



The Lilydale Legend

The official newsletter of Lilydale Primary School

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Dear Families,

It was wonderful to hear from iRock who presented at assembly last week. To see and hear Matty (56M) sing with such passion, confidence and grace!

If you child is keen to learn an instrument or try voice lessons now is the opportunity to register so that you can take advantage of their current special promo. iRock is offering 50% off the rest of Term 1 and Term 2. That is an incredible saving.

Next Week

NAPLAN

- Monday 16th March - Grade 3 and Grade 5 - Numeracy



As we move into Week 8, our school community finds itself in the midst of a particularly busy and exciting time. With the second week of NAPLAN underway, our swimming program approaching, and some incursions for grades 3 – 6, there is certainly plenty happening across the school. During these busy periods, it is a wonderful reminder of just how important wellbeing is for our students, staff, and families.

For our students participating in NAPLAN this week, we are incredibly proud of the way they have approached the assessments. These tests are just one snapshot of learning, and we continually remind our students that their effort, persistence, and willingness to try their best are what truly matter. Ensuring students get a good night's sleep, enjoy a healthy breakfast, and arrive at school feeling calm and ready to learn can make a big difference. Thank you to families for supporting your children during this time.

On the radio last week, I heard a fabulous way families can support wellbeing is through connection, fun and conversation. A game many families enjoy is **"High, Low, Buffalo."** At the end of the day, each person shares:

- their **High** – the best part of their day
- their **Low** – something that was challenging
- their **Buffalo** – something random, surprising or interesting that happened in their day.

Here are some Buffalo-style questions families could ask each other:

- What was something unexpected that happened today?
- Did you see or hear something that made you laugh today?
- What was something new you learnt or noticed today?
- Did anything surprise you today?
- What was the funniest moment of your day?
- Did you see something interesting in the playground or outside today?
- Did someone say or do something that made you think differently?
- What was something random that happened today?
- Did you notice something small that made you smile?
- If you could pick one strange or unusual moment from today, what would it be?



These types of questions help children practise reflection, curiosity, and storytelling, while also creating opportunities for meaningful family conversations at the end of the day. The Buffalo questions in the actual game are quite different from those given above. Some of them are humorous and others are thought-provoking without being too serious.

For children, this can help them notice little moments and build positive conversations at home. Reflections don't have to be big events—they are often the little surprises or observations that make the day memorable. Encouraging children to share these moments can help build curiosity, gratitude, and positive family conversations at the end of the day.

Wellbeing is not just about students; it extends to our staff and families as well. Our teachers and education support staff work tirelessly to create supportive and engaging learning environments for our students. We are grateful for their dedication and the care they show every day.

For families, we recognise that school life can also feel busy at times. Small moments of connection—such as sharing a conversation about the day, spending time outdoors, or establishing calm routines in the evening—can have a positive impact on everyone's wellbeing.

As always, thank you for the ongoing partnership between home and school. When we work together to support the wellbeing of our community, we create the best possible environment for our children to learn, grow, and flourish.

Wishing everyone a wonderful week ahead.

Kind Regards,

Emily Murcott



Award Winners

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YOU ARE AMAZING



Congratulations

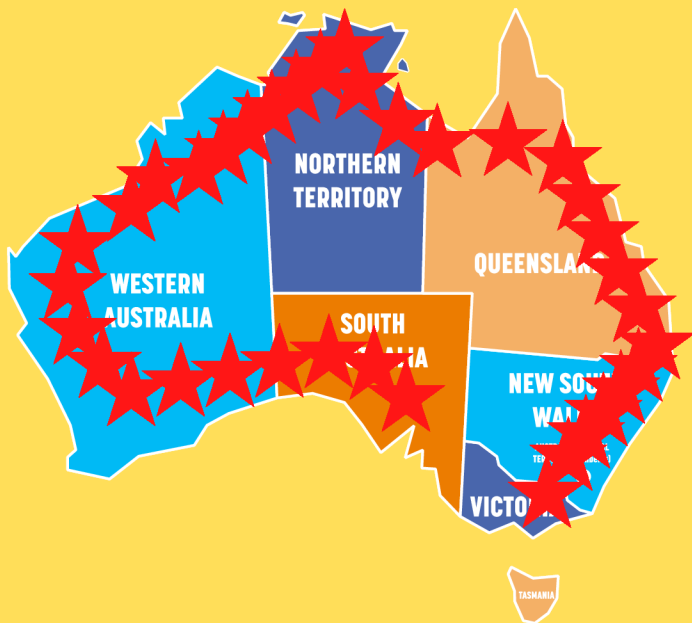


FANTASTIC!



