



# BARINGA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Baringa School acknowledges the traditional custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to sky, land, sea and community. We pay our respects to their elders past and present and extend that to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.  
Our school is located on Gunaikurnai land.



## Upcoming Events

### April

4th

**Last day of Term 1  
(Finish at 2:30pm)**

22nd

**First day of Term 2**

25th

Anzac Day Public  
Holiday (No School)



### Student Support Group Meetings

A big thank you to all of the families who have attended Student Support Group (SSG) meetings over the past two days. These meetings are an important part of your child's education journey, as they provide a structured opportunity for parents, school staff and any other professionals involved to meet and discuss student progress, goals and any other information that may be important.

If you were unable to make it in person, staff will endeavour to reschedule the meeting time, or alternatively conduct the meeting over the phone, to ensure the opportunity to touch base is not missed.

### Easter break

Please note that with the public holidays for Easter Monday and Anzac Day falling on the Monday and Friday, the first week of Term 2 will be only 3 days of school (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday). While it is a short week, it is really important that students attend these three days, as staff will be starting the learning program for the term and beginning new learning topics.

I hope everyone has wonderful school holidays and a safe Easter break. I look forward to seeing all of our students back for Term 2 on Tuesday April 22nd.



**Kelly Methner**  
Principal



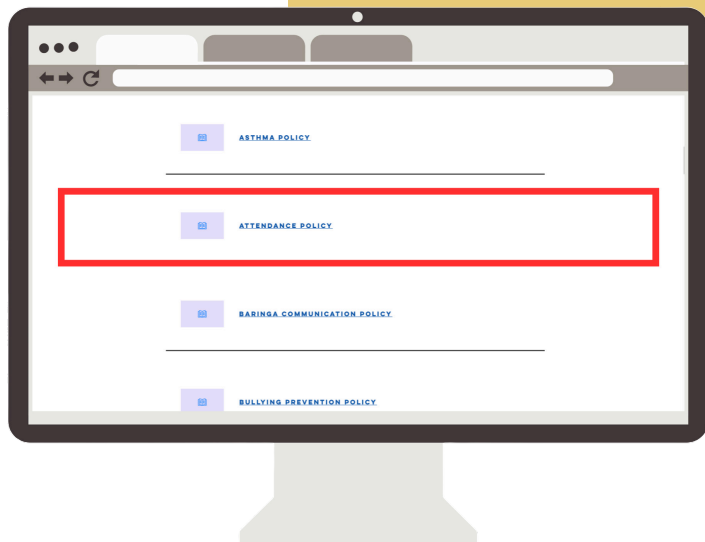
# School Policy

## Attendance Policy

We would like all our families to read the Baringa School Attendance Policy.

Schooling is compulsory for children and young people aged from 6 to 17 years (unless an exemption from attendance or enrolment has been granted). Daily attendance is important for all children and young people to succeed in education and to ensure they do not fall behind both socially and developmentally.

School participation maximises life opportunities for children and young people by providing them with education and support networks. School helps people to develop important skills, knowledge and values that set them up for further learning and participation in their community.



The policy can be found on the schools website <https://www.baringass.vic.edu.au/policies> at or alternatively you can ask for a hard copy at the school office.

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# Every School Day Counts!



If your child is absent from school, please remember to let us know why. Please call the Baringa office on (03) 5127 1744 or send an SMS to 0407 880 630 explaining why your child will be absent and how long you expect them to be away.

## Our Commitment to Child Safety

Baringa School is committed to providing an environment where our students are safe and feel safe, where their participation is valued, their views respected, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. We promote positive relationships between students and adults and between students and their peers. These relationships are based on trust and respect. Particular attention is given to the child safety needs of Aboriginal students, those from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, International students, students with disabilities, those unable to live at home, children and young people who identify as LGBTIQ+. Child safety is a shared responsibility. Every person involved in our school has an important role in promoting child safety and wellbeing and reporting any issues or concerns about a child's safety.

We are committed to making decisions that support our young people.

We want to encourage everyone to read our Child Safety Policy, Child Safety Code of Conduct and Child Safety Responding and Reporting Policy found on our website at <https://www.baringass.vic.edu.au/policies>. If you have any questions about the policies or suggestions for improvement, please contact the school on 51271744. We welcome your feedback.



