



Newsletter Number 6

23rd April 2026

Upcoming Dates

School Assembly – all parents/carers welcome (Note 2.30pm start due to Anzac Day Service)	Friday 24 th April
Mothers Day/Special Persons Stall	Thursday 7 th May
Athletics Carnival	Friday 8 th May
Curriculum Day – No students at school	Tuesday 19 th May
Year 4/5/6 Sovereign Hill Excursion	Wednesday 20 th May

Dear Families,

Welcome back to Term 2. I trust you had a nice Easter holiday and enjoyed some sunshine. Our staff and students have settled back into school routines, and we have had a smooth start to the term. This week we have started our Phonics Plus lessons from Foundation to Year Three which is exciting for us as a school.

In staffing news I'm pleased to announce that Jarrod Rogers has gained the role as Assistant Principal replacing Sally Ives. Jarrod comes to us from Buninyong Primary School where he has been Acting Assistant Principal. We look forward to Jarrod joining us in the middle of May. One of our valued Education Support staff Sarah Tyrell has been successful gaining a position at Ballarat High School which is great for Ballarat High and Sarah but a loss for us.

We are looking forward to our school sports on Friday, May 8th. Kayla our PE teacher has done an amazing job putting the program together and we look forward to getting into house colour spirit on the day. Students are practising the skills and routines required for the day during PE lessons.

Our school leaders are running a special ANZAC assembly tomorrow in the Arts Centre from 2.30pm. Please feel free to attend. As a school we will also have staff and our school captains Zahra and Abbey-May representing the school at a service at the Arch of Victory at 8am on Saturday.

Please mark Tuesday May 19th in the diary as a pupil free day as staff from Mount Pleasant and Sebastopol Primary Schools will be participating in professional learning.

Thanks for your ongoing support.

Kind Regards,

Mr Louis Franc
Principal

I respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Victoria and pay respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.



Intensive School Support (ISS)

Our school will be participating in the department's new Intensive School Support (ISS) initiative over the next two years.

As part of this, our school will receive prioritised support from the area and region, and priority access to department-led programs and professional learning.

As part of the program, in 2026 we will have the support of an ISS Senior Leader (an experienced principal based in the region), complemented by advice from an independent school improvement specialist who will undertake an alignment review between our school's Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) and the supports provided by the region and the department.

This alignment review will include fieldwork at the school this term, including focus groups with staff and students, meetings with the school council president, and classroom observations.

Louis Franc

Lunch Orders

Lunch Orders are every Thursday through the Grant Street Takeaway Shop. If you would like your child to have a lunch order, please write on a brown paper bag the child's name and classroom, what you would like to order, price and if you require any change. **Please note this is cash only.** Your child will then place this into the lunch order box first thing Thursday morning in their classroom to be collected. Price List is attached to the newsletter.

Kylie Lampard, Office Administration

The Importance of Regular School Attendance

At Mt Pleasant, we prioritise regular school attendance. We will work with families to ensure students are in class with their peers and teachers and enjoying all the benefits that brings.

Attending school every day means experiencing what counts – the learning, friendship, fun and opportunities that can shape your child's future.

We understand that there are times when your child will need to miss school but to ensure minimal disruption to their education, please consider scheduling family holidays or medical/dental appointments outside of school time. If your child is well enough to attend but is worried about friendships, schoolwork or exams, please

encourage them to come to school. Avoiding school can make these feelings worse and can create a negative pattern of behaviour.

If your child is having difficulty attending school, talk to their teacher or leadership about getting support.

We know that parents and carers can be juggling challenges daily to get your children to school. If your child must miss school, notify us as soon as possible so we can work together to support them.

Remember, Every Day Counts.

From Principal Mr Louis Franc

Drop Off & Pick Up Times

Families are reminded that formal school supervision begins each day at 8:40am and concludes at 3:30pm. Before and after these times, teachers plan and prepare learning programs and meet together to discuss school matters.



Please respect this as important time for teachers in their professional practice; and ensure that you drop off your child/children between 8:40-9:00am each morning and collect them before 3:30pm.

Learning Times

The times for learning in class remain the same for 2025.

