

Dear parents/caregivers,

I would like to warmly welcome everyone back for what's shaping up to be a wonderful year of learning here at Newbery Park. We've had a calm, productive start, and the positive feedback about how smart and tidy our students look in their new uniforms has been terrific! Learning spaces, including classrooms, intervention nooks, our new Play Based Learning room and the relocated Wellbeing Room are looking incredible, and are a testament to the care, determination and commitment of our teachers and support staff. Establishing ourselves as a whole-site learning team by moving all general classes upstairs has certainly created a renewed sense of community and inclusion. It would be remiss of me not to mention our beautiful Creative Arts and Science learning spaces, which remain downstairs together. Thank you to our amazing staff who have worked so hard over the holidays to turn our vision into reality for our children.

The Community Hub is also ready to go, downstairs in the old JP room. A big thank you to Gayle and Bec who have worked tirelessly to set it up. We have cost-price 'Foodbank' products (including fruit and vegetables, toilet paper, tissues and hand sanitiser!), free frozen meals from 'Spare Ya Change 4 Kids' and some other free food products that have been generously donated. There is a range of uniform items (track pants, shorts and some jumpers/hoodies) that are available for a gold coin donation, and some other clothing items donated by the community. Please come in and have a look! At this stage The Hub is open on a Monday and Friday, morning and afternoon. However, we anticipate it being open more often in coming weeks as more volunteers come on board to support the initiative.

We are so lucky to live in the community that we do. Towards the end of last year, many of our

families benefitted from the community boxes Pastor Shaun and his team at the Millicent Community Church put together. We had a private community group headed by John and Colleen Eldridge who donated over \$1500 in vouchers to help our children and families have a special Christmas. There was also the very special bag drive organised by the incredible Trudi at Four Reasons Why whose organisation supports our young people in a host of ways. Thank you so very much to everyone who extended a helping hand in the lead up to Christmas, which can be a difficult time for so many; we are so incredibly grateful.

Newbery Park has been fortunate to secure the The Foodbank Variety School Lunch Program, which allows students to prepare healthy lunch options alongside the School Breakfast Program. Students who access breakfast club have the opportunity to make a sandwich for their lunch and also pick up fruit and/or muesli bars. Available foods initially include bread, ham, cheese, margarine, vegemite, muesli bars and fruit. The program not only enables students to access food, but to also helps them develop food preparation skills. This wonderful program will begin in week 4, at the Breakfast Club!

Congratulations to our first two weeks of High Tea recipients for their standout performances at school:

Week One: Daisy, Evie, Chloe, Tarnisha, Patrick and Mark Week Two: Meka, Malley, Arthur, Paige, Ollie, Deegan and Declan

You are wonderful role models and we are so proud of you all!

Thank you to all who attended the assembly and morning tea this morning. I love being a part of this beautiful community where we come together in celebration and support of one another. We have a lot on in coming weeks. I look forward to my first Sports Day as principal and seeing Kabir and Kurra battle it out for top honours in 2024! May good sportsmanship, as always, be the greatest winner on the day! Let's remember to set a great example for our children and cheer everyone on, big and small!

Leanne Scudds

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<u>Week 4</u>

Thursday 22 Feb Parents & Friends AGM 9:00am

<u>Week 5</u>

Thursday 29 Feb Excursion to Mt Burr Trails (David & Bradley)

<u>Week 6</u>

Friday 8 March Sports Day

<u>Week 7</u> Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March Public Holiday



#### SCHOOL TERM DATES

**Term 1** 29 January – 12 April

29<sup>th</sup> April – 5<sup>th</sup> July

22<sup>nd</sup> July – 27<sup>th</sup> September

14<sup>th</sup> October – 13<sup>th</sup> December



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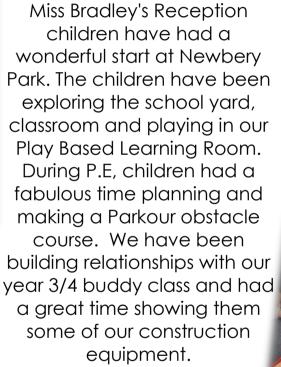


## Welcome Reception Students!













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## Visiting Boneham Aged Care

## WEEK 1



Mrs Panozzo took us to Boneham and I sat next to Gwen. She was very nice. We played Bingo together. She won one chocolate and I won one chocolate. We had so much fun -*Rhylee* 



Mrs Panozzo took us to Boneham. I sat next to Mira then I took a photo with Monica. We played Bingo, we met Mrs Panozzo's mum we called her Nanna. She gave us her chocolates even though she won them. I didn't win anything but I still had fun - Vi



Mrs Panozzo took us to Boneham Aged Care and me, Rhylee and Vi spent time playing Bingo with the old folk and we also saw Mrs Panozzo's mum. We called her Nanna and we had a piece of cake, cordial and won chocolates playing Bingo-*Evie* 

# WEEK 2





Boneham was great because I got to see the elderly people that need help - Lucy

At Boneham Aged Care you can play Bingo. You can also talk to the old people who live there -*Owen* 













Our year 6 students are excited to receive their 2024 senior jumpers & t-shirts. We think they look fabulous!

## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS!

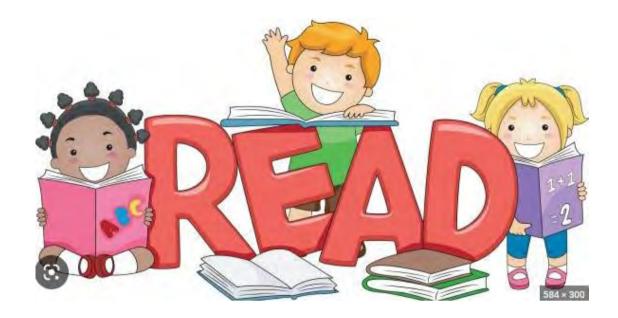
AGM will be held on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 9:00am**. We welcome all new members.

Parents & Friends are catering for St Anthony's Sports Day which is held on our School Oval on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March (week 6). This is a great opportunity for our P&F group and profits made will benefit our school community. If you are available to help out this day please let us know.



## Reading at Home





## READING - How you can help at home Article 1 - Talk to your kids (a lot)

The first skill for reading that children learn is oral language - the ability to understand and use spoken words.

Children who hear language being used frequently for a range of different purposes and who are encouraged to use words in response have a lot more success when learning to read and write.

Children need to hear words being used in sentences and have the opportunity to speak in sentences to build their fluency.

Some simple ways you can increase the ways your child experiences spoken language include:

#### Tell them about things you have been doing

- Ask them to talk about things they have been doing
- Listen to an audiobook together and talk about the characters
- Read a picture book together and talk about the pictures
- Go for a walk or a drive and talk about things you can see
- Involve them in making plans for the weekend







## Meet & Greet Morning





Assembly followed by open classrooms and morning tea. What a wonderful way to celebrate our school -Thanks to all our families for joining us.





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## Community Notices



# **Under 10 Basketball**



Our under 10's program is starting up again on Tuesday the 13th of February!

Game times and teams will be announced after registrations have closed.

#### **Registrations are due Friday 9th of Feb!**

The registration link can be found on the Millicent Basketball Association's facebook page.

School sports vouchers can be used. See Michelle on the first night to redeem.



Contact new U/10's coordinator Michelle Fleming for more information on 0401937319



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COME AND PLAY SOCCER CLUB

We would like to welcome all 4-11y/o's to the Mini-roo's season for 2024.

Our first training sessions for this season are at 5.30 on the 2nd & 6th February. Permanent training times to be sorted after this.

> Meet at Millicent Soccer Grounds Park Tce, Millicent.

Soccer boots or sand shoes are suitable for training, along with a water bottle.

The season commences on Friday the 9th of February.

All enquiries Ian Lines 0407399014 Sue Lines 0407344595

## Find us on Facebook

Follow us "Newbery Park Primary School" on Facebook! We share lots of photos and exciting events around the school. Give us a like and share us with the community!

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## Term 1 CALENDAR 2024

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	12 <sup>th</sup> February	13 <sup>th</sup> February	14 <sup>th</sup> February	15 <sup>th</sup> February Governing Council AGM 3:30pm	16 <sup>th</sup> February
4	19 <sup>th</sup> February	20 <sup>th</sup> February	21 <sup>st</sup> February	22 <sup>nd</sup> February Parents & Friends AGM 9:00am Mrs Panozzo – Room 7 Boneham	23 <sup>rd</sup> February
5	26 <sup>th</sup> February	27 <sup>th</sup> February	28 <sup>th</sup> February	29 <sup>th</sup> February Excursion Mt Burr Trails – David & Bradley Mrs Panozzo – Room 7 Boneham	1 <sup>st</sup> March
6	4 <sup>th</sup> March	5 <sup>th</sup> March	6 <sup>th</sup> March St Anthonys Sports Day on Newbery Oval	7 <sup>th</sup> March Mrs Panozzo – Room 7 Boneham	8 <sup>th</sup> March Sports Day
7	11 <sup>th</sup> March <b>Public Holiday</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> March	13 <sup>th</sup> March	14 <sup>th</sup> March Mrs Panozzo – Room 7 Boneham	15 <sup>th</sup> March
8	18 <sup>th</sup> March	19 <sup>th</sup> March	20 <sup>th</sup> March HARMONY DAY McArthur Park Kindergarten visiting Sustainable Fishing Excursion (Zurlino)	21 <sup>st</sup> March SAPSASA Athletics Day (held at Newbery) Mrs Panozzo – Room 7 Boneham	22 <sup>nd</sup> March
9	25 <sup>th</sup> March Pupil Free Day	26 <sup>th</sup> March	27 <sup>th</sup> March	28 <sup>th</sup> March Early Dismissal 2pm	29 <sup>th</sup> March Good Friday
10	1 <sup>st</sup> April <b>Easter Monday</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> April	3 <sup>rd</sup> April	4 <sup>th</sup> April Red-tailed Black Cockatoo Excursion (Lang) Mrs Panozzo – Room 7 Boneham	5 <sup>th</sup> April
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