



THE LINK

30th October
Term 4, Week 4

School Calendar

Week 4 - Cooking Week P-6

Friday 31st - Day for Daniel

Week 5

Monday 3rd Nov - Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 4th - Melbourne Cup Day

Friday 7th - Lock In Drill

Week 6

Monday 10th - Yr 5/6 Battle Bots excursion & Year 2 Sleep Over

Tuesday 11th - Remembrance Day; P/1/2 Excursion; Yr3/4 Enviro Day excursion; Yr6 Half Day Transition at STASC

Friday 14th - 2026 Preps 2-3pm

Week 7

Wednesday 19th - Prep Transition 9-11.20am & Yr5/6 Science Incursion

19/20/21 Nov - EBT @ Maryborough

Fri 21st - EBT Robotics Challenge, Maryborough

Week 8

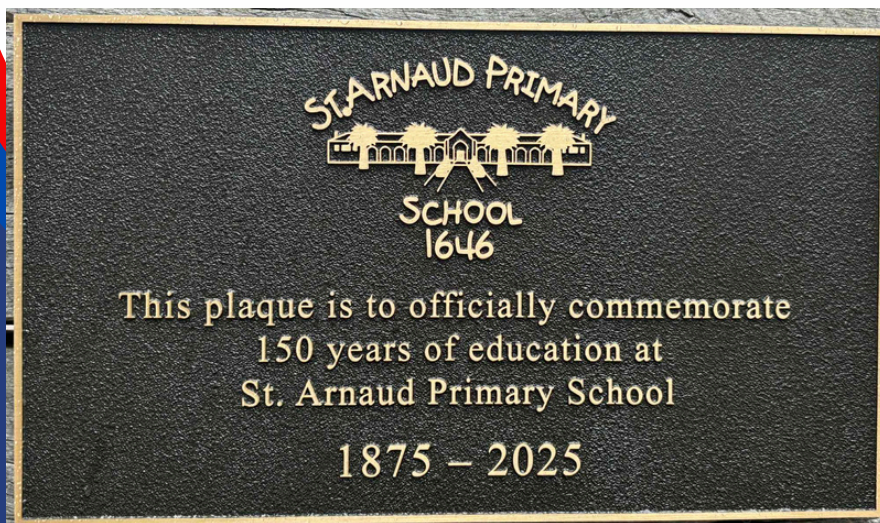
24-28th - Yr 5/6 15 Mile Creek Camp

Prep Trans 9-11.20am

28th - Cosmodome Incursion

150TH

1875-2025



RESPECT RESILIENCE KINDNESS HONESTY ASPIRATION

Principal's Report

150th Celebrations

What a wonderful day we had on Friday - welcoming so many into our school to celebrate 150 years of St Arnaud Primary School. Weren't we just so lucky with the weather also being so lovely?

To see the Art Centre full of visitors, pouring over the photo albums and year books, as well as viewing the display boards and enjoying a good catch up over a cup of coffee and a delicious slice, was heart warming.

Not only did we see many past students of an 'advanced age' but it was equally as lovely to welcome back more recently graduated students who enjoyed finding themselves, their parents and grandparents in the photos - what a lovely connection to have.

Once again, I extend my thanks to the organising committee, Parents Club and the staff for their preparations to make this day as special as it was.

Thank you also to those who travelled to be here, and to those who supported elderly relatives to be able to join us for the day.

Occupational Therapy Day 2025

This week we celebrated Occupational Therapy Day for our school OT, Annabel. Annabel has been working at our school for around 4 years. She works directly with students, parents and staff to improve skills for learning and life, and she has made huge contributions to the way we teach and learn at St Arnaud Primary School. Thank you Annabel.

Term 4 Dates

There are a number of incursions, excursions, and school events such as EBT, Robotics, Yr 6 Transition, Prep Transition days and Yr5/6 camp dates on this terms' calendar. Please keep an eye out for consent forms, departure times, details regarding packed lunches, uniforms and packing lists to ensure your child is prepared and ready for each event as it arises.

These dates have been updated on the front of the LINK and are available in COMPASS. In your COMPASS portal, select which child you want to view events for - click on Profile and scroll down, looking at the bottom left hand screen to see calendar events and summarised details for the event name, date, departure and return times. From this view you can click on the event to expand the information.

Melissa Mitchell
Principal

Looking ahead	
Calendar	
Battle Bots at Earth Ed 7:45 AM - 4:30 PM, Mon 10 Nov 2025 📍 Earth Ed Mount Clear College, Olympic Ave, Mount Clear VIC 3350 👤 GOSD	Battle Bots at Earth Ed Monday, November 10th 2025, 7:45 am Monday, November 10th 2025, 4:30 pm Awaiting consent Due 05/11/2025 \$0.00
Visit McCallum - 5/6W 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM, Fri 14 Nov 2025 📍 McCallum Day Service, St Arnaud 👤 WILJ	Visit McCallum - 5/6W Friday, November 14th 2025, 9:30 am Friday, November 14th 2025, 2:00 pm Attending Due 14/11/2025 \$0.00
Energy Breakthrough HPV Challenge 8:00 AM, Wed 19 Nov 2025 - 5:00 PM, Fri 21 Nov 2025 📍 Maryborough 👤 RBOG	Energy Breakthrough HPV Challenge Wednesday, November 19th 2025, 8:00 am Friday, November 21st 2025, 5:00 pm After consent due date Due 19/09/2025 \$0.00
VCES The Science of Climate Change 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Wed 19 Nov 2025 📍 5/6W Classroom 👤 WILJ	VCES The Science of Climate Change Wednesday, November 19th 2025, 10:00 am Wednesday, November 19th 2025, 12:00 pm Attending Due 19/11/2025 \$0.00
Year 5/6 15 Mile Creek Camp 2025 8:00 AM, Mon 24 Nov 2025 - 4:00 PM, Fri 28 Nov 2025	Year 5/6 15 Mile Creek Camp 2025 Monday, November 24th 2025, 8:00 am Friday, November 28th 2025, 4:00 pm Awaiting consent Due 05/11/2025 (CAMP) \$0.00

