Grey Street P.S

2025 Newsletter Issue 6

MONTHLY WRAP UP

Issue 6 wrap up...

The end of term 3 saw our students have loads of fun with our Book Week Dress Up Parade, our Father's Day Stall, Mini Societies, School Photo Day and swimming lessons for our Prep-2's. I think we are all in need of a well deserved break after a huge term of fun.

16/9 Division Athletics

17/9 Fighting Extinction Fundraiser

19/9 Footy Colours Day

19/9 Last Day of Term 3

A LOOK AT TERM 4

6/10 First Day of Term 4

13/10 – 15/10 Yr 4 Camp

15/10 – 17/10 Yr 3 Camp

31/10 Colour Run Day

3/11 Student Free Day

4/11 Public Holiday – Melbourne Cup

23/11 Prep EOY Excursion

1/12 – 3/12 Yr 5 Camp

9/12 Statewide Transition Day

10/12 Year 6 Graduation

11/12 Celebration Night

19/12 Last Day of Term 4

Principal's Place

As we come to the end of another busy and rewarding term, it's wonderful to reflect on all that our students have experienced and achieved over the past few weeks.
Book Week was certainly a highlight, with so many creative costumes on display at our dress up parade. We also had school photos, and our Years Prep, 1, 2 and 3 enjoyed their swimming program, building confidence and skills in the water.
Our Father's Day stall and raffle were a great success, thank you to everyone who contributed time, donations, and support to make this special for our students and their families.
We have also been fortunate to welcome Nannette, an Indigenous artist, who is working with us on our school mural. This project is already bringing colour, culture, and connection to our school community.
Across the school, students have been engaged in a range of rich learning opportunities:

- Our Year 2s enjoyed their excursion to Heritage Park.
- Year 4s have been working hard on their Fighting Extinction project The Devilish Devil Day, while exploring ways to protect the Tasmanian Devil.
- Year 6s have been running their Mini Societies, learning about civics and citizenship.

As we wrap up the term, I'd like to thank our staff, students, and families for their ongoing support and contributions to school life. I wish everyone a safe, restful holiday break. We look forward to welcoming you back, refreshed and ready for Term 4, which begins on Monday 6th October.

Warm regards, Janelle Larkin
Acting Principal

School Reminders

Can everyone please remember to label all of your students items. We have quite a few lost property items that we have not been able to return to students.
There are items at both the library lost property and the office so please make sure you are checking both spaces for items.

We still have Beanies for sale at the front office for $25

Colour Run Friday 31st October

Footy Colours Day Friday 19th September

Student Free Day – Monday 3rd November – Professional Development Day

Public Holiday – Tuesday 4th November – Melbourne Cup

Term 3 Dates

Term 4 - Important Dates

OCTOBER

6/10 - First Day of Term 4
13/10 to 15/10 - Year 4 Camp - Phillip Island
15/10 to 17/10 - Year 3 Camp - Waratah Bay
17/10 - Assembly (2:30pm)
31/10 - Colour Run

NOVEMBER

3/11 - Student Free Day - Staff Training Day
4/11 - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday - No School
14/11 - Assembly (2:30pm)
18/11 - Prep Orientation for 2026 Preps #1
21/11 - Prep EOY Excursion - Pevan and Sarah Concert)
25/11 - Prep Orientation for 2026 Preps #2
28/11 - Assembly (2:30pm)

DECEMBER

1/12 to 3/12 - Year 5 Camp - Melbourne
2/12 - Prep Orientation for 2026 Preps #3
9/12 - Statewide Transition Day
10/12 - Year 6 Graduation
10/12 - Awards Assembly
11/12 - Celebration Night
19/12 - Last Day of Term 4

Book Week

On the 3rd of June Grey Street Primary School was full of vibrant colours, delicious noodles, incredible performances and the wonderful spirit of diversity.
Our students were given the opportunity to try Yoga, wear tradition Chinese outfits called "Hanfu", make Chinese fans, making puppets and masks, they even had the opportunity to try a noodle making workshop. To top off the day we were delighted to be entertained with an opera dance in our hall.
It's so inspiring to see everyone come together to share traditions, stories and smiles from all around the world. A huge thank you to all the students, teachers, and families who made this day so special. Let's keep embracing our differences and learning from one another – together, we can make our school community stronger and more connected!

