



Newcomb Newsletter

Term 1, Week 10, Thursday 2nd April 2026



IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL

- 20th - Curriculum Day
- 21st - First day of Term 2
- 24th - ANZAC Service 9am
- 27th - School Photo Day

MAY

- 1st - Undercover Area Opening & Assembly 9am
- 6th - Yr 5/6 Arts Centre Excursion
- 8th - Super Woman's Stall
- 12th - Family Maths Afternoon
- 12th - School Council Meeting 4.45pm
- 15th - Walk Safely to School Day
- 15th - Assembly 2.50pm
- 18th - 22nd - SSG Meetings
- 27th - Yr 5/6 District Football & Netball
- 29th - Assmbly 2.50pm

JUNE

- 4th - NPS Athletics Day
- 8th - King's Birthday Public Holiday
- 12th - P&F Meeting 2.15pm
- 12th - Assembly 2.50pm
- 16th - School Council Meeting 4.45pm
- 22nd - Student Led Conferences
- 26th - Assembly 9.00am
- 26th - Children's Fair
- 26th - Early Finish 2.15pm



Dear Parents and Carers,

What an incredible term we have had to start off 2026! We would like to thank our incredible teachers and education support staff for their commitment and hard work throughout this term. The start of the year is always busy with supporting transitions, establishing classroom communities and starting the work towards individual and whole school goals. We are lucky to have a team that is dedicated to nurturing our students and fostering a great learning environment for all. Take a minute to say thanks to our team next time you get the chance.

There have been many highlights for this term. Our whole school excursion and dress up day to celebrate our Jump into Newcomb program, and some wonderful incursions including Bravehearts and Brainstorm Productions. We've had a fundraiser as part of our crazy hair and Harmony day. From meet and greets, open morning, school council meetings and over 40 SSG meetings there has been lots of great opportunities to connect as a community! Highlights in sport have been our Cross country, T ball and netball program supported by the sporting schools program. Our Year 3 and Year 5 superstars did a brilliant job with their week of NAPLAN. Our 5/6 students had a fun day at Sovereign Hill too. We've finished the term off with a bang this week with our School review yesterday and our Easter raffle and colour run today! We would like to thank all those involved in our school review and our colour run today for their support and involvement.

As the term concludes we have a few farewells to make. We would like to congratulate Keira West who is studying her Bachelor of Education at Latrobe University in Melbourne. Keira has been an exceptional education support staff member working with many students across the school. Thankyou Keira and we look forward to seeing you begin your teaching career in the near future! We also farewell Cate Alizzi who has accepted a secondary teaching position at St Ignatius College next term. Cate has been a dedicated and caring member of our Education Support team, working closely with many of our Year 2 and 4 students. We wish Cate well with her teaching journey with the big kids! We will be appointing two new ES staff members in the first few weeks of next term.

We hope all of our families have a safe, restful and happy holiday break!

Blanche Denmead & Carmen Britnell

IMPORTANT INFORMATION & UPDATES

CURRICULUM DAY

On Monday the 20th of April we are running a whole staff professional learning session. On this day we will host our Koorie Education Support Officer - Shantelle Lucas-Baillie, and a number of her colleagues, to lead us through Community Understanding and Safety Training (CUST). This training will help us to continue to develop our learning environment as one that is culturally inclusive.

As all staff will be participating in this training this day will be a curriculum day for all students. We thank you for your support in having an extra day of holidays! We look forward to welcoming all students back on Tuesday the 21st of April.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Arthur Reed Photography will be visiting Newcomb Primary School on the 27th of April. This will include individual student photos and class photos. A reminder to please ensure your children are at school on time and in full school uniform ready for photo day! Information about ordering photos will be shared closer to the date.

School Photo Information



Are you ready for 2026 school photos?

Newcomb Primary School
Monday 27th April 2026

There's no need to do anything before photo day.

Further details will be provided when portrait and group images are ready.

Student access codes and order details will be provided to you when images are ready to view and purchase online.

Arthur Reed Photos Pty. Ltd.
A.B.N 48 528 494 590
Telephone: (03) 5243 4390
Enquiries: customerservice@arphotos.com.au



DIARIES & HOME READING

A reminder to continue to support your child to do their home reading each night. Please also remember to sign your child's diary each day.