9:00am	School starts; formal class learning
11:00am	First recess
11:30am	Formal class learning
12:30pm/12:50pm	Lunch eating time (Thurs/Fri depending on Specialist timetable)
12.50pm	Formal class learning
1:45pm	Second recess
2:15pm	Formal class learning
3:15pm	Dismissal

If you require to collect a child early or drop off a little later due to (for example) a medical appointment, please visit the Office and sign him/her in the Sign In/Out booklet.

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Kids Coat Swap

With winter fast approaching we wanted to offer our families an opportunity to sort through last year's coats (as no doubt the kids will have grown!) and see whether you can swap for a bigger coat.

Starting from Monday 27th April there will be a collection box in reception for your outgrown and unwanted kids coats. A rail will be hanging in reception with the donated coats and any family is welcome to take what they need. The coat swap is free to participate in, you do not need to donate a coat to take a coat.

We ask that all items be clean with no major damage.

Thank you in anticipation of your kind donations and for your support for our school community and children.

Please note all children must be accompanied by their parent/family member/carer to participate.

MOUNT PLEASANT PRIMARY SCHOOL

KIDS COAT SWAP

LOCATED AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

- SAVE MONEY
- REDUCE WASTE
- SUPPORT FAMILIES
- SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY

DONATE YOUR UNWANTED COATS AND SWAP FOR A NEW ONE

Catherine King Award

Congratulations to Samantha Kargaran who was awarded our Catherine King Award for 2025. This was awarded at assembly at the end of term 1.



Breakfast Club is Back



Our school is pleased to share that our partnership with the School Breakfast Club Program will continue in 2026. This is such a valued service available to all students from Foundation to Year 6, every morning before school.

Breakfast Club is run from the Arts Centre every school day from 8:40-8:55am. We encourage students to pop in for toast, cereal, milk and fruit during this time, and start the day with a happy (and full) tummy ready for learning.

We are very grateful for our parent and staff volunteers who are able to facilitate Breakfast every morning for our students—many thanks to:

Courtney, Claudia, Sarah, Mr Franc, Mrs Ives, Kylie and Janine.

We have a couple of spots available for additional parent helpers on Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Are you able to help? I'd be keen to hear from you!

Students of the Week

Congratulations to the following students for being recognised for their achievements in our school with our Student of the Week. Continue being your best!



Term 1 Week 9 (above)

Adara, Dustin, Elliot, Parker, Joey

Easter Drawing Competition

Thank you to all that entered the Easter Drawing Competition. There were some amazing entries. Thank you also to Logan B for organising this with the help from Specialist Teachers. Winners are below.



Junior Winners 1st Mirha, 2nd Esme, 3rd Adara, 4th Minha

Senior Winners

1st Eleanor, 2nd Abel, 3rd Charlie, 4th Melanie



Make sure you join the **Sentral for Parents App** as school reports, newsletters, absences will be accessed via the app. If you require help with this, please see the office.

