



# BARINGA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Baringa School acknowledges the traditional custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to sky, land, sea and community. We pay our respects to their elders past and present and extend that to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today. Our school is located on Gunaikurnai land.



## Upcoming Events

### February

**25th** School Photos 

### March

**7th** Student Free Day

**10th** Labour Day (No school)

**14th** Athletics Day 

### April

**3rd** SSG Day (Secondary & SLC)

**4th** SSG Day (Lower & Upper Primary)

**4th** Last day of Term 1

“ What a fabulous start to the school year we have had! Last Wednesday we welcomed our students back, with 19 new students of various ages beginning at Baringa. We also had ten new Preps start with us on Thursday. We welcome all new families to our Baringa School community! My philosophy as a Principal is that most issues can be worked through with good communication. If you ever have any questions, concerns or feedback, we are very open to having a conversation. The best way to get in touch is by calling the school on 5127 1744. If a more extensive conversation is required, please call the office and request to book a meeting. This will allow us to ensure the correct people are involved in the conversation. We also welcome parents to send emails or write in student diaries to share information. Our school Facebook page is another place to find information, photos and news.

To the left you will see our schools' important dates for the term. Please ensure you put these dates on the calendar. Our Student Support Group meeting days have been scheduled for the last two days of term (Thursday 3 April for Secondary and SLC and Friday 4 April for Lower and Upper Primary). These meetings provide an opportunity for teachers, parents and any other professionals working with your child to come together to discuss their education, Individual Education Plan goals, and any other topics required.

Our athletics day will be held on Friday March 14 at Joe Carmody Athletics Track Newborough. We would love to see parents and carers in attendance to cheer on our students as they have a go at wide range of events. A sausage sizzle lunch will be provided for all in attendance.

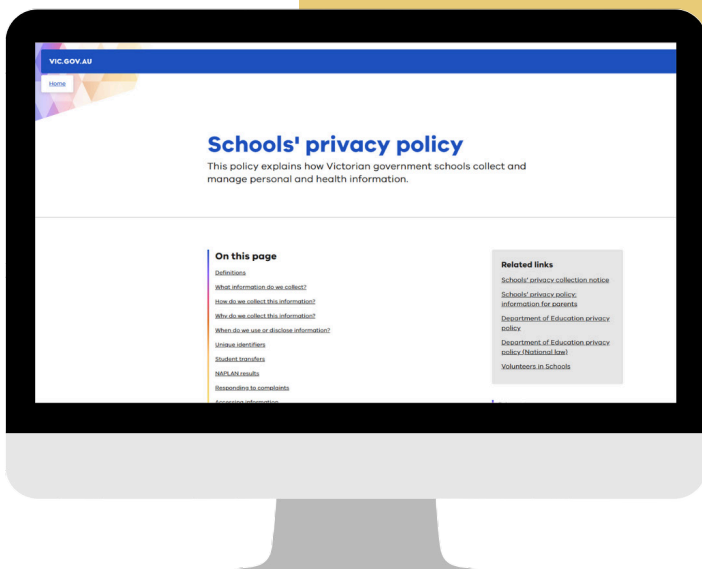


**Kelly Mether**  
Principal

The beginning of each year is always a busy time for our students, their families, and our staff. During this time, a lot of confidential information is shared between families and school to help best support students to learn and be safe. It is also important that the personal information we have for families and students is correct, so please contact our office if your contact details, or other details have changed recently.

As this is our peak time for sharing and updating confidential information, we thought it would be timely to share the Department of Education's [Privacy Policy](https://www.vic.gov.au/schools-privacy-policy) with you. This document explains why we collect information and how we store this information. If you have any questions regarding this policy or any of our other policies, please feel free to contact our office for further details.

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# Every School Day Counts

If your child is absent from school please remember to let us know why. Please call the Baringa office on (03) 5127 1744 or send an SMS to 0407 880 630 explaining why your child will be absent and how long you expect them to be away.



## Our Commitment to Child Safety

Baringa School is committed to providing an environment where our students are safe and feel safe, where their participation is valued, their views respected, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. We promote positive relationships between students and adults and between students and their peers. These relationships are based on trust and respect. Particular attention is given to the child safety needs of Aboriginal students, those from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, International students, students with disabilities, those unable to live at home, children and young people who identify as LGBTIQ+. Child safety is a shared responsibility. Every person involved in our school has an important role in promoting child safety and wellbeing and reporting any issues or concerns about a child's safety.

We are committed to making decisions that support our young people.

# Second-Hand Uniform

We have some second hand jumpers, polo t-shirts and tracksuit pants available in the school. Please contact us on (03) 5127 1744 or come in to see what sizes we have available.

- Gold coin donation per item





# February

Matilda

Mark

Abbigail

Tyrell

Harley

Jett B

Liam M

Willow

Theo

Jammy

Ashten



# Bus Awards

Zavan

Isla

Thor

Summah

Callum

Kyanna

Cooper J

Mia







# Baringa's Friday Canteen List

## Term 1 2025



**NAME.....**

**ROOM .....**

|   | Price  | Quantity | Total |
|---|--------|----------|-------|
| <b>Chicken nuggets ( 3 per serve )</b><br>Tomato sauce    BBQ Sauce    No Sauce  | \$2.00 |          | \$    |
| <b>Meat Pie</b><br>Tomato sauce    BBQ Sauce    No Sauce                         | \$3.50 |          | \$    |
| <b>Sausage Roll</b><br>Tomato sauce    BBQ Sauce    No Sauce                    | \$3.50 |          | \$    |
| <b>Steamed Dim Sims</b><br>Soy sauce    BBQ Sauce    No Sauce   | \$2.50 |          | \$    |
| <b>Nachos</b><br>Sour cream    Cheese    Salsa                                 | \$4.00 |          | \$    |
| <b>Two Fruits</b>    | \$1.50 |          | \$    |
| <b>Popcorn</b>   | \$1.00 |          | \$    |
| Bottle water  | \$2.00 |          | \$    |
| Chocolate milk  | \$2.50 |          | \$    |
| Strawberry milk   | \$2.50 |          | \$    |
| Apple Juice Prima   | \$2.00 |          | \$    |
| Orange Juice Prima  | \$2.00 |          | \$    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | \$     |          | \$    |
| <b>CHANGE</b>   | \$     |          | \$    |