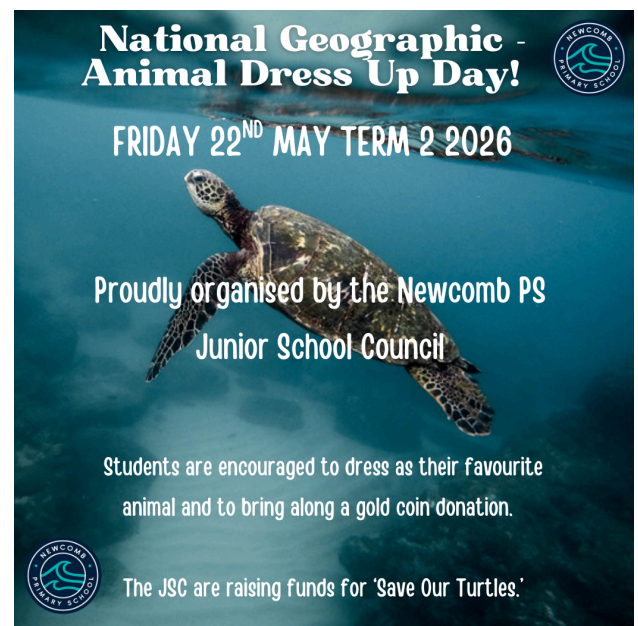
Our school diaries are a handy tool for communication and a great way for us to document home reading progress. Thankyou for your support.

Junior School Council 2026

The JSC would like to thank our parents and students for supporting our first term event - Harmony Day. It was wonderful to see so many crazy hair styles and we raised some funds for 'Outpost Geelong' to support Geelong community members who are homeless.

In Term 2 the Junior School Council have planned two brilliant events! On Friday 22nd of May we will be holding a National Geographic Animal Dress Up day. The JSC have decided to raise funds on this day for 'Save our Turtles.'

On Friday 26th of June we will finish off the term with our second event, our annual Children's Fair! This is a kids only event with lots of fun activities organised and run by each class. We will provide further information closer to the day.



Parents & Friends 2026

We would like to thank our Parents and Friends for the coordination of our school Easter Raffle. We ended up with some great prizes that were put into some beautiful hampers by our amazing Parents and Friends volunteers.

In Term two we look forward to celebrating Mother's Day with our Super Woman stall on the 8th of May.

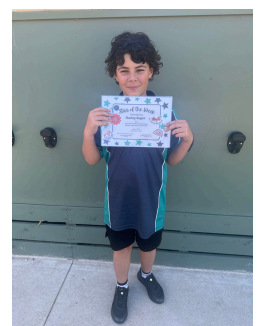
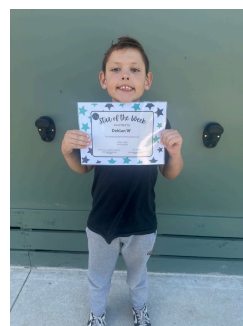
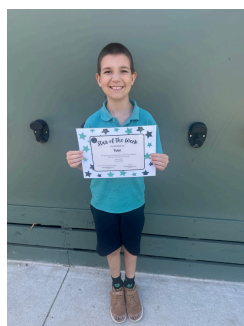
Next meeting: Friday 12th June at 2.15pm

Values Awards



Student of the Week Awards

Congratulations to these students who have shown a positive approach to their schooling!



Meet our School Council 2026



On Tuesday 17th of March our school council held the elections for the 2026 members. See below a bio and photo of some more of our elected members of school council for 2026. The School Council plays a crucial role in supporting the school's decision-making process, working alongside staff and the wider community to improve the educational experience for all students. Council members help shape school policies, support fundraising efforts, and contribute ideas for school events and initiatives.

If you have any ideas, suggestions or feedback about our school please feel free to contact any member of school council or email our School Council President at pinkpawprincess@hotmail.com.

Sherridan

My name is Sherridan and I'm really looking forward to being part of the School Council this year. I work as a primary school teacher and instructional leader, so education is a big part of my life and something I'm very passionate about.