# Classroom Updates!



## P3



Allie  
Teacher

“ This term, P3 have been busy learning and growing in so many ways! In Maths we’ve been focusing on counting to and backwards from 20, looking at different maps and learning preposition words such as under, over, on, between and in. The students are also practising important social skills such as sharing, taking turns, using kind words, building friendships and confidence in the classroom. We love seeing their curiosity and creativity shine every day! Well done P3! ”







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## P4



Carol  
Teacher

“ P4 has settled into 2025 at full speed. In mathematics students have been learning about number names, digits and items, 1 more and 1 less and location for example in front of, forwards and backwards and giving basic instructions.

The students have been working their surnames and date of birth. Along with making sure that we put spaces between our words so others can understand what we are writing.

We have been getting to know each other, what we like, what we don't like, how we can get our mind and body ready to learn, sharing class equipment and space in the classroom.

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## M3



Caz  
Teacher

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Ashley  
Teacher

“ Last week we had swimming every day. We all enjoyed going on the bus and being in the water learning to swim. The students learnt to swim different styles, as well as practising water rescues using rope and wearing life jackets. Everyone had fun and loved being in the water. ”







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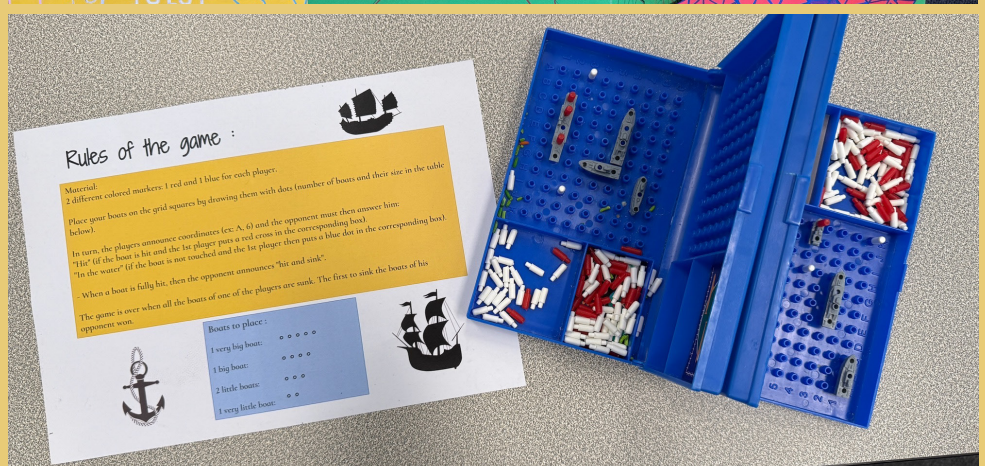


## S5



**Richard**  
Teacher

“ S5 has had a fantastic start to the year! We've been diving into the novel *Holes*, exploring different character perspectives and deepening our understanding of storytelling. In Mathematics, we've been strengthening our skills in whole numbers, operations, and time. A highlight of the term was our excursion to Blue Rock Dam, where students learned about water safety and how to respond in critical situations. Another exciting project was our hygiene campaign, which helped us explore different aspects of health and well-being. It's been a great Term 1, and we're looking forward to more learning adventures ahead!

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## S6

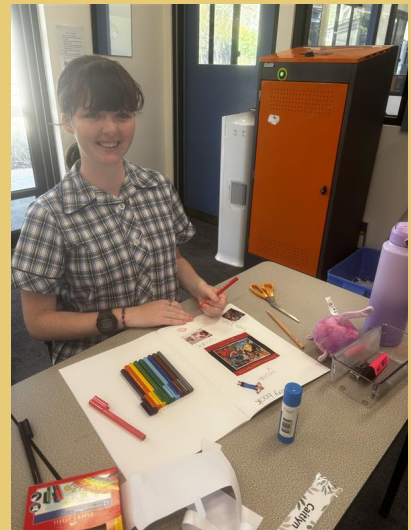
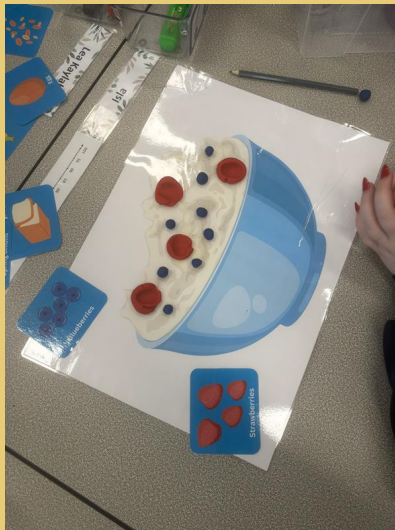


