



# Shepparton East Primary School Newsletter

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### December

- |            |  |
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| Tues 2nd   | Yr 5/6 Lighthouse Project (Group 1)                    |
| Thurs 4th  | Prep Major Excursion<br>2026 School Captain interviews |
| Tues 9th   | Orientation Day<br>2026 Prep Transition #5             |
| Thurs 11th | Concert  |
| Fri 12th   | P/1/2 Rewards Day<br>Yr 5 Aspirations Day              |
| Mon 15th   | Arts Activity Day                                      |
| Tues 16th  | Yr 3/4 Rewards Day<br>Yr 6 Graduation 5pm              |
| Wed 17th   | Yr 5/6 Rewards Day                                     |
| Fri 19th   | End of year (1pm finish)                               |

## 2026 DATES TO REMEMBER

### January

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| Tues 27th  | Staff commence<br>Book pick up day (12:30pm—5:30pm) |
| Wed 28th   | Yrs 1—6 students commence                           |
| Thurs 29th | Prep students commence                              |

Our Grade 5/6 students have been working hard to plan and launch their annual small-business project! Each **Thursday at lunchtime**, students will be running the **'Frosty Delights' Ice-Cream Stall** to raise funds for their end-of-year celebrations. The stall will be held in the **Multi-Purpose Room** at the beginning of lunch. All students are welcome to bring along a small amount of money to make **one purchase each** **Thursday**.

#### Price List:

**Waffle Cone + Ice Cream:** \$3

**Regular Cone + Ice Cream:** \$2

**Zooper Dooper:** \$1

**Optional Toppings (Oreo or Sprinkles):** + 50c

**Flavours Available:** Chocolate, Vanilla, Cookies & Cream



The stall will operate on:

**December 4 and December 11.**

Thank you for supporting our students' learning and fundraising!

**Wednesday 3rd December 2025**

## DIRECT BANK DEPOSIT

Account Name: Shepparton East Primary School  
BSB: 063—527 Account number: 00907665

Please ensure you include family name and payment description as reference.

## CURRENTLY DUE BACK

- P/1/2 Rewards Day - consent & payment
- Yr 3/4 Rewards Day - consent & payment
- Yr 5/6 Rewards Day - consent & payment
- Yr 5 Aspirations Day—consent & payment

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

Parents and Friends are excited to announce our Christmas raffle this year and are in need of donations.

- Raffle will be drawn at the end of year concert.
- Date: December 11<sup>th</sup> 2025

We sincerely thank the Shepparton East community for their continued support of Parents and Friends.

## SAVE THE DATE



**Shepparton East Primary School is celebrating 150 years**



Open Classrooms: **Friday 23rd October 2026**  
Celebrations & Ceremony: **Saturday 24th October 2026**

# From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents,

The last couple of weeks are packed full of activities. We are still requiring helpers for Arts Activity Day, so if you can spare some time to help out it would be gratefully appreciated. Please also remember to return your Christmas raffle tickets once they are sold, there are some amazing prizes to be won thanks to our dedicated and hard working Parents & Friends Club.

All of our Year 5 students who presented speeches for 2026 School Captains did an absolutely amazing job last week. Interviews have been held and the 2026 Captains will be announced shortly.



## Farewell and Thank You to Our Departing Staff

As we conclude the year, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to several valued staff members who are embarking on new chapters in their professional and personal journeys. Each has contributed so much to Shepparton East Primary School, and their impact will be felt long after they leave our classrooms.

### Mr Sam Ferguson

After nine wonderful years at Shepparton East PS—two of those spent enriching his practice overseas—Mr Ferguson is making the move to Melbourne, where he will join Armadale Primary School as a Learning Specialist. Sam has been an outstanding classroom teacher across multiple year levels, and in the past two years has led the school's curriculum development in literacy and numeracy. His leadership, guidance, and commitment to mentoring early-career teachers have helped shape the future of our teaching team. Sam's presence, passion, and expertise will be deeply missed, and we congratulate him on this well-deserved opportunity.



### Mrs Demi Malcolm

After nine years of dedicated service to our school, Mrs Malcolm is heading to Numurkah Primary School to be closer to her family. Demi has contributed richly across a wide range of teaching roles and is well known for her warmth, her deep care for students, and her willingness to support every aspect of school life. Her experience and compassionate approach have made her a treasured member of staff. We thank Demi for her years of commitment and wish her all the very best in this next stage.

