

Melton Primary School Newsletter

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Monday 29th May, 2023

RESPECT
STARTS WITH ALL OF US



How do you model these behaviours?

R	Responsibility
E	Excellence
S	Self-control
P	Politeness
E	Empathy
C	Cooperation
T	Trust

WE RESPECT OTHERS 

- ✓ We are polite.
- ✓ We are friendly, honest and caring.
- ✓ We are accepting and inclusive.
- ✓ We have self-control.
- ✓ We listen to others and use words that show respect.
- ✓ We follow rules and accept outcomes for our behaviour.
- ✓ We are grateful.

From the Principal's desk

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Education Week

Thank you to all of the families that supported our STEM Night and attended our open mornings/afternoons. It was wonderful to see as many families as possible visit and engage with their child's learning onsite. Thank you for supporting these events.

Parent Teacher Meetings - Monday 10th July - Student Free Day

Families will be shortly asked to book in for a student led conference with classroom and specialist teachers via Compass. This will be your opportunity to discuss with your child and their teacher, their performance and future learning. Monday 10th July is the day where students do not attend normal school, but only with the parent for Parent Teacher meetings.

Education Support Day

Thank you to our students, families and staff who acknowledged Education Support Day on the 16th May. We are blessed to have a wonderful education support team at Melton Primary School.

Grade 6 Camp

To all of our students who are currently attending the Grade 6 camp in Queenscliffe, we know that you will have a sensational time. To the staff and Mr Cam Willey who are attending, we thank you for your support in making this a fun and wonderful camp for our students.

Support for Exford PS

A friendly reminder that we are hosting a winter wonderland day and cold rock ice-cream fundraiser to support the Exford PS community on Friday 9th June. Cold rock ice-cream needs to be pre-ordered by Friday 2nd June.

From the Principal's desk

Headlice

Please be advised that we have had a number of reported cases of headlice. A reminder that families are required to routinely check their child's hair for headlice. If live lice are found, children are not permitted at school until they have been treated. We encourage families to treat their children a week after the initial treatment in case any eggs have hatched.

Premiers' Reading Challenge

Don't forget to log books in the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge. Instructions on how to this are located further on in the newsletter. Your child's teacher will have sent home the your child's log in details.

A friendly reminder that:

Thursday 1st June

Monday 12th June

Tuesday 13th June

Monday 10th July

Teacher Professional Practice Day- No students at school

King's Birthday Holiday - No students at school

Curriculum Day - No students at school

Parent teacher interviews, student free day - students only attend for the interview

Vanessa Harrison
Principal

Key Dates for Term 2, 2023

May

29th - 31st - Grade 6 Camp Queenscliffe
29th - Author Visit for Grade 4
31st - Foundation Animal Land Excursion
31st - Grade 3 Bike Education Excursion



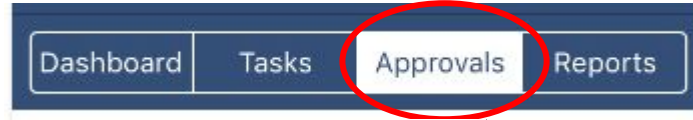
June

1st - No School - Teacher Professional Practice Day
2nd - Grade 1 Ceres Excursion
6th - Grade 5 MCG Sports Museum Excursion
9th - Cold Rock & PJ Fundraiser
9th - Melton Minis
12th - No School - King's Birthday Holiday
13th - No School - Curriculum Day
14th - Pie Drive Orders due
15th - % Soccer Tournament - selected students
16th - 3-6 Athletics Carnival
21st - Whole school in person assembly
22nd - Pie Drive collection day
23rd - Melton Minis - 1:30pm
23rd - Last day of term 2, 2:30pm finish



Reporting your child absent on the Compass app

1. Click on HOME
2. Click on YOUR CHILD
3. Click on APPROVALS
4. Click on the + symbol in the bottom right corner.
5. Complete the screen that appears


