



Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September, Issue 29, Week 9, Term 3, 2026

## FOOTY COLOURS DAY

Next Friday is the end of Term 3, and what a busy term it has been: Athletic Sports, Mini Olympics, Interschool Sport, 'The Beat', 100 Days of Prep, Book Week and the School Review.

We will end the term with our Footy Colours day. Gabe, Robert, Andre and Noah have organised activities for all students to participate in. Students are encouraged to wear their team colours for the day. Zooper Doopers will be available at lunchtime for \$1 each. The annual Staff and Grade 6 Girls vs Grade 6 Boys football match will commence at 1:00pm.

## END OF TERM 3

End of Term 3, Friday 18th September.  
2:15pm dismissal.

Buses will NOT run at the earlier time.  
Please make alternative arrangements



Join us for fun activities!

**Zooper Doopers for sale \$1 each at lunch (max. 2 per person)**

Hosted by Gabe, Robert, Andre & Noah

**FRIDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER**

**Wear your team colours**  
**Show your pride!**

 STUDENTS VS TEACHERS MATCH BEGINNING 1PM

## Prep to 2, FOOTY SHOW SPECTACULAR

We are getting very excited for our Prep to Grade 2 footy concert! Everyone can wear their favourite footy colours for Footy Colours Day on Friday 18th September. Come and watch our footy concert and sing with us to your favourite team club song!! Show starts straight after assembly. We have been practising our dance each week in Dance.



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The department respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Victoria and pays respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.

# LEADERSHIP IN ACTION Minute to Win It!



Hanna, Tylah and Lucy have shown wonderful initiative by organising and running 'Minute to Win It!' games for students at lunchtime. Their enthusiasm and enjoyment for the games have made the sessions fun and they have ensured everyone feels included.



## INTERSCHOOL SPORT

### District Basketball

This week, our basketball teams competed in the District Competition at Nichols Point Primary School. Our girls team played exceptionally well throughout the day, winning two of their three games, while our Boys Grey team secured one win from their three games.

Congratulations to our Boys Green team, who won three of their four games and, following a countback of scores, were crowned the overall winners for the day! They will now progress to the Division Finals next term.

Well done to all our students who competed and represented our school so proudly!



### District Volleyball and Hot Shots Tennis

Our volleyball and Hot Shots Tennis teams also competed this week, taking on Nichols Point and Irymple Primary Schools in the District Competition.

Congratulations to both our boys and girls volleyball teams, who won all their games on the day. Impressively, neither team dropped a set throughout the entire competition! Both teams will now progress to the Division Finals next term. Our Hot Shots Tennis teams competed in challenging, windy conditions throughout the day. A special congratulations to our girls team, who played extremely well and secured their place in next term's Division Finals.

Well done to all our students on a fantastic day of competition!





## PARENT OPINION SURVEY WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CARERS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Carer Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies, as well as to celebrate the things we are doing well.

The Parent / Carer Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday 17 August to Friday 18 September 2026**. The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes approximately **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. Check XUNO for details on how to access and complete the survey.



All students must be wearing their hat in Term 4. Hats can be purchased from Laser Signs and Prints. They are located at Shop 4, 75 Melaleuca Street, Buronga. Phone 5021 1129. Uniforms can also be purchased online. Follow the directions below:

- [www.lasersp.com.au](http://www.lasersp.com.au)
- Online Store
- Schools
- Irymple South Primary

## UPDATE YOUR DETAILS ON XUNO

We ask all families to check and update their details on XUNO to ensure we have accurate and current records. This includes phone numbers, residential address and emergency contact details. Keeping this information up to date is important so we can contact families quickly when required. If you need assistance updating your details, please contact the school office.

## WILLOW'S WALKERS

'Willow's Walkers' is an annual September fundraising challenge and community walk in Mildura, Victoria, that raises funds to bring intensive therapy services to regional children with disabilities. Maddy Hura is the driving force behind this wonderful organisation. You will notice our staff getting up their steps and participating in the challenge. You can support the challenge by attending the special events that are being organised, such as the Pizza Night next Wednesday.

# CAMPS PROGRAM

Our camp program is intended to give the students a broad range of experiences on which to build knowledge about our own local area and the greater area in proximity to Mildura. We aim to provide a sequential program that provides students with the opportunities to develop independence and resilience.

## Grade 6 Camp

The students will be going to Roses Gap, this year on their camp. They will leave on Wednesday 28th October and return on Friday 30th October

## Grade 5 Camp

The students will be going to Ballarat, this year on their camp. They will leave Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October and return on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October

## Grade 3 Camp

The students will be going to Lake Cullulleraine. The camp will be from Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

## Grade 2 Excursion and Sleepover

Grade 2 students will be sleeping over at school on a Thursday night. They will participate in a variety of out of school activities during the day on the Friday. This will occur on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December.

## Grade 1 Excursion and Dinner

Grade 1 students will participate in an end of year excursion and dinner at school at a date to be confirmed in Term 4.

