# Shepparton East Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

**Wednesday 21st October 2026**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### October

**Thurs 22nd** Photography Session

**Mon 26th** Prep transition day #3

**Tues 27th** School Council Meeting

**Fri 30th** BBQ lunch order

### November

**Mon 2nd** Report Writing day (Curriculum day)

**Tues 3rd** Melbourne Cup day

**Thurs 5th** State Athletics

**Fri 6th** Division cricket

**Tues 10th** Parents and Friends meeting

**Thurs 19th** Yr 1/2 Sleepover

**Fri 20th** Prep transition day #4

### Lunch orders

Lunch orders will be unavailable on the 30th October. Parents and friends will be doing a BBQ Lunch order day instead.




## 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

- 5/6 Camp (Cottage By The Sea)
- Prep major excursion - Kyabram Fauna Park
- BBQ lunchorder
- Division cricket
- 1/2 Sleepover

### School Council Meeting

The next School Council meeting will be on Tuesday 27th October

### Curriculum Day—Report Writing Day

Monday 2nd November (the day before Melbourne Cup Day) is the date approved by School Council as Report Writing Day. Students are not required to attend on this day.

**Please note:**
Unfortunately TheirCare will NOT BE RUNNING on this day.




### 2027 Prep Transition #3

We are excited to welcome back our 2027 Preps on Monday 26th October for their third transition day.




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Shepparton.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au
58 292426 58 292683
http://www.shepeastps.vic.gov.au

## From the principal's desk



Dear parents,

What a wonderful turnout for our school's 150th Anniversary celebrations! It was fantastic to see so many people come together to celebrate this special milestone in our school's history.
A huge thank you to everyone who generously volunteered their time, energy and dedication to help make this event such a success. Your efforts and support are greatly appreciated!
Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make our 150th Anniversary a day to remember. We are so grateful for the ongoing support of our wonderful school community! Keep your eyes out for our special edition newsletter for this event coming soon.

As the weather starts to warm up, I would like to remind all families to ensure their children are SunSmart by wearing a broad-brimmed hat, applying sunscreen and drinking plenty of water throughout the day.
On days when temperatures exceed 35°C, students will be asked to remain indoors to support their health and wellbeing. Students who do not have a hat will be required to remain in a designated area during outdoor play, where they can be more easily supervised and protected from the sun.
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak with your child's teacher or contact the school.

I'm sure all families are looking forward to the upcoming extra-long weekend, with Monday 2nd November being a Report Writing Day and Tuesday being Melbourne Cup Day.
Enjoy the short break, take some time to relax and recharge, and return refreshed and ready for the final busy weeks of the school year!

## 2027 Bookpacks



The school will order a bookpack for each student for 2027.
These bookpacks can be picked up on Wednesday 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

## 2027 Class Requests

In line with the class selection policy, parents are able to submit a written request based on a medical, educational or social/emotional need. These requests must be submitted by Friday 6th November with no requests being taken after this date.




If you would like to discuss any requests or concerns, please also make an appointment with myself by this date.




## Start of 2027 school year dates

Wednesday 27th January—Staff commence

Wednesday 27th January—Book pick up day (12:30pm—5:30pm)

Thursday 28th January—All students commence

## Yr 1/2 Sleepover & Bowling





Thursday 19th November.
The students will attend Star Bowl for a game of 10 pin bowling
during the day and return to school early evening to enjoy activities,
dinner and a sleepover that night.
Cost: $22
Please ensure you complete your permission via Compass and payment via the office.




## 2027 Prep Transition Program

Session 3– Monday 26th October 2026 (9.00am-10.30am)
Specialist & Parent Information session
Session 4– Friday 20th November 2026 (9.00am-10.30am)
Students classroom visit
Session 5– Tuesday 8th December 2026 (9.00am-11.30am)
TRANSITION DAY

Contact the school to register or if you have any questions regarding our 2027 Prep Transition program on 58 292 426 or via email shepparton.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au

## Remembrance Day Ceremony

On Wednesday 11th November our School
Captains and Mr Walsh will represent our school at the Remembrance Day Service and Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Shepparton Cenotaph.
Also on Wednesday 11th November the Junior School Councillors will run a Remembrance Day Ceremony here at school at 10:45am.
All are welcome to attend.