MRS WEIR'S WELLBEING WONDERINGS

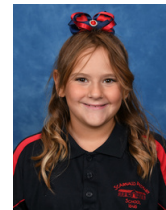
What is a Reverse Advent Calendar?

A Reverse Advent Calendar begins as an empty box. For 20 days in the lead up to Christmas you place one item (non-perishable food, toiletries, Christmas treat) into the box. After 20 days your filled Reverse Advent Calendar is dropped off to a designated location where it is distributed by food relief agencies to people in your immediate community who are experiencing food insecurity.

Unlike a regular Advent Calendar where the focus is on receiving a treat every day the Reverse Advent Calendar takes the focus off receiving and places the focus on giving to others.



Mrs Melissa Weir
Mental Health &
Wellbeing Leader



Maria Taylor
Isobel Green
Zarleya Hutchinson
Wellbeing
Leaders

**COLLECT YOUR BOX
FROM THE FOLLOWING
LOCATIONS AND
START FILLING!**

**ST ARNAUD PRIMARY
SCHOOL
TRENDZ ON NAPIER
TOP OF THE TOWN
HAIR AND BEAUTY
ST ARNAUD RESOURCE
CENTRE**

**RETURN YOUR BOX BY THE END
OF NOVEMBER AND IT WILL BE
DELIVERED TO COMMUNITY
MEMBERS AT CHRISTMAS TIME!**



**Who are the faces behind the
Reverse Advent Calendar?**



**3 inspiring young ladies who want to give back to the
St Arnaud community.**

**Zarleya, Maria and Izzy are the Wellbeing Leaders at
St Arnaud Primary School.**

**They are passionate about making the school and
community a place where people feel welcome, safe
and included.**

**Please feel free to contact Melissa Weir at St Arnaud
Primary School for more information.**



VALUE AWARD WINNERS



P/IE
Oakley Cook



1/2P
Tahnaya Murray



2/3TC
Knox Newton



3/4C
Dakota Jackson



H & P.E.
Halley Huggins



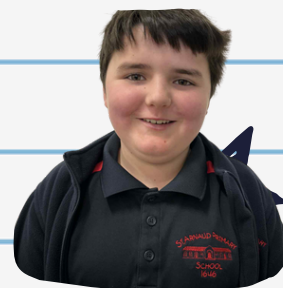
Art
Knox Newton



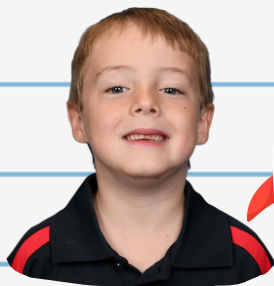
I.C.T
Louella Coloe



Kindness
Alaric Rylatt Arpea



Bakery Bucks
Jasper Wallace



Rocket Maths
Aspen Wright



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SILVER AWARD WINNERS



Bertie Jesse



Caleb Snell



Alistair Grahame



Billy



Indi Gigg



Otis Dyke

BRONZE AWARD WINNER



Cohen King





You have cancer. What now?

Attend a free local workshop
and make sense of cancer.
Learn skills and get helpful
information in an informal, supportive
environment.

Managing Cancer Workshop

Register your interest today! East Wimmera Health Service will be delivering the Cancer Council's *Managing Cancer and Cancer Wellness* workshops across our campus locations.

Experienced health professional will share practical tips and guidance on:

- Cancer treatment and managing side effects
- Benefits of exercise and nutrition during / after treatment
- Strategies for managing emotions and stress
- and more

Location: St Arnaud, Birchip, Donald, Charlton and Wycheproof

Scan the QR code to register your interest in attending a future workshop



For cancer patients, their
families, friends and carers.



GET ACTIVE VOUCHERS



Vouchers Now Open!

The Get Active Kids Program Round 9 funding is now open! Applications will remain open from October 15th – November 13th (or earlier if the budget allocation is fully exhausted).

About the program

This initiative delivers \$200 vouchers to eligible children and young people, assisting families with the costs of participation in sport and active recreation activities.

Eligibility

To be eligible for a voucher your child/dependant must be:

- A Victorian resident
- Aged 0 to 18 years old
- Named on a Health Care Card and Medicare Card, or
- Named on a Pensioner Concession Card and Medicare Card.

How to apply

To apply, visit <https://www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers/> and follow the links to the applicant portal from the "apply for a voucher" tab.

Complete all information and questions in the online application form.

You will need details from your Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card and Medicare Card to complete your application.









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