

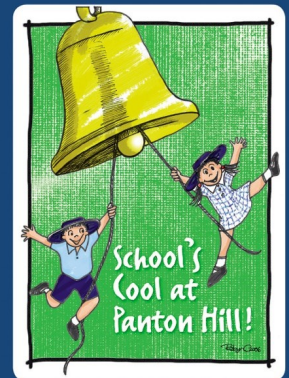


*A Rich Past,  
Present & Future*

# NEWSLETTER

Thursday 28th March, 2024

Term 1: Week 9



## DIARY DATES

### **Thursday 28th March**

Last day of Term 1  
Assembly & Easter Raffle  
2.30pm dismissal

### **Friday 29th March**

Good Friday

### **Monday 15th April**

1st day of Term 2

### **Tuesday 23rd April**

School photos

### **Thursday 25th April**

Anzac Day

(Student free day)

### **Friday 26th April**

Curriculum Day

### **Wednesday 1st May**

Grade 6 Leadership Day



## **Principal's Report**

And here we are already at the end of Term One! We hope that all members of our PHPS community has a great break from the school routine. We look forward to seeing you back on **Monday the 15th April** for an action packed Term Two.

### **PARENT HELPERS INFORMATION SESSION**

Thankyou to all of the parents/grandparent's who came along to our parent helpers information session. Teachers will be sending out expressions of interest for helpers early in Term Two, in readiness for our enthusiastic helpers. Please be sure to have handed in a signed agreement prior to helping. Copies can be collected from the office.

### **LUNCH ORDERS**

When placing a lunch order with the Smiths Gully store, it is important to enter your child's name (not parents) and their grade. It is very difficult for Lydia to sort the lunch orders into the classroom tubs without this information and requires her asking at the office for the details. The grade details are: **00B** for Miss Brindley, **00G** for Miss Grisold, **1/2T** for Mrs Thomson, **1/2P** for Mrs Puls- Welsh, **3/4** for Mrs Kane, **4/5** for Miss Payne and **5/6** for Mr Hurst. Also to avoid a last minute rush for the store, orders do need to be made by **11am**.

### **SCHOOL WRAPPERS**

Thankyou to a fabulous team of enthusiastic wrappers who spent a couple of hours this week in the staff room, organising and wrapping all 52 of our Easter Raffle prizes!! Thanks to Abbey and Charlie Baines, Bianca McGuirk, Marguerite and Adele Taranto and Kate Young.

### **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

On **Monday the 18th** we had our first School Council meeting with this years council. Our council has remained pretty stable from last year. We welcome Abbey Baines onto the council.

We found ourselves in a situation this year where we were required to change our School Council president due to the fact that Megan King has begun work in an Educa-

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tional Support role in a local school. Unfortunately schools cannot have a president who is a Department of Education employee. We thank Megan for her fabulous work in the role of president over the past two years. We are excited to welcome Abbey Baines as our 2024 School Council President.

In our first meeting, we approved many financial documents, excursions etc. We also approved the Mobile Phone Policy which was due for review. A copy of this [policy](#) is on our school website.

Please note that the policy includes the use of smart watches at school—which must be handed into the office at the beginning of the day, as do phones.

## 2024 School Council Members

POSITION	
President	Abbey Baines
Vice President	Aaron Cody
Secretary	Anne Howard
Treasurer	David Shaw

SUB COMMITTEE	MEMBERS	MEETING TIMES
Building & Grounds	Kylie Richards Marc Lemire Beth Borthwick	Monday morning prior to SC meeting 7:30am
Finance & Fundraising	Kylie Richards, Megan King, David Shaw, Abbey Baines, Bianca McGuirk, Amy Davey	6:30pm prior to SC Meeting
Curriculum & Review	Anne Howard, Kylie Richards, Steph Brindley, Justine Puls-Welsh, Deanne Cahir	As required

### WATER SAFETY OVER THE BREAK

We know that many of our families head away during the school holidays to locations near water, including lakes, rivers and beaches.