# Sam Birrell Visit



SAM BIRRELL VISIT OUR 5/6 STUDENTS

*Sam Birrell visited our school to speak with our Year 5/6 students about his work as a politician. Sam explained the different areas of government and discussed how laws are proposed, debated, amended, revised, and passed through Parliament. He also spoke about democracy and the important role it plays in our community.*

*Students had the opportunity to ask a range of thoughtful questions, including, "What is your favourite thing about your job?", "What are you currently working on?" and "Why do we have so many potholes?"*

*The visit helped students develop a greater understanding of how decisions made in Parliament can directly impact our local community. Sam concluded the session by discussing leadership and encouraging students to recognise that they can all make a positive contribution to their school and wider community.*



# DIVISION Athletics





ON MONDAY 12TH THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO HAD QUALIFIED FOR THE DIVISION ATHLETICS HEADED TO MCEWEN RESERVE TO COMPETE IN THEIR EVENTS: SOPHIE O'SULLIVAN, PAIGE LAWS, ALEX TENACE, ELI HUNTER, JOSIAH HUNTER, NOAH O'DONNELL, TOBY BOBY-THOMAS, JACOB SAGOLEO AND MATEO SCARCELLA.

THEY ALL PERFORMED WELL AND REPRESENTED OUR SCHOOL WITH PRIDE.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALEX, PAIGE, NOAH, TOBY, JACOB AND MATEO WHO ALL QUALIFIED FOR THE NEXT LEVEL AND COMPETED ON 16TH OCTOBER



# REGION Athletics





CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE STUDENTS WHO COMPETED IN THE REGION ATHLETICS IN ALBURY LAST FRIDAY.

PAIGE CAME 2ND IN THE 200M SMASHING 3 SECONDS OFF HER PB!! VERY EXCITING FOR HER! SO SHE IS OFF TO STATE TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS ON THE 29TH OCTOBER IN MELBOURNE. SHE CAME 4TH IN TRIPLE JUMP. ALEX CAME 5TH IN HIS 200M AND RAN REALLY WELL.

THE BOYS DID A GREAT JOB IN THE RELAY TOO.



# Spotto Special Lunch



**Congratulations** to the students who cashed in their spottos to enjoy a special lunch together.
Keep up the great work!


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**Congratulations** to the students who cashed in their spottos to enjoy a special lunch together.
Keep up the great work!




**Congratulationsto**
*Kimberly*
**whocashedin his spottostoenjoy the Principalschair for theday.**
**Keep upthe great work!**

# SUPER STAR AWARD



Congratulations to

**Eloise & Izayah**

on receiving the Super Star award.
Keep up the amazing work!

# PRINCIPALS AWARD



Congratulations-

**LILLY**

for receiving the Principals award.
Keep up the awesome work!

# SUPER STAR AWARD



Congratulations to

Evie

on receiving the Super Star award.
Keep up the amazing work!

# SUPER STAR AWARD



Congratulations to

Kirubel

on receiving the Super Star award.
Keep up the amazing work!

# SUPER STAR AWARD



Congratulations to

**Harley & Luke**

on receiving the Super Star award.
Keep up the amazing work!

# SUPER STAR AWARD



Congratulations to

**Antonio**

on receiving the Super Star award.
Keep up the amazing work!

