



From Julie's desk.

Overport Newsflash

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Year 6 Graduation

Next Wednesday is our Year 6 Graduation Ceremony. We will wish our year 6 students farewell from Overport Primary School as they graduate to secondary school. I know I will be very proud of each and every one of them. I would like to wish them all a successful future as they move to their next learning journey. We will certainly miss them, their cheeky smiles and precious stories. I hope that they will pop back from time to time for a visit as Overport will always be their home! They take with them our hopes and best wishes for what is sure to be bright futures. Congratulations year 6s.

State-wide Transition Day—Tuesday 12th December.

Next Tuesday our year 6 students will attend their secondary school during the state-wide transition day. All our current students from prep to year 5, will transition to the next level for a double block during the day to meet their teachers and classmates for 2024.

Staffing for 2024.

Overport is fortunate to have a very stable and outstanding team of staff. We are sad to share that our wonderful teacher, Alicia Howard has accepted a position at another school for the coming year. While we know that they will benefit from her sound abilities, we do wish her well and miss her greatly. However, we are delighted to welcome a new teacher to our fold, Laura Hilli, who will join our year 5 team. *Due to some staffing changes will not begin the year with as many staff in the intervention areas, but will advertise as soon as possible.*

Our staffing for 2024 is below:

Prep team- 5 classes: Melissa Gleeson; Emma Sanders / Jacqui Goodier (Friday); Kirstin Watson; Kate Chandler/ Annie hall (Thursday & Friday); & Melinda Gledhill.

Year 1 team- 4 classes: Hannah Williams; Katie Forbes; Christie Holman/Andrea Santospirito (Wednesday); & Amy Griffiths.

Year 2 team- 4 classes: Alison Cumberlidge; Sophie Stevens; Darcy Johnson Charlotte Greig.

Year 3 team- 4 classes: Nikki Gilham/Selin Hull (Friday); Lindsay Barrett; Amber Ellery & Brad Winters.

Year 4 team- 4 classes: **Grade 3/4** Guy Marsden/Steph Johnston (Wednesday); Jack Butler & Aidan Hudson/Elissa Roberts (Thursday & Friday) & Thane Francis.

Year 5 team– 4 classes: Miranda Tring; Matt Leyden; Lyndal Robinson & Laura Hilli.

Year 6 team, 5 classes: **Grade 5/6**, Laura Andreadis/Steph Johnston (Thursday); Chelle Gray; Jane Lacey; Kelsey Barrett & Nikki Cook.

Performing Arts: Steven Davidson/David Freeman (Thursday).

Visual Arts: Lynne White/Lauren Wilmann (Thursday & Friday)

HPE: Ben Bryant/David Freeman (Wednesday & Friday)

Japanese: Tomoko Yamashita semester 1, years 3-6

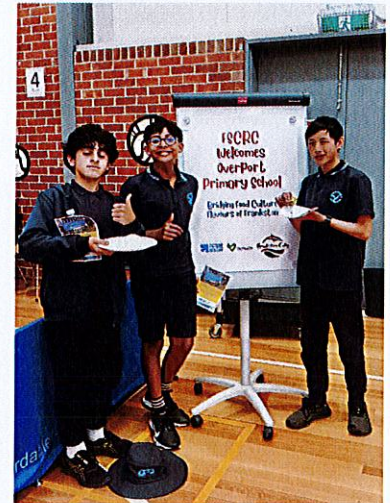
Library: Wendy Kilpatrick, years Prep-2.

STEM: Science & technology focus) Selin Hull/Sam Rodwell (Thursday, Friday)

Intervention: LEAP: Felicity Batty; **Phonological Awareness:** Kamla Chinnathumby

Year 6 & the 'Bridging Food and Culture – Flavours of Frankston'

Recently our year 6 students attended the Bridging Food and Culture—flavours of Frankston at the Community centre. The program was an event funded by Vic Health to promote healthy eating and cultures relationship with food. The centre included eight of the main nationalities living in Frankston which included Spanish – Paella, Russian – Dumplings, Greek – Baklava, Chinese – Chicken Bao, German – Bratwurst, Italian – Chorizo, Indian – Samosa, Vadi and Aboriginal – Johnny Kangaroo Cakes. Students got to sample all the dishes...many for the first time! They were also entertained by Filipino and Salsa Dancers and had a workshop on the Haka. The centre manager commented to us that the students were absolutely delightful. Mr Marsden told me the teachers were very proud of how they represented our school.



'Energy Breakthrough' - huge effort & brilliant outcome by all!

We are very proud of all the early morning practices before school, effort and hard work, along with the incredible spirit and the brilliant sporting attitude of the huge contingency of students and parents that went to Maryborough on Wednesday 22nd November. We certainly owe a huge thank you to Mr Jack Butler and Miss Selin Hull for accompanying them and to Mr Matt Leyden for his knowledge and mechanical assistance during the early morning practises. I know that Mr Butler and Miss Hull had as much fun and excitement from the competitions as the students. The event organisers repeatedly commented on what great students Overport has because they cheered on opposition teams as well as their own, and were an absolute delight. The Overport song was sung many, many times! However, the greatest thrill for them all was the success! Winning overall in all categories! Well done and congratulations to everyone that went—we are very proud of you all! Thank you so much to all of the students, parents, families, and staff that made this possible. A huge thankyou to our amazing sponsors too, without them, this event would not have been possible.

