

As we approach the end of term and welcome the school holidays, I would like to thank everyone for their work throughout the first term of 2025.

I extend my sincere appreciation to everyone; students, staff and families.

Our students have achieved so much this term. They returned and moved seamlessly into their new classes, working with engagement and enthusiasm.

Our teachers, and all staff supporting those who teach, display dedication to every student entrusted to our care. Their commitment to strengthening the faith, learning and wellbeing of our students provides constant inspiration.

To our families, thank you for your support. We take our responsibility seriously and will continue to do all we can to work with you, the primary educators. The number of parents and grandparents who attended the Classroom Showcase afternoon on Tuesday was amazing, a testimony to the partnership approach we are continuing to strengthen.

My wish for everyone, over the Easter break, is that it is a time of reflection and renewal bringing much love and joy. May we all find moments to connect and catch up with friends and family. I do hope there is also time to recharge and enjoy a well deserved rest so that we can continue to carry the spirit of hope and togetherness into the new school term.

I look forward to Term 2.

Peace and blessings,  
Tania Bennett



**SCHOOL FINISHES AT**  
**1.00pm tomorrow**

# 2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term 1		
Date	Time	Activity
Friday 4 April		Caritas Fundraiser—Details below
Friday 4 April	1.00pm	Term 1 ends
Term 2		
Monday 21 April		Easter Monday
Tuesday 22 April	8.50am	Term 2 begins
Tuesday 22 April		Easter Extravaganza Day—Details below
Thursday 24 April	9.30-10.30am	Kinder Interactive Session
Friday 25 April		Anzac Day public holiday
Monday 28 April	9.30-10.30am	Open Morning
Tuesday 29 April	7pm	Parent Evening—Building a stronger St Anthony's together
Friday 9 May		Mothers Day Breakfast
Friday 9 May		Mothers Day Stall
Tuesday 13 May	9.30-10.30am	Open Morning
Friday 16 May		School Closure—Professional Learning Maths
Tuesday 20 May	9.30-10.30am	Kinder Interactive Session
Friday 23 May		Family Week Mass and Catholic Walk-a-thon
Sunday 1 June	11am	Confirmation Commitment Mass
Tuesday 3 June	7pm	Confirmation Formation Evening
Thursday 5 June	9.30-10.30am	Open Morning
Monday 9 June		King's Birthday public holiday
Tuesday 10 June		School Closure—Assessment and reporting
Wednesday 11 June	9.30-10.30am	Kinder Interactive Session
Saturday 14 June	3.00pm	Sacrament of Confirmation—St Patricks Cathedral, East Melb
Monday 30 June	9.30-10.30am	Kinder Interactive Session
Tuesday 1 July		Student/Parent/Teacher Learning Conversations
Friday 4 July	1.00pm	Term 2 ends

Term 3		
Monday 21 July	8.50am	Term 3 begins
Wednesday 30 July	7pm	Eucharist Formation Evening
Sunday 3 August	11am	Eucharist Commitment Mass
Sunday 24 August	11am	Sacrament of First Eucharist
Friday 5 September		School Closure—Professional Learning RE
Friday 19 September	1.00pm	Term 3 ends
Term 4		
Monday 6 October	8.50am	Term 4 begins
Monday 3 November		School Closure—Assessment and Reporting
Tuesday 4 November		Melbourne Cup public holiday
Friday 19 December	1.00pm	Term 4 ends—date to be confirmed



**After School Care will be open Friday, 4 April between 1pm–6pm on the last day of term. Please book online.**

**If you have not done so already, please register online using the QR code.**

Request for Bookings are now open, so contact our friendly team today!

Enrol now at  
[alphingtonshc@macseye.vic.edu.au](mailto:alphingtonshc@macseye.vic.edu.au)



# Tuesday 22 April (First Day of Term 2)

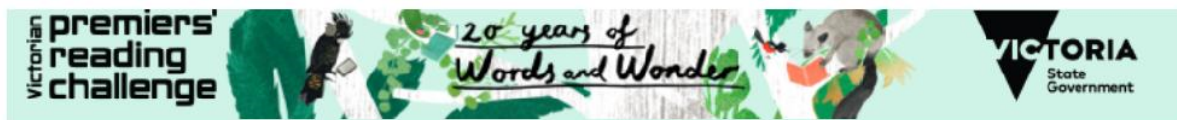
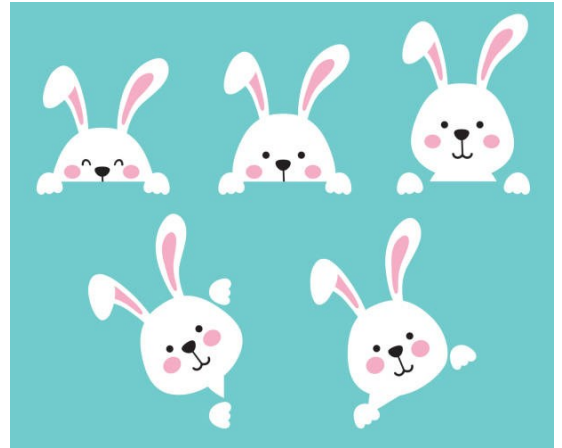
## Easter Extravaganza

To celebrate Easter and the beginning of a new term we will kick off Term 2 with a fun filled day.