ANZAC GAME

SEE YOU AT SELKIRK STADIUM THIS WEEKEND

SATURDAY 25TH APRIL 5:30PM & 7:30PM

FREE ENTRY FOR ALL



Supporting Our Community

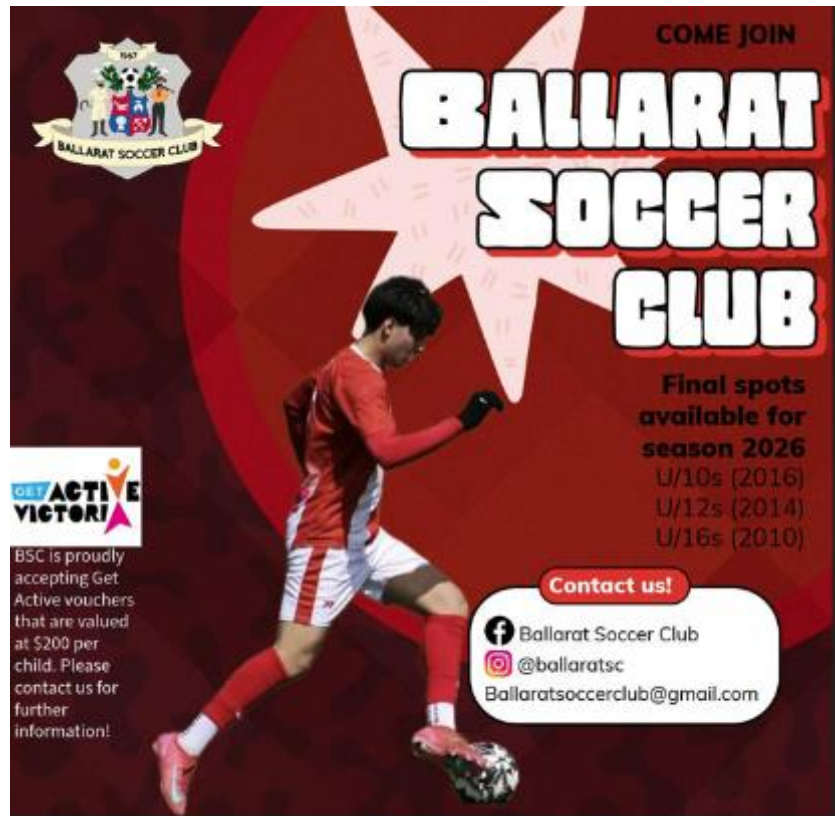
Auskick is back for Term 2! 🍌

Local Auskick centres will be starting across our region in the coming weeks, offering a fun, safe and inclusive way for children to get active, build confidence and learn new football skills.

If your child is interested in giving footy a go, now is the perfect time to get involved. Keep an eye out for local centre information or reach out to find your nearest Auskick program.

Don't miss out on a great season of footy fun!

Follow the link to find your nearest Centre:
<https://play.afl/club-finder-map?formats=auskick%2Csuperkick>



COME JOIN
BALLARAT SOCCER CLUB

Final spots available for season 2026
U/10s (2016)
U/12s (2014)
U/16s (2010)

Contact us!
f Ballarat Soccer Club
@ballaratssc
Ballaratsoccerclub@gmail.com

GET ACTIVE VICTORIA

BSC is proudly accepting Get Active vouchers that are valued at \$200 per child. Please contact us for further information!

