Newsletter No: 36 Date: 20/11/2025

Achievement

Promoting excellence in education

Resilience

Creating problem solvers ready to accept challenges





Community
Building responsible citizens

Respect

Developing tolerant, considerate individuals

This week's value in focus is: Community

Citizenship—Being a valuable member and making contributions to our school

Contact us:

Principal – Katie Lovel 5468 1111 dunolly.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Around school

CROSSING SUPERVISION CESSATION

In a devastating blow to our community, we were informed by representatives at Monday night's school council meeting that our school crossing would cease to be supervised after the end of the 2025 school year. See attached letter providing formal notification. I have also included a copy of how we can let the State Government know just how vital this service is. It might only currently be used by a few; but you cannot put a price on one child or many children's lives. School council will be working with CGS to lobby the State Government to reinstate this funding. We will also be working with the shire to improve the infrastructure around the crossing including the footpaths, signage and crossing structure. I urge you all to make contact with the relevant parties as indicated in the letters provided.

ASSEMBLY

Assembly tomorrow has been moved to 8.55am instead of 2.50pm. The same format will be followed.

COLOUR FUN RUN

This year's colour fun run is only a week away now ! Get fundraising for our outdoor learning furniture.

See the flyer for full details.

PARENT PAYMENT POLICY AND BOOK PACK ORDERS

Our Parent Payment Policy and information regarding the 2026 student book packs will be coming home tomorrow. Please read this information carefully as it details all the information you need regarding payments for your child's schooling for 2026.

We are a child safe school; committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. We have zero tolerance of child abuse.

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/progra ms/health/protect/Pages/default.aspx

There are clear boundaries about how adults in our school community may interact with the children at Dunolly PS.

Book Club

Issue 8 Book Club has been sent home.

Orders close tomorrow Friday

November 21st.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

School Council Meeting –

Wednesday December 17th at 6pm

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep/1 - to be announced

Grade 1/2 - to be announced

Grade 3/4 - to be announced

Grade 5/6 - to be announced

Principal's – to be announced

Stars of the Week





Please Quote Reference: Enquiries:

18 November 2025

Katie Lovel Principal Dunolly Primary School 8 Elgin Street DUNOLLY VIC 3472

Via email: katie.lovel@education.vic.gov.au

Dear Katie

RE: ELGIN STREET SCHOOL CROSSING - SERVICE CESSATION AND ADVOCACY SUPPORT

I am writing to advise you that Council will be discontinuing the school crossing supervisor service at the Elgin Street crossing outside Dunolly Primary School from Term 1, 2026. The service will remain in place until the end of Term 4, 2025.

This decision has not been made lightly. The crossing does not meet the criteria for support under the Victorian Government School Crossing Supervisor Program, leaving Council to fully fund the service. Given the significant financial pressures facing local government and the need to prioritise sustainable service delivery, Council can no longer continue to subsidise a service that is ordinarily a State Government responsibility.

To ensure the safety of students and the broader community, we are seeking your support to advocate to the State Government for funding to maintain the crossing supervisor service beyond 2025. Your voice, along with that of parents and the community, will be invaluable in reinforcing this message.

We encourage parents and community members to write to:

- Martha Haylett MP, Member for Ripon Email: martha.haylett@parliament.vic.gov.au
- Melissa Horne MP, Minister for Roads and Road Safety Email: melissa.horne@parliament.vic.gov.au

Attached is an advocacy guide for parents and the community. Council is committed to working collaboratively with the school and the State to deliver safe and sustainable outcomes.

If you would like to discuss this matter further or explore ways to advocate together, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Peter Harriott
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

22 Nolan Street, Maryborough VIC 3465
PO Box 194, Maryborough VIC 3465
Phone 03 5461 0610 - Fax 03 5461 0666
www.centralgoldfields.vic.gov.au

© @CentralGoldfields © @CG_Shire

Advocacy Guide for Parents and Community

Why Advocate?

The Elgin Street crossing does not qualify for State funding under the current program, leaving Council to fully fund the service. Without State support, the crossing supervisor will cease from Term 1, 2026. Advocacy can help secure funding or alternative safety measures.

Who to Contact:

Martha Haylett MP – Member for Ripon

Email: martha.haylett@parliament.vic.gov.au

Melissa Horne MP – Minister for Roads and Road Safety

Email: melissa.horne@parliament.vic.gov.au

Suggested Email Template:

Subject: Urgent Support for Dunolly School Crossing

Dear [MP Name],

I am writing as a concerned parent/community member regarding the Elgin Street school crossing outside Dunolly Primary School. Council has announced that the crossing supervisor service will cease from Term 1, 2026 due to lack of State funding.

This crossing is critical for the safety of our children and community. We strongly urge the State Government to provide funding to maintain the crossing supervisor service or implement appropriate safety infrastructure before the 2026 school year.

Rural communities deserve equitable access to safety measures, and we ask for your urgent support to keep our children safe.

