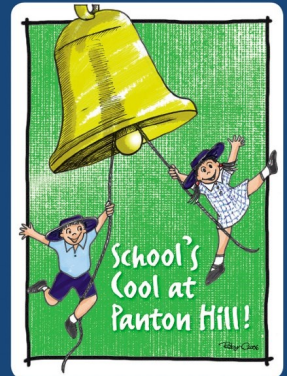




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NEWSLETTER

Friday 21st March, 2025
Term 1: Week 8



DIARY DATES

Wednesday 26th March

Chess Tournament

Friday 28th March

Flower and Garden Show
Grade 6

31st March — 2nd April

Grade 3-6 Camp

Wednesday 2nd April

Parent Helpers Presentation

Friday 4th April

Last Day of Term 1
2.30pm dismissal

Monday 21st April

Easter—Pupil free day

Tuesday 22nd April

First day of Term 2

Friday 25th April

Anzac Day—Pupil free day

Wednesday 30th April

School Photos

Thursday 1st May

Life Education incursion

Principal's Report

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We can finally use our new playground and it has certainly been worth the wait! It has been fantastic to see our students (and some of our staff) exploring all aspects of the equipment. The feedback has been extremely positive, not just from what our kids have said, but also from that happy playground noise you can hear when kids are engaged in play—love it!

Our 2024 Grade 6 leaders should be extremely proud of their work in helping to guide this project and ensure that the design was exactly what our students wanted. How great that every time they visit or drive past our school they will see their legacy being enjoyed by kids for years to come.

We had an official opening of the playground straight after the fences came down on Wednesday morning and we were really pleased that Brodie Gill could take some time out of his day to represent the 2024 leaders and cut the 'ribbon'. Thanks Brodie, and thankyou to Brenda for bringing him along.



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WELL DONE ELISE

Congratulations to Elise for swimming at this week’s Regional Swimming Championship. She came an impressive first in her heat, resulting in 5th place overall. Well done Elise.



BUILDING WORKS UPDATE

After site meetings this week, it has been confirmed that our building works will continue around the junior school building which also serves as our Shelter in Place (SIP). The purpose of all of these works is to ensure our SIP is as safe as possible in the event of a fire. Works will resume on painting the parts of the OSHC building that are 10me-
tres from the SIP with a fire proof paint. Following this the existing wooden windows will be replaced with alumi-
num frames. Of course, safety of our school community is paramount when undertaking any works so there will be
exclusion zones set up throughout this process. It is projected that these works will be completed by July.

HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Can you believe that we are only two weeks away from our Term One school holidays! Theircare will be running a school holiday program throughout the term break. The theme for this holiday is MAD fun (music, arts and dance)
Details at this link <https://theircare.com.au/holiday-programs/panton-hill-ps-theircare/>

Be sure to register for the day/s you would like to attend.



EASTER RAFFLE

We are currently seeking donations for our Easter Raffle. The more prizes we have to wrap, the more chances for prizes to be won. Donations and tickets need to be sent to the office by **Tuesday 1st April** to allow time for them to be wrapped. Wrapping will be held in the staffroom on Wednesday and Thursday morning for any parents that may have some free time. A book of raffle tickets will go home to each family next week and additional tickets are available at the office.

2025 SCHOOL COUNCIL

On Monday we had our first meeting with our 2025 School Council and our AGM. Our 2024 Annual Report was shared and endorsed by the School Council as was our 2025 Annual Implementation Plan. School Council roles were also organised. Please see the table below for our current School Council.

2025 School Council Members

POSITION		
President		Abbey Baines
Vice President		Megan King
Secretary		Anne Howard
Treasurer		David Shaw

SUB COMMITTEE	MEMBERS	MEETING TIMES
Building & Grounds	Kylie Richards, Beth Borthwick, Deanne Cahir	As required
Finance & Fundraising	Kylie Richards, Bianca McGuirk, David Shaw, Mel Bates, Steph Ryan, Amy Ord and Leanne Cleary	6:30pm prior to SC Meeting
Curriculum & Review	Anne Howard, Kylie Richards, Amie Grisold, Justine Puls-Welsh	As required

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KRYAL CASTLE CHESS TOURNAMENT

We are very excited to be taking a group of ten keen chess players to Kryal Castle on Wednesday the **26th March** to play against other students from around the state—what a venue for what is the first chess tournament for a few of our attending students! These students have been regularly attending chess club on Monday and Fridays at lunchtime. A massive thank you to Bethany Anderson who has started this program from scratch and continues to build the love of chess for many of our students.



PARENT HELPERS PRESENTATION

Now that we are coming to the end of Term One and the students have settled into their school routines, we are looking forward to welcoming Parents/carers into our classrooms as helpers.

I will be running a Parent Helpers Presentation for parents who are keen to be on our roster. This will be a very informal presentation which covers what Helpers can expect, some handy hints and what is expected of parents in this role. We ask that all parents wishing to attend as helpers, attend this session. If you have been to a previous presentation you are off the hook! Please see Xuno for this 'event' and indicate if you will be attending.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Student and staff photos are booked for **Wednesday 30th April**. The photos will begin at the beginning of the day, so please have your child/children on time for an early start. If your child is absent on the day, MSP do offer a make up session at their studio. Please contact MSP directly for more details. Forms will be sent home either this term or early next term and bookings are to be made online.

PHPS Easter RAFFLE

\$5 PER BOOK OR .50 GENTS A TICKET

DONATION BOX IS AT THE OFFICE



WE WILL BE HOLDING AN EASTER RAFFLE TO BE DRAWN AT OUR ASSEMBLY ON THE LAST DAY OF TERM 1

FRIDAY 4TH APRIL


Any donations would be greatly appreciated eg.
Eggs, craft, toys, books etc

Tickets will be sent home with students next week.