LF Signs; imRAc Pty Ltd; Mini Spares and Repairs; Men with Spirit; LBC Landscapes Maximum Metal Roofing; ; Peta Murphy's Office Ray White'; Thank you all so much.



Curriculum Contributions

Just a reminder that you may have seen that payment is due on Compass for Curriculum Contributions. It is posted under Course Confirmations for 2024. Please don't hesitate to email if you would like to organise a payment plan at overport.ps@education.vic.gov.au or make payment through Compass so that your child's book pack is ready for the very fast approaching, start of the new school year.

Help Raise Funds for Overport Primary School.

Help Raise Funds for our school using your Ritchie's Supermarket Card/App. Just register at <https://loyalty.ritchies.com.au/#/register> and nominate Overport PS as your beneficiary!

Prep excursion to the zoo.

Last week our preps had their first excursion to the Melbourne Zoo. They had a wonderful time and managed to avoid the rain. They were all very well behaved and both the teachers and students enjoyed viewing the animals. Apparently the monkeys were quite a hit!

Year 4s, 5s & 6s Water Safety Beach day.

Year 4, 5 & 6 all attended their water safety beach day this week. The weather smiled on them and they each reported a fantastic day learning water safety from the local lifesavers.

Dogs Not Permitted on the Grounds

This is a reminder that dogs are not permitted on school grounds from 8.30am until 4.00pm.

Don't forget...

On the **20th of December**, there will be a Christmas concert held in the morning session on the Soccer Pitch provided the weather is fine. Each year level will perform, students are encouraged to dress up in Christmas clothing they can wear for the rest of the day.

The 20th of December is the last day of the year and we will finish at 1.30 pm prior to lunchtime.

Regards

Julie Gleeson

Principal.

"Santa Claus is coming, Santa Claus is coming, he's not very far away..."

Seventeen sleeps...



Moonlit Sanctuary

the best way to see Aussie animals

KEEPER CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAM GO WILD THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

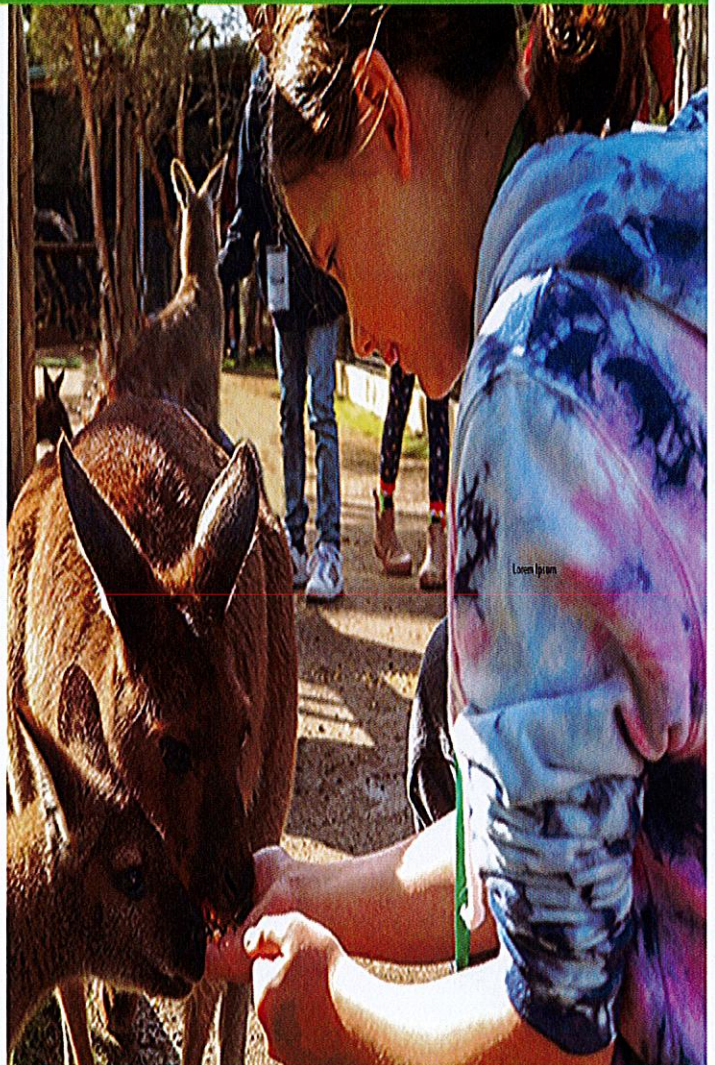
If you have some junior wildlife lovers looking for fun over the holidays, check out Moonlit Sanctuary's Keeper Club holiday program.

In a day full of fun hands-on activities, kids get up close to many animals including dingoes, cockatoos and pythons and learn how their keepers work to keep them happy and healthy.

Places are limited so book early and make your junior keeper's day!

For ages 8-14 Cost \$99m 9am-2pm

See our website for more info.



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