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**AFTER
SCHOOL CARE
COMMUNICATION
LINE**
0447 085 696

**Bacchus Marsh
Coaches**

**ABSENCE
LINE**
1800 660 530



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Important notes

Student Support Group (SSG) Meetings

SSG's are being held on **28th June**, This is a **STUDENT FREE DAY**. Parents/carers need to book a time with the teacher via the Compass Parent Portal. Please contact the office if you are needing any assistance

End of Term

The last day of term 2 is Friday 29th June, Students will be dismissed at 2pm. Please be available to meet the bus earlier

Term 3 begins on 16th July at 9am

Buses

A friendly reminder for when students are traveling on the bus.

- Students are able to use iPods or electronic devices to support their travel
- If using a device on the bus they are not allowed to make phone calls, take pictures, facetime, take video or voice recordings
- There is no eating allowed on the bus
- Students can drink from their water bottle

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon/Tue	18-19 Jun	Teeth On Wheels
Wed	20 Jun	Uniform Shop open 3pm—4.30pm
Thur	21-22 Jun	Glasses for Kids Visit
Thur	21 Jun	AMAZE NDIS Planning Workshop 3 10am-12pm
Wed	27 Jun	Biggest Morning Tea—Student-Free Dress GOLD COIN DONATION
		Uniform Shop open 3pm—4.30pm
Thur	28 Jun	SSG Meetings—Student Free Day
Fri	29 Jun	End of Term Assembly—1:15pm

MESSAGES FROM THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

STUDENT DROP OFF IN THE MORNING

No students are to be dropped off before 8.45am, if you arrive before 8.45am you are expected to wait with your child until their teacher collects them after 8.45am.

PICKING UP STUDENT/S WHO TRAVEL ON THE BUS

If your child travels on the bus but you require to pick them up on occasions please ensure you contact the office **BEFORE** 2pm, you must write a note in your child diary notifying staff of the change in routine. It can become difficult to get children off the bus or locate your child once bus transitions begin in the afternoon at 2.40pm.

BUS ATTENDANCE AND CONCERNS PROCESSES FOR COMMUNICATION

If your child will not be on the bus in the morning please call Bacchus Marsh Coaches absence line 1800 660 530.

Please ensure you clearly state the student's name, date and bus number/driver.

If you are enquiring about route delays please contact the school between office hours (8:30am and 4:30pm daily), all other times please contact Bacchus Marsh Coaches. Delays will be communicated by text message, please ensure your emergency contact information is up to date.

If there are any issues or concerns regarding the bus that you wish to talk about, do not ring Bacchus Marsh Coaches or talk about it with the driver. Please contact the Student Transport Administrator at SCHOOL to discuss.

ABSENCES

From 1st July the Department of Education has made it mandatory that we send SMS's out to parents/carers daily when we have not received the reason for the child's absence.

Parents / carers / guardians are required to contact the school when your child is away from school, please call 9743 4966 and follow the prompts to the absence line, alternatively you can log onto Compass Parent Portal to mark your child's absence

COMPASS PARENT PORTAL NOW AVAILABLE

Parents now have access to the Compass Parent Portal, we encourage parents to log on and familiarise themselves with the site and/or app, if you have any issues or concerns please contact the office.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

For any students who have not had their photos done, we will be having one last day on **Tuesday 19th June** to get their photos done.

Please allow a minimum of 6-8 weeks for the photos to be returned to school. They will be sent home via students bags

STUDENT SIGN IN/PICK UP

If your child arrives after 9am or is leaving before 3pm a PARENT OR AUTHORISED GUARDIAN MUST SIGN the child in/out of the school via the Compass Kiosk in the Administration Office.

Positive Behaviour Support

We are re-introducing and reminding everyone about our PBS Values and how to use them successfully.

Our Values are 'Being Safe, Being Respectful & Being Responsible' are now proudly displayed on our Black Wall and we decorated it with positive signs and statements.

Over the past few weeks our teachers have been re-visiting our PBS Values and strategies. Teachers have had Professional Development regarding this with Dan Petro. Our PBS Leader Team has also been to several Professional Development Days and have been very busy making plans for the future.

Over the next few weeks our students and their families will be hearing and seeing things about our values and how we are rewarded for using these values.