### Mr Ryan Gleeson

Since joining Shepparton East PS in 2023, Mr Gleeson has made an exceptional contribution to our school community. He has passionately led Performing Arts, including our involvement in the Victorian State Schools Spectacular and the annual school concert—both highlights on our school calendar. Beyond the stage, Ryan has been instrumental in guiding our Professional Learning Communities and mentoring our graduate teachers. As he and his family relocate to Melbourne, Ryan will be taking up a position at Keysborough Gardens Primary School. We thank him sincerely for his enthusiasm, leadership, and creativity, and we wish him every success in this next chapter.

### Mrs Kirsty King

Joining us midway through the year to lead 1/2B, Mrs King stepped seamlessly into her role and quickly became a valued part of our junior school team. As she moves on to Gowrie Street Primary School next year, we extend our appreciation for her flexibility, kindness, and dedication to her students. We wish her every success in her new position.



## Welcoming New and Returning Staff for 2026

As we farewell these wonderful educators, we are also delighted to welcome new and returning staff members for 2026.

**Miss Karina Mawson**, who recently completed a placement with us under the guidance of Mr Ferguson, will be joining the team as our PE teacher. We look forward to the energy and fresh perspective she will bring as a graduate teacher.

We are also excited to welcome back **Miss Jessica Beaton**, who will be returning to Shepparton East PS to teach STEM in 2026. Her enthusiasm and expertise in this area will be a fantastic asset to our school.

We thank all departing staff for their exceptional service and warmly welcome our new team members. Shepparton East PS continues to thrive because of the wonderful people who choose to be part of our school community, and we look forward to another inspiring year ahead.

### Staffing for 2026:

Principal	Les Walsh	Art & Auslan	Elly Campbell
Assist Principal	Eva Brennan	Stem & Perf Arts	Jess Beaton
PG	Amy Gladman	PE & Health	Karina Mawson
1/2G	Leyla Gunes	Wellbeing & Disability Inclusion	Fiona Crosier
1/2J	Livinia Jones	Education Support	Megan O'Flynn
3/4B	Jayne Burden		Further classroom ES to be confirmed
3/4T	Deanne Thorne	Business Manager	Julie Williams
5/6A	Arlene Austin	Admin Assistant	To be confirmed
5/6B	Ella Barbary		
5/6I	Nick Lorianni		

## **Concert**

This years annual concert "Can You Feel It" will be held on the evening of Thursday 11th December here at school on the back oval. Students have been working hard rehearsing their items. Concert will start at 6pm, students are required in their classrooms by 5:45pm.

BYO chairs or picnic blanket.

Chairs will be supplied for Yr 6 families only (4 per family).

This year we will once again be running a BBQ which will only be available from 5:15pm until 6:00pm (start of concert) and again during interval so as to not disrupt the students performance. Cost per sausage is \$2.

Parents and Friends will be selling drinks on the night.

\*\*Please note: All payments on the night are via cash only\*\*



## **Concert USB**

A copy of the Concert will be available for families to purchase on USB for \$10.

Please put your name down at the office if you would like to order a copy.

Our Year 6 students will receive a complimentary copy and will also have their Graduation added to theirs.



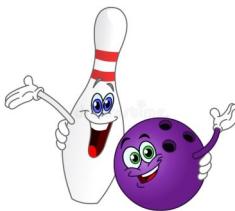
## **Year 3/4 Rewards Day**

Tuesday 16th December.

For their end of year celebrations, the Year 3/4 students will enjoy a morning at Oz Pin Bowling and then the Cinema.

Cost: \$29

Permission (via Compass) and payment (via the office) is required.



## **Prep Major Excursion—**

### **Bendigo Discovery**

### **Science & Technology Centre**

As part of the Science curriculum our Prep students will head to the Bendigo Discovery Science and Technology Centre tomorrow to explore earth and physical science.



## **2026 Bookpacks**

The school will order a bookpack for each student for 2026.

These bookpacks can be picked up on Tuesday 27th January between 12:30pm-5:30pm.

Yearly contributions (which include the bookpacks) can be paid at time of pickup.

Years 3-6 students will be required to purchase their own pencil case.



## **Prep/1/2 Rewards Day**

Friday 12th December.

For their end of year celebrations, the Years Prep, one and two students will enjoy a day at the All Abilities Playground followed by a movie at the Cinema. Cost: \$19.

Permission (via Compass) and payment (via the office) is required.



## **Year 5/6 Rewards Day**

Wednesday 17th December.

The Year 5/6 students will enjoy a movie at the cinema and a game of 10 pin bowls for their end of year celebrations. Cost: \$26

Permission (via Compass) and payment (via the office) is required.