**Alana**  
Teacher



**Scott**  
Teacher

“ S6 students have been busy building their phonics and fluency skills, writing book reviews, and expanding their vocabulary. Our favourite word this term was ‘sprinkle’ - and we used play doh to sprinkle lots of things on pizza, yoghurt and cake! In numeracy, we’ve explored counting, place value, operations, and time, using Minecraft Education and outdoor activities like scavenger hunts and obstacle courses to make maths fun. In Health, we’ve learned about hygiene through hands-on experiments, including washing Barbie’s hair and using science to "scare away" germs ”





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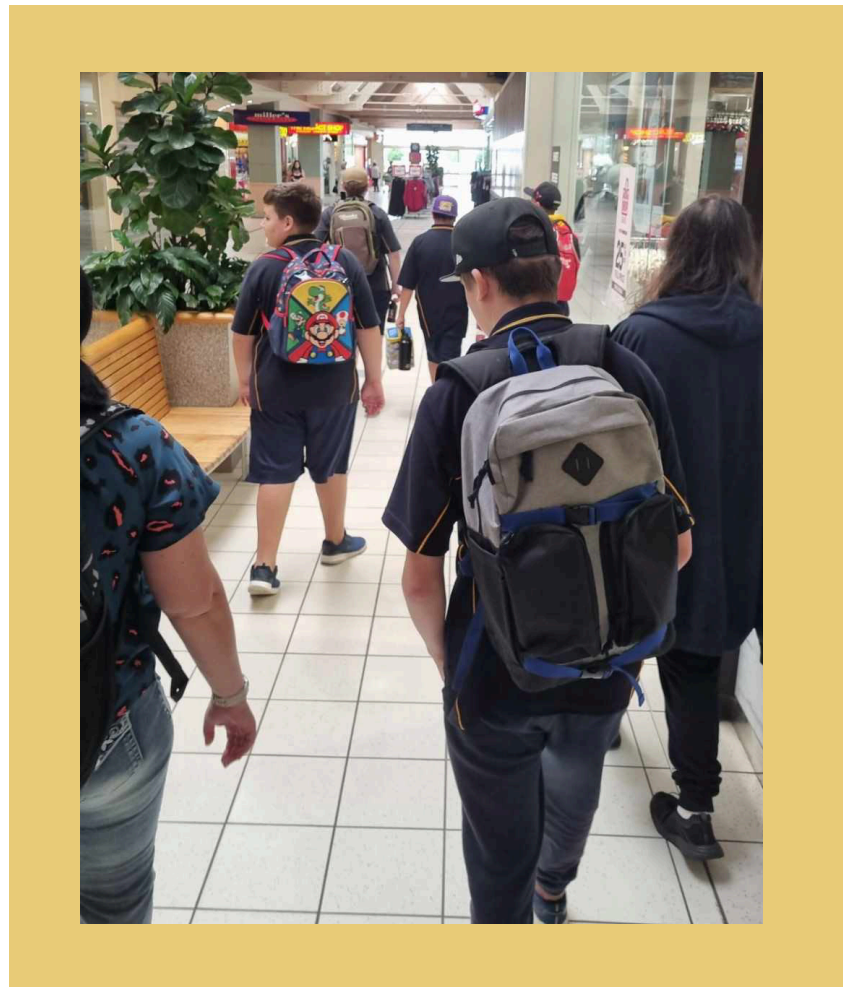


## Travel



Vish  
Teacher

“ During Term 1, students who participated in the secondary program 'Travel' experienced public transport within the local area and neighbouring communities. The students learned how to use and top up Myki cards and travelled on buses and trains to Moe, Morwell, Yarragon, Trafalgar and Warragul. For some students, it was their first time taking public transport while others had already experienced it.



It was great to see the students have so much fun being out in the community and experiencing public transport. ”



# Upper Primary Swimming

Our Upper Primary students were involved in their swimming program this week and have shown great improvement in their swimming abilities. They have been practising floating, kicking, jumps and rescues. Well done Upper Primes!