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Run Around Australia Challenge



We are 64km past Ceduna and only have 712km to go to get to Adelaide.

Wear Purple Fundraiser for Foodbank

Next Wednesday, the 18th of March, the Junior School Council (JSC) have organised a fundraiser to raise money for Foodbank. Foodbank is Australia's largest hunger relief organisation, providing 70% of the states food relief. One of their projects is the 'School Breakfast Club Program'. Our school participates in this program, meaning that Foodbank provides the nutritious food that we use to run Lilydale Primary School's breakfast club program.

Please come to school either dressed in purple or wearing free dress. Do not forget to bring a gold coin donation!

Thank you,
Lilydale Primary School's JSC representatives.

We have raised a total of \$2,348 for sports equipment from recycling.



What a performance!

Well done to Matty for his amazing singing at assembly. If you are interested in your child having music lessons with iRock see the details below. The special offer of 50% off is for Term 1 and 2.

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LP Lilydale
PRIMARY SCHOOL

**WANNA ROCK AT LILYDALE
PRIMARY?**

50%

OFF

TERM 1!

INCLUDES:

TEAMS OF UP TO 4 STUDENTS
REGULAR PRICE \$105 P/M
8-10 LESSONS PER TERM
LESSON NOTES FROM TEACHER WEEKLY
2 PERFORMANCES PER YEAR

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MOOROOBARK COLLEGE WARMLY INVITES PROSPECTIVE PARENTS & STUDENTS TO JOIN US FOR OUR

OPEN NIGHT

MONDAY 23 MARCH 2026

**FORMAL PRESENTATION
6:00PM**

We look forward to welcoming you to Mooroolbark College

'a place to inspire discovery, to value and to seize opportunity.'

186 Manchester Road, Mooroolbark 3138
t (03) 9727 8100
www.mooroolbarkcollege.vic.edu.au





2026 WINTER SEASON REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

APRIL 21ST TILL SEPTEMBER 19TH



PERSEVERANCE RESPECT INCLUSION DETERMINATION ENCOURAGEMENT



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Dear Families,

Help us raise some dough for our school, with Healthy Bake Hot Cross Buns. There are 7 different flavours to choose from to keep the whole family happy. All made with organic flour and ingredients sourced in Australia. Every 6 pack sold raises money for our school, simply order through the Flexischools app so that you can enjoy delicious hot cross buns just in time for Easter.

Please complete orders by Thursday the 19th of March (sorry no late orders) and your order will be ready to collect on Friday the 27th of March.

Many thanks,
Lilydale Primary School fundraising Team

Spelt	\$11.65
Khorasan	\$11.65
Spelt Choc Chip	\$12.65
Cranberry & Whit Choc Chip	\$12.65
Wheat	\$10.45
Spelt Fruitless	\$10.45
Apple & Cinnamon	\$12.65



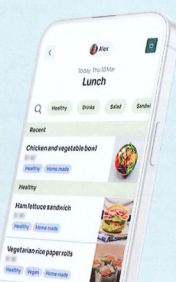
*Hot Cross Bun
Fundraiser.
Order through
Flexischools app by
Thursday 19th March.*

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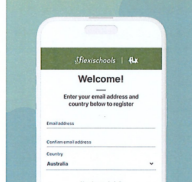
Easy ordering and cashless payments for school canteen, uniforms, fundraisers, and events.



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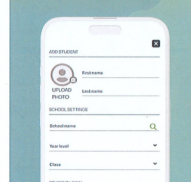
How to set up your Flexischools account



1. Register with Flexischools

Open your Flexischools app and click **Register**.

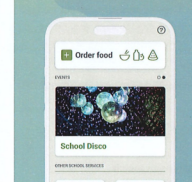
1. Submit your email to create an account.
2. In your inbox, open the registration email.
3. Click the link within and follow registration prompts in app.



