

16.10.2025



Good Luck Mr. Fitz!

We're super excited to give a big shoutout to our awesome PE teacher, Mr. Fitz, who's heading off to China to compete in the 16th FAI Accuracy Landing World Cup, and he's representing Australia!



When he's not running PE classes or cheering on our school teams, Mr. Fitz is jumping out of planes and landing with incredible precision.

Now he's taking those skills to the world stage, and we couldn't be prouder.

From all of us here at school, go get 'em, Mr. Fitz!

We'll be cheering you on from back home. Wishing you blue skies, smooth landings, and an unforgettable experience!



Yarragon's Spring Clean

Sunday 19th October
8.00am – 1.00pm

40+ Registered
Garage Sales
Car Boots Stalls
PLANT SALE & RAFFLE

MAPS AVAILABLE
FROM 8.00AM
YARRAGON PRIMARY SCHOOL
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2026 SCHOOL ORGANISATION

It's that important time of the year when student grade placement for 2026 must be carefully considered. Our staff will be thoughtfully working on this for a number of weeks.

Our students will have the opportunity to provide the name of friends and peers they would be happy to be placed with next year as well.

Student placement requests from families **must** be based on educational, social or family circumstances. Requests based on "I like this teacher" are not accepted. Leadership have excellent knowledge of each teacher's strengths and will endeavour to place students with teachers who are best placed to suit their needs.

Transition is a really important time in students learning journey and our goal is to make this process as safe and supported as possible for everyone.

We look forward to sharing our Whole School Transition Program with families in the future. Like previous years, students will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher and classmates for a week of learning and fun in early December.

If your child will NOT be returning to Yarragon Primary School in 2026, please let us know so we can take this into account when looking at grade numbers and structures.

Requests

Parents / carers are able to provide written requests that are educationally based.

*Any written requests **must** be addressed to the **Principal** and emailed to the **school** email address only **by Monday 3rd November to** yarragon.ps@education.vic.gov.au*

*Written requests **are not** to be sent to the Principal or teachers via COMPASS or personal work email accounts.*

All requests will be considered. A confirmation email will be sent to families / carers who send in a written request by the Principal.

If required, a meeting will be arranged to provide further information.

SHARE YOUR VIEWS TO HELP MAKE OUR SCHOOL SAFER

The Department of Education is inviting parents and carers to take part in an online survey.

The survey seeks views on how the department can best protect school communities from harmful behaviour by parents and carers, and other adults:

- *on school grounds and other places school activities happen*
- *online including social media.*

Harmful behaviours can include abusive, aggressive and disruptive behaviours, including on social media platforms such as Facebook and WhatsApp.

The survey will help the department:

- better understand community attitudes around this issue
- seek input on whether stronger protections are needed for school communities.

At Yarragon Primary School, we are committed to creating a safe and supportive environment for the entire school community. We support ongoing efforts to address harmful behaviour by adult members of our school community, including online.

I encourage you to share your views by taking part in the survey.

To access the survey, refer to [Keeping school staff safe onsite and online on the Engage Victoria website](#).

The survey closes at 11:59 pm on Monday 10 November 2025.

School Community Safety Order Scheme: Statutory Review

A report and recommendations from the statutory review of the School Community Safety Order Scheme are now available.

While the majority of parents and carers work well with schools to resolve concerns, sometimes there is harmful behaviour affecting our school staff and students. The scheme allows principals and other authorised persons in Victorian schools to make School Community Safety Orders to stop or limit parents, carers and other adults who behave in harmful, threatening or abusive ways towards people in the school community.

For more information on the review, refer to [Independent statutory review into the School Community Safety Order Scheme](#). For more information on the scheme, refer to the [School Community Safety Orders](#) webpage.

Respectful behaviours in the school community

For more information on the shared roles of parents, carers and school staff in creating a positive environment for learning, refer to the department's [Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy](#) webpage.

GIPPSLAND REGION ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Yesterday, 11 of our students travelled to Joe Carmody Track in Newborough to compete in the Gippsland Region Athletics Championships.