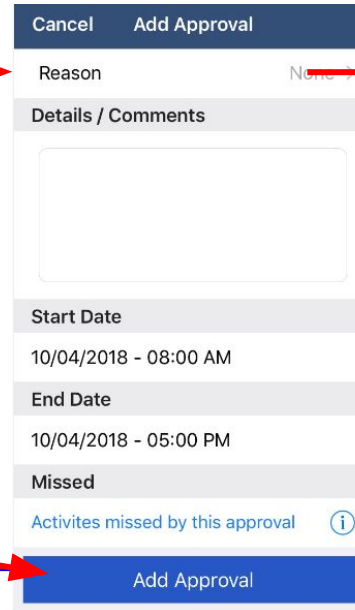


5.1 Select a reason for your child's absence.

5.2 Add further details

5.3 Add in the start and end dates that your child will be absent.

5.4 Click Add Approval





2024 ENROLMENT NOW OPEN

for Foundation 2024!

Do you have a child starting school in 2024?

**Collect an enrolment form from the office, or
call to have one sent home.**


Secure your child's enrolment at Melton PS.

Act now as classes fill fast.

Transition activities begin term 3.



**Secure
your
enrolment**



**Chat with us today!
9743 5335**

Melton Primary School

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Help us support the Exford
Primary School community
by participating in our
fundraiser!



Winter Wonderland Fundraiser



To support the Exford Primary Community, we are hosting a cold
rock ice cream and winter wonderland fundraiser.

Friday 9th June

- **Out of uniform gold coin donation.**
- **Pre-order Cold Rock Ice-cream**

Wear a onesie, Oodie or PJ's (no slippers).
Students will need to pay on the 9th June
\$5:00 cash for pre-ordered ice-cream.

Pre-Orders Only

Unfortunately no additional ice-creams
will be available for purchase on the day.



Sensational Attendance

ATTENDANCE

LAST FORTNIGHT

CONGRATULATIONS

TO THE FOLLOWING GRADES

0B 4D 4B

IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO BE AWAY
enter an absence on Compass or
phone 9753 5335 and select 1 to leave a message

**WHEN DO ABSENCES
BECOME AN ISSUE?**

SATISFACTORY
9 or fewer days

WARNING SIGNS
10 to 17 days

CHRONIC ABSENCE
18 or more days

8 steps to logging books for the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/default.aspx>

1. Click on log in for

School coordinator or student

2. Click on VPRC and insert your child's log in details.

VPRC login

For Government, Catholic, Independent and Home based readers

3. Click on your child's drop down menu from your child's dashboard located in the top left corner



4. From the drop down menu, click on search books



Search Books

5. Enter the title and author, click search. Then locate the book from the list and click the title.

Search for books

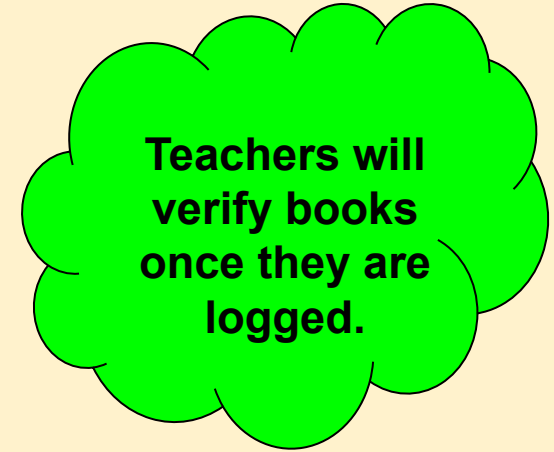
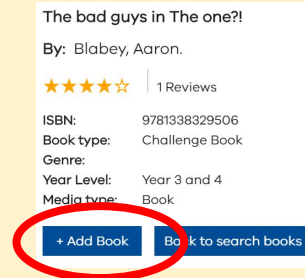
All Books ▼

Clear All

Search

8 steps to logging books for the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

6. Details of the book will then appear and click add book.



7. Then click Dashboard and you will be taken to your child's dashboard where you will see the book listed. Click Finish



8. You are then able to rate the book (even write a review if you really want to) and then click finish book.

A screenshot of the book review and rating interface. At the top, it asks 'How would you rate this book?' with a 5-star rating. Below this is a section for 'Write a review' with a text area. At the bottom, there is a 'Mark favourite' checkbox and two buttons: 'Close' and 'Finish book'. The 'Finish book' button is circled in red.

MELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL PIE DRIVE



We have organised with **TONY'S PIES OF ESSENDON** to conduct a Pie Drive. Tony's Pie's will supply us with a range of their freshly baked pies, pasties, quiches and sausage rolls on **Thursday, 22nd of June**. All the products will be freshly baked and will be suitable to go straight into the freezer if you wish.

So order up BIG. Remember, the more you order the more we make. Make your choice from the list below and return your order with the correct money or cheque by **Wednesday, 14th of June**.

We **need** the support of **everyone** to make this fundraising a success.

PRODUCT PER ½ DOZEN	QTY	PRICE PER ½ DOZEN	TOTAL	PRODUCT FAMILY SIZE.	QTY	PRICE EACH	TOTAL
Chunky Steak		\$36.00		Chunky Steak		\$15.00	
Steak & Mushroom		\$36.00		Steak & Mushroom		\$15.00	
Steak & Cheese		\$36.00		Steak & Cheese		\$15.00	
Chicken & Vegetable		\$36.00		Chicken & Vegetable		\$15.00	
Bacon, Tomato & Cheese Quiche		\$36.00		Bacon, Tomato & Cheese Quiche		\$12.00	
Spinach, Onion & Cheese Quiche		\$36.00		Spinach, Onion & Cheese Quiche		\$12.00	
Pasties		\$36.00		Pasties		\$15.00	
Sausage rolls		\$24.00		Apple Pie		\$11.00	
Party Pies		\$10.00		Blueberry & Apple Pie		\$11.00	
Spinach & Cheese Rolls		\$26.00					
Cauliflower & Cheese Rolls		\$26.00					
Lasagna Rolls		\$26.00					
Apple Pies		\$36.00					
Blueberry & Apple Pies		\$36.00					
SUB TOTALS							

TOTAL: \$.....

GROUP:.....

NAME:.....

PHONE:.....

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO "MELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL"

FUNDRAISING



Order forms available at the school office.

TONY'S PIES



Camps, Sports, Excursion Fund (CSEF) \$\$\$

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, **you do not need to complete an application form this year** unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments**; your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances**; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Applications should be lodged as soon as possible, with schools accepting them until 23rd June

GRADE 1

Thank you for joining us for our open afternoon session last week! The students had a fabulous time making sloths to go with the National Simultaneous Storytime book 'The Speedy Sloth'.



Reminders:

EXCURSION Friday 2nd June

- Students need their backpack with **only** snack and lunch in it.
- Full school uniform is required. If your child is wearing a coat, please ensure it is labelled with their name.
- Please line up at your classroom as normal. The bus is leaving at 8:50am sharp.



Rules and Laws

In Inquiry the students have been learning about the difference between rules and laws, and the importance of them in our society.

Check out some of their amazing work during this unit on the next page!

Grade 3



REMINDERS

This week, our Bike Ed excursion is on for the kids on the 31st of May (this coming Wednesday). Please ensure that your child:

- Is in full school uniform for the event. The students will also need to bring a jacket.
- Students need their school bag with a full packed snack and lunch.

The students may bring their own helmet (however, it is not required) at their own risk. Students must have their bike helmet clearly labelled with their name if they choose to bring this along.

We look forward to learning all about bike safety!

Consequences of Punishment

Consequences/Punishment

WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES?

A group of students are playing tag in the lunch area.

They could get banned from playing.

WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES?

A child is feeding his lunch to the animals at the zoo.

He could run out of food and suffer.

WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES?

A child is running through the shopping centre.

He could run fall into the escalator and chop his head.

WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES?

In a game of football, a player isn't listening to the umpire.

He could look at what he's doing.