## LEARNING SUPER STARS & CELEBRATE LEARNING TERM 4 2026

| Assembly Date | Learning Super Star | Celebrate Learning |
|---|---|---|
| Week 1 | Grade 5/6 Team (Arlene/Ella/Nick) | 3/4T |
| Week 2 | Grade 3/4 Team (Deanne/Jayde) | 1/2J |
| Week 3 | Grade P/1/2 Team (Leyla/Livinia/Amy) | 5/6B |
| Week 4 | Grade 5/6 Team (Arlene/Ella/Nick) | PG |
| Week 5 | | |
| Week 6 | Grade 3/4 Team (Deanne/Jayde) | 5/6A |
| Week 7 | Grade P/1/2 Team (Leyla/Livinia/Amy) | 3/4B |
| Week 8 | Grade 5/6 Team (Arlene/Ella/Nick | 5/6I |
| Week 9 | Grade 3/4 Team (Deanne/Jayde) | 1/2S |
| Week 10 | Grade P/1/2 Team (Leyla/Livinia/Amy) | |
| Week 11 | | |

THIS IS THE SCHEDULE FOR THE LEARNING SUPER STARS AND CELEBRATE LEARNING FOR TERM 4 ASSEMBLY.
THESE ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANY TIME.

# GRADE 6 TRANSITION TO GSSC TIMELINE

Any queries please contact Belinda Petty on 5890 2000 or transition@gssc.vic.edu.au

**Placement Information Pack**
Received at the start of Term 2 (around **22 April**).
Choose your preferred secondary school and return the form to your Primary School by **8 May**.

**GSSC Information Night**
Wednesday **29 April**. Tours at 4:00pm, followed by an Information Session at 5:00pm.
A great chance to learn more about the school and its opportunities.

**School Tours** Tours are available on **Tuesday** mornings, as well as at various times during the first two weeks of **Term 2**. Bookings can be made via the GSSC website. https://www.gssc.vic.edu.au/event-registration-form or QR Code.

**Placement Notification** will be received from your Primary School advising of the secondary school offer. To secure your place at GSSC, this must be accepted and returned to the Primary School by **11 August**.

**Second GSSC Information Evening** - August (date to be confirmed)
Collect enrolment packs, learn about bus travel and transition, and join a school tour before the session.

**High Ability Program** (optional) students will need to register interest from **13 July to 7 August** and attend a testing session to enable entry into this program. Instructions will be available via your Primary School closer to the date.

**Additional Transition** opportunities will be offered later in the year once placements are finalised. Including sessions focused on Wellbeing, Diverse Learners, First Nations, English as an Additional Language and Taster sessions.

**Orientation Day - December 8** all students coming to GSSC in 2027 will be able to experience a day at high school with plenty of fun activities and learning experiences.

# Expression of INTEREST

SHEPPARTON EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL

# PLAYGROUP (2027)

SHEPPARTON EAST P.S. — BY LEARNING, WE GROW

Shepparton East Primary School is exploring the possibility of establishing a community playgroup in **2027** for local families with young children.

A playgroup would provide a welcoming environment where children can learn through play, develop early social skills, and become familiar with our school, while parents and carers have the opportunity to connect with other local families.

Before we begin planning, we would like to gauge the level of interest within our community.

If you have a child of playgroup age, or you know a family with young children who may benefit from attending, we would love to hear from you. Please share this opportunity with friends, neighbours and family members who may be interested.

Registering your interest **does not commit you** to attending. It simply helps us determine whether there is sufficient community interest to establish a playgroup in 2027.

**TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST**

Please fill in the Google Form using the link below:

https://forms.gle/VctJ53QiK3C8uLmS8

OR

Simply contact the school office by phone or email and provide:

- Parent/carer name
- Child's name and age
- Contact phone number and email address

**PHONE:** 58292426

**EMAIL:** shepparton.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au



*We look forward to hearing from you and hope to create another wonderful opportunity for young families to connect with our school community.*

*Kind Regards* | *Les Walsh*
Principal
Shepparton East Primary School

SHEPP EAST COMMUNITY EVENT

# HAUNTED HOUSE

STEP INTO OUR HAUNTED HOUSE IF YOU DARE!

POPCORN & ZOOPER DOOPER (FOR SCARY BOYS & GIRLS)

B.YOGA STUDIO
713 MIDLAND HWY
SHEPP EAST

6 TO 8 PM

CHILD TICKET $5

ADULTS FREE

b.YOGA

Friends of the Rotary

SATURDAY, 31 OCTOBER

100% of money raised from this event goes to the Cambodian Clean Water & Toilet Project

SHEPPARTON EAST THEIRCARE PRESENTS

# SQUISHY TRADE NIGHT

**TRADE ONLY - NO BUYING OR SELLING**

Bring along your clean, gently used squishies and swap them with friends! Every trade must be agreed to by both children.