Assembly Awards

Please check out our award winners for our recently assemblies.
Our awards align with our whole school expectations which are:
Respect for Learning – Respect for Self – Respect for Planet – Respect for Others.
If your child has won an award, please congratulate them.

Assembly 8/8/25

AFTER THE BELL

Digitech Download

Our DigiTech Team has been busy interviewing some of our fantastic teachers. The hot topic was around the media bans for children and the implement of age requirements for social media platforms.

An interview with Mrs Jones

- **Do you think that the age requirements for 16 and over is a good age for children and parents?**

I think 16 is a more suitable age for social media because most teenagers are better at handling tricky situations online, like peer pressure or unkind comments. It also gives parents more time to talk with their children about how to stay safe and respectful online. That said, every child is different, so what really matters is that parents and kids are having open conversations, setting healthy boundaries, and making sure social media is used in a safe and kind way.

- **When there is cyber bullying, is there any way to help them?**

Yes, there are lots of ways to help someone being cyber bullied. The most important thing is to let them know they're not alone. You can encourage them to talk to a trusted adult, like a parent or teacher. They should block the person who is bullying them and report the messages or posts. Just listening to them and being kind can make a big difference. If you're a friend, standing up for them (in a safe way) and checking in regularly can help them feel supported and strong.

- **Do you think kids under 6 years old should have an iPad?**

I think it depends on how it's being used. iPads can be fun and helpful for learning, especially with educational games or videos. But if a child under 6 is using it too much, it might stop them from playing outside, talking with others, or using their imagination. It's important for young kids to have a balance, some iPad time can be okay, but they also need lots of time to play, talk, and move their bodies. And parents should always be involved in what their child is watching or doing on a screen.

- **Do you think that kids that are 12 and over should limit their technology time?**

Yes, I do. Technology is great for learning, connecting with friends, and having fun, but too much of it can cause problems, like trouble sleeping, feeling stressed, or not getting enough exercise. When kids take breaks from screens, they have more time for other important things like sport, hobbies, friends, and family. It's all about balance. Using technology is fine, but making sure it doesn't take over your day is important for your health and happiness.

- **Do you think people feel insecure if they are getting cyber bullied?**

Yes, absolutely. When someone is cyber bullied, it can make them feel sad, embarrassed, or like they're not good enough. That's what feeling insecure means, doubting yourself or feeling unsure about who you are. Bullying can hurt someone's confidence, even if the things being said aren't true. That's why it's so important to support people who are being bullied, remind them of their worth, and help stop the bullying as soon as possible.

by Hudson Wilkie, Ned Cadwallader, Poppy-lee Wood-Marino and Xaneiah Noche

Fundraising goals

Our mission throughout our fundraising efforts is to raise $20,000
The money raised will go towards helping us buy and install 2 new water stations for our school.

Wowzers, Grey Street families – what an absolutely amazing fundraising term we've had! 🎉 A massive high-five and THANK YOU to every single one of you! 🙌

Term 2 was bursting with excitement thanks to our much-loved Mother's Day stall and the super fun Glowtastic Disco. Speaking of the disco, shoutout to DJ Tunks who totally rocked the decks and kept those dance moves grooving all night long! 💃🕺

Our fundraising magic wouldn't happen without our incredible volunteers – you all are the real MVPs, and we're sending you the biggest, brightest THANK YOU from the whole Grey Street crew! 🌟

Now, for the big news... drumroll please ... we've smashed our $20,000 goal and are aiming even higher with a shiny new target of $30,000! Let's see if we can make it happen!

Hold on tight because there's more fun to come – we've got our awesome Father's Day stall in Term 3 and the wildly exciting Splactacular Run in Term 4. Let's keep this momentum going!