FAIR

All students must wear a wide brimmed hat when playing outside

Students who complete their homework can go out for an early recess

You can only borrow a library book if your last one has been returned

We keep hands, feet and objects to ourselves

The classroom needs to be tidy at the end of the day

UNFAIR

Year 6 students get to sit at the front of the assembly, with the younger year levels sitting behind them

No pets are allowed on school grounds

Students can eat anywhere they want on school grounds

We can bring toys from home into school to play with

WILL'S RULES AND LAWS

* In school times always drive @ or you will face a fine or get your licence taken away from you

* If you are having a tummy or being aggressive you will face a red card or suspension

* If you park in a wheel chair park but don't have a wheel chair you will lose your licence

* If you make a crash while drunk driving you will go to jail for 1 year or even a life sentence as you might injure or even kill someone

If you break anything you will be suspended if you aren't respecting the person who owns it

It is very rude to talk back to your teacher

Some punishment is a time out

LAW & RULES LILLY

Home: Be respectful or give someone \$2.50 (real money).

School: please don't hit people or \$6.00 (fake). please don't swear or detention for the year.

* Do your homework for a week 60 more.

* Say eat 60 boxes of ice-cream.

With Rules and Laws



NO Rules and Laws



RULES AND LAWS

School

* Listen to the teacher for Readings, writing, maths and inquiry. 5 dollar fine.

* Stay under hall at school zone. 500 dollars for speeding.

* No smoking in school zone. 255 dollars for smoking.

* No littering in and around the school. The punish is fine out.

Home

Rules

If you let the dog in you have to look after him minutes in your room.

Do you teeth every punishment is to be ban device

Matilda JB dad My Rules at Home

We all need to follow rules from time to time. Each rule is to protect or guide us. When we do not follow the rules, we may be faced with a consequence. If you were to change at home for a day, what would your five rules be? Check you have one for each.

Rule	Consequence
1. No fighting or brother.	No electronics for the rest of the day.
2. No swearing	Run. 1000 laps.
3. Don't stay up late.	Go to bed early the next day.
4. Clean up yourself.	Loose all your stuff.
5. Eat your vegetables.	No desert.

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Grade 5

MCG Excursion!!

Next Tuesday, 6th June, Grade 5's will be embarking on an excursion to the Melbourne Cricket Ground!



They will participate in a guided tour of the MCG, visit the sports museum and meet an Australian Olympian!

We are meeting...
2016 Rio Sailing Olympian:
Carrie Smith



Auslan Art

Have you walked through our main corridor recently? We would love for you to come in and see the marvellous artwork that the students at MPS have created! Here is a little sneak peek ...



Auslan Art



A photo of another awesome display you can see in the main corridor!

Check out what our year levels are working on for the remainder of term 2:

Foundation: Introduction to collage and print making.

Grade 1 and 2: Collage and Printing as well as a focus on Gustave Caillebotte.

Grade 3 and 4: Jeannie Baker 'Window' collage.

Grade 5 and 6: Salvador Dali collage making.

Auslan Art



0 1 2 3 4 5

6 7 8 9 10

11 12 13 14 15

16 17 18 19 20

A photo of our superstar Auslan learners sharing numbers 0-20!

3-6 HOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



**16
JUNE**

**9am - 3pm
School Oval
Families welcome**

**Expresso Alfresco
will be on site for
adults attending to
make purchases.**

**No purchases are to be made for
students*



So many things to do in and around Melton!

Reading Tails

Help your reluctant reader build their confidence with the support of a furry friend! In this 8 week program, children will have the opportunity to choose, read, and talk about books at a gentle pace with plenty of encouragement from our Reading Dogs.

Sessions run every week during school terms.

Bookings are required. Please email library@melton.vic.gov.au to register your interest.



For more
information, head
to the Melton City
Council website

Little Writers

Create imaginative worlds, colourful characters and stories that leap off the page! With fun writing exercises and helpful hints, we'll get you on the way to writing a book of your very own. Perfect for kids aged 7 to 14 years.

Sessions run every week during school terms. Bookings are required.

