NEWSLINE SALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NO. 545

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'Maximising growth in the whole child - academically, socially and emotionally'

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CHRIS MALONE

DATES TO REMEMBER

October

Wednesday October 15 – Friday October 17

Senior School Camp – Coolamatong

Wednesday October 22

Dental visit consent forms due back by today

November

Monday November 3

Student free day

Tuesday November 4

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

Friday November 14

4pm-6.30pm Garden Party

Monday November 17 – Friday November 21

Dental Van on site

Wednesday November 19

Student free day

December

Wednesday December 10- Friday December 12

Middle School Camp - Coonawarra

Monday December 15

Grade 6 Graduation

Tuesday December 16

Christmas Concert

Thursday December 18

3.15pm dismissal – last day of term 4



Welcome to Term 4! I hope you had a relaxing and fun school holiday break and are ready for the exciting weeks ahead.

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There's lots to look forward to this term including senior and middle school camps, annual Garden Party and maypole, statewide transition and orientations and end of year

activities just to name a few!
Here's to a fantastic final term of 2025!

Social Media & Students

It has been brought to the school's attention that a number of students have access (have accounts) to several social medial platforms.

"From December 10, 2025, age restricted social media platforms will have to take reasonable steps to prevent Australians under the age of 16 from creating or keeping an account."

Whilst it is not a ban, delaying your child's access until they are 16 is a positive step to support appropriate use. We are eagerly awaiting further direction from the Department of Education in regards to students and schools.

https://www.esafety.gov.au

Sale Primary School Mobile Phone Policy

The Sale Primary School Mobile Phone Policy (copy at the end of this Newsline) has been included in this week's Newsline to remind parents, carers and students of the Ministerial Order in regards to phones at school.



2026 Planning

We have begun the process of planning for 2026. If you have any special requests, please email the school on sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au. These requests will close Friday November 14. Whilst we consider all requests, some may not be granted.

We would appreciate being notified of any of the following situations:

- New enrolments (2026 foundation and other levels) – if you know of any new enrolments, please notify the office.
- Transfers out if you are not returning to 545 in 2026 (Grade 6s excluded), please notify the office of your impending departure.

SALE COLLEGE SELECT ENTRY ACCELERATED LEARNING SECOND ROUND OFFER

Sale College will be offering a second round of Select Entry Accelerated Learning (SEAL) Applications for Year 7, 2026 students.

<u>SEAL Application 2025 Timeline for Year 7 in 2026: Round 2:</u>

- Friday 17th October SEAL Application due to Sale College – this includes Parent Evaluation, 'The Famous You', the grade 5 NAPLAN results and the \$30 application fee. Applications are to be submitted to Guthridge Campus of Sale College. Payment is due at the time the application is received. Exams will only be ordered for paid applications. Late applications will incur a \$50 fee.
- Tuesday 28th October SEAL Exam 9am
 12:30pm at Guthridge Campus

From 5th November– Interview Process for applicants and parents.

Student absence notification
Compass app OR sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au OR
Phone call to school office

Whole School Assembly 3.00pm every Friday

School Uniform available from JSM, Macarthur Street, Sale

School Supervision – students are supervised between the hours of 8.45am and 3.30pm

Second Hand Uniform Sales at the school office

545'S GOT TALENT PHIL BARTLETT, MUSIC



For the last four weeks in term 3, our talented grade three to six students competed in '545's Got Talent'. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the students on their efforts.

Because we've had so many entries, the Grand Final was put back until

the beginning of this term. I will notify parents/guardians via Newsline. Good luck to all of our wonderful musicians, dancers, comics and singers.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL BETTER LIFE FOR FOSTER KIDS

On the last day of term 3, members of the Junior School Council proudly handed over many bags of the toys that were generously donated on our 'Gippsland's Biggest Pyjama Day' fundraiser to Bernadette from A Better Life for Foster Kids.

The donations were greatly appreciated-Thankyou to everyone for your support!





GARDEN PARTY NEWS CARLIER GRANT GARDEN PARTY COORDINATOR

Garden Party spinning Wheel Donations Wanted!