I love being involved in school communities and contributing where I can. Schools play such an important role in bringing people together, and I value the opportunity to work collaboratively with other parents and community members to support the best outcomes for students.

I'm excited to learn more about the work of the council and to contribute ideas, listen to different perspectives and help strengthen the school community. I'm really looking forward to working alongside everyone throughout the year.



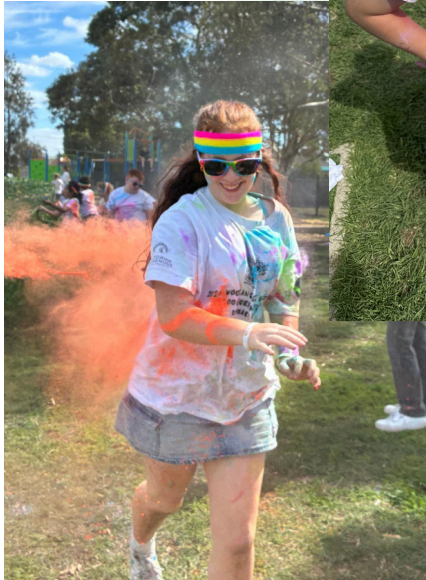
Allison

Hi, my name is Allison and my daughter, Daisy, is in Grade 1 at Newcomb Primary School. I work as a writer and editor, and I'm also studying a Diploma of Community Services.

I enjoy gardening and anything that gets me outdoors, so for my second year of being on school council, I have joined the environmental committee. I look forward to getting to know more of the Newcomb school community this year, and hearing everyone's ideas of how we can improve the school.



Thankyou for supporting the
2026 NEWCOMB PS COLOUR RUN!





Term 2 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	20th April Curriculum Day 2027 Prep enrolments Open	21st April FirstdayTerm2for students	22nd April Dr Billy Garvey PL	23rd April	24th April ANZAC DayService 9:00am.
2	27th April All Day: Whole School Photo Day - ARP	28th April	29th April	30th April	1st May 9.00AMAssembly & Undercover Area Opening
3	4th May	5th May 3.15Consultative Meeting 12th May	6th May 5/6 Excursion to The Arts Centre 13th May	7th May	8th May Super Woman's Day Stall 15th May
4	11th May LockdownDrill 10.50am	Family Maths Afternoon 4.45pm School Council 19th May SSG Meetings		14th May	Walk SafelytoSchool Day 2:50PM Assembly All welcome
5	18th May SSGMeetings(KESO)	Division X-Country	20th May SSG Meetings	21st May SSG Meetings	22nd May SSG Meetings JSC Event: National Geographic/Animal Dress Up Day!
6	25th May	26th May National Sorry Day	27th May District Football and Netball (Yr5/6) Reconciliation Week	28th May Reconciliation Week	29th May 2:50PM Assembly Allwelcome
7	1st June Reconciliation Week 8th June	2nd June Reconciliation Week	3rd June ReconciliationWeek	4th June WholeSchool Athletics Day	5th June
8	King's Birthday	9th June 3.15Consultative Meeting StaffPPD DayTBC	10th June	11th June	12th June 2:15pm - P&FMeeting 2:50PM Assembly All welcome
9	15th June	16th June 4.45pm School Council	17th June	18th June 11am100sClub	19th June
10	22nd June StudentLed Conferences	23rd June	24th June ReportsonCompass	25th June	26th June Lastday ofTerm 2 9:00am Assembly 11.30 Children's Fair 2:15pm finish

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APRIL 2026



TUESDAY 7TH APRIL: Connecting to Country through movement
10am - 11am | 1pm - 2pm | ALL AGES

\$15
pp

WEDNESDAY 8TH APRIL: Flower Crown 11am - 2pm | ALL AGES
Sea Creature Bubble Art 1pm - 2pm | ALL AGES

\$15
pp

THURSDAY 9TH APRIL: Sea Creature Bubble Art 11am-2pm | ALL AGES
Flower crown 1pm - 2pm | ALL AGES

\$15
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FRIDAY 10TH APRIL: Boomerang painting and throwing
10am - 11:30am | 1pm - 2:30pm | ALL AGES