## Prep Excursion and Dinner

Prep students will participate in an end of year excursion and dinner at school at a date to be confirmed in Term 4.

## **Classroom teachers will send out more detailed information about each camp.**

Payments for all camps can be made now using the following payment option.

*\*Direct Deposit, please contact the office for the details*

*\*If you receive CSEF, you can use this to pay for the camps*

*\*you can also use your School Savings Bonus (SSB), just contact the office*



# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

## Prep T

Dyson Coates

## Prep D

Jackson McDonald

## Prep C

George McCarron

## 1M

Annie Boyd

## 1MG

Emilia Graf-Cox

## 1H

Frankie Winderlich

## 2M

Claire Holding

## 2Z

Brodie Callaway

## 2D

Riley Mischke

## 3G

River Jary

## 3S

Everly Tiedemann

## 4R

Indyana Phillips-Savage

## 4G

Jude Wrate

## 5G

Lucy Yetman

## 5W

Maggie Hannig

## 6S

Ryder Marr

## 6H

Zoe Lee

## Art

George McCarron

## PE

Willow Roberts

## Health

Noah Williams

## STEM

Ayman Alic

## Assistant Principal

Tommy Oliver

## Principal

Joey Pardo

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## SEPTEMBER

Lachie Brady (7<sup>th</sup>)

Samuel McShane (10<sup>th</sup>)

April Jackson (10<sup>th</sup>)

Harlow Brennan (12<sup>th</sup>)

Milly Crook (13<sup>th</sup>)





# PREP 2027

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## Information Night

Thursday 22nd October  
6:00pm – 7:00pm

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## Transition Days

Tuesday 10th November  
9:00–11:00am or 11:30–1:30pm

Tuesday 17th November  
9:00–11:00am or 11:30–1:30pm

Tuesday 24th November  
9:00am – 12:30pm

Tuesday 1st December  
9:00am – 12:30pm




*You are invited to*

# GRANDPARENTS' DAY

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October  
9:00am to 11:30am










## Welcome to August!

What a busy and exciting term we have had so far at TheirCare! The children have participated in a wide variety of creative, active, educational and child-led experiences, with lots of opportunities to explore their interests, learn new skills and spend time with friends.

Creativity has certainly been a favourite this term! The children have enjoyed Hama beads, recycled craft, LEGO challenges, loom bands, slime making, painting, drawing, collages, pom-pom creations and plenty more.

Imaginative play has also been popular, with children enjoying our kitchen area, dress-ups, Barbies, hairdressing play and creating their own games and spaces around the service.

We have celebrated and recognised a number of special events, including Keep Australia Beautiful Week, Dental Health Week, International Cat Day and Jeans for Genes Day. These experiences have encouraged the children to learn about caring for themselves, others and the environment while participating in fun and meaningful activities.

Kindness and respectful relationships have also been an important focus. Through activities such as Words Matter, Buddy or Bully? and Anti-Bullying Heroes, the children have explored respectful communication, friendship, kindness and ways they can support others. We have loved hearing their thoughts and ideas during these discussions.

Of course, there has also been plenty of active play! Some favourites have included Floor is Lava, Four Corners, Everybody's It, Octopus, soccer, basketball, tiggy, obstacle courses, relays, dancing and playground games. Children have also enjoyed quieter small-group games such as Uno, Spot It, Celebrity Heads and a variety of card and guessing games.

We are now getting excited for the upcoming school holidays! We have a fun-packed holiday program planned with plenty to keep everyone busy. We will be heading out for some exciting experiences, including the movies, putt putt and Orange World, as well as enjoying lots of sporting and engineering activities back at the service. There will be opportunities to build, create, experiment, get active and, most importantly, have lots of fun with friends.

We can't wait to finish off the term together and then jump into another exciting TheirCare School Holiday Program!



Get ready to enter the  
**ALL-STAR ARENA!**



**Holiday Program bookings open soon!**  
Keep an eye on your emails...

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LOOKING FOR SOMETHING FUN, ACTIVE, AND  
DIFFERENT THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS?

COME ALONG AND GIVE SOFTBALL A TRY!  
SUNRAYSIA SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION IS INVITING  
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 5 TO 16 YEARS  
TO JOIN US FOR OUR FREE COME & TRY DAYS!

**22 & 29 SEPT 2026**

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Old Aerodrome  
Ovals, 11<sup>th</sup> St,  
Mildura



[www.revolutionise.com.au/sunraysiasa/become-a-softball/player](http://www.revolutionise.com.au/sunraysiasa/become-a-softball/player)

# IRYMPLE CFA

## Open Day

— AND —

# 75<sup>TH</sup>

Birthday Celebration!