Extra books are available from the office.

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The amount you can get depends on:

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- 2 the type of childcare you use
- 3 the age of your child
- 4 the hours of recognised activities you and your partner do

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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**

For more information, call TheirCare on 1300 072 410

Excursion & Super Excursions days: Arrive at the service by 8:00 am. Pick-up after 2:30 pm. Wear runners & socks.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7 APR Lil Rockstars Get in touch with your musical side! Use your creativity to make DJ Drums and Pan Flutes and experience the water xylophone experiment that can unleash your inner musician. Test your minds by putting your memory to use by joining in on a variety of memory and group games. Become an artist, musician and creator for a day! From as low as \$7.51* Full Fee \$75.12**	8 APR M.A.D Science Dive into some sensory science fun at service today! Engage in a variety of art science activities, create beautiful sensory autumn leaves, DIY soap slime experiments and creating your own stylish DIY Croc, dibble, then spark your creativity with monster exploring bags and well even get to craft our very own pom-pom launcher! From as low as \$7.51* Full Fee \$75.12**	9 APR Super Silent Disco Today the TheirCare services came together for our Super Silent Disco bring your friends, put on your headphones as we groove of the beats and show off our dance moves! Back at service, let's dive into more fun! Challenge yourself in the Back & Forth Master Drawing Challenge and then join in for the Best Detective Group Game! From as low as \$13.53* Full Fee \$135.28**	10 APR A Hula-tta Fun! Get ready to be dazzled by a stunning Hula Hoop Show followed by an exciting workshop to twirl your own hoop and use Poi a pro. Afterwards, enjoy creating your own Autumn themed slime, craft beautiful 3D Butterfly Paper Garlands and take part in a wacky Caterpillar Race! From as low as \$8.44* Full Fee \$84.37**	11 APR Pass the Popcorn Welcome to the world of Minecraft, where creativity doesn't just help you craft, it's essential to one's survival! Four misfits - Garrett 'The Garbage Man' Garrison, Henry, Natalie and Owen find themselves struggling with ordinary problems when they are suddenly portal into the Overworld! From as low as \$11.89* Full Fee \$118.94**
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
14 APR Talent Spectacular Step into the spotlight with TheirCare School of Talent Spectacular! Engage in the amazing Dancing Milk Experiment, create charming Dancing San Pappete. Rock the floor with 10.1.1.1 Dances and see what moves you'll get to rock with the Dance Move Cube! Let your creativity and imagination shine! From as low as \$7.51* Full Fee \$75.12**	15 APR You're an Instrument Get ready for a wild, interactive adventure with You Are an Instrument! Two quirky scientists turn movements, thoughts, and emotions into sound, blending ancient acoustics with modern technology! Afterwards, keep the fun alive with Blow Painting Portraits, Woven Butterflies, and a game of Catch! Don't Catch! From as low as \$11.89* Full Fee \$118.94**	16 APR Bubble - O - Fun Get ready for a splash of colour with Rainbow Bubble Project! Blow and catch magic bubbles and enjoy making rainbow bubble snakes, you will get to take home your own reusable bubble kit. Afterwards, combine the fun with Bubble Hydrangas Art, the Broken Windows Group Game, and Nature's Stamps. It's going to be a colourful day! From as low as \$8.51* Full Fee \$85.07**	17 APR Bunny's Picnic Today, the bunnies are in charge! Get ready to hop paint and play with our bunny-themed activities. Create Scrape Painting Bunnies and DIY your very own Pom-Pom Bunnies. Savour a playful treat of Fairy Bread Balls, test your skills with Pin the Tail on the Bunny, and join in lively Picnic Games! Let the bunny adventure begin! From as low as \$7.51* Full Fee \$75.12**	18 APR Service closed!

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

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.

General daily advertised activities are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances, at the discretion of the service coordinator.

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.

Child Care Subsidy

Please note that subsidised hours are calculated and allocated by Centrelink on a fortnightly basis. Check Centrelink for eligibility.

Fortnightly childcare subsidised hours

Each session is calculated using the full service operational hours, not the hours attended by the child.

Additional Child Care subsidy will not cover any hours beyond the subsidised hours per fortnight.

Refer to TheirCare Holiday Program FAQ <https://theircare.com.au/holiday-programs/> for further information and example.

Changes to your booking

Simply log into your account anytime to make the relevant changes or call us between 8:30am - 5:00pm 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 family's circumstances.

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Eltham High School

OPEN EVENING
Wednesday 2nd April, 2025

5.30pm

- Student led tours
- Interactive student activities
- Catering by our VET Hospitality students
- Engage with teachers from key learning areas

7.00pm

- Information session
- Enrolment processes
- Hear from our principal, Vincent Sicari

FURTHER INFORMATION
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Parent Support Seminars

Term 1 2025 - Eltham

Bringing out the best in your child's behaviour



Bookings essential.
Scan QR code to book



In this parenting seminar, learn positive parenting strategies to get less of the behaviour you don't want and more of the behaviour you do want.

🕒 9.45am-11.45am

📅 Tuesday 11 March 2025

📍 healthAbility Eltham, 917 Main Road Eltham Vic 3095

Keeping your cool with your kids



Bookings essential.
Scan QR code to book



This parenting seminar will provide strategies for keeping calm and positive when your child's behaviour becomes challenging.

🕒 9.45am-11.45am

📅 Tuesday 18 March 2025

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For more information

Please contact Family Support Worker Joan Lauricella at
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9 April 9:30am-12pm

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9 April 10am-11:30am or

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