



Newsletter

Coburg Special Developmental School

14th August to 25th August 2023

Principal's Report

Hello Community!

It has been a very busy time at school over the last couple of weeks. The two curriculum days were extremely fulfilling with lots of great professional development around our continuing Professional Learning Communities (PLC) processes and making these even better to support outcomes for our students. Some staff also had some refresher training around School Wide Positive Behaviour Supports, Communication tools (including the use of PDD), Prevent, Teach, Reinforce strategies and the Restraint and Seclusion framework.

Just a reminder to complete the online Parent Opinion Survey. We love your feedback and support in improving our school and making it the best it can be. If you have misplaced the information regarding how to access the survey, please call the office and we will resend. Also, feel free to pop into the school and we can organise computer access for you.

I would also like to thank the parents who were involved in the Parent Focus Group for the School Review. We all appreciate the time taken out of your busy lives and are continually impressed with the respect, friendliness and full support of our community! The School Review is almost complete, with the final day next Thursday, 31st August. This is the time we draw all of the observations together, including the successes and challenges/opportunities into a plan for the next four years. The review report will be presented to school council and then released to the broader school community. Look out for that in the coming weeks.

Regards
Warren Tofts

Coburg SDS

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Friday 15 September
Term 3 Ends - 2.00 pm dismissal
Monday 2 October
Staff and students resume
Monday 6 November
Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 7 November
Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday
Wednesday 20 December
Students Finish - 1.00pm dismissal

Principal's Report Cont...

The new school building is coming along at a fast pace and we are all excited at the prospect of the incredible facilities we will have once completed. These are some of the latest photos I have, however, the project has moved on since then.



Child Centered Learning by Therapy

Term 3 Child Centered Learning has been filled with lots of fun and exciting activities across our school.

During CCL sessions our students have been involved in swimming lessons, cooking sessions, local walks, and shopping at Coles!

Our students have also loved attending and engaging in our fortnightly assembly catchups with singing and dancing along with their friends as well as receiving awards!



Polyglot Theatre

Polyglot theatre would like to invite you to a performance of the show they workshopped with us last year, in Narre Warren.

When the World Turns

A collaboration between Polyglot Theatre (Aus) & Oily Cart (UK)

Presented by Bunjil Place

A fantastical experience for young people with complex disability and their families, leading a participating audience into a sensory state of mind and body.

Dates/times

Saturday 9 September: 10.00 am, 12.30 pm, 3.30 pm

Sunday 10 September: 10.00 am, 12.30 pm

Venue

Studio, [Bunjil Place](#)

2 Patrick Northeast Drive, Narre Warren VIC 3805

Bunjil Place is a fully accessible venue with a [Changing Places](#) toilet.

Cost

\$10 per family (up to 5 people). 'Families' may include siblings, parents, family members and support people, and must include at least one child with complex disability and one adult.

Bookings

For all booking enquiries, please contact the Bunjil Place Box Office via bunjilplace@casey.vic.gov.au or (03) 9709 9700.

More info (event and access info, promo video)

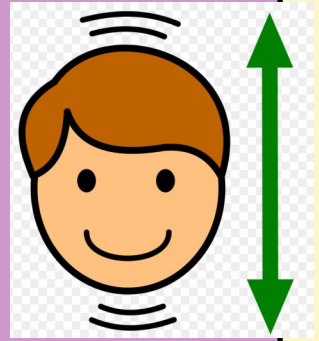
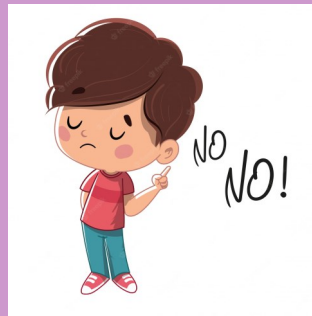
Bunjil Place website: <https://www.bunjilplace.com.au/events/when-world-turns>

Polyglot Theatre website: <https://polyglot.org.au/events/when-the-world-turns-bunjil-place/>