Students are invited to wear casual clothes (they may want to include a touch of Easter).

At 9.30am we will gather for an Easter Liturgy in the MacKillop Room (this will replace assembly and all are welcome and invited) , from here a series of activities will begin.

P & F will supply lunch for each student -pie, drink and icy pole (please send dietary requirements through to [tbennett@saalphington.catholic.edu.au](mailto:tbennett@saalphington.catholic.edu.au) )



The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and St Anthony's is excited to be participating. This is a fantastic reading initiative run by the Victorian Government to promote a love for literature and is a wonderful opportunity for students to engage in reading during the school term as well as the school holidays. This year's theme is "20 years of Words and Wonder"

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by **5th September 2025**. Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers (*'experiencing' a book can include a range of home activities such as a shared reading, listening and reading along with a text and being read to*). Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books. Home readers can be counted towards the amount of books read.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

For more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: <https://www.vic.gov.au/school-student-and-parents-taking-part-premiers-reading-challenge>

If you would like to participate, please email me with your child's full name and class at [rromeo@saalphington.catholic.edu.au](mailto:rromeo@saalphington.catholic.edu.au) so that I can provide you with your login details.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Rosanna Romeo



# Grade 2/3MG's Visit to the MACS Creative Arts Exhibition

When we walked into the exhibition I saw lots of different art pieces. I got drawn to one and it was mine!! I felt really happy and proud of my work. (Felix)

We had a look at all the artwork and it was amazing! There were religious paintings, 3D paintings and artwork with lots of different materials. I loved one of the paintings with big purple swirls of paper. (Kara)

We were asked to vote for our favourite artwork from the primary and secondary school entries. Felix's artwork of sunflowers was displayed and I really liked the texture and colours that he used. (Sebastien)

I was inspired by an artwork called Blue Yabby. It was really detailed and it looked like a lobster with a blue head and orange tail. (Joshua)

My favourite piece of art was of a vase that had a beautiful white flower. The painting was colourful and very inspiring! (Audrey)





# ST ANTHONY'S POTATO HARVEST





# Caritas Fundraiser

## TOMORROW—Friday, 4 April

Students are invited to wear **casual clothes** and participate in a variety of activities to raise awareness of the work Caritas Project Compassion. This year's theme 'Unite Against Poverty' will see every dollar raised help transform the lives of some of the world's most vulnerable people.

**Gold coin donation to participate.**

### SCHOOL SPORTS AUSTRALIA AQUATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Tom T who represented Victoria at the National Triathlon and Aquathlon Championships in Rockingham, WA, last week. The Aquathlon consists of a run, swim, run. Tom came 38th in Australia in the Individual and his relay team came 11th in Australia. Well done Tom!



**WISHING ALL OUR SCHOOLS A LOVELY BREAK!**

**CLASSROOM CUISINE – TERM TWO, 2025**

**SERVICE RECOMMENCES**

**WEEK COMMENCING - MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**



*We believe  
in people*  
SINCE 1877





# St Anthony's Alphington



**2025 Open Mornings**  
9.30-10.30am

**TUE 11 FEB | THUR 6 MAR | WED 26 MAR**  
**MON 28 APR | TUE 13 MAY | THU 5 JUNE**

Or alternatively please call to arrange a private tour with the Principal

## ALL WELCOME



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52 Austin Street, Alphington

## Join us for some fun!



Thursday 24th April - Numeracy  
Tuesday 20th May - The Arts  
Wednesday 11th June - Literacy  
Monday 30th June - Future Design & Physical Education

**SESSIONS RUN FROM 9:30 - 10:30AM**

Register online at [www.saalphington.catholic.edu.au](http://www.saalphington.catholic.edu.au)



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## Come and experience how St Anthony's Alphington stands out from the rest



### Enrolments now open!

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52 Austin Street,  
Alphington



Book a private tour of our vibrant school  
with our student leaders and Principal.

