



From Julie's desk.

Overport Newsflash

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Ralph our Therapy Dog.

Ralph, our beautiful therapy dog, works with Rachael Brigden our Social Worker and Sophie Stevens (Ralph's owner) to support students at school. They have started two "Ralph and friends" groups with Year 2 this year. Ralph also visits the year 6 area for 'Relax with Ralph' time on Tuesday afternoons. The students are loving it!



Student voice in action

Recently, three of our year 3 students. Ella M, Harper B and Pippa J, came to me with a persuasive text they had written to convince me to consider some additions to the grounds, such as trampolines and water holes. While they were not able to persuade me for those ideas, I discussed with them the possibility of play equipment beside the water tanks on the west side of the school. This would mainly be for the preps. They wrote a letter to School Council with a picture of a 'play equipment boat'. This has been approved and will be ready within the next 8 weeks. Well done to you all girls!



Working Bee—18th March

We are set for our first working bee this year. We need to add further Softfall under play equipment, weed and tidy the Japanese garden plus a number of other garden beds around the school. To make it easy, we need one person at each site who will be the "go-to person". If you are prepared to be that person or able to come along, please email Mrs Wathen at: jill.wathen@education.vic.gov.au

BBQ Thank You

Our Parent and Friends Club's first community event, a BBQ/disco held last Friday afternoon, was a wonderful success. We look forward to many more across the year. A huge thanks to them and to those who stepped in to help raise funds toward our wonderful school.

New Date for "Smash the Overport Dash – Colour Run"

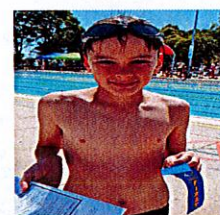
We have moved our 'Smash the Overport Dash' colour run to Tuesday, 4th April to allow enough time for everything to be completed by our Parent and Friends Club who are overseeing the project. Sponsoring your child can be done through Compass. We look forward to seeing the students and teachers having lots of fun. I will get my HazMat suit ready!

Parent Payment Arrangements –2023 update and thank you.

Thank you to all parents who supported our school this year through the Parent Payment Arrangements. Your response has been overwhelming and has enabled us to purchase additional upgrades to classroom and specialist areas with interactive TV's. We are planning new outdoor education areas including new play equipment for our Junior Area. We have been able to support our rolling lease program which is designed to improve the ratio of new, updated ICT devices for all classrooms. These will be used as shared sets by our students. In addition to this, we have also been able to provide a budget for the further development of individual classroom libraries in 2023. Your ongoing support as a thriving school community, has enabled this to happen. We look forward to your continued support through our Parents and Friends Club who have some wonderful, enjoyable, fundraising activities planned for your children this year! The funds raised will also go towards supporting these.

Swimming Carnival

Our year 4—6 students had a great day at the recent swim carnival held at the Pines Swim Centre. Over 30 students qualified for the District swim carnival the following week where they all put in an amazing effort. Thank you to Mr Bryant for his great organisation. Hugh B swam extremely well in the 10 year old boys 50 metre butterfly event finishing in first place and successfully getting through to Division. What a great achievement!



Community Code of Conduct

The partnership between home and school is critical for sound outcomes for all stakeholders, in particular our students. It is essential that respectful conversation take place with staff to ensure we can cement this partnership. I have attached a copy of our 'Community Code of Conduct' policy. Please take the time to read through this. We ask that you ensure your dealings with our staff are always respectful.

Annual Privacy Reminder For Our School Community

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy.

Please take time to read our school's collection notice, found on our website <https://www.overport-ps.vic.edu.au/>.

E- Scooters.

Please note that electric scooters are not permitted to be ridden in the school grounds. Students are not permitted to ride/drive these to and from school. As you can see on the police website, these are not legal.

<https://www.police.vic.gov.au/electric-powered-scooters-e-scooters>

Privately owned e-scooters can only legally be ridden on private property. A privately owned e-scooter does not meet the standards of registration if it:

- has an electric motor with a power output of greater than 200 watts, or has speed capability of greater than 10 km/h. It therefore cannot be used in any public areas (including schools) or on Victorian:
- public roads
- footpaths
- shared or cycle paths
- public parks

"Every Student, in every school, every day, deserves a great day"

-Department of Education

Kind Regards

Julie Gleeson,

Principal.

Community Code of Conduct

PURPOSE

All students, parents, teachers and staff have the right to be safe, and feel safe, in their school community. The School Community Code of Conduct sets clear standards of behaviour, which are expected of members of the School Community. It specifies the consequences for any member of the School Community who does not comply with those standards of behaviour, whether those persons are on the School's property, in transit or at another location for the purpose of any School-authorized events or activities.

SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to define expectations of acceptable behaviour for members of the community when interacting with each other in the school environment or when attending any official, social or sporting functions in any location where the school is represented.

We define our community as the immediate and extended families of children attending the school and friends of the school including local residents, businesses, and organizations, the staff, past students and other schools.