**SUNDAY**  
**OCTOBER 25, 2026**  
10AM - 2PM

**SCOOPS ICE CREAM!**
**GOLD COIN DONATION SAUSAGE SIZZLE!**
**GET FUELED COFFEE VAN!**
**CAKE CUTTING!**
**KIDS ACTIVITIES!**
**GET FIRE READY EVENT!**

**GET FIRE READY**

Get Fire Ready events are all about helping your local communities understand local fire risk, how they can prepare their property and create a fire plan, and know where to access emergency information.

- UNDERSTAND LOCAL FIRE RISK
- PREPARE YOUR PROPERTY
- CREATE A FIRE PLAN
- ACCESS EMERGENCY INFO

**CFA**

*Bring the family, meet the volunteers and celebrate 75 Years of Service to Irymple and our Community! ♥*

**AND MUCH MORE!**  
OUR COMMUNITY • OUR CFA • OUR FUTURE

# LEARN TO DRIVE AGE 5.

# THERE'S GOLF FOR THAT.

### myGolf School Holiday Program - Pitch & Putt Challenge

myGolf powered by Ripper GC is Australia's beginner golf program that introduces kids to golf through games-based activities in a safe and friendly environment. Participants learn new skills, make new friends and most importantly, have fun!

**Date & Time** Thursday October 1, 1 to 4pm

**Cost** - \$40 - includes snack & drink

**Where** - Merbein Golf Club, 355 McEdward Street, Cabarita

For more information contact Mel Binding on 0447 790 949 or Aspire Golf Development on Facebook. Register via <https://golf.com.au/venue/merbein-golf-club>

# KIDS LOVE BEING OUTDOORS?

# THERE'S GOLF FOR THAT.

### Merbein Golf Club - School Holiday program for Girls

MyGolf powered by Ripper GC is Australia's beginner golf program that introduces kids to golf through games-based activities in a safe and friendly environment. Participants learn new skills, make new friends and most importantly, have fun!

**Date & Time** Thursday October 1, 9am to 12pm

**Cost** - \$40 - includes lunch

**Where** - Merbein Golf Club, 355 McEdward Street, Cabarita  
For more information contact Mel Binding on 0447 790 949 or Aspire Golf Development on Facebook. Register via <https://golf.com.au/venue/merbein-golf-club>



Find your nearest MyGolf powered by Ripper GC program at [golf.org.au/mygolf](http://golf.org.au/mygolf)

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|           |          | Mon                                    | Tue                        | Wed                          | Thu                                   | Fri                                              | Sat | Sun |
|-----------|----------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| SEPTEMBER | 10       | 14                                     | 15                         | 16 School Council Meeting    | 17                                    | 18 LiA Footy Colours Day<br>End of Term 3 2:15pm | 19  | 20  |
|           | Holidays | 21                                     | 22                         | 23                           | 24                                    | 25 GRAND FINAL PUBLIC HOLIDAY                    | 26  | 27  |
|           |          | 28                                     | 29                         | 30                           | 1                                     | 2                                                | 3   | 4   |
| OCTOBER   | 1        | 5 Start of Term 4                      | 6                          | 7                            | 8                                     | 9                                                | 10  | 11  |
|           | 2        | 12 Grade 5 camp to Ballarat            | 13                         | 14                           | 15                                    | 16                                               | 17  | 18  |
|           | 3        | 19                                     | 20                         | 21                           | 22 Prep 2027 Information Night        | 23 PUPIL FREE DAY                                | 24  | 25  |
|           | 4        | 26 Grandparents' Day<br>Art Exhibition | 27                         | 28 Grade 6 camp to Roses Gap | 29 Grade 3 camp to Lake Cullulleraine | 30                                               | 31  | 1   |
| NOVEMBER  | 5        | 2                                      | 3 PUBLIC HOLIDAY           | 4                            | 5                                     | 6                                                | 7   | 8   |
|           | 6        | 9                                      | 10 Prep 2027 Transition #1 | 11                           | 12                                    | 13                                               | 14  | 15  |
|           | 7        | 16                                     | 17 Prep 2027 Transition #2 | 18                           | 19                                    | 20                                               | 21  | 22  |
|           | 8        | 23                                     | 24 Prep 2027 Transition #3 | 25                           | 26                                    | 27                                               | 28  | 29  |
| DECEMBER  | 9        | 30                                     | 1 Prep 2027 Transition #4  | 2                            | 3 Grade 2 Sleepover                   | 4                                                | 5   | 6   |
|           | 10       | 7                                      | 8                          | 9                            | 10                                    | 11                                               | 12  | 13  |
|           | 11       | 14                                     | 15 Grade 6 Graduation      | 16                           | 17 Last day of 2026 for students      | 18 End of Term 4 Pupil Free Day                  | 19  | 20  |

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Term Dates

Term 3 Mon 13<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Sept

Term 4 Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Oct - Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Dec

### Public Holidays

Grand Final Eve - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September

Cup Day - Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

### School Events

Professional Practice Day – Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> October

Grandparents Day – Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October

Grade 6 Graduation – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Student Free Day – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December