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## St Anthony's Primary School STORY TIME



[www.saalphington.catholic.edu.au](http://www.saalphington.catholic.edu.au)

9.30am - 10.30am  
52 Austin Street, Alphington



Ages 2 - 5 years







## St Anthony's Primary School

Term 2 commences Tuesday 29th April 2025

### Program Overview:

Lessons are held in the school grounds. Each lesson consists of different themes with loads of fun games. Coaches work on footwork, balance skills, decision making and the fundamentals of each stroke. All Tennis in Stages coaches are passionate and have played at a high level of competition. Group and private coaching available after school and weekend tennis coaching at Bulleen Tennis Club.



**Cost of Program: \$120 - seven (7) weeks**

Payment via bank transfer to Tennis in Stages

Commonwealth Bank, BSB: 063236, Account Number: 10173271

Please reference student name and school

Cash: Please contact Russell Cornehl.

**FREE tennis racquet with each new enrolment**

**Tennis in Stages School Tennis Program** 56 Aylmer Street, North Balwyn Vic 3104  
For enquiries call Russell Cornehl (Director) 0408 365 636 email: russ&viv@bigpond.com

PLEASE PRINT

### ENROLMENT FORM

**St Anthony's Primary School Term 2 2025**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Add \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's First Names \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Business) \_\_\_\_\_

Please enrol me in:

Tuesday ☐ 8.15am - 8.45am

**Tennis in Stages School Tennis Program**  
russ&viv@bigpond.com



# AUTUMN HOLIDAY CAMP



A multi-sport program  
+ fun sports games and  
activities!

**APRIL 7 - 11**

MON-FRI

**APRIL 14 - 17**

MON-THURS

Narrandjeri Stadium

**Starting this Monday - 360 Sporting Camp at  
Narrandjeri Stadium!**

Don't miss out on an exciting week full of fun and activities!

**When:**

Week 1: Monday 7th – Friday 11th January  
Week 2: Monday 14th – Thursday 17th January\*

**Time:**

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**Where:**

Narrandjeri Stadium, 281 Darebin Rd, Thornbury VIC 3071

**\$95 per day.**

Multi-day discounts available.

Plus, we have a variety of lunch packages to keep your kids energized and  
ready for more fun! Check them out below!

**Book now for Autumn School Holidays**



AUSTRALIA'S #1 NON-COMPETITIVE SOCCER PROGRAM

**TERM 2, 2025  
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## MITE-E SOCCER (2-3YO)

A great introduction to Soccer!  
Children work with their parents to  
learn new soccer skills and develop  
their motor skills! Lots of fun games  
in a non-competitive environment!

35 MINUTE CLASSES  
\$170 FOR 8 WEEKS



## PINT SIZE SOCCER (4-5YO)

Children take their first kicks in soccer! They'll  
be introduced to shooting, dribbling, goal  
keeping and more. Children get to play lots  
of fun, skill based games. Grasshoppers get  
introduced to Pint Size 1v1 Big Game!

50 MINUTE CLASSES  
\$175 FOR 8 WEEKS



## INTRO TO MICRO (5-6YO) MICRO (6-8YO)

The ultimate challenge for young  
soccer players! They'll learn the rules  
of the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game  
and develop their skills in passing,  
dribbling, shooting and more!

INTRO - 60 MINS \$185 FOR 8 WEEKS  
MICRO - 60 MINS \$185 FOR 8 WEEKS



## MICRO PLUS (8-12YO)

This program focuses on skill development and teamwork  
in preparation for club soccer. Children  
will enjoy all the favourite soccer based  
games, fine tune their skills as well as  
play the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game!

60 MINUTE CLASSES  
\$185 FOR 8 WEEKS



# CHELSWORTH PARK JUNIOR TENNIS EASTER TENNIS CLINIC

**9AM - 12PM DAILY**

**MONDAY 7TH APRIL - WED 9TH APRIL**

**\$70 PER DAY**

**\$195.00 3 DAYS**

Ages 5years +

All Abilities Welcome

Plenty of fun Games & Challenges

Refreshments provided Bring a friend

Boost your confidence

Improve your skills



Register: [playtenniscptc@gmail.com](mailto:playtenniscptc@gmail.com) Mobile 0409514940

Chelsworth Park TC 130 The Boulevard Ivanhoe 3079

## MUSIC LESSONS AT ST ANTHONYS PS

\*\* MUSIC TUITION INCREASES CONFIDENCE, SELF ESTEEM AND HELPS TO IMPROVE SCHOOL SUBJECTS – MATHS, LITERACY, SCIENCE, READING ETC \*\*

ST ANTHONYS Primary School in association with Metro Music School is now offering Music Lessons to students who are interested in learning an instrument at school every week. Lessons are held during school hours (30 mins/once per week) at suitable times. (Prep to Gr 6) Enquiries are welcome on 9460 4818 (Metro Music School).