Each student gave their best effort throughout the day, and we're proud to share that they achieved some fantastic results.

We'd like to congratulate Nyree, Thomas L, Darcy L, Cora, Bailey M, Clancy, Bridget, Cailin, Jasmine, Tayla, and James W on their outstanding performances, not only at the event but also in qualifying to compete at this level.

A special shout-out goes to Jasmine, who won her hurdles event and has now qualified for the State Championships! This is an incredible achievement, and we're all extremely proud of her. We wish Jasmine the very best as she prepares for the next stage.





YARRAGON PRIMARY SCHOOL END OF YEAR CONCERT

COMING SOON

By popular demand from staff, students and families,
we're thrilled to announce that our End of Year
Concert is back for another year.

It's always a highlight of the school year, and we can't
wait to celebrate with music, performances, and
plenty of good vibes.

Details will be sent out to families ASAP, so stay tuned
and start warming up those singing voices!



YARRAGON SPRING CLEAN RAFFLE

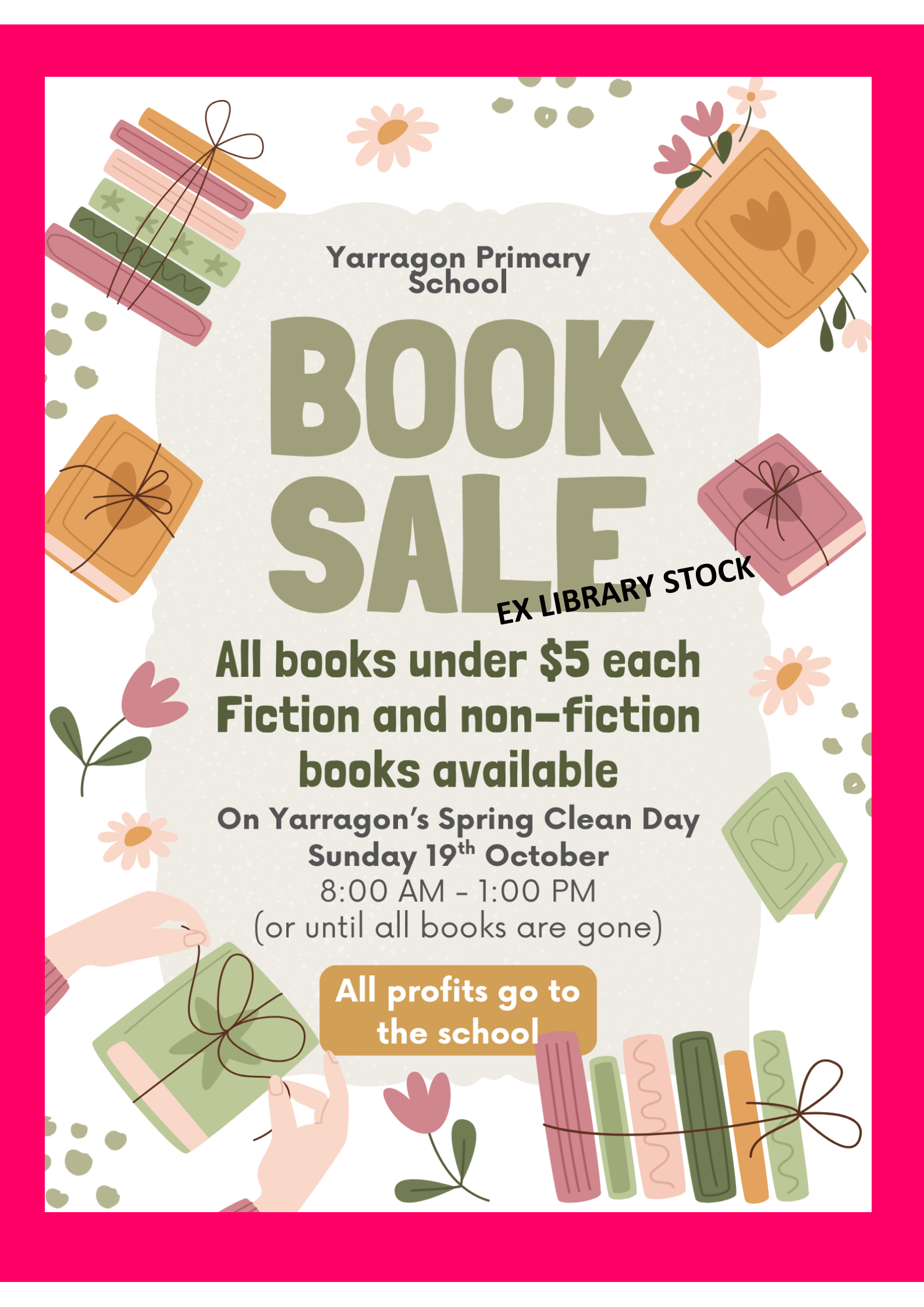
Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5