POLICY

Uphold and abide by the policies and expectations of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD)

Support the Principal and staff in the development and implementation of school policies

Treat all members of the School Community with respect and abide by the school values

Show proper care and regard for school property and the property of others

Respect differences in people, their ideas and opinions- regardless of their race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, citizenship, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age or disability
Use non-violent means to resolve any conflict. Insults, disrespect, and other hurtful acts disrupt learning and teaching in the school community, and are a direct contradiction to the school values and will not be tolerated

Speak to the principal or class teacher if they have concerns about other children and not approach other children or families directly when concerned about playground or classroom issues

3.2 - Breach of this Code of Conduct

The consequences to a member of the School Community for breaching this Code of Conduct will be as determined at the Principal's discretion. These consequences include any one or more of the following:

- The School may ban any member of the School Community from attending at any activity.
- The School may ban any member of the School Community from being on the School grounds in general.

- The School may direct that any parent may only communicate with members of teaching staff through a nominated school representative.
- In the case of extreme or prolonged breach of this Code of Conduct by a parent, the school will take direction from the Department's Legal Branch
- The School may take such other steps at their discretion that are determined appropriate according to the nature of the breach.

RELATED POLICIES AND RESOURCES

- References: Schools Policy & Advisory Guide
<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/Pages/spag.aspx>

Policy and Guides Addressing parents' concerns -

[http://www.eduweb.vic.gov.au/edulibrary/public/commrel/contacts/POLICY AND GUIDES Addressing parents concerns.pdf](http://www.eduweb.vic.gov.au/edulibrary/public/commrel/contacts/POLICY_AND_GUIDES_Addressing_parents_concerns.pdf)

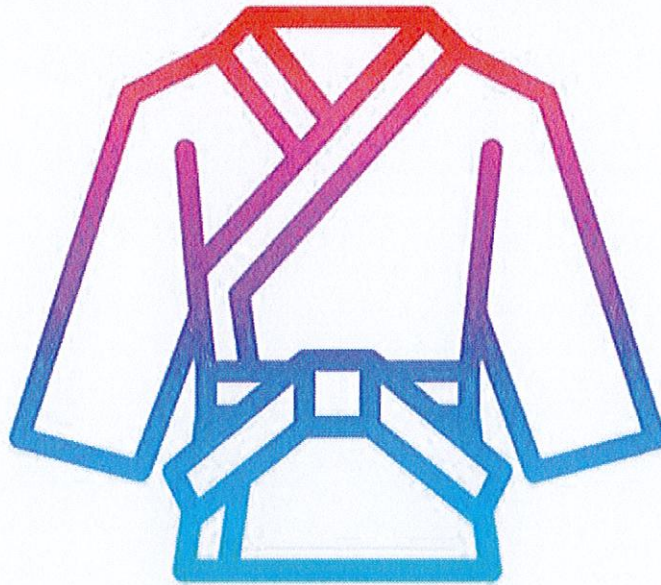
REVIEW PERIOD

This policy was last updated on September 2020 and is scheduled for review on September 2023.

TRY JUDO FOR FREE

ONE FREE TRIAL LESSON, NO OBLIGATIONS

OVERPORT JUDO



CLUB INC

6:30PM TO 7:30PM MONDAYS

JUNIORS 7 TO 14 YEARS

LOCATION: SPORTS HALL AT OVERPORT PRIMARY SCHOOL

CONTACT: OVERPORTJUDO@GMAIL.COM

Make your home a haven for a vulnerable child

Mackillop Family Services is calling on the community to make their home a haven for vulnerable children and young people. Throughout the region there continues to be a high demand for foster carers who can provide nurturing care and support for children in their local community full-time, short-term, or on weekends or school holidays.

Mackillop supports foster carers with comprehensive training, ongoing advice, respite care and an around the clock helpline.

If you think this is a role that you and your family are ready for, call Mackillop on **1300 791 677** or visit **www.mackillop.org.au/fostercare** for further information or to make an enquiry.



**Mackillop
Family
Services**



JOIN THE FUN!

Frankston & Surrounds:

All Girls Auskick Centre

Bruce Park, Bondi Avenue,

Frankston

Saturday 4th March - 1st April

9am - 10am



For more details, contact chloe.beck@afl.com.au

play.afl/auskick



WE'RE RECRUITING!

*TEEN BOYS & GIRLS 13 - 16 YRS

*BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5- 12 YRS

JOIN US IN 2023!

INTERESTED IN PLAYING LEAGUE IN 2023?

*U13s, U14s, U15s & U16s TRAINING TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 6:30pm

*U6s, U7s, U8s, U9s, U10s, U11s, U12s TRAINING THURSDAYS 5:30PM

HAVANA RESERVE, FRANKSTON - ALL WELCOME!

PLAY RUGBY LEAGUE IN 2023! TEAMS
FROM U6S TO SENIOR MEN

Simply scan the QR code below to register!

2023 Club Fees \$120 Juniors \$170 Seniors 18+ (plus insurance)
Fees includes shorts & socks



Enquiries: frankstonraiders@gmail.com

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