Lessons Offered: **KEYBOARD PIANO GUITAR** – (subject to sufficient enrolments)

Discount Hiring and Purchase also available. Contact us for details or visit our online shop at [www.metro-music.net.au](http://www.metro-music.net.au)

Please enrol online at the above website address.



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SCAN ME!



ALL WELCOME

Parkside Junior Football Club's Season

# KICK OFF



**SUNDAY 27 APRIL**  
5PM – 8PM

Pitcher Park, Alphington

FOOD | ENTERTAINMENT | BAR




Ged and Kat's  
**BIG EASTER EGG HUNT**

APRIL 12  
10AM

Free Entry, gold coin donation to Royal Childrens Hospital

Easter Egg hunt and a photo with Easter Bunny!

**Register now for children under 10!**



Authorised by Ged Kearney, ALP, 159 high street Preston VIC 3072

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS



**BOOK NOW!**

LIMITED SPOTS ARE AVAILABLE AND FILLING FAST

**APRIL PROGRAM DATES:**  
WEEK 1: MON 7 - WED 9 APRIL  
WEEK 2: MON 14 - WED 16 APRIL

Alphington Grammar School 8:30am - 3:30pm

**Qualified Health & PE Teachers**
**Programs for 5-12 year olds**
**Skill Development**
**Meet New People**

## Activities include...

Soccer - Basketball - Nerf War - Pokémon Hunt - Lego Masters  
Footy - Tennis - Minecraft Escape Room - Dodgeball Battle  
Sport Board Games - Netball - Ninja Warrior Obstacle Course  
Mini Olympics - Mini Golf - Capture the Flag - Trick Shot Champion



HOLIDAY **8<sup>TH</sup> & 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

# ART LAB

49-51 Hawkner St Ivanhoe (sea scout hall)

7-14 yrs 10:30 - 3pm



**BOOK TODAY**





PRESENTS:



Monday 4 – 4.45 PM @ Alphington Primary School

10-week program starting 17<sup>th</sup> MAR 2025

Scan the QR code to register:



A Carer must stay with player!



Net Set Go  
Registrations!



NetSetGo is an introductory netball program for all children, aged 5 – 10 years, with a focus on basic skills and having fun.

- **When:** Fridays 3:45 – 4.30pm, in term two (2/5-20/6)
- **Where:** Fairfield Primary School, on the blue sports court
- **Cost:** \$99, includes a t-shirt, key chain and size 4 netball
- **Register** via netball connect - for new members you'll need to create an account with Netball Connect to register your player.
- For more info contact Nova: [novac78@hotmail.com](mailto:novac78@hotmail.com)

<https://parksidenetballclub.org.au/>

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Looking to keep the kids entertained  
these school holidays?



### Wed 9th April SCIENCE & SLIME

Make fluffy slime and  
be amazed by the  
wonders of science

9.30-12.30 Book Here  
1.00-4.00 Book Here

### Fri 11th April SUPERHEROES

Strong body, strong  
mind and all things that  
make us SUPER!

9.30-12.30 Book Here

### Wed 16th April HOCUS POCUS

Experiments, potions  
and all things  
MAGIC!

9.30-12.30 Book Here  
1.00-4.00 Book Here

### Thu 17th April FABULOUS FOOD

From fruit salad to fairy  
bread, make, create and  
experiment with food

9.30-12.30 Book Here

Inspiring Minds Studio classes are suitable for children aged 1.5-8yrs \$60  
for 1, \$100 for 2 siblings, \$140 for 3 siblings

27 Enfield Ave, Preston



Bookings at [www.inspiringmindsstudio.com.au/school-holiday-program/](http://www.inspiringmindsstudio.com.au/school-holiday-program/)





# SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SORTED

**RAMSDEN ST RESERVE  
CLIFTON HILL**  
**11TH & 17TH APRIL**  
**9AM - 3PM**



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Courtney & Patterson Ford will donate \$400 to St  
Anthony's Primary School if a family or staff  
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their referral when making a purchase.

14, 16, 17 April 2025

## EASTER RUNNING CAMP

Join our Physio-led School Holiday running program.  
All skill levels catered for.

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

5-7 year olds: 10am - 11am

11+ years: 11.15am - 12.15pm

Taking expressions of interest for 8-10 years

### Activities

- Running drills for speed & form
- Fun agility drills to improve coordination & speed
- Injury prevention/management tips
- Developing power & strength for jumping
- Collaborative games
- Active play for health & fun

**\$90 for all 3 sessions.**  
**Bookings required.**



**Location**  
George Knott Athletic  
Field, Heidelberg Rd  
Clifton Hill 3068

**Contact us**  
9481 2348  
[admin@bodyfitphysio.com.au](mailto:admin@bodyfitphysio.com.au)



All students attending St Anthony's Primary School have the right to feel safe. The care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people is a fundamental responsibility of all within our school.