Drawn 19th October



**Plant Donations are still being accepted and can be dropped off
near the front office (Colourful Cow)**

Thank you those families, community members and businesses who have
already dropped in their donations.

The poster features a vibrant pink border. Inside, there are several illustrations: a stack of five books (orange, pink, green, green, pink) tied with a string in the top left; a single orange book with a heart on the cover in the top right; a pink book tied with a string in the middle right; a green book tied with a string in the bottom right; a stack of six books (pink, green, pink, green, orange, green) tied with a string in the bottom right; a hand holding a green book tied with a string in the bottom left; and various flowers (pink, orange, green) and green dots scattered throughout.

Yarragon Primary
School

BOOK SALE

EX LIBRARY STOCK

**All books under \$5 each
Fiction and non-fiction
books available**

**On Yarragon's Spring Clean Day
Sunday 19th October**

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

(or until all books are gone)

**All profits go to
the school**



What do you think about your child's kindergarten program?

Tell us now at srcentre.com.au/parentsurvey or scan the QR code below

The Department of Education invites you to complete a short survey about your child's kindergarten program. It's your chance to tell us what's going well in your kindergarten, as well as any areas for improvement.

The survey is anonymous and will help your service to provide the best possible kindergarten experience for children and families.

The survey is open until **Friday 7 November 2025**.

If you have any questions please call **1800 023 040** or email parentsurvey@srcentre.com.au.



ATTENTION

IF THESE ITEMS ARE AT SCHOOL THEY MUST BE HANDED INTO THE OFFICE AT THE START OF THE DAY AS PER OUR MOBILE PHONE AND PERSONAL DEVICE POLICY. NO SMART WATCHES ARE TO BE WORN DURING SCHOOL TIMES, IF SEEN THESE WILL BE TAKEN TO THE OFFICE TO BE COLLECTED AFTER SCHOOL.



DURING SCHOOL HOURS:

- NO PHONES
- NO EAR BUDS/HEADPHONES
- NO SMARTWATCHES
- NO TABLETS

VOLUNTEER INDUCTION AT YPS

At Yarragon Primary School, we truly value the time and support our volunteers give.

To help everyone feel confident and prepared, we ask **all volunteers** to complete an online induction before getting started.

This induction is designed to introduce you to our school's policies, procedures, and expectations, especially those related to child safety and wellbeing. It's an important step in making sure our school remains a safe and supportive place for all students and volunteers.

Whether you're helping out in the classroom, on excursions, Parent Club activities or at school camps, completing the [Volunteer Induction](#) is a must.

It's more than just providing a copy of your Working With Children Check, it's about understanding how we work together to keep children safe and make volunteering a positive experience for everyone.

Getting Started

This link will take you directly to our Volunteer Induction page on our school website.

Having this online allows families to do it in their own time when it suits you.

In 2026, we will look at Onsite Volunteer Induction Sessions.

[VOLUNTEER INDUCTION - Link](#)



By reading through the policies and completing the Volunteer Induction Checklist, you're letting us know that you understand your responsibilities when it comes to keeping children safe while volunteering at Yarragon Primary School & Early Learning Centre.