Ready, set, GO GREY STREET! 🎉

Upcoming fundraising events

Term 4

Community Connection

"Community Connection" page/s of our Newsletter are dedicated to providing families with events and activities happening in and around our town.
If you, or someone you know has something that you would like to be submitted for consideration, please email information and flyers to: emily.gniel@education.vic.gov.au

What's On: June 2025

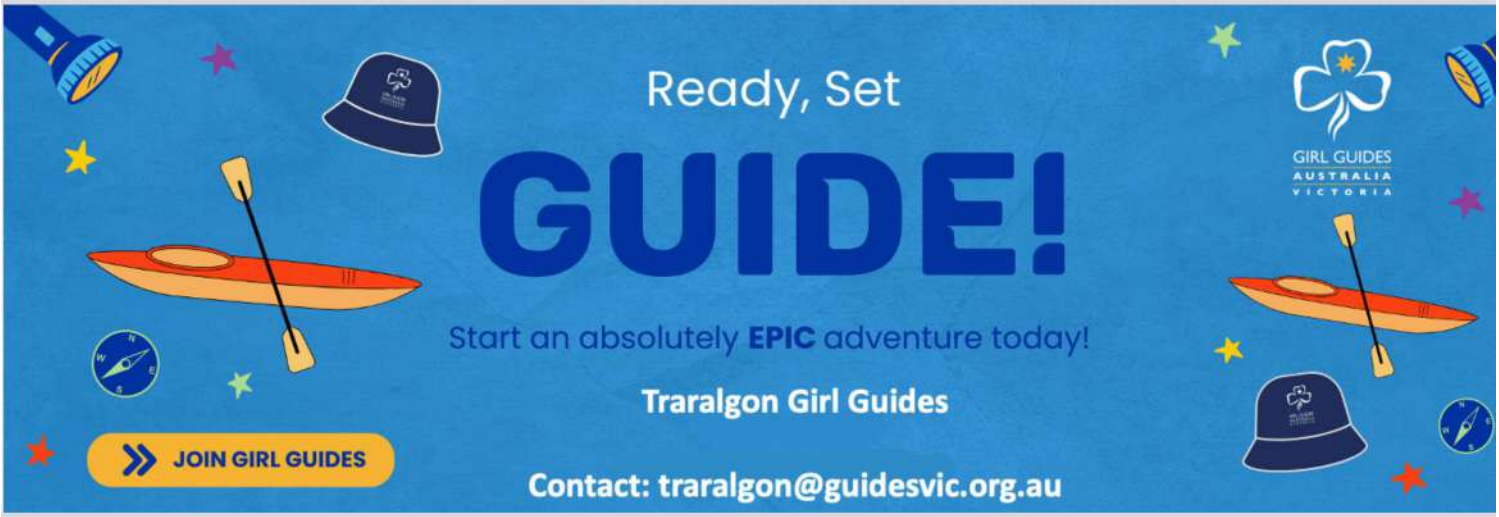
Please click on the link below to view a full calendar of events for the month of May being held at GPAC.

What's on in September

International Rode Garden Festival – Morwell

Friday 7th and Saturday 8th November

Light displays, kid's disco, CWA Devonshire Tea, Workshops, Roving performers, food trucks, garden and food stalls, children's activities and more.



Community Connection

GREY STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

Community Pantry

Community Pantry – Open and Available for All

We're excited to let our school community know that our Community Pantry is up and running! The pantry is open during school pick-up and drop-off times and is available to everyone in our school community.

You will find the pantry opposite Room 3's door in the breezeway – just follow the signs on the external doors.

Our pantry is stocked with non-perishable items such as cereals, soups, and canned goods. These items are generously donated through Foodbank, and we'll be restocking the pantry regularly to ensure ongoing support.

You'll find reusable calico bags available to place your items in – please take one and remember to reuse it when you return. While some pantry items may be close to or just past their best-before date, they are still safe to consume.

We kindly ask that you take what you need, but be mindful that others may come in after you, so please leave something for everyone.

Thank you for supporting and respecting this valuable community initiative!

Have an event that you would like published to the broader community? TCP Might be it for you!