2. Enter your child's details

Once your account is set up, log into your Flexischools app

1. Select **Profile** icon on the navigation bar.
2. Under **Students**, click **Add new**.
3. Enter your child's name, school, year level, and class. Click **Submit**.



3. Order and pay with ease!

Here's how to order food on Flexischools

1. Click **Order food** - top of app home screen
2. Select the student you'd like to order for
3. Choose a service (e.g. lunch) and order date
4. Select any items you'd like to order
5. Once finished, click **View order**



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Lilydale High School Zoology Centre Open day

Sunday 29th March
10am-1pm

Gold coin entry

BBQ and stalls

25 Melba Avenue, Lilydale

Zoology Centre located at the South entrance carpark off Melba Ave

Queries to: tegan.samphier@education.vic.gov.au



★ LILYDALE HIGH SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT ★

Prospective families and students are warmly invited to attend our Information Evening on **Thursday 19 March at 6.30 pm.**

This special evening is a wonderful opportunity to discover what Lilydale High School has to offer students in 2027 and beyond.

Join us to:

- ✦ Learn about our curriculum and programs
- ✦ Meet our dedicated staff
- ✦ Ask questions
- ✦ Enjoy a self-guided tour of our facilities and grounds

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing what makes our school community so special!



JUNIOR TRAINING

Pre-season Training will be on Monday
Get Into Rugby
Come and Try
6pm

GRIFF HUNT RESERVE

54 Lyons Rd Croydon North 3136
www.maroondahrugby.com.au

Welcome to Clubhouse

Clubhouse is a safe space where you can:

- Be yourself
- Connect with new people
- Play video games
- Eat free snacks
- Access craft supplies
- Speak to a youth worker

Each week features an optional activity.

Every Monday from 4:30pm - 6:00pm

Clubhouse runs out of 7 Civic Square, Croydon.

If accessing our services is difficult for you, talk to Youth Services about some of the options.



For more information, contact Youth Services or scan the QR code.



For young people aged 8-12

M Connected

Check out what's on offer at www.maroondah.vic.gov.au/Youth 3234 5704



celebrate mooroolbark 2026 festival

FREE community event

Enjoy a fun filled day with entertainment **activities** food, stalls and more

Sunday
15 March 2026
10am to 4pm

Hookey Park, Mooroolbark

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Upcoming Events

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TERM 1 2026

March

Wed 11-

Fri 13 **NAPLAN Gr 3 and 5**

Tues 17 **Gr 5/6 Courage to Care Incursion**

Wed 18 **Wear purple or free dress - JSC fundraiser**

Fri 20 **Gr 5/6 interschool sport vs Kilsyth/Gladesville (away)**

Last day for Hot Cross Buns orders

Thurs 26 **GRIP Leadership conference - school captains**

Mon 23-

Fri 27 **Swimming Prep - Gr 6**

Hot Cross Bun orders delivered

April

Thurs 2 **Last Day of Term 2:30pm finish**

Mon 20 **First day of Term 2**

May

Thurs 7 **School photos**

DON'T FORGET!

- **Hot Cross Bun orders in by Thurs 19th March**
- **Gold coin donation for JSC Wed 18th March**



FRIDAY LUNCH ORDERS

Lunch Orders are available on Friday's

Ordering cut off time is:

- **2pm for Daily Specials**
- **9pm for ALL ORDERS the Thursday prior**

Place your order via the Flexischools App



Lilydale Primary School staff are on duty before school from 8.45am and after school until 3.45pm. Outside these times students will be unsupervised in the playground. If your child needs to arrive before this time in the morning or after the time in the afternoon please contact Extend at lilydale@extend.com.au to arrange for your child to attend before or after school care.

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2026 TERM 1 DATES

- **Thur 29th Jan - Thur 2nd April**
- **Mon 20th April - Fri 26th June**
- **Mon 13th July - Fri 18 Sept**
- **Mon 5th October - Fri 18th Dec**

CURRICULUM DAYS 2026

Tues 9th June
Tues 25th August
Mon 2nd November
Mon 23rd November

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