Wednesdays, 4pm to 4.50pm

Online via Zoom

After Schooligans

Join your favourite children's librarians for some after school fun! From arts and craft, to quizzes and games, reading or STEM activities, there's something for everyone in this fun and interactive program. Perfect for kids aged 5 to 12 years.

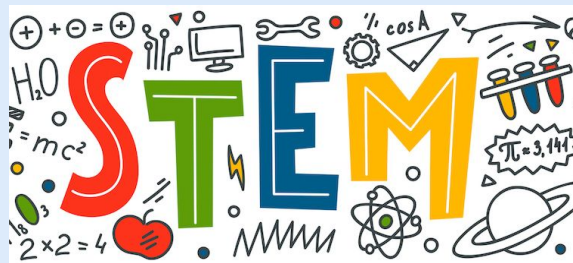
Sessions run every week during school terms. Bookings are not required.

Wednesdays, 3.45pm to 4.30pm

Melton Library & Learning Hub

Tuesdays, 3.45pm to 4.30pm

Caroline Springs Library & Learning Hub



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information, head to
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Council website

After School STEM Club

Put your tech skills to the test! This fun after school program is full of coding and STEM challenges designed to encourage creativity, critical thinking, problem-solving and collaboration. Try out something new every week, from coding to robotics, Virtual Reality, 3D printing, and more! Fun for kids aged 9 to 14.

Sessions run every week during school terms. Bookings are required and places are limited.

Thursdays during term two, 4pm to 5pm

Melton Library & Learning Hub

Toddler Time

Engage your toddler through singing, stories, movement, and play. Perfect for children aged 1-3 years and their parents or carers. You'll also earn [Read, Sing, Chat](#) points for attending!

Sessions run every week during school terms. Bookings are not required.

Fridays, 10am to 10.30am and 11am to 11.30am
Caroline Springs Library & Learning Hub

Mondays and Thursdays, 10am to 10.30am
Melton Library & Learning Hub



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Preschool Storytime

Introduce your children to the wonderful world of books and imagination. Sessions include stories, songs, rhymes, and an introduction to AUSLAN (Australian Sign Language). Storytime is perfect for children aged 3 to 5 years, and their grown-ups. You'll also earn [Read, Sing, Chat](#) points for attending!

Sessions run every week during school terms. Bookings are not required.

Wednesdays, 10am to 10.30am and 1.30pm to 2pm
Caroline Springs Library & Learning Hub

Tuesdays, 10am to 10.30am
Melton Library & Learning Hub

Baby Bounce

Introduce your baby to the sounds and rhythm of language through stories and songs. Baby Bounce is perfect for babies aged 0-12 months and their parents or carers. You'll also earn [Read, Sing, Chat](#) points for attending!

Sessions run every week during school terms. Bookings are not required.

Tuesdays, 10am to 10.30am

Caroline Springs Library & Learning Hub

Wednesdays, 10am to 10.30am

Melton Library & Learning Hub



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Melbourne United 1 Day Junior Basketball Camp

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JUN 2023

Over the course of the day, children aged 6-12 years are invited to participate in basketball games and skill sessions and take home loads of goodies!



Cobblebank Indoor Stadium, Cnr Ferris Road and Bridge Road, Cobblebank 3338

Playtime for pre-schoolers

Next date: Monday, 29 May 2023 | 09:30 AM to 11:00 AM

BlueFit's new Playtime program provides a fun non-competitive atmosphere where toddlers and pre-schoolers from 18m of age can be introduced to a variety of sports, learn to love movement, and be kept active and engaged all year round!

Introducing sports at an early age can help develop your child's gross and fine motor skills while increasing their coordination in a fun and supportive environment that fosters social connection and teamwork.

Participating in our Playtime mixed sports sessions, children will develop these skills through play as they focus on the activities throughout the session. Skills are then reinforced through repetition when they continue to play at home.

Sessions are run in two convenient locations in Caroline Springs and Cobblebank, run for 45 minutes, and incorporate many activities.