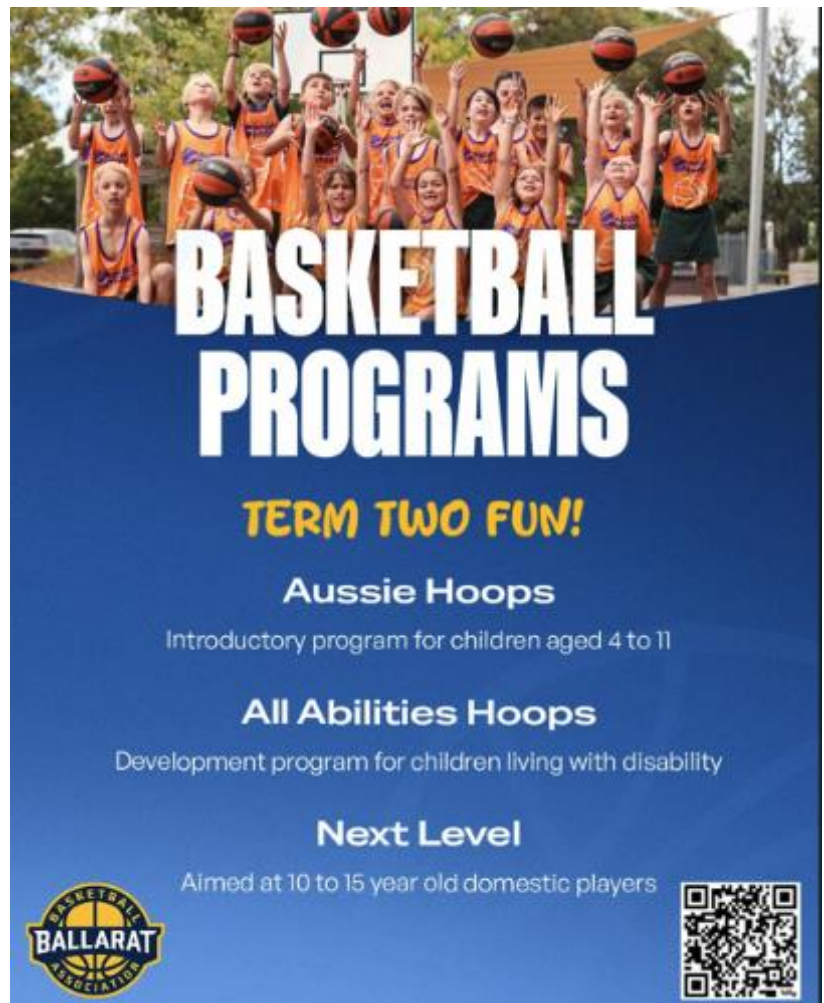


nab AFL Auskick

GOOD CLEAN FUN

PLAY.AFL/AUSKICK

AFL PLAY



BASKETBALL PROGRAMS


TERM TWO FUN!

Aussie Hoops
Introductory program for children aged 4 to 11

All Abilities Hoops
Development program for children living with disability

Next Level
Aimed at 10 to 15 year old domestic players

BASKETBALL BALLARAT ASSOCIATION



PARKING, TRAFFIC AND SCHOOL CROSSING INSPECTIONS

Please note that the City of Ballarat will be undertaking regular patrols to ensure parking compliance. Any breaches observed, will be enforced. This is to help ensure the safety of students and staff and the broader school community. We implore all road users to ensure that they adhere to the law to maintain the ongoing safety of everyone involved.

Student and community safety should be our priority.



REMEMBER
ONCE A WEEK,
TAKE A PEEK

Please help our school win the war against **head lice** by checking your child's hair over the holidays. Checking hair on a regularly basis helps us keep this issue under control. Thank you for your support.

STUDENT ABSENCE – PROCEDURE

To reduce absences, parents are asked to advise the school of impending student absences (between 8.30am and 9.00am) by:

- Telephone – 5332 3646
- Email – mount.pleasant.ps@education.vic.gov.au
- Or use the Parent Portal App



If your child is missing any belongings, please check our lost property at the office. We urge families to **please name their school uniforms/lunch boxes** so that items brought to the office can be returned to students.

Extend After School Care onsite at Mount Pleasant Primary School

Log online at www.extend.com.au or phone 1300 366 437 to book.

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Sentral e-resource

Registering on the Sentral for Parents App for the first time



Sentral for Parents App

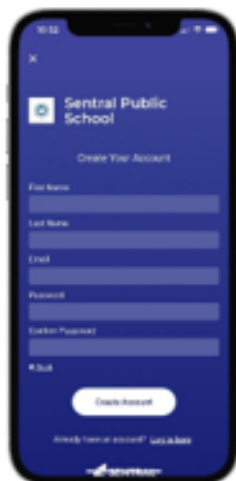
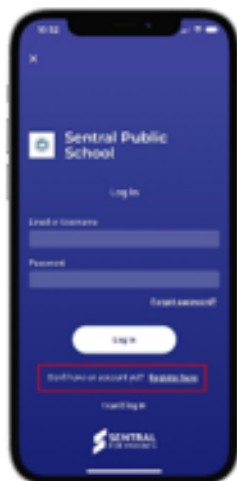
Step One: Download the Sentral for Parents app.



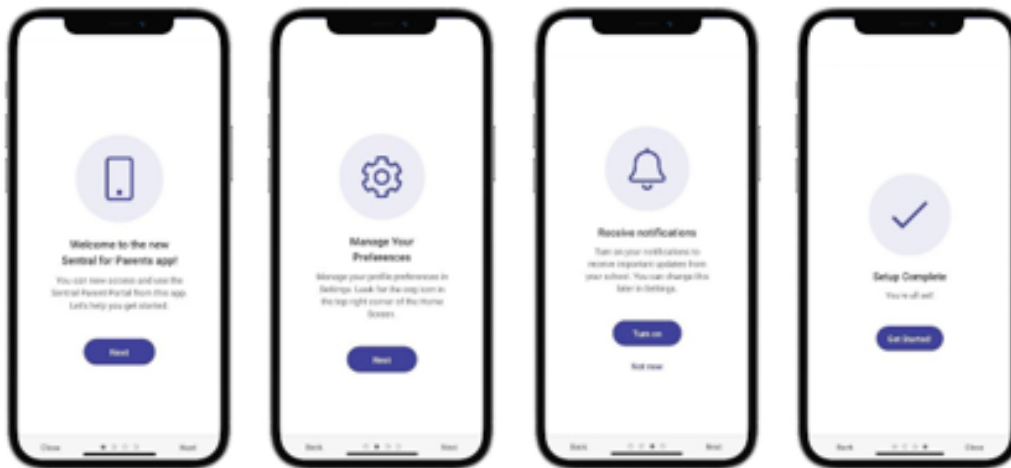
Step Two: Type in the school's name.