If you know of any not-for-profit groups looking for space to promote their activities, space is available at Traralgon Centre Plaza. The best part is, there is no fee attached! This is a fantastic opportunity for community focused organisations to find a welcoming and supportive environment for their initiatives. Feel free to spread the word.

Contact: adele@fakwnerproperty.com.au

Stay local

SCAN THE QR CODE TO FIND OUT MORE.

Book onlineoratyour local library

Free school holiday activities for the entire family

SEP/OCT 2025

Family Movie

All ages. Bookings preferred.

Moe Library
Sat20 Sep
9.30am to 11.30am

GameFest

Morwell Library
Mon 22 Sep
10am to 1pm

Ages 8 to 18. Drop-in session.

Traralgon L ibrary
Thu 2 Oct
1pm to 4pm

KUBO Coding Primary

Ages 6 to 10. Bookings required.

Traralgon Library
Tue 23 Sep
11am to 12noon
1.30pm to 2.30pm

KUBO Coding Preschool

Ages 3 to 5. Bookings required.

Morwell Library
Fri 3 Oct
11am to 12noon
1.30pm to 2.30pm

Giant Games and Scavenger Hunt

All ages. Drop-in session.

all libraries
during opening hours
Sat 20 Sep to Sat 4 Oct

Lego Bricks and Mega Blocks

Ages 5+. Drop-in session.

Churchill Library
Sat 20 Sep to Thu 25 Sep
during opening hours
Morwell Library
Mon 29 Sep to Fri 3 Oct
during opening hours

Wiggle & Jiggle - Garden Critters!

Ages 18 months to 3 years. Drop-in session.

Traralgon Library
Wed24 Sep
9.30am to 10am

Churchill Library
Thu25 Sep
9.30am to 10am
Morwell Library
Thu 2 Oct
9.30am to 10am
Moe Library Fri 3 Oct 9.30am to 10am

LATROBE CITY COUNCIL

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SEP/OCT 2025

CBCA 80th Anniversary

80 YEARS OF AUSTRALIAN STORIES

Traralgon Library

Mon 29 Sep 11am to 2pm Craft, treat bags, dress-ups and a birthday cake!

All ages. Drop-in session.

Featuring...

Storytime with Caz Goodwin and Daisy the Koala

Traralgon Library

All ages. Bookings preferred.

Mon 29 Sep
11.15am and 12.15pm

Bugs and Blooms Drawing Fun

Traralgon Library
Tue 30 Sep
10am to 11am
11.30am to 12.30pm

Ages 7 to 12. Bookings preferred.

Thu 2 Oct
Moe Library
10am to 11am

Buzzy Bee Day!

Moe Library
Thu25Sep
10.30am to 2pm

All ages. Drop-in session.

- Latrobe Valley Beekeeper's Association presentation and education hive
- Bee craft
- Pot and paint and more!

Advanced Bugs and Blooms Drawing Workshop

Traralgon Library

Tue 30 Sep
2pm to 3pm

Ages 13 to 17. Bookings preferred.

Morwell Library
Thu 2 Oct
1pm to 2pm

Family Trivia

All ages. Bookings required.

Morwell Library
Sat 4 Oct
2pm to 4pm

LATROBE CITY COUNCIL

LATROBE VALLEY 'ALL-ABILITY' CRICKET PROGRAM 2025

All school aged children with additional needs are invited to join us for 'ALL Ability' Cricket, the sessions will run weekly during Term 4, 2025 - 10 week program

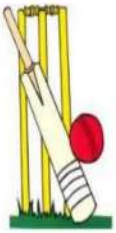
Sessions will be held at

Traralgon WestCricketClub'West-end Sports complex'- Jack CanavanOval, Douglas Parade, Traralgon

TUESDAYS from 5pm - 5.45pm

StartingOctober14th and finishing on December16th

(except Melbourne Cup Public holiday)



A parent/carer must attend and be willing to participate with the child if required

Cost is $20 for the Term - siblings welcome to join in too!