## YOU'LL NEED

- Clean squishies you are happy to trade
- A small bag to take your trades home
- A parent/carer if you are not booked in

## QUICK FACTS

- DATE: Friday 13 November
- TIME: 4.30-5.30 pm
- WHERE: Shepparton East

## HOW THE TRADE WORKS

1. SHOW
2. AGREE
3. SWAP

Children who are not booked into TheirCare must be supervised by a parent or carer.

## TIPS & TRICKS

Decide what you are happy to trade before you arrive. Keep favourite squishies at home.

## SAFETY NOTES

Ask before touching. Trade fairly. An adult will help if anyone changes their mind.

## TRADE IDEAS

Swap one-for-one, make a bundle, or simply show your collection and join the fun.

CLEAN SQUISHIES ONLY, PLEASE!

COMMUNITY EVENT - SHEPPARTON EAST THEIRCARE

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SHEPPARTON ATHLETICS CLUB

ALL AGES AND ABILITIES WELCOME!

# SEASON LAUNCH

SHEPPARTON ATHLETICS CLUB

**COME AND TRY!**
Have a run, jump or throw to see if it's for you!

**FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER**
**FROM 6:00PM**

**SHEPPARTON ATHLETICS TRACK**
Princess Park, Shepparton

- Past and new potential members welcome
- Come and try option available
- All ages and abilities welcome
- Chat to the committee about membership options
- Finish the night with a light supper

RUN | JUMP | THROW | MEET THE COMMITTEE | MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

LIGHT SUPPER TO FINISH THE NIGHT!

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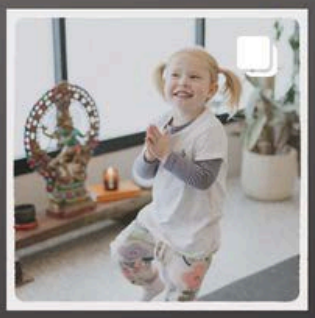
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Mondays 4:15pm
713 Midland Hwy
Shepparton East

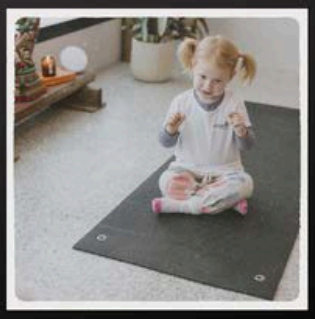
AGES 5 to 12
$15 per class

- Builds strength, balance, and flexibility
- Improves focus and body awareness
- Helps manage stress and big feelings
- Encourages confidence and calm
- Supports healthy movement and relaxation

b.YOGA







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SHEPPARTON ATHLETICS CLUB

# ALL JUNIORS (UNDER 20)

WHO JOIN FOR THE **2026/2027 SEASON**

RECEIVE A **FREE COMPETITION TOP**





THANKS TO A SPORT AND RECREATION VICTORIA GRANT

VICTORIA State Government | Sport and Recreation Victoria

# COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN EVENT

At the Shepparton East Primary School front oval

4-6pm on 31st of October




**DRESS UP!**
Children are encouraged to come in their Halloween costumes!

CRAFT ★ ACTIVITIES ★ GAMES

BBQ sausage available for a Gold coin donation to the CFA

CFA

# Paint Your Own Pumpkins

Community Event

Plaster & Air-Dry Clay

Friday 30th October

4:00–5:00pm

Meet and Greet with the New Coordinator

Children not booked into TheirCare must be supervised by a parent or guardian.

TheirCare
Shepparton East

# October Newsletter

## About Me

Hi, I'm Ashleigh!

I have worked at TheirCare since 2024.

I hold a diploma of teacher education and my studies are ongoing!

I love animals – feel free to bring yours for a cuddle!