Facebook event: <https://fb.me/e/3EY7B0iHr>



Tutoring on Tuesdays with Nadia



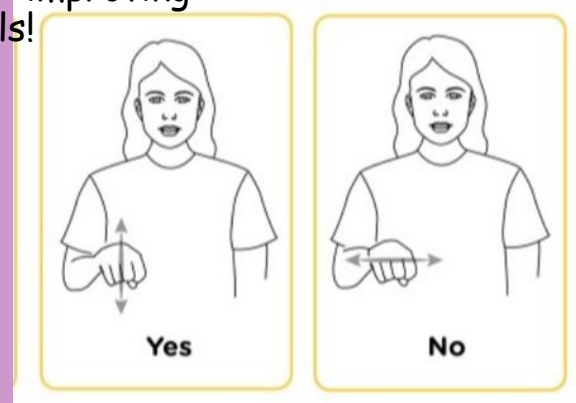
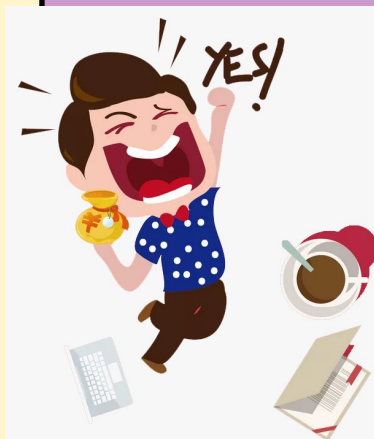
There are so many ways to communicate yes and no. Using body language, facial expressions, gestures, eye contact, key word signs, text, visuals, electronic devices and speech.



This semester I'm running intensive sessions to develop symbolic communication methods for accepting and rejecting items. I'm using a box of tempting fiddle toys, and following the students' leads to encourage the use of either visuals, key word signs, their devices, or their speech.



The students are having a great time, enjoying fun activities while improving their speaking and listening skills!



Tutoring Group by Sue

Hi everyone from all the students in the Tutor Group. This term we have done lots of reading and writing and we would like to share some of it with you, Sue

Everyone enjoys a laugh and some students have been reading knock knock jokes. Here are some of the student's favourites

Efe Knock Knock
 Who's there?
 Gorilla
 Gorilla who?
 Gorilla me a sandwich please

Daren Knock Knock
 Who's there?
 Mary
 Mary who?
 Mary Christmas

John T Knock Knock
 Who's there?
 Goat
 Goat who?
 Goat to the door and see.

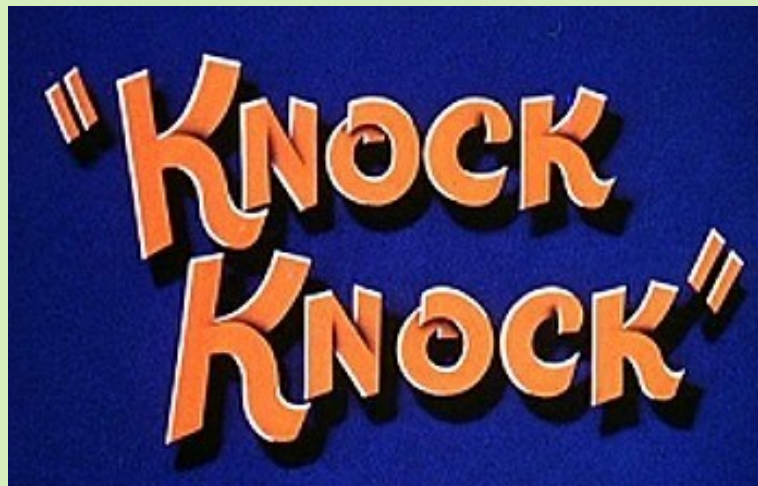
Michael Knock Knock
 Who's there?
 Drew
 Drew who?
 I drew as picture

Riley Knock Knock
 Who's there?
 Boo
 Boo who?
 Waaaaaaaaaaaaaa

Riley Knock Knock
 Who's there?
 The Interrupting cow who?
 The interrupting cow wh..
 MOO

My Favourite Knock Knock
 Who's there?
 Little old lady
 Little old lady who?
 I did not know you could yodel

*If any one in your family has a knock knock joke that they would like to share please send it along in your child's diary and I will include it in the next newsletter.