To help families stay safe around water these school holidays, we would like to share the following water safety resources for your information:

Surf Life Saving Australia's [Beachsafe website](#) where you can view a location and the closest patrolled beaches. This information is also available in an app which you can download from the Beachsafe website. The app includes videos with tips for visiting Australian beaches.

Vic Emergency's [Get to know our warning signs](#) website.

Life Saving Victoria's [Water safety tips](#).

### AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

To celebrate AAM we would like to share some resources that support autistic students and their families.

The Department of Education has worked with organisations for autistic people and lead researchers in autism to develop new resources for schools to help us better understand, support and celebrate the strengths of autistic students. I hope you find them useful and insightful.

- [AllPlay Learn Inclusive School Communities](#): Monash University's AllPlay Learn team has developed evidence-based guidance and resources on how to create inclusive school communities where everyone feels welcome and supported. It includes videos on engaging with other parents, using [inclusive language](#) and student resources you can share with your child or children.
- Amaze has produced [videos and tip sheets](#) for parents on how to include families of autistic children.
- [The Art of Learning](#) video.

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## FLOWER AND GARDEN SHOW

A highlight of my week since the last newsletter was attending the Flower and Garden Show with our fabulous Grade 5/6's, Mr Hurst and Mrs Renouf. After catching the train from Hurstbridge, we spent the day learning about everything from the Aboriginal culture to bees and of course having a chance to surround ourselves in beautiful plants, gardens and artworks. I am always so proud of our PHPS students when we venture out. We had multiple comments about how beautifully behaved our students are. Thanks to Mr Hurst for organising.



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Hello Everyone!

This week at OSHC we have been so busy constructing houses using recycled materials that we have collected. The results have been wonderful.

Next week we will be fully emersed in everything Easter and best of all, we will be participating in the Easter egg hunt that is being run by the Panton Hill CFA across the road at the Bunjil Reserve! So, if you are one of the lucky people booked in for next Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March ASC, we will have a ball hunting and collecting all of those gorgeous chocolate eggs (that's if I don't beat all of you to them first!! 🥚).

Don't forget to sign up for our Autumn Holiday Program (2<sup>nd</sup> April to 12<sup>th</sup> April) "Art Attack".

From all of us at Their Care Panton Hill xx

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# PHPS Artworks



## Prep—Eggs

The preps continued with their exploration of patterns and coloured the eggs with paint sticks and water colour paints. The chicks were collaged using yellow toned paper. Cutting skills were taught.



## Grade 3/4—Bunnies

The bunnies were drawn by the grade 3/4 class utilising a guided drawing session. Watercolour paints were used for the bunnies with a contrasting colour for the background.



## Important Dates

### Term dates

	Start date	Finish date
Term One	Mon 29th Jan—teachers Tuesday 30th Jan—Students	Thur 28th March (2:30pm)
Term Two	Monday 15th April	Friday 28th June (2:30pm)
Term Three	Monday 15th July	Friday 20th Sep (2:30pm)
Term Four	Monday 7th Oct	Friday 20th Dec—(1:30pm)

### Public Holidays

Term One	Labour Day	Monday 11th March
Term One	Good Friday	Friday 29th March
Term Two	ANZAC Day	Thursday 25th April
Term Two	King's Birthday	Monday 10th June
Term Four	Melbourne Cup	Tuesday 5th November

### Pupil Free Days

Term One	Curriculum Day	Monday 29th January
Term One	Curriculum Day	Friday 8th March
Term Two	Curriculum Day	Friday 26th April
Term Three	Professional Practice Day	Friday 16th August
Term Four	Curriculum Day	Monday 4th November

### Other

Term 2	School Photos	Tuesday 23rd April
Term Four	Grade 3-6 Camp	Monday 25th November—Wednesday 27th November
Term Four	Graduation	Monday 16th December
Term Four	School Concert	TBD





**AUSKICK**  
8.30am Saturdays  
Starts 20/4/24  
Panton Hill Oval



**NETSETGO**  
4.00pm Mondays  
Starts 22/4/24  
Kangaroo Ground PS

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- Band program.