## **Yr 6 Graduation**

The Year 6 Graduation will be held on Tuesday 16th December at the Shepparton East Football Club rooms from 5pm. Further details shortly.



## **2026 Prep Transition Program**

### **Session 5— Tuesday 9th December 2025 (9.00am-11.00am)**

TRANSITION DAY— Classroom visit with 2026 Prep teacher

Contact the school to register or if you have any

questions regarding our 2026 Prep Transition program on 5829 2426 or via email [shepparton.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:shepparton.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au)



## **Orientation Day**

On Tuesday 9th December all students will participate in the statewide Orientation Day. The 2026 Preps will attend between 9am and 11:00am. Our current students will participate in Orientation Day in the afternoon, completing activities and meeting their 2026 Year level teachers. Our current Year 6 students will visit their Secondary School for their specific Orientation session.

### **Orientation Day**





# PLEASE READ

## Respectful, safe, engaged: shared expectations to support student behaviour

When schools, families and students work together, we achieve the best outcomes. These partnerships are essential to creating school environments that support all students to belong, learn and thrive.

At Shepparton East Primary School, all students are expected to be respectful, safe, and engaged. These behaviours help make our school a place where everyone can achieve their best. As a parent and carer, you play a vital role in helping your child to understand and meet shared behaviour expectations.

Students meet behaviour expectations by being:

### Respectful

- Following staff instructions and school rules.
- Caring for school property and others' belongings.
- Using respectful language.

### Safe

- Keeping themselves and others safe from harm.
- Speaking up or seeking help from an adult if they or someone else is being treated unfairly.
- Only bringing safe and necessary items to school.

### Engaged

- Going to school every day, being on time, and ready to learn.
- Taking part, doing their best, and asking for help when they need.
- Knowing and following the school's policies, including the mobile phone policy.

Shepparton East Primary School is supporting our students to meet these expectations by being:

### Respectful

- Teaching and demonstrating school rules and positive behaviour expectations to students.
- Explicitly teaching, modelling and acknowledging expected respectful behaviour.
- Engaging collaboratively and positively with all students, parents and carers.

### Safe

- Having clear policies and procedures to prevent and respond to bullying and keep students safe.
- Offering additional supports to students proactively and supporting students to speak up and seek help.
- Proactively identifying and addressing problems to maintain a physically, socially and culturally safe school environment.

### Engaged

- Delivering evidence-based, inclusive education that meets the needs of all students.
- Empowering students to have a say in decisions that affect their learning and school life.
- Building strong, trusting relationships to ensure all students feel seen, heard and valued.

How parents and carers can help

By modelling and encouraging positive behaviour, you help your child build the skills and habits they need to be successful at school.

This can include:

### Respectful

- Knowing the school's rules and supporting them at home.
- Modelling respectful behaviour in how you speak to and about school staff, families, and others both in person and online.
- Making use of the school's processes to raise and resolve concerns early.

### Safe

- Working together with staff if your child is having problems at school to understand and resolve the issue.
- Ensuring your child knows it is okay to ask for help from a trusted adult at school.
- Ensuring your child stays safe online by talking with them and addressing concerns early.

### Engaged

- Helping your child to attend school every day - every day counts.
- Communicating with school staff and working together to support your child's learning and wellbeing.
- Talking with your child about their day and how they are feeling and encouraging their learning by noticing their effort and progress.

The Respectful, safe, engaged: shared expectations to support student behaviour statement is available on the department's website. Further information, resources and support are available at Supporting positive behaviour in Victorian government schools.

## Child safe

Shepparton East Primary School is committed to providing an environment where students are safe and feel safe. Ensuring child safety is a shared responsibility, and we expect all members of our school community—staff, parents, carers, and visitors—to speak up and report any concerns relating to child safety and wellbeing.

Our child safety framework located at [www.shepeastps.vic.edu.au](http://www.shepeastps.vic.edu.au) demonstrates how we support and maintain child

safety and wellbeing at Shepparton East Primary School. It includes our:

- Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy
- Child Safety Reporting and Responding Obligations Procedures, and Child Safety Code of Conduct, which outlines acceptable and unacceptable behaviours for all staff and volunteers at our school.

Our students and families are important partners in providing a child safe environment. These regular newsletter reminders are one of the ways we ensure our school community is aware of:

- our commitment to child safety, and how to provide feedback or raise child safety concerns.

If you have any concerns about child safety at any time, please contact Shepparton East Primary School on 03 5829 2426. Any child safety complaints or concerns are treated seriously. For more information about our school's complaints process, see our Complaints Policy.