What is PBS?

Positive Behaviour Support is an approach to help teach our students new social and communication skills. These are based on Melton Specialist School's values of **Safe**, **Respectful** and **Responsible**.

Evidence shows that teaching, recognising, acknowledging and rewarding positive behaviour helps, reinforces these social skills and is an important step in our student's education.

We also know that social and communication skills are learnt and each child will learn these abilities at their own pace.

You can help support your child's learning by being aware of SWPBS and practicing these strategies at home.

What is the purpose of PBS?

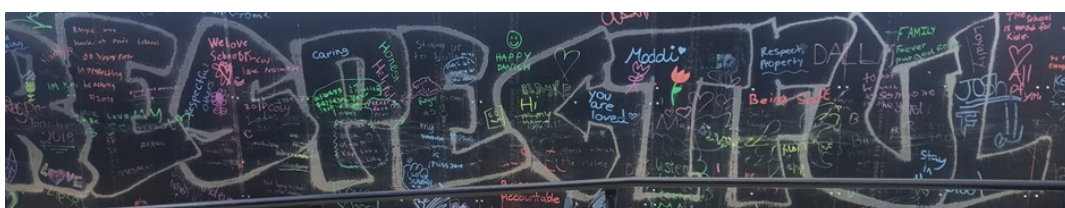
Positive Behaviour Support's purpose is to increase student's learning opportunities, and prevent or decrease problem behaviours. We can all do this by working together as a team using problem solving strategies. We can't assume that students know these social skills so we must explicitly teach the behaviours we want them to show.

How can you help?

Teaching behaviours that we expect to see works best when there is consistency across both home and school settings. PBS is an approach to help all students learn to **self-manage** behaviour. Family involvement is a key feature and important in all aspects of SWPBS. A strong partnership between school and family is important because when families are involved, outcomes for students are better.

You can help us by:

- Teach your child what behaviour you want to see
- Verbally acknowledge and recognise when they meet an expected behaviour
- Respond consistently and with meaningful consequences when problem behaviours occurs



Western Region NDIS Information Nights

The NDIS information nights will be held on the following dates at these locations.

Thursday 28 June 2018
83 Penrose Promenade Tarneit
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Thursday 26 July 2018
Werribee Plaza library Werribee
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

RSVP to Gmoras@autismspectrum.org.au



DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST



We're seeking expressions of interest from community representatives interested in joining the Melton Disability Advisory Committee for 2018 – 2020.

The Committee advises Council on issues relating to access and inclusion for people with disabilities living, working, studying or visiting the City of Melton.

Expressions of interest are open to:

- people with a disability
- people caring for a child or adult with a disability
- representatives from local community-based disability support group or agency.

If you're interested in joining the Committee, contact Council's MetroAccess Officer on **9747 7358** or email: warrenp@melton.vic.gov.au for an application form and terms of reference.

**Nominations close: 5pm,
Friday 22 June 2018.**

#WithRefugees
Join us to celebrate
Refugee Week

and

The official launch of Melton City
Council's membership to the Council
of Europe's Intercultural Cities
Programme



Hear the
inspiring stories
of refugees and
asylum seekers, and
enjoy cultural
performances.



When
Wednesday,
20 June 2018
Time: 12.30–2.30pm
Where
Melton Community Hall,
232 High Street,
Melton

Free event
Light refreshments
provided

For more information visit:

RSVP Fran Grossi **9747 5752**
francescag@melton.vic.gov.au melton.vic.gov.au/refugeeweek

Check out the other activities taking place during Refugee week:

Tuesday 19 June 2018

In Search for Safety
6.00pm–7.30pm
Caroline Springs Library
RSVP Alexandra Maggi
alexandram@melton.vic.gov.au
9747 7200

Wednesday 20 June 2018

Hear Abdi's Inspiring Story
10.00am
Caroline Springs Library
Guest Speaker Abdi Aden
melton.vic.gov.au/refugeeweek

Saturday 23 June 2018

**Contemporary Weaving with
Chaco Kato for Refugee Week**
11.00am–1.00pm (Family Workshop)
Caroline Springs Library Gallery
2.00pm–4.00pm (Adults Workshop)
CS Gallery
melton.vic.gov.au/refugeeweek



Refugee
Week





Blue Light

PROUDLY RUN BY LOCAL POLICE AND VOLUNTEERS

MELTON HARRY POTTER BLUE LIGHT DISCO

FRIDAY 22ND JUNE

6 - 8PM | PRIMARY AGE | \$5 ENTRY

THE GAP ON GRAHAM 5 GRAHAM ST, MELTON

COME DRESSED AS YOUR FAVOURITE HARRY POTTER CHARACTER!