Tutoring Group by Sue Cont...

The Tutor Group students have all been talking and writing about their favourite things. Here is some of their work.

MY FAVOURITES by AMR

My favourite colour is red.
My favourite fruit is a banana.
My favourite food is a burger.
My favourite animal is kitty
My favourite school activity is art.
My favourite tv show is 7flix.
My favourite song is LA LA LA

MY FAVOURITES by EFE

My favourite things to do at school are Music in the music room. I like to play the guitar. Art I like to draw best.

Composting with Will. I like to collect all the food scraps and put them in the big bin.

I like to see the teachers who have the PODD books at playtime and then go to Keegan's office to show him. Tom is the best one with the PODD book.

MY FAVOURITES by JOHN R

My favourite colour is green.
My favourite fruit is apple
My favourite food is ice cream
My favourite tv show is Friends
My favourite animal is a zebra
My favourite school activity is the library books
My favourite song is an animal song.

Tutoring Group by Sue Cont...

MY FAVOURITES by MICHAEL

My favourite colour is black.
My favourite food is curried sausages.
My favourite fruit is orange
My favourite school activity is maths and gardening
My favourite game is Grand Theft Auto.
My favourite drink is milk
My favourite animal is a magpie

MY FAVOURITES by DAREN

My favourite food is orange.
My favourite fruit is watermelon.
My favourite school activity is basketball
My favourite game is soccer.
My favourite drink is orange juice.
My favourite story is Peppa Pig
My favourite tv show is about aeroplanes.
My favourite animal is a cow

FAVOURITES by SHAHEER

My favourite school activity is bikes. On Monday the start of the week I do bikes. My favourite bike is the white one. I do bikes in the driveway. I can watch the big trucks when I ride my bike. I like my bike. Xander rides a purple bike. Zac rides a black bike. I have to wear a helmet. My favourite helmet is pink. Xander has a yellow helmet. Zac has a white helmet. Kath takes me for bikes. Bikes are the best thing about school.

MY FAVOURITES by JOHN T

My favourite colour is green
My favourite food is pizza
My favourite fruit is apple
My favourite school activity is playground
My favourite game is Sonic.
My favourite drink is water
My favourite story is Spiderman
My favourite tv show is Batman
My favourite animal is koala.

Tutoring Group by Sue Cont...

MY FAVOURITES as told by Xander

My favourite colour is red.
My favourite food is chips
My favourite fruit is blue berries
My favourite school activity is bikes.
My favourite drink is chocolate milk.
My favourite tv show is the Wiggles
My favourite animal is a cow.

MY FAVOURITES by STAR

My favourite colour is purple
My favourite food is KFC
My favourite school activity is drawing
My favourite game is iPad
My favourite drink is coke
My favourite story is Beyonce
My favourite tv show is movies
My favourite animal is a werewolf

MY FAVOURITES by KHUSHI

My favourite colour is blue and red.
My favourite food is chips.
My favourite fruit is banana
My favourite school activity is drawing
My favourite game is Duck Duck Goose
My Favourite drink is iced tea.
My favourite story is Cinderalla.
My favourite tv show is frozen.
My favourite animal is a rabbit



Lunch Order Form

Student Name: _____

Classroom Teacher: _____ Room No: _____

Select the lunch box and return form with money to school on
Monday morning. Lunch order will be delivered on Tuesday.

(Please cross out anything not required from the lunchbox chosen!)

Sweet Treats will be one of the following (rotating): Mini Muffins (Apple or Blueberry),
chocolate balls, lemon slice, peppermint slice.