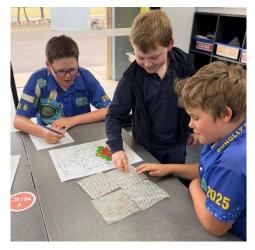
Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Kind regards,

[Your Name]

Year 5/6 Maths focus

The year 5/6 students have been looking at chance and data as their maths focus. Students have designed their own game board with the challenge to create the best possible game for the largest profit. The 3/4 class have been testing out their games, and the 5/6 students are busy collecting the data to be analysed.

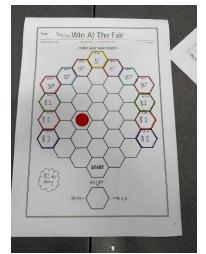






















Step into Prep

TERM 4 DATES FULL DAYS 8.50AM - 3.15PM

FRIDAY 31ST OCTOBER

FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER - BAKERY LUNCH ORDER DAY

FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER - COLOUR FUN RUN DAY

INCLUDING FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE

STATEWIDE TRANSITION DAY TUESDAY 9TH DECEMBER

PLEASE BRING:
FRUIT SNACK
HEALTHY LUNCH FOR FIRST RECESS
HEALTHY SNACK FOR SECOND RECESS
WATER BOTTLE
BROAD BRIMMED HAT



Monty's Colour Fun Run Friday November 28th

Online fundraising has opened!

Simply go to www.myprofilepage.com.au and click onto the register button to create a cybersafe, online profile page.

Raise \$10 to receive your first incentive prize, there are 15 unique prizes on offer!

Maldon Shopping Spree

AN EVENING OF SHOPPING AND FUN IN THE STREETS OF MALDON

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 27th, 2025 5.15pm to 8.00pm

FORGET MELBOURNE
FORGET BENDIGO
SHOP FOR CHRISTMAS IN MALDON!



Exclusive discounts from participating traders and a huge raffle on the night

Ticket price includes
a Maldon shopping bag,
discount vouchers,
refreshments and music
whilst
shopping and a free ticket
in the raffle on the night

Fundraiser Supporting



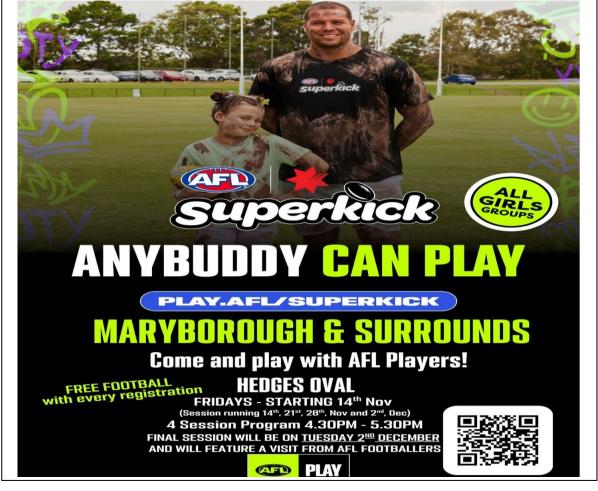
Tickets \$20

Tickets available from Maldon Newsagency, Beatons Store, Maldon Primary School ph 5475 1484 or online

https://www.trybooking.com/D&ICQ





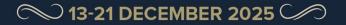






IT'S SNOW JOKE!

ELF ACADEMY IS RETURNING TO BENDIGO MORE MAGICAL THAN EVER!



THEY'RE CHEEKY, CREATIVE & FULL OF JOY... BUT DO YOU KNOW WHAT IT REALLY TAKES TO BE ONE OF SANTA'S LITTLE HELPERS?

Through festive crafts, playful games, and elf-tastic challenges recruits will master the skills needed to join Santa's legendary crew, graduating with a Certificate IV in Elf Training!

13-21 December | Beehive Building | \$25 per person | \$100 per family All activities included | Santa photography additional





BOOK NOW!

bendigoheritage.com.au 4444 2810 | ⊕⊚©





at the Dunolly Neighbourhood Centre



MONDAY TO

THURSDAY, 9.30 TO 3PM. CALL 54681511- TOP OF BULL ST. HIRE FOR ONE WEEK OR TWO!



family or friends in our paper?
Please Help - We need YOU to save
TWR... It's NOW or Never!



The Welcome Record (TWR) has been the "Heart and Soul" of our community for over 40+ years featuring our community front & centre, recording our lives - our celebrations, bereavements and uplifting us all, as a local community paper should. Without 'PEOPLE POWER" to help produce TWR twice each month - sadly, there will no longer be The Welcome Record. Make no mistake: Without volunteers, our award-winning paper WILL cease in December.

We need your passion for our community, your computer or writing skills to survive. No experience? We offer training - all you need is a basic working knowledge of Microsoft Word or be willing to learn, with flexible hours from 10 am - 2 pm to suit whilst the kids are in school. We're also looking for high school students who would like to join us as writers, reporters or layout designers.



CONTACT US NOW

Come Join Us - get a few friends together or just come solo to ensure TWR will continue, well into the future.

WE NEED A NEW TEAM!

Please make an appointment for a chat on how you can help via Email only, as we are not in the office everyday.

E: editorial@thewelcomerecord.com.au



The Welcome Record is a CES volunteer and registered Charity.