CONTACT STEPHEN.TURNER@POLICE.VIC.GOV.AU OR THEGAPONGRAHAM@GMAIL.COM

CHILDREN TO BE DROPPED OFF & COLLECTED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN | NO BACKPACKS | NO PASSOUTS

Facebook: MELTON BLUE LIGHT
PLEASE ASK YOUR PARENTS TO LIKE THE PAGE IF YOU ARE UNDER 13

Instagram: BLUELIGHT_VIC

Twitter: BBUELIGHT

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY ARE AVAILABLE AT [HTTPS://WWW.BLUELIGHT.ORG.AU/CONDITIONS_OF_ENTRY/](https://www.BLUELIGHT.ORG.AU/CONDITIONS_OF_ENTRY/)



Free information sessions

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NDIS Information Sessions in Melton

Learn about and get ready for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) at a free information session in Melton.

Melbourne City Mission and Mambourin are hosting free community information sessions for people with disability and developmental delay, their families and support networks, at the Melton Library and Learning Centre.

The information sessions will be delivered by experienced staff from the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), who will explain:

- what the NDIS is and how it works
- how to access the NDIS
- how to get ready for transition to the NDIS
- the pathway to becoming an NDIS participant

The information sessions will also be an opportunity to ask questions about what the NDIS will mean for you and to talk to staff from the NDIA, Melbourne City Mission and Mambourin.

Free planning workbooks will also be available to support you to start thinking about and writing down your goals and needs.

Event details

Date: Wednesday 27 June 2018
Location: Melton Library and Learning Hub
 31 McKenzie Street
 Melton VIC 3337

Sessions: 4.00pm – 5.30pm
 7.00pm – 8.30pm

Register your attendance:
 To book your place please register

- Online: <https://mcm-ndis-sessions-melton.eventbrite.com.au>
- Email: BMCCleery@mcm.org.au
- Phone: 0429 728 998

Presented in partnership by **mambourin** and **melbourne city mission**

Get Activated, Stay Motivated for All Abilities



'Get Activated, Stay Motivated' is a fun and exciting holiday activity for children of all ages and abilities.

An action packed afternoon of modified sports and activities that provide fun for all the family.

COST: \$6 per child

Children must be supported by their Guardians or Carers on the day.

Register at: <https://www.trybooking.com/VWMG>

Café will be open from 12.30pm – Coffee and snacks available

CAROLINE SPRINGS:

WHEN: Wednesday 4th July

TIME: 1pm-2.30pm Arrive at 12.30am

WHERE: Caroline Springs Leisure Centre
9-19 The Parade, Caroline Springs

MELTON:

WHEN: Wednesday 11th July

TIME: 1pm-2.30pm Arrive at 12.30pm

WHERE: Melton Indoor Recreation Centre
209 Coburns Rd, Melton



Artists' Collective of Melton Inc.

fostering artistic talent within community

Holiday Workshop Program

at Melton South Community Centre, 41 Exford Rd, Melton South

Artists' Collective of Melton Inc. will be holding a number of workshops over the winter holidays for children and teens of Melton and Caroline Springs area including those with disabilities, autism and those coming from disadvantaged backgrounds. Cost is gold coin donation towards the ACM Inc.

Bookings are essential.... please email sandra@meltonartists.org

Schedule:

Date and Time	Age Group	Workshop Name
July 4th 10am-12pm	3-9	Painting Happy Rocks
July 4th 1pm-3pm	9-16	Making Dreamcatchers
July 10th 10am-12pm	9-16	Drawing Manga
July 10th 1pm-3pm	9-16	Drawing Manga
July 11th 10am-12pm	3-9	Fluid Art
July 11th 1pm-3pm	9-16	Fluid Art