LUNCH BOX A:

\$5.00

4 x cucumber Sticks, 4 x carrot sticks
Cheese squares, Homemade hummus
Crackers or Flat bread Triangles, (SELECT ONE)
 $\frac{1}{2}$ Boiled Egg
Apple, Banana, Orange (SELECT ONE)
Sweet treat



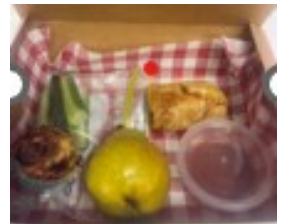
LUNCH BOX B:

\$5.00

Sausage Roll with tomato sauce OR Spinach and Cheese Pinwheel
(Halal or Egg Free) **(PLEASE SELECT ONE ONLY)**

Carrot OR Cucumber sticks (SELECT ONE)
Apple, Banana, Orange (SELECT ONE)
Sweet treat

NOW AVAILABLE
Halal sausage rolls and
Egg Free sausage rolls!



LUNCH BOX C:

\$5.00

Vegetable Frittata (GF) (contains egg, gf flour, cheese, onion, zucchini, capsicum, broccoli, tomato, carrot, roasted pumpkin, feta)
Apple, Banana, Orange (SELECT ONE)
Sweet Treat



LUNCH BOX D:

\$5.00

Sandwich - Fresh or toasted (Circle option)
Cheese and Vegemite OR
ham, cheese, tomato, spinach (select one sandwich)
Cheese, tomato, spinach
Carrot or cucumber sticks (SELECT ONE)
Apple, Banana, Orange (SELECT ONE)
Sweet Treat



LUNCH BOX

\$5.00

Pasta with choice of Napolitana or Alfredo Sauce and
grated cheese
Carrot or Cucumber Sticks
Apple, Banana, Orange (SELECT ONE)
Sweet Treat





Coburg Special Developmental School Café Coburg



SW-PBIS

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Use of Matrix for 'real life' activities at home.



Coburg Special Developmental School SW-PBIS Teaching Matrix



	Classroom	Playground	Bathroom	Community
<p>I am Building Independence</p> <p>I will try to:</p> <p>I am Building Relationships</p> <p>I will try to:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • feed myself • pack up • recognize and name my emotions • play an activity by myself • follow class rules • keep my hands and feet to myself • wait for my turn • participate in group activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • help pack away • take responsibility for my belongings • play safely with others • play nicely • play with someone • share with others • say stop when I need personal space • give personal space • take turns and wait for my turn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wash my hands after meals and toileting • go to the toilet by myself • clean my face • wait until the bathroom is free • respect my own and other's privacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • put my seat belt on and sit on the bus • walk on the footpath • stop at the curb and wait • respect others • personal space in the community • walk safely • follow road safety skills • recognize people I know • stay with the group and follow visuals • follow adult instructions. • speak nicely to members of the public
<p>I am Building Communication</p> <p>I will try to:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • listen to others • ask for things I want • communicate when I don't want/like something • ask for help • say hello/goodbye to people I know 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • make choices • share games and equipment • use supportive words with my friends "great catch!" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ask to go to the toilet • follow my toileting schedule • seek support when I need it 	

Happy Birthday

No Birthdays in August



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Term Dates for 2023

Term Three: **10th July – 15th September**

Friday 15/9 Term 3 ends – 2.00pm dismissal

Term Four: **2nd October – 20th December**

Monday 2/10 Staff and students resume

Monday 6/11 Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 7/11 Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday

Wednesday 20/12 Students Finish - 1.00pm dismissal



Pupil Free Dates for 2023

Term 4	Monday 6 th November	Pupil Free Day
	Tuesday 7 th November	Melbourne Cup Day Holiday

Inclusive Drama Holiday Program

Ages 6–12: Sept 19–21

Teens (13+): Sept 26–28

Time: 8:30am–3:30pm

Location: Newlands Community Centre, 20 Murray Rd. Coburg North

Helps build:

Emotional well-being
Social Skills
Play
Confidence
Self Expression
Connection with self
& others

Facilitated by a speech
pathologist and play
therapist with guest
artists running art,
movement and
drumming sessions!
Small group sizes.