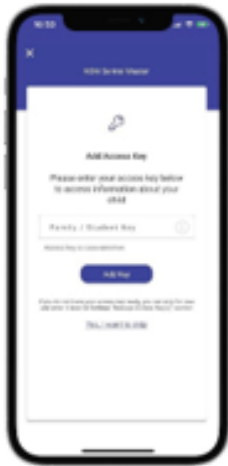
Step Three: Choose 'Register Here' from the bottom of the screen. Complete the details and choose 'Create Account'. You will receive a verification email which **MUST** be verified to continue. When the verification link is clicked it opens the log in screen in browser – close the browser and go back to the Sentral for Parents app.



Step Four: Choose your preferences



Step Five: Connect to your child in this screen 'Add Access Key'. The access key is written on the note/email sent to you from the school. It is case sensitive so type it in exactly as it appears in the note/email.



Step Five: You are now connected and can interact with the App.



New Price List 2026

Off the Grill		Cold Food	
Chicken Parma Roll	\$6.00	BLT Roll	\$6.00
Chicken Schnitzel Burger	\$6.00	Cheese Roll	\$6.00
Vegetarian Burger	\$6.00	Chicken & Salad Roll	\$6.00
Hot dog w/ Cheese & Sauce	\$6.00	Ham & Salad Roll	\$6.00
Cheese burger	\$6.00	Salad Roll	\$6.00
		BLT Sandwich	\$6.00
Hot Food		Cheese Sandwich	\$6.00
Chicken Nuggets(3)	\$3.00	Chicken & Salad Sandwich	\$6.00
Chicken Nuggets(6)	\$5.00	Ham & Salad Sandwich	\$6.00
Dim Sim	\$1.50	Salad Sandwich	\$6.00
Pie	\$6.00	BLT Wrap	\$6.00
Party Pie	\$1.80	Cheese Wrap	\$6.00
Party Sausage Roll	\$1.80	Chicken & Salad Wrap	\$6.00
Veggie Pastie	\$6.00	Ham & Salad Wrap	\$6.00
Tomato Sauce	\$0.50	Salad Wrap	\$6.00
BBQ Sauce	\$0.50	Garden Salad (Chicken or Ham)	\$6.00
Soy Sauce	\$0.50	Chicken Caesar Salad	\$6.00
Drinks			
Orange Juice	\$2.50		
Apple & Blackcurrant Juice	\$2.50	Snacks	
Strawberry Milk	\$3.00	Fruit Salad	\$4.00
Chocolate Milk	\$3.00	Yoghurt & Muesli	\$4.00



Mount Pleasant Primary School



Term 2 2026 Parent Planner

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	April 20	April 21	April 22	April 23	April 24
Week 2	April 27	April 28	April 29	April 30	May 1
Week 3	May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7 Mother's Day/Special Person Stall	May 8 Athletics Carnival
Week 4	May 11	May 12	May 13 GRIP Leadership Conference (Selected students)	May 14	May 15
Week 5	May 18	May 19 Curriculum Day – No school for students	May 20 Year 4/5/6 Sovereign Hill Excursion	May 21	May 22
Week 6	May 25	May 26	May 27	May 28 Year 2/3 Cave Hill Day Camp	May 29 School Photos
Week 7	June 1	June 2	June 3	June 4	June 5
Week 8	June 8 Public Holiday – Kings Birthday	June 9	June 10	June 11	June 12
Week 9	June 15	June 16	June 17	June 18	June 19
Week 10	June 22	June 23	June 24	June 25	June 26 Last day of school 2.15pm finish (Term 3 resumes on Monday 13 th July)

Public Holiday	Student Free Day
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