



THE LINK

6th November
Term 4, Week 5

School Calendar

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; 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

27th - Prep Trans 9-11.20am

28th - Cosmodome Incursion

Week 9

Tuesday 2nd - P-6 and Yr7 Step Up Day

Wednesday - Year 7 Transition

Thursday - Year 7 Transition

Friday 5th - Grandparents Day

Week 10

Friday 12th - Children's Fete

Week 11

Monday 15th - Year 6 Graduation

Tuesday 16th - STASC Presentation Evening

Wednesday 17th - End of Year Concert and last day for students.

WELLBEING



ROOM



RESPECT RESILIENCE KINDNESS HONESTY ASPIRATION

Principal's Report

Building Maintenance

As many parents will be aware, in recent weeks we have had numerous trades on site conducting maintenance works to various areas of the school - including the much loved Wellbeing Room.

The Wellbeing Room has been restumped and a completely new floor including carpet has been installed. While the floor was up we took the chance to remove a wall and increase the size of the Wellbeing Room. It has been a long few weeks, first while the equipment was relocated to the Art Centre and then for the 2 weeks it was all packed up and squeezed into the Art Room Storeroom - it is at long last back - but definitely bigger and better than before.

The wall removal has enlarged the room and allowed daylight to flood into the space including the Gallery - making it bright and welcoming. The new carpet is extremely welcome and completes the new space nicely. We look forward to seeing Annabel's face when she comes for her visit next Tuesday. We hope to get a coat of paint on the walls over summer and when the glazier comes to replace the old wooden doors into the Gallery, a number of windows in the Wellbeing Room will also be replaced. Currently a number of areas are getting new roof iron and we are awaiting the concreter to replace the buckled concrete spoon drain - which will complete the maintenance work (until the ramps replacement commences!)

Staff movements

This week we welcome Aliza back from her teaching placement - we hope it has been an enriching experience. Next week we welcome Mrs Walsh back from her leave - it will be lovely to hear the sounds of music emanating from the Music Room on Wednesdays and Thursdays; and we will have Ms Hendy off on her teaching placement until December 5th. Art will be taught by Mrs Martin and ICT will be taught by Mrs Driscoll during this time

Battle Bots - Monday 10th

Next Monday the Year 5/6 class are off to the Battle Bots excursion at Earth Ed in Mount Clear. The day has an ICT focus which will see students using coding to create algorithms including sequences, selections and loops to program Lego EV3 battlebots. This will be a very engaging and educational experience and we look forward to hearing all about it. Please check the excursion details on COMPASS.

Prep/Year1/Year2 Excursion - Tuesday 11th

Next Tuesday the students from Prep-Yr2 will be heading to Ballarat for their annual excursion. They are headed to see a live performance from Pevan and Sarah, following the Year 2 Sleep Over on Monday night.

Transition Commences

The Year 6 students will be heading to the Secondary College on Tuesday for a half day Transition visit. They will walk to the Secondary College at 12.30 and will be dismissed from the Secondary College at 3.05pm

The 2026 Preps will begin their Transition with a school visit on Friday 14th, from 2-3pm. Any students requiring the bus will need to have completed the Bus Travel application with the Secondary College.

Melissa Mitchell
Principal

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.



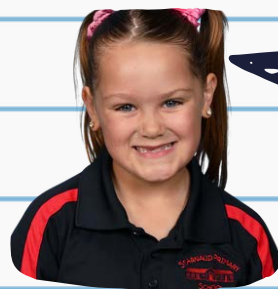
VALUE AWARD WINNERS



P/IE
Barlow Knight



1/2P
George Coloe



2/3TC
Matilda Wallace



3/4C
Whole Class



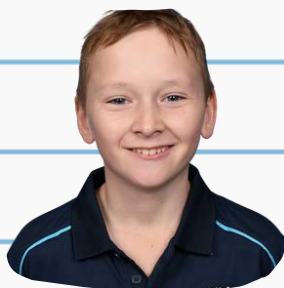
5/6W
Olivia Bennett



5/6W
Eloise Green



ART
Georgie Mactaggart



Kindness
Chase Wilson



Bakery Bucks
Aniyah Kinnane



I.C.T
Dwayne Guantero



ST ARNAUD PRIMARY SCHOOL IS A CHILD SAFE SCHOOL

SILVER AWARD WINNERS



Ariana Nguyen



Loki Teggatz



Bailey Gigg



Archie Lyons



Caleb Snell



Alistair Graham



Hugh Green





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.

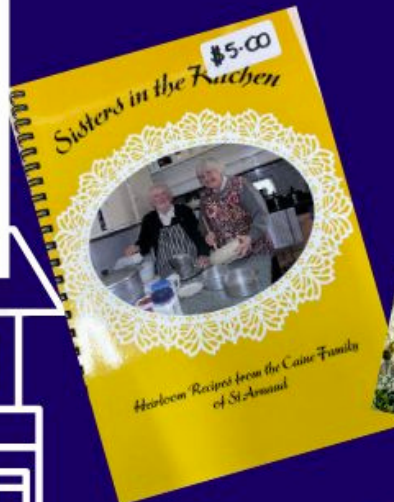
Complete all information and questions in the online application form.

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

RECIPE BOOKS

Bake Me Happy \$30

Sisters In The Kitchen \$5



General Office
Eftpos available
Ph: 54 951 028

st.arnaud.ps@education.vic.gov.au

YOU ARE INVITED
TO ATTEND

REMEMBRANCE DAY

NOV 7 2025

LEST WE FORGET

ARTS CENTRE
ST ARNAUD PRIMARY SCHOOL

10.40AM



ST ARNAUD PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS CLUB

FRIDAY LUNCHTIMES TIL THE END OF THE YEAR

Icy poles \$1 - fundraiser





First Aid Courses 2025



10am-4pm Thursday 13th Nov.

CPR Only (HLTAID009)

Completed Annually — \$85 per person

HLTAID011 Provide First Aid (Includes CPR)

(No asthma or anaphylaxis)

For first time or expired certificate

\$180 per person - Pre-class on-line work.

HLTAID011—Continuous Learning (Includes CPR)

For people with a current Certificate less than 2 years old

—Renews for another 3 years

(proof required) \$110 Per Person - Pre-class on-line work.

HLTAID012—Provide First Aid in the

Education and Care Setting (Includes CPR)

(Includes asthma or anaphylaxis)

For first time or expired certificate -

\$230 Per Person - Includes asthma and anaphylaxis

Pre-class on-line work.

HLTAID012—Continuous Learning (Includes CPR)

For people with a current Certificate less than 2 years old

—Renews for another 3 years

(proof required) \$110 Per Person - Pre-class on-line work.

Trainer:

RICH RIVER FIRST AID TRAINING

Enrol and Pay by Friday 3rd October.

Enquiries to: St Arnaud Community Resource
Centre, 85 Napier St, St Arnaud. Ph: 5495 1997
9am-2:00pm Mondays to Fridays



BOAT & JETSKI

MARINE CERTIFICATE

To get your License to be able to ...



Sunday 23rd November

1:00pm-5:00 pm

Boat & Jetski - \$130 per person

Venue: St Arnaud Community Resource Centre

Enrolment and payment are required by

two weeks before course

Enquiries, enrolments and payments to:
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