Registration and payment will be organised at the sessions

For more information or questions, phone Sam (Coach) 0414516295 or Louise Varsaci 0414540296 or

find us on Facebook - All-ability Sports, Latrobe Valley

TRARALGON WEST CRICKET CLUB

Community Connection

BK's Gymnastics teaches children foundation skills for future development in other sports and activities, while having fun and meeting new friends.

Kinder Stars
4-5 years

Gym FUNdamentals
5-8 years

Club Gym
8-13+ years

Ninja Stars
5-10 years

GET 2 WEEKS FREE*

When you mention your school during enrolment

PHONE 5176 3035
EMAIL TRARALGON@BKGYMSWIM.COM.AU
Gippsland Regional Sports Stadium
Catterick Cres, Traralgon

*Terms & conditions: Not valid with other promotions. Offer valid for a limited time only.

Little Athletics Victoria | LAC

SEASON 2025-26

DISCOVER THE FUN OF ATHLETICS

Ever thought about trying athletics? Now's your chance! Meet new friends, bond with family, and enjoy achieving your personal best.

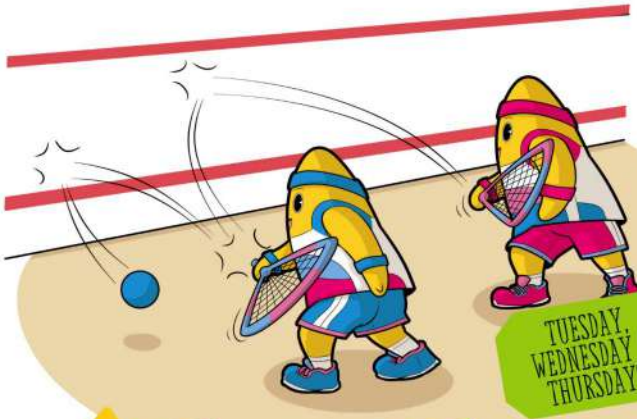
2025/2026 season starting on the 4th of October

Register to participate at
Traralgon Little Athletics Centre by visiting
www.lavic.com.au/centres/traralgon/

Still not sure, why not sign up for a *2 Week FREE* trial?

Register today at
lavic.com.au

President: Sarah Johnson



SQUASH STARS

Baw Baw Squash Club

HOLIDAY CAMP

REGISTER HERE:
www.revolutionise.com.au/bbsc

$60 For All Six Sessions

WEEK ONE: Sept 23, 24, 25 — 10am-12pm

WEEK TWO: Sept 30, Oct 1, 2 — 10am-12pm

Baw Baw Squash Club
270 Settlement Road, Drouin

More Information
bawbawsquashclub@gmail.com

FREE holiday fun at Mid V!

WEEK ONE

FOOTY HANDBALL COMPETITION

Monday 22 to Friday 26 September

11am - 2pm, located in the Kids Zone, near ALDI

Join in the AFL action with awesome footy prizes up for grabs!

*NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED. MOST SUITABLE FOR AGES 4 TO 13 YEARS. PARENTAL SUPERVISION REQUIRED.

Catch a movie at Village Cinemas this school holidays!

For more information visit: **www.midvalleyshoppingcentre.com.au/whats-on/**

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WEEK TWO

MAD SCIENCE MAYHEM

Monday 29 September to Friday 3 October

Science Shows: 10am & 1pm daily
Discovery Zone: 11:30am, 12:00pm, 2:30pm, 3:00pm
Located near Cotton On Mega

Join mad scientist Rich Royale for the wackiest science lesson ever!
Explore science equipment and perform experiments in the Discovery Zone!

*NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED FOR SHOWS. DISCOVERY ZONE CAP OF 25 PARTICIPANTS PER SESSION. SIGN-UP SHEET AT COUNTER. MOST SUITABLE FOR AGES 4 TO 13 YEARS. PARENTAL SUPERVISION REQUIRED.

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midvalley SHOPPING CENTRE

We are looking for some more under 9 netball players. We are running a short competition/skills for the next 8 weeks.

It is every Tuesday at the Morwell Leisure Centre.
Sessions start at 5.15

Cost: $40 plus stadium entry each week

All players welcome. You do not need to have a team.

Grey Street
Primary School Traralgon