## Upcoming Events

**Paint a Pumpkin**
Friday 30th October
4pm – 5pm
Chance to meet the new coordinator!

**Pupil Free Day**
Monday 2nd November
Bookings are now open!

**Squishy Trade Night**
Friday 13th November
More details coming soon!

## Donation Requests

We are always so grateful for any donations to help keep our service fun, creative and well resourced!

- Play kitchen and shop items
- Dress ups and costumes
- Arts and craft supplies
- Board games and puzzles
- Lego and building toys
- Outdoor toys and equipment
- Any good condition toys or resources

We didn't realise we were making memories, we were just having fun.

# NATIONAL FAIRY BREAD DAY!

Fairy Bread Making Station!



Sprinkles make everything brighter!

Small treats create big smiles!

Information Night / Meet & Greet

Date: Mon - 24th November

4pm - 6pm

Meet our team, ask questions and find out how TheirCare can support your family!

Children must be supervised by a parent/carer.

# More than just a stop sign!




Help keep local children safe while enjoying flexible hours and meaningful paid community work.

**Make a difference every day.**

shepp.city/crossing-jobs

Greater Shepparton CITY COUNCIL



BERRY STREET

## Your home can change a life

### Become a foster carer with Berry Street

What does a safe place look like to you? Maybe it's a cozy bedroom, a lively kitchen, or just the feeling of belonging. For a child who has experienced trauma, a safe place is more than a location—it's a chance to recover from their trauma and thrive.

At Berry Street, we believe every child deserves a chance to heal and thrive. That's why we're looking for people like you to become foster carers for local children in need.

You might be single, in a partnership, have a family of your own, or rent your home. You could be a young professional or enjoying retirement. There is no "typical" Berry Street foster carer—only a person with an open heart and a spare room.

Our carers are a diverse community from all walks of life. They do wonderful work to give children the support they need to grow, develop, and feel safe.

Learn more

Ph. 03 5822 8100

berrystreet.org.au/fostercare

## Permanent Care

Could you provide a long term, caring and nurturing home for a child?

### What is Permanent Care?

Permanent care provides a child with security, stability and life-long relationships in the care of a family when they are unable to live at home.

Permanent care arrangements allow for children to grow up in a loving and nurturing environment with adults who are committed to promoting their development so they can reach their full potential.

Children are usually aged up to 10 years when they move to their permanent care family with efforts made to ensure siblings are kept together. A permanent care order granted by the Children's Court transfers custody and guardianship to the permanent carer.

### What is a Permanent Carer?

We are seeking committed and motivated people who can provide a stable, secure and nurturing environment for a child. Permanent carers need to have the time, commitment, understanding and love to help a child gain trust and to feel secure within their permanent care family.

### What support does a Permanent Carer receive?

Support is provided to permanent care children and families, including a level of financial assistance towards the day-to-day expenses of caring for a child/ young person.

### Want to find out more?

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a permanent carer and providing a home for a child, you are welcome to attend an information session:



**Session 1 (in person):**
Tuesday 24th March 2026
5:30pm-6:30pm
Venue details provided upon registration

OR

**Session 2 (online):**
Wednesday 29th April 2026
6:00pm-7:00pm online
Login details provided upon registration

You can register your interest to attend one of these sessions by contacting the Permanent Care Program:
Email: apnsalem@dhhs.vic.gov.au

For further information please visit our webpage Permanent care - DFFH Services
https://services.dffh.vic.gov.au/permanent-care

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TheirCare
where Kids love to be!

Shepparton East Primary School

Bookings now open!

| | Monday - Friday Hours of operation | Vacation Care full day* | Additional extra hour Care fee subsidy** |
|---|---|---|---|
| Before School Care (BSC) | 7:00 AM to 8:40 AM | $19.27 | $1.61 |
| After School Care (ASC) | 3:30 PM to 6:00 PM | $22.86 | $1.91 |
| Pupil Free Day | 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM | $71.19 | $5.12 |
| Holiday Programs*** | 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM | $71.19 | $5.12 |

Save up to 90% with the Child Care Subsidy!

To register visit theircare.com.au