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Parent & Guardian Carers Support Group

1st Thursday of the Month

9.30am to 11.30am

Peer-to-Peer Support

Professional Speakers

Workshops

Access to Resources

Connection to Local Supports and Services

Come along to connect, increase your knowledge and allow yourself some time to look after your own wellbeing, recharge and learn how to practice selfcare.

5B Cromwell St, Glenroy

www.gnh.org.au

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Smile Squad

General Information

The friendly Smile Squad dental team will provide Victorian public primary and secondary school students with a free, high quality annual dental health examination and free follow up treatment as needed.

What is included?

At the first appointment (the check-up), Smile Squad will check your child's teeth.

Then, depending on your child's needs, services may include:

- x-rays
- fluoride varnish
- scale and clean
- fissure sealants
- a free dental pack: a toothbrush, toothpaste and information
- advice about dental health and diet



If a child needs more treatment, like a filling, Smile Squad will contact parents/guardians and make a second appointment. These extra treatments are also **completely free**.

The program does not include cosmetic procedures.

What will Smile Squad do?

First, Smile Squad will visit your child's school to check your child's teeth and provide preventive care. This takes about 15 minutes.

If your child doesn't need any extra treatment, Smile Squad will see your child again in 12 months.

If your child needs extra treatment, Smile Squad will send home an individual care plan for you to read. Then, Smile Squad will call you to talk about what your child needs and ask for your consent to the extra treatment. Smile Squad will make a new appointment for your child for the treatment. Usually, this appointment will also be at the school. This treatment is also free.

Students will also receive a free dental pack and education on teeth brushing and healthy eating.

More information on the services provided can be found on the [general information page](#) of this site.

If you have a dental emergency

If you have a dental emergency or require oral health advice, please contact the Royal Dental Hospital Melbourne on [9341 1000](tel:93411000) (outside Melbourne metro call: [1800 833 039](tel:1800833039)) or use the [online community dental clinics search](#) for a list of dental clinics in your area. You may also visit www.dhsv.org.au if you require any further information.

To keep your teeth strong and healthy, eat well, drink tap water, and brush twice a day with fluoride toothpaste.

CSDS will be in touch with Parents when the Smile Squad are going to be at the school.

Information

Forms Available:

Is your child turning 16? Call Centrelink at least 3 months before to get the paperwork for the Pension. Make sure your child has a TAX file number (from the age of 5 years old).

- Is your child in nappies or pull-ups? Make sure you include it in your NDIS plan.
⇒ Taxi - Doctor submits it online.
- Forms are available from the office:
⇒ Companion Card ⇔ We Care ⇔ Disability Parking Permit etc

Wills/Power of Attorney/Guardianship

- ◇ [Protecting Vulnerable Beneficiaries | Moores](#)
- ◇ [Services Australia](#)
- ◇ [Wills & Power of Attorney Services - State Trustees VIC](#)
- ◇ [Home - Association for Children with Disability \(acd.org.au\)](#)
- ◇ [Guardians and administrators | VCAT](#)

NDIS - When your child turns 18 years old, you will need a **Plan Nominee Form** (available from the NDIS office) to speak on your child's behalf.

Emergency Care Plan: Each student should have an Emergency Care Plan in case something happens that carers and other family members can refer to. Extra copies available at the office. **Contact: Angelina on 9354 4366.**

CSDS to join Ritchie's Loyalty Card Program - Help US

Exciting News!

Our Fundraising Partner Ritchies IGA, are launching their new Ritchies Card, incorporating the Community Benefit Program and this will not only benefit our organisation, but also all our members.

The program now has an App for both IOS and Android smart devices. For those members who don't have a smart phone, or would like a physical card, this option is also available and can be linked to the App.

Every month, our organisation will receive 0.5%* of our members' spend in Ritchies Stores PLUS our members will receive special offers and member only specials via the App.

*T&C's apply see <https://www.ritchies.com.au/ritchiescardterms>

Featuring monthly promotions, cheaper prices for you, Collect and Win, as well as games and lots more fun things to do, this is a great opportunity to support our club.

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Your Club President
John Smith