\$20
pp

SATURDAY 11TH APRIL: Weaving Demostration w/ Aunty Trina
10am - 2pm | ALL AGES

FREE demonstration
Weaving kits available in the shop

MONDAY 13TH APRIL: Smoking Ceremony 9:30am | Rippleside park | ALL AGES
Cultural Q&A 1pm - 2pm | ALL AGES

FREE

TUESDAY 14TH APRIL: Boomerang painting and throwing
10am - 11:30am | 1pm - 2:30pm | ALL AGES

\$20
pp

WEDNESDAY 15TH APRIL: Cultural Yarn & Fun
10am - 11:30am | 1pm - 2:30pm | AGES 10 AND UNDER

\$15
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THURSDAY 16TH APRIL: Cultural Yarn
10am - 11:30am | ALL AGES

FREE

FRIDAY 17TH APRIL: Cultural Yarn & Fun
10am - 11:30am | 1pm - 2:30pm | AGES 10 AND UNDER

\$15
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All workshops are limited to 25 people per session

Wathaurong Booln Booln Cultural Centre - 410 Surfcoast Hwy, Charlemont 3217.

For more information and bookings please email:
reception@wathaurongcc.org.au or PH: 03 4252 8777



NEWCOMB PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWCOMB@KELLYCLUB.COM.AU
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BEFORE SCHOOL CARE

7:00AM - 8:30AM

\$2.30

***AFTER 90% CCS OR
\$22.97 FULL FEE**

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

3:15PM - 6:00PM

\$3.03

***AFTER 90% CCS OR
\$30.28 FULL FEE**

ENROL NOW AND JOIN THE
KELLY CLUB FUN!
SCAN HERE





Hand-Drawn Magic: Animation Cel

Create your own animation cel using acetate layers. A framed piece to take home.
With Melissa O'Shea
8yrs+ 10-1pm (3 hours)
\$80 incl. materials

TUESDAY
9
APRIL



Sew Sweet: Donut Cushion

Create your own soft, huggable donut cushion to brighten your room.
With Simone Amethyst
9yrs+ 10-2pm (4 hours)
\$95 incl. materials and a sweet treat!

MONDAY
13
APRIL



Furry Friends Painting

Celebrate your furry friend and love of animals in this hands-on drawing & painting workshop. With Natalie Iacono & Luke Matthews. 7yrs+ 9:30am - 1:30pm
\$90 incl. materials (4 hours)

TUESDAY
14
APRIL



Character T-Shirt Making

Introduction to lino cut, and fabric printing, perfect for young creatives who love fashion, drawing, and making.
With Michelle Attwood
8yrs+ 10-1pm \$85 incl. materials (3 hours)

WEDNESDAY
15
APRIL

About our Workshops:

Our small-group, artist-led workshops are designed to spark creativity and provide hands-on experiences while teaching real artistic skills guided by professional artists.

Hosted in our cosy Bluebird House studio, each session nurtures creativity, confidence, and self-expression in a gentle, welcoming space.

✓ NDIS invoices available

Check out our Adult & Term long Afternoon Classes.

We can't wait to welcome you to Bluebird House!

Enrol via: bluebirdfoundationinc.org.au/workshops



Early childhood approach

As an NDIS partner delivering the early childhood approach, Meli is your main contact point for the NDIS. Meli will help you understand and access the most appropriate supports for your child.

Meli gives you information about how we can help your child with early childhood supports.

Meli works with you to make sure you and your child get the right support if they are:

- younger than 6 years and have developmental delays or concerns, or
- younger than 9 years and have a disability.

Meli can make recommendations about what early connections will be best for your child. These may include:

- connection with other mainstream and community supports
- practical information that is relevant to your child's development
- connecting you with other families for peer support
- early supports
- help to apply to the NDIS.

Early connections are for children who have delays in their development or have a disability.

Early connections are supports that will meet your child's needs and build upon their strengths.

You can refer your child yourself through the Meli website, or you can ask someone who is supporting your family to assist you.

Contact the Meli team

By email:
meli.earlychildhood@ndis.gov.au

By phone: 1300 012 293

By mail or in person:

Meli Early Childhood
W7/8 33 Mackey St
North Geelong
Victoria, 3215

Want to know more?

Scan the QR code or visit meli.org.au/early-childhood/early-childhood-approach-ndia

