** - For demonstrating resilience and determination in everything that you do. You are a great example for others, Ava.

**5A Ryan C** - For showing maturity and leadership within our classroom. You have made an impressive start to the year, Ryan.

# School Awards

**5B Benita** - For taking responsibility for her learning. Always listening to instructions attentively, asking relevant questions when needed and putting in her personal best. Well done, Benita!

**5B Brax** - For building positive relationships with his peers by teaching other students in his classroom how to upload documents to Google Classrooms. Well done, Brax!

**5C Mahi** - For being a kind and hard working member of our classroom. Mahi has shown terrific integrity and makes others feel welcome. We love having you in our class, Mahi!

**5C Oakley** - For demonstrating respect and responsibility in our classroom. Oakley always puts in his best effort and helps the people around him. Absolutely stellar effort, Oakley!

**6A Zach L** - For your concentration and effort during writing sessions. You have applied yourself to your narrative writing and should be proud of what you have achieved so far.

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**6B Alexei** - Thank you for your constant input during class discussions, particularly during Reading and Spelling sessions. Well done!

**6B Fatima** - Thank you for the incredibly high standard you set for your work and your ability to seek feedback. Well done!

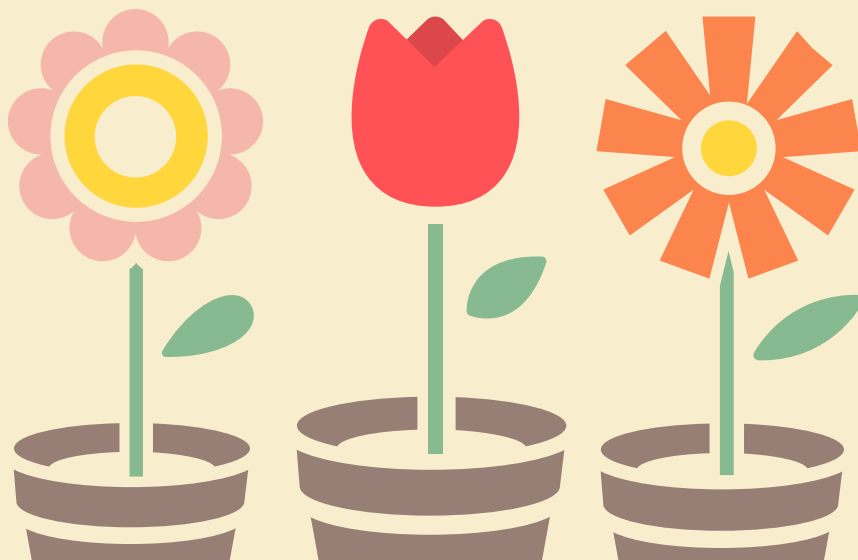
**6C Caiden** - For the responsibility you have shown towards your learning. It has been wonderful to see you making great choices in the classroom, which have helped you stay on task and complete your classwork to a high standard. Keep up the great work!

**6C Luella** - For the effort, creativity and detail you put into your narrative writing piece on natural disasters. Well done using descriptive language effectively to create vivid images of characters and settings. You should be very proud of your achievements.

## WELL DONE!

## Alfredton Primary School's Annual Garden Show and Grandparents Day

**WHEN: FRIDAY 7TH MARCH, 2025 BETWEEN 9AM-11AM**  
THIS INCLUDES CLASSROOM VISITS AND VISITING THE GARDEN SHOW



# 2025 Art Show

8-10 March 10am-5pm  
Lake Wendouree Foreshore  
opp Botanic Gardens



Each day of the long weekend,  
come and see the work of  
incredible artists.  
All artwork is for sale

\$5 Entry (Kids under 12 Free)  
Pay at the door.

All profits support the community projects of **Alfredton Rotary** 

## 2025 Art Show Opening Night *Exclusive Preview & Sales*

Friday 7 March 6.00-9pm

\$25 pp inc Welcome Drink &  
Nibbles

An over 18 event

scan to book



These events are supported by





## Central Kindergarten Registration

# Have you thought about kindergarten?

In Victoria, children can start kindergarten at 3 years old, which means two years of **free** kindergarten before school.

## Registering for kindergarten



- Register your child from the **January of the year they turn 2 years old** for both 3- and 4-year-old kindergarten.
- Put in up to three preferences.
- Registration is free, and you can change your preferences and update your details at any time.
- Registrations for **free kindergarten** are accepted throughout the year.



**For more information and to register** simply scan the QR code or visit [ballarat.vic.gov.au/kindergarten](https://ballarat.vic.gov.au/kindergarten)

## Do you have questions or need support?

Please contact Family and Children's Services

 5320 5720  [kindergarten@ballarat.vic.gov.au](mailto:kindergarten@ballarat.vic.gov.au)

*Translation services are available.*