Our much-loved Sale Primary School Garden Party is just around the corner, and preparations are in full swing! One of the highlights each year is our spinning wheel, and we're now seeking donations to help make it a big success.

We're putting together some fantastic themed hampers and would love your support with contributions in the following areas:



Sport & Outdoors – sporting goods, equipment, picnic items, outdoor fun!



BBQ & Gourmet Food – sauces, marinades, condiments, foodie treats or BBQ accessories.



Games & Family Fun – board games, puzzles, craft kits, or novelty toys.



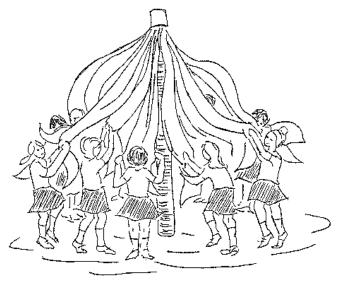
Pampering – bath products, candles, skincare, or relaxation goodies.



Vouchers – dining, retail, experiences, or local business vouchers.

All donations can be dropped off at the school office by Friday 7th November.

Your generous contributions help make the Garden Party such a special event for our school community — thank you for your support!





ART ROOM NEWS LOU COOPER, ART

Last term junior and senior students completed their units, focusing on 2 different art styles of 2 Indigenous Australian artists.

Junior students looked at the work of Yaratji Tingila Young, a contemporary artist from the Amata Community on the APY lands - located in the remote north west of South Australia.

We discussed the art elements of colour, line, shape and pattern. Juniors painted circles in primary colours representing members of their family (including pets) then mixed 2 primary colours to create a secondary colour of their choice, painting wavy lines between the circles to signify the connections. The following week they added lots of amazing details using paint lines. Seniors looked at the artworks of Eddie Blitner, who uses more of a traditional

approach, including a technique called "rarrk". Students drew an animal print into foam then used a brayer roller to make a black print onto coloured card. The following week they added detail to their pieces. Outstanding work from both cohorts.

















SMILE BRIGHT!

The Dental Van is Coming to You!





Venue: Sale Phnyary School

Date: 17th - 21st November 2025

WHO CAN ATTEND?

 Students of all age groups below 18

IMPORTANT DETAILS

- Services include general check-ups and preventive care
- Bring your student ID and health card (if applicable)

WHY YOU SHOULDN'T MISS?

- Check ups at school: No need for separate appointments
- No out of pocket cost:
 Covered by Medicare CDBS
- Learn oral hygiene and brushing techniques
- Treatments like Cleaning, Sealants, Fluoride, Fillings and more.



For More Information

- (03) 9132 0121
- www.australiansmilegroup.com
- Info@australiansmilegroup.com.au











MCSC MAFFRA MILE

CHILDREN'S FOOT RACES

Saturday 25th October 2025 Register by the 21st October, 2025

Mile Men & Women Open \$20-12 years & under

Prizes:

Foot races

Mile Men & Women 1st \$500, 2nd \$150, 3rd \$100 & Medals

Sponsored by MAFFRA COMMUNITY SPORTS CLUB

Children's Foot races Boys & Girls Medals 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Sponsored by WELLINGTON ATHLETIC CLUB

Enter online: Showday.online/show/maffra





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Mobile Phones Policy

Student use



HELP FOR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKERS

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact Sale Primary School on 03 5144 5545 or sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au.

PURPOSE

To explain to our school community the Department's and Sale Primary School's policy requirements and expectations relating to students using mobile phones and other personal mobile devices during school hours.

SCOPE

This policy applies to:

- All students at Sale Primary School and,
- Students' personal mobile phones and other personal mobile devices brought onto school premises during school hours, including recess and lunchtime.

DEFINITIONS

A mobile phone is a telephone with access to a cellular (telecommunication) system, with or without a physical connection to a network. For the purpose of this policy, "mobile phone" refers to mobile phones and any device that may connect to or have a similar functionality to a mobile phone such as "smart watches."

POLICY

Sale Primary School understands that students may bring