To see which instruments are available at your school contact Ewan at [lpcmusicaustralia@gmail.com](mailto:lpcmusicaustralia@gmail.com) or on 0408 197 884.  
To enrol go to [www.lpcmusicaustralia.com.au](http://www.lpcmusicaustralia.com.au)

**\$8**  
PER BAG

**APTEDS**

**APPLES FOR SALE**

FRESH GALA APPLES ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT SCHOOL

RECOMMENDED TO KEEP IN YOUR FRIDGE FOR FRESHNESS

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AT RITCHIES GO INTO THE DRAW  
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**JOIN TODAY!**

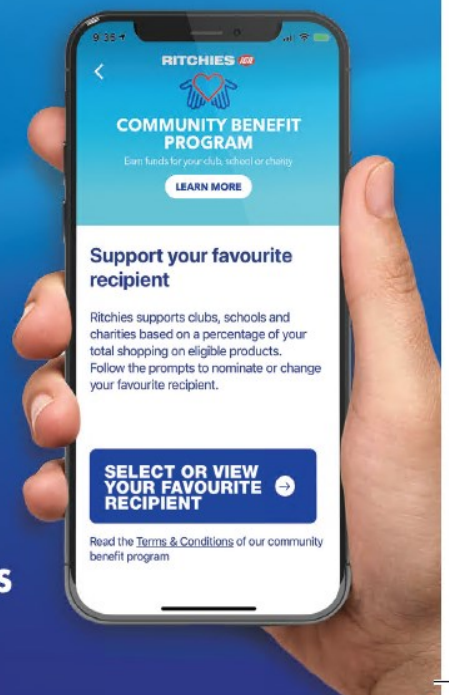


**RITCHIES  
COMMUNITY  
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**MORE THAN  
\$53 Million**  
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## PRELIMINARY FIRST AID FREE!!

For 11 to 15 year olds



Designed to equip 11 to 15 year olds with the basic knowledge and skills necessary to recognise and respond to life-threatening emergencies.

Learn basic life support measures, including cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), as well as how to treat bleeding, burns, shock and unconscious or collapsed patients.

**When: Monday 8th April**  
**Time: 9:30 am to 3:30 pm**  
**Where: Wadambuk St Andrews Community Centre  
35 Caledonia Street, St Andrews, 3761**  
**Cost: FREE**

**BYO lunch**  
fruit platter and muffins provided

Booking essential by 1st April  
phone 9710 1223 or  
email [standrewscommunitycentre@gmail.com](mailto:standrewscommunitycentre@gmail.com)  
We will provide further details about what to bring on the day

## ELEMENTARY FIRST AID FREE!!

For 8 to 11 year olds



This course is specially designed to give children, aged 8 to 11 years old, an elementary knowledge of first aid and the confidence to perform basic first aid in an emergency.

This is a flexible first aid program using fundamental Basic Life Support principles. Relevant topics can be covered according to your situational needs and requirements. For example, CPR, bleeding, envenomation, asthma and anaphylaxis.

**When: Thursday 11th April**  
**Time: 9:30 am to 3:30 pm**  
**Where: Wadambuk St Andrews Community Centre  
35 Caledonia Street, St Andrews, 3761**  
**Cost: FREE**

**BYO Lunch - we will provide a fruit platter and muffins**

Note: Parents/guardians are expected to stay for the duration of the course

Booking essential by 4 April:  
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**FRIDAY 29 MARCH**  
**10AM - 5PM**

MELBOURNE CONVENTION AND EXHIBITION CENTRE

Melbourne's Favourite Family Fun Day!

**FREE  
ENTRY**



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STARTS 19 MAR

# CIRCUIT CLASS (45mins)



Bring a partner  
for some friendly  
competition!