# Birthdays



April



Ella

Kaylen

Jai

Cobi W

Locklyn

Calith

Nullah

Daniel

Nakarliah

Hudson

Zion

Benji

Dexter

Taliah

Josh W

# Bus Awards



## Bus Awards

Tye

James A

Locklyn

Summah

Jessica

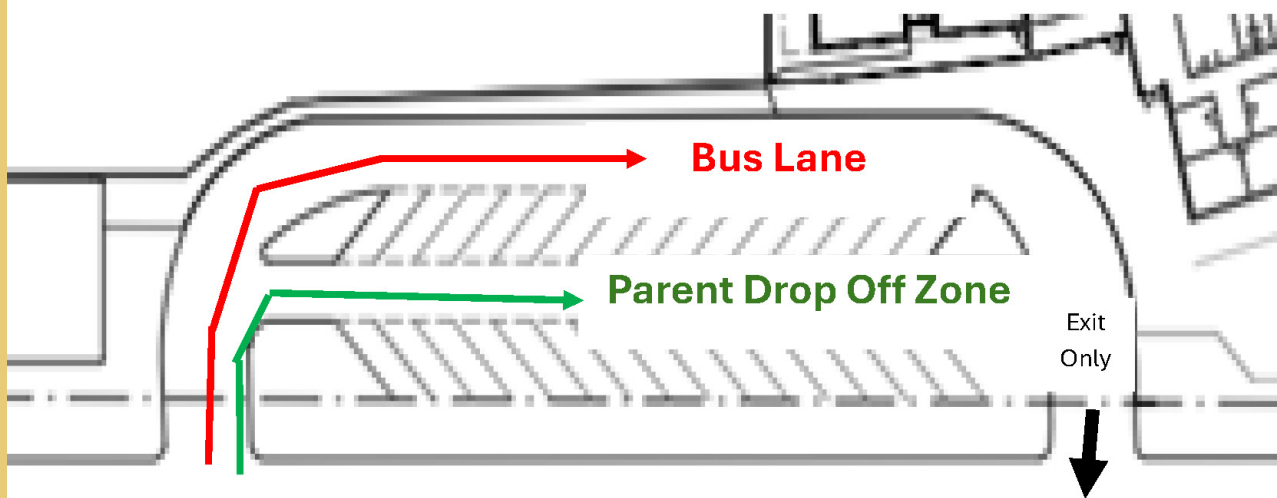
Zayn

Alannah S

Jasper H

# Drop Off & Pick Up Plan

## Baringa School School Drop Off and Pickup Traffic Management Plan



**Carpark speed limit**  
**Maximum speed in the carpark is to be 10kph**

### **Bus Lane**

**Bus Lane must be kept clear between**

**9 am and 9 30 am**

**2 30 pm and 3 15pm**

### **Drop off zone**

**Drop off zone is for parents and carers who are doing a quick drop off or pick up of their child,(2 minute max) If your drop off/ pickup takes longer, or you wish to speak with a teacher, please park out the front of the school**

# Second-Hand Uniform



We have some second hand jumpers, polo t-shirts and tracksuit pants available at the school.

Please contact us on (03) 5127 1744 or come in to see what sizes we have available.



Gold coin donation per item



27/03/2025

Dear School Community,

### **Temporary Changes to Trading Hours for School Holidays**

With the end of Term 1 quickly approaching, we'd like to advise you that there are changes to the trading hours of all Beleza retail stores during the holiday break. Your local Beleza store will be closed during the first week of holidays.

We'd recommend families check their local store's Google listing to confirm opening hours before visiting a store. As we have multiple Beleza locations across Victoria, we suggest searching "**Beleza + Your Suburb Name**" to ensure you're getting the most relevant information.

Please note that **all stores will be closed From Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> of April until Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> of April**. We'll return to our usual trading days and hours across all stores **from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> of April**, however as our trading days differ from store to store, please check your local store's trading hours.

We'd like to apologise for any inconvenience that these changes may cause, and thank you for your understanding. We hope you all have a safe and enjoyable holiday break!

Kind regards,

Beleza School Uniforms



# **MOE** **SHRED** **FEST**



## **S.K.A.T.E FOR CASH**

Brought to you by Sumo Skate Store – Moe

**SATURDAY**  
**12 APRIL**  
**5PM – 9PM**

**VICTORIAN**

## **RUMBLE ROADSHOW**

Brought to you by The Rumble Roadshow  
and sponsored by Latrobe City Council

**SUNDAY**  
**13 APRIL**  
**ALL DAY**

**BROUGHT TO YOU BY VISIT LATROBE CITY**

## **JAM WITH SONGLINE & AIMEE MASSIE!**

Songline and Aimee Massie to come along  
for the day who will hold some demos  
and run some skate jams.

**TUESDAY**  
**15 APRIL**  
**11AM – 5PM**



**SHRED FEST**



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**LATROBE**  
**CITY**