Examples of volunteers:

- Parent / Carers / Guardians
- Family Members
- Community Members

Examples of volunteer work includes:

- Parents Club members / activities
- Assisting in a classroom
- Gardening/ Grounds Clean Up
- School Fetes / Activities
- School Concerts, Graduation, Sports Days
- School Excursions / Incursions / Swimming Program

Thank you to
those **36** who have
already completed
the Volunteer
Induction



YARRAGON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Important Dates



Is your child starting Foundation at Yarragon PS in 2026?

OCT 29	Parent / Carer Information Night 6.00pm - 7.00pm Yarragon Primary School - Enter Front Office
NOV 11	Transition Session 1 2.30pm - 3.30pm
NOV 18	Transition Session 2 2.30pm - 3.30pm
NOV 25	Transition Session 3 2.30pm - 3.30pm
DEC 2	Transition Session 4 2.30pm - 3.30pm
DEC 9	Transition Session 5 9.00am - 12.30pm



ELC staff won't be able to bring children over to the school.

ALL ELC staff need to stay at the ELC to supervise the children who are not attending.

To help with a smooth transition to Yarragon Primary School in 2026, YPS staff would like to familiarise themselves with our 2026 Foundation students.

Please send a photo of your child through via email to yarragon.ps@education.vic.gov.au





STUDENT
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WHOLE TERM

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CRAZY HAIR DAY

FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER

GOLD COIN DONATION



YPS Emergency Evacuation Drill

All schools must conduct emergency response exercises, also known as drills, at least once every term.

Drills are recommended to test the school's response to a specific hazard (for example, fire or intruder) that the school site may face, or test core response procedures such as:

- onsite or offsite evacuation
- the shelter-in-place
- locking down (or out).

A drill schedule must be included in the school's Emergency Management Plan.

Performing a range of drill types is highly recommended as this will best prepare schools for real emergencies.

Drills ensure that:

- staff and students are familiar with emergency response procedures, including how to perform delegated roles
- emergency response procedures, evacuation locations and pathways are practical and workable
- problems that may arise are identified and schools take preparatory steps to mitigate them including staff training.

NEXT DRILL IS OFFSITE (Code Red) DOWTON PARK—TENNIS COURTS THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER

The drill will take approximately 20 minutes to conduct.
During this time, the office will be locked and unmanned
as ALL staff and student at YPS will take part.

**The ELC have been informed that this is happening
and will not be taking part in this drill.**



Book Club Issue #7

Our Book Club catalogues for Issue 7 have been sent home with students. Orders will close on Friday 24th October at 9am. Orders can be submitted online via Parents LOOP (details are in the catalogue) or can be submitted and paid by cash at the school office.

Our school library receives a commission for sales made through the Book Club with the rewards earned contributing to our Library being able to order new or replace old/damaged resources. The funds are also used to purchase resources for our Library Lunch Club, Student Wellbeing and for our ELC.

This support from our YPS families and community is very much appreciated. Thank You All!



The Get Active Kids Voucher Program is now open!

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Get in quick as applications will close 13 November or earlier if the budget allocation is fully exhausted.

If your family or child has a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, you may be eligible for up to \$200 to put towards the cost of your child's participation in sport and active recreation activities.

Important Dates:

Round 9 open to apply for a voucher or reimbursement: 10:00 am Wednesday, 15 October 2025 and will close 13 November or earlier if the budget allocation is fully exhausted.

Reimbursement expenditure dates: from **1 July 2025** to submission of application

Vouchers expiry date: Wednesday, 31 December 2025.

The *Get Active Kids Voucher Program* helps eligible families get their kids involved in organised sport and active recreation activities by providing financial support for the cost of membership and registration fees.

Eligible children may be able to receive up to \$200 each.

Special consideration also applies for children residing in care services, as well as temporary or provisional visa holders, undocumented migrants, or international students.