Caroline Springs Leisure Centre

- Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
- 9:15am & 10:00am

Cobblebank Indoor Stadium

- Monday, Thursday & Friday
- 9:30am & 10:15am

When

Monday, 29 May 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Thursday, 01 June 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Friday, 02 June 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Monday, 05 June 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Thursday, 08 June 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Friday, 09 June 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Monday, 12 June 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Thursday, 15 June 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Friday, 16 June 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Monday, 19 June 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Thursday, 22 June 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Friday, 23 June 2023 | 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Paint in Watercolour

Next date: Monday, 03 July 2023 | 01:00 PM to 07:30 PM

Be inspired by native birds and create a watercolour painting depicting the curious creatures inhabiting Eynesbury.

Facilitated by local artist Naomi Leeder, in this workshop you will explore the techniques of watercolour with live demonstrations, tips and tricks, and learn about local birdlife with support from the Eynesbury Environment Group.



Beginner friendly, this is a free workshop and all materials are supplied.

Monday 3 July 2023 | Eynesbury Discovery Centre, 479 Eynesbury Road, Eynesbury

There are 3 sessions available;

1pm-2:30pm - Ages 8-12yrs

3pm-4:30pm - Ages 13-17yrs

5:30pm-7:30pm - Adults 18+



The Melton City Libraries Short Story Competition is on again!

Now in its 18th year, our annual Short Story competition is a great opportunity for budding creatives of all ages to showcase their talents and have your work reviewed by popular authors. You'll also have the chance to win a share of more than \$3000 in prizes.

And it's not just for writers! Your short story can be presented in any format including text, illustration, video, voice, or a combination of any of the above. Written entries should be no more than 3000 words for adults or 1500 words for juniors and young adults. For other story formats, aim for something that takes no more than 5 minutes to experience.

Prizes are awarded to the best entries in Junior, Young Adult and Adult sections. This year, we're excited to welcome authors Michael Wagner, Amie Kaufman, and Emma Viskic as our judges!

Entries are open until midnight, Friday 14 July 2023. Terms and conditions apply. Visit our website for all the details.

KID'S AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

LITTLE MASTERCHEFS (AGES 8–12 YEARS)

A hands-on cooking program designed to teach children how to identify and select healthy ingredients to make delicious meals for themselves and their family. Everything is provided including chef's hats and aprons. These classes are proudly funded by Lendlease, Atherstone. Places are strictly limited.

Monday 24 April – 19 June
(no class 12 June) OR
Wednesday 26 April – 14 June
4:15 – 6:15pm

\$10.00
8 Sessions

ART FOR KIDS – NEW COURSE

Children will have fun whilst developing their skills in drawing and painting in an engaging and creative environment. Everything is included.

Wednesday
3 May – 21 June
4:30 – 6:30pm

\$85.00 or
\$80.00 Con
8 Sessions

MUSIC LESSONS – ADULTS & CHILDREN (AGES 8+)

ACOUSTIC GUITAR – BEGINNERS

Bring your own guitar and see how enjoyable it can be to learn to play the acoustic guitar. Your tutor has 20+ years live and recording experience, and is an ARIA-nominated signed recording artist.

Tuesday 2 May – 20 June OR
Friday 5 May – 23 June
30-minute lessons from 4:00pm
Call Centre for available times

\$95.00 or
\$90.00 Con
8 Sessions

KEYBOARD – BEGINNERS

Bring your own keyboard and discover how enjoyable it is to learn to play the keyboard. Your tutor has 20+ years live and recording experience, and is an ARIA-nominated signed recording artist.

Tuesday 2 May – 20 June OR
Friday 5 May – 23 June
30-minute lessons from 4:00pm
Call Centre for available times

\$95.00 or
\$90.00 Con
8 Sessions

Melton South Community Centre



Eynesbury Heritage Trail Junior Parkrun

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JUN 2023

A free, fun, and friendly weekly 2km event for juniors (4 to 14 year olds).



Discovery Centre, 479 Eynesbury Road, Eynesbury 3338



13 more dates