We also welcome your ideas on ways we can improve our approach to child safety and wellbeing. If you have any suggestions or comments please contact Shepparton East Primary School on 03 5829 2426 or at [shepparton.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:shepparton.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au).



# SLEEP OVER

# Congratulations Flynn

on cashing in for the Principals Chair for the day.

Keep up the great work!



## Christmas Raffle

1<sup>st</sup> prize- Yeti 48 Wheeled Hard cooler Value \$600

Donated by V and D Heenan

2<sup>nd</sup> prize- FFalcon 50" LED Google TV Value \$399

3<sup>rd</sup> prize- Phillips air fryer Value \$199

and other hampers to be won.

Drawn on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December at the concert

Tickets \$1 each



## ARTS ACTIVITY DAY

MONDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

Session Times:

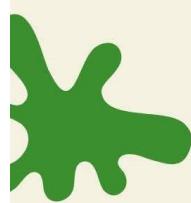
- 1: 10am - 11am
- 2: 11:30am - 12:30pm
- 3: 1:15pm - 2:15pm



We are looking for parent volunteers, with a working with children check, to come and help... (no toddlers please)

Please put your name down at the office with Julie & Bree  
Email: [shepparton.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:shepparton.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au)  
Phone: 58 292 426

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THEME/ CASUAL OUTFIT





Shepparton East Primary School would like to thank



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for their \$200 donation to the schools Breakfast Program.

## STATE WIDE ORIENTATION DAY AT GSSC

9TH DECEMBER 2025

Information about Orientation Day will be emailed out to Parents/Caregivers on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December.

This will include

- ☛ What to wear: primary school uniform
- ☛ What to bring: hat, water bottle & backpack
- ☛ Time to arrive: approximately 8.30am
- ☛ Where to go on arrival : Head to the Gym (signs and staff will direct you).
- ☛ A Welcome pack will be handed out on the day of Orientation.

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of December a second email will be sent out informing students of their Class and House. A list of all students class/house allocations will be available to students on arrival of Orientation Day also.

Parking will be available on Ford Reserve for Parent/Caregivers to drop off & pick up. Buses will also be available.



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# GUITAR LESSONS



Join now

**Guitar Lessons with Cliff Doorkamp**

Cliff will again be conducting guitar lessons at school each Friday. Lessons cost \$25 per 20 minute lesson. For more information contact Cliff on 0474 769 963. (A copy of this return slip is available from the office)

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Returning student:  Yes  No







# KELLY SPORTS

## SHEPPARTON SUMMER FUTSAL

2025/2026 COMPETITION

### PROGRAM INFORMATION

Prepare to ignite your passion for Futsal in the Shepparton Summer Futsal Competition. Our venues come alive with, action-packed matches, showcasing the talents of young athletes on the court! Come along, soak up the atmosphere, and cheer on your champions from the stands!

- **WEEKLY MATCHES**
- **REGISTER INDIVIDUALLY**
- **REGISTER AS A TEAM**

#### SUMMER SEASON DETAILS

**DAY:** Saturday      **TIME:** 9:00am - onwards      **SEASON COST:** \$315

**DATES:** October 11th - Dec 20th & Jan 31st - Mar 28th

**VENUES:** Visy Stadium  
Tatura Basketball Stadium  
Shepparton Sports Stadium\*

\*venue to be used for additional matches subject to availability or whereby existing venues are unavailable

**AGE GROUPS:** Under 6 / 8 / 10 / 12 / 14 / 16 / 18

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## SHEPPARTON TOUCH ASSOCIATION NEW SEASON LOADING.. JUNIORS & SENIORS!!!

- **FRIDAY 10 OCTOBER - REGO NIGHT (5:30PM JUNIORS | 6:30PM SENIORS)**
- **FRIDAY 17 OCTOBER - GRADING NIGHT**
- **FRIDAY 31 OCTOBER - ROUND 1**
- **FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER - ROUND 2**
- **FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER - ROUND 3**
- **FRIDAY 21 NOVEMBER - ROUND 4**
- **FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER - ROUND 5**
- **FRIDAY 5 DECEMBER - ROUND 6**
- **FRIDAY 12 DECEMBER - FINALS**



## Play for the **LODGERS** Register Now!

Registrations are now open  
to play for the Lodgers for the  
2025/26 junior cricket season!

### SEASON STARTS IN OCTOBER

**U10s & U14s - Wednesday nights**

**U12s & U16s - Friday nights**

**Trainings - Tuesdays 4.30pm  
@ Lemnos Reserve.**



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### FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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