To find out if you are eligible, how to apply, what costs are covered and more, visit www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers



EARLY LEARNING CENTRE TERM 4 DATES

YPS Information Night: October 29th 6-7pm at Yarragon Primary School

YPS Transition Dates: November 11th, 18th, 25th and December 2nd - 2.30-3.30pm
(Parents are responsible for drop off and pick up)
December 9th - 9am-12.30pm (NO KINDER SESSION for Blue group on this day as new 4 yr old kindergarten children at ELC for Orientation sessions)

Term 4 Closure Day Monday 3rd November - NO Kinder session for Blue Group children.

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday Tuesday 4th November

Statewide School Transition Day - Tuesday 9th December (No kinder session for blue group - **Orientation Day** for 2026 Kinder children, 4 yr old groups only)

Final Kinder Sessions:

Blue Group: Monday 8th December - Blue Group party for lunch and parents invited back at 3pm for presentations (More information will be provided closer to date)

Blue Group last sessions Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th December.

Red Group: Friday 12th December - Red Group party for lunch and parents invited back at 3pm for presentations (More information will be provided closer to date)

Red Group last session Thursday 18th December

3 yr old session: Wednesday 10th December - party for lunch and parents invited back at 3pm for presentations (More information will be provided closer to date)

Final session for 3 yr olds Wednesday 17th December

Parents please note: The week of the 15th December is the final week of all kinder sessions for 2025. Normal session times will apply for this week however an alternative program will run as we will be cleaning toys and equipment ready for the new year.

There is NO session on Friday December 19th as this is a clean-up day for all ELC Educators.

We hope the information above helps all families in planning for a busy term 4. Please reach out to any of the ELC team with any questions anytime.

Kind Regards,

Lee and the ELC Team.

October

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
13	14	15 Zooper Dooper Day	16 First Aid in Schools Program	17 First Aid in Schools Program Spring Clean THIS SUNDAY
20	21	22 Zooper Dooper Day	23 Emergency Drill—OFFSITE	24 Issue 7 Book Club Closes
27	28	29 Zooper Dooper Day 2026 Foundation Parent Info 6-7pm	30	31 SRC Crazy Hair Dair World Teachers Day

November

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3 ELC & School Closure Day	4 Public Holiday	5 Zooper Dooper Day	6	7
10	11 2026 Foundation Transition	12 Zooper Dooper Day	13	14
17	18 2026 Foundation Transition	19 Zooper Dooper Day	20	21
24	25 2026 Foundation Transition	26 Zooper Dooper Day	27	28

December

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	2 2026 Foundation Transition	3 Zooper Dooper Day	4	5
8	9 2026 Foundation Transition	10 Zooper Dooper Day	11 Grade 6 Graduation	12 ELC Christmas Concert 3-4pm
15	16	17	18	19 Last Day 1.30pm dismissal

Art-ability: Gippsland: Call for Artists



Share your creativity this International Day of Persons with Disabilities!

Aruma and the Gippsland community invite you to share your unique artistic flare with us! Whether that's a painting, sculpture or something else – we're ready to show Gippsland.

We are hosting an exhibition to showcase the talent of local disabled artists and celebrate the International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPWD).



Exhibition Details:

When: December 3 - 5, 2025.

Where: McGregor Park Hall, Contingent Street, Trafalgar

How to Apply:

Scan the QR code below to complete the online application form.



For questions or assistance please contact:

Sarah Rosse
sarah.rosse@aruma.com.au
0407 369 929

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International Day of
People with Disability



30 Campbell ST Yarragon

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Halloween Food Decorating Night
Age 2-12 Years Old

31ST OCTOBER

FOR BOOKINGS & MORE IN
CALL FLOSS
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2PM-6:30PM



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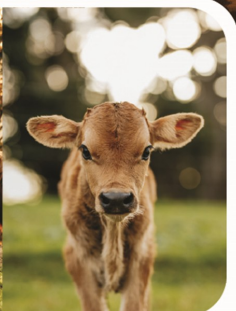
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