(not essential)

BOXING DRILLS  
CORE & STRENGTH  
ENDURANCE

KIDS  
CORNER  
WITH  
ACTIVITIES

6:30<sup>PM</sup>  
TUES

\$20 adult

\$30 pair

\$15 12 - 17yrs

**AT PANTON HILL HALL**

580 Kangaroo Ground - St Andrews Road

**BOOK** [hforhealth.com.au/pantonhill](http://hforhealth.com.au/pantonhill)



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these holidays!

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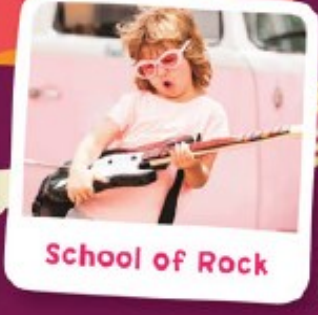
autumn  
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PROGRAM



Kung Fu Panda 4



Art Experience



School of Rock



Colour Run

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Save up to 90% with the Child Care Subsidy



# Holiday Program Important Information!

## What to bring

- A healthy morning tea and lunch
- A labelled drink bottle for water
- Suitable clothing for an active day – closed toe shoes and jacket if wet/cold
- SunSmart hat for Spring and Summer holidays
- Medical Management Plan & Medication if applicable – see below for details



## Don't forget!

- Keep your lunchbox nut-free to keep everyone safe
- Do not include food items that need to be reheated
- Label all items with child's name!
- Bus departure and arrival times are indicative only. For an accurate estimated time of arrival and departure please contact your service directly.



## Personal belongings

Electronic devices, money and other valuables should be left at home.

If brought to the service, these items remain the responsibility of the family. TheirCare does not accept responsibility for loss or damage.



## TheirCare provides

- Breakfast and afternoon tea snack
- Sunscreen
- Water to refill bottles



## Child Care Subsidy

Please note that subsidised hours are calculated and allocated by Centrelink on a fortnightly basis. Check Centrelink for eligibility. Each session is calculated using the full service operational hours, not the hours attended by the child.



## Unexpected changes to activities

In the unlikely event that an activity is unable to run, an alternative activity will be provided.

Activities and times are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances such as severe weather or provider availability. If an alternative cannot be sourced we will update your invoice to reflect this.



## Serious stuff!

### Medical Management Plan & Medication

All children who have been diagnosed with a medical condition including allergies, food/chemical intolerances, anaphylaxis, asthma, epilepsy will need to provide:

- a completed Medical Management Plan with a colour photo
- necessary medication

Please note it is a legal requirement under the Education & Care National Regulations and the Terms and Conditions for booking that these are provided.

In the interests of child safety, care may be refused on the day should the appropriate documentation or medication or medication not be supplied.



## Changes to your booking

Simply log into your account anytime to make the relevant changes or call us between 6:30am – 9:00pm weekdays on 1300 072 410.



## Fees for changes to your booking

More than 5 days	Less than 5 days *	On the day
No Charge	\$10.00	Full Fee

\*Less than 5 days from the start of the booking (120 hours from the start of the session).

When making additional bookings, the \$10.00 fee is eligible for the Child Care Subsidy, which means you may only need to pay the gap, depending on your families' circumstances.



**If you have any questions, please speak with one of our friendly Educators or call Customer Support on 1300 072 410.**

**With the maximum CHILD CARE SUBSIDY. \*\*Without the CHILD CARE SUBSIDY.**

## There are 2 types of Child Care Payments.

### 1. Child Care Subsidy

The amount you can get depends on:

- 1 your family's income
- 2 the type of childcare you use
- 3 the age of your child
- 4 the hours of recognised activities you and your partner do

### 2. Additional Child Care Subsidy

This is extra support for some families including:

- 1 grandparents / great grandparents
- 2 families moving from an income support payment to work
- 3 those experiencing temporary hardship

Claim these subsidies via myGov

Up to **90%** of child care costs can be covered by Child Care Subsidy!



For more information, call Theircare on 1300 072 410

**Excursion & Super Excursions days:** Arrive at the service by 9:00 am. Pick-up after 2:30 pm. Wear runners & socks.

- Excursion
- Super Excursion
- Special Activities
- In-house Fun
- Public Holiday

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>1 APR</b> <b>Public Holidays!</b> NO SERVICES	<b>2 APR</b> <b>Make it Messy!</b> Enhance your messy and creative side! Anything goes with the Anything but a Paintbrush challenge as you create works of art, but no paintbrushes allowed! unleash your creativity and create amazing Day Nature Prints, Symmetry Painting, Straw Face Painting and take part in a Fruit Basket Group Game!	<b>3 APR</b> <b>Spotlight Spectacular</b> Step into the spotlight with this showtime spectacle! Get your groove on with a Dance Party inspired by the TikTok dance! But the fun keeps going... Play the Partridgees, attend the Flash create your own unique theatre puppets, and then take on the Countdown Challenge and the Space Jump improv game!	<b>4 APR</b> <b>Fizztastic Adventure</b> Get ready for a fizzy adventure with the UV Luminous Strand! Little builders will create their own Luminous Shop and even design their own cup for yummy drinks. Then, let's dive into nature with an Autumn Flower Wreath craft and Nature Print Swapper Hunt. It's a sweet blend of crafting and outdoor exploration for endless fun!	<b>5 APR</b> <b>Playground Wonderland</b> Get ready for the best indoor playground adventure ever! Scale the heights of the multi-level playground, bow the odds, and conquer adventures obstacles and then take a multi-level ball pit. Keep the fun going with Block 'n Roll Musical Shapes, the Wiggly Grounder group game and craft Popable Stick Puppets.
<b>8 APR</b> <b>Putt-Tastic Adventure</b> Get hyped for a mini-golf adventure like no other! Journey through the twists and turns of the mini-golf course, test your skills with the Lego Mini Golf Course Challenge. Then, let's take on the Paper Chains challenge - explore sensory fun with Crafting Colours, and express artistic flair with Button Tree Art!	<b>9 APR</b> <b>Marbled Pencil Case</b> Get hyped for a day of colourful creations and fun! Create stunning DIY marbled pencil cases with a touch of artistic flair that you get to take home! Add a dash of colour to the streets with Silenak chalk art! Finally, challenge yourself with Outdoor Sponge Toss Game and Pass the Water Challenge.	<b>10 APR</b> <b>Movie Magic</b> This autumn, for the first time in almost a decade, comedy icon Jack Black returns to the role as Po, the world's most unlikely kung fu master, with a hilarious, butt-kicking new chapter in DreamWorks Animation's beloved action-adventure franchise: Kung Fu Panda 4	<b>11 APR</b> <b>ArtBlast Galaxxy</b> We are ready for Art-well! Launch your creativity into the stars and create unique galaxies with Paint Rocks, dive into cosmos with Baby Cook, and tackle Whisk to Win, if Art Challenges. Engineer wonders with LEGO STEAM Construction, fold truck into every corner with Origami Lucky Stars.	<b>12 APR</b> <b>Culinary Canvases</b> Bon Appetite! Join us for a food festival's delight as we craft and create unique food art, starting with Pizza Portraits, play S'ly Bananae Group Game, and create delightful edible art with Eat the Rainbow Fruit Salad. Then join in for Pimping Finger Painting and creating Clay Omelette and People!
<b>From as low as \$11.34*</b> <b>Full fee \$163.49**</b>	<b>From as low as \$21.87*</b> <b>Full fee \$71.88**</b>	<b>From as low as \$11.34*</b> <b>Full fee \$110.49**</b>	<b>From as low as \$9.10*</b> <b>Full fee \$90.05**</b>	<b>From as low as \$11.34*</b> <b>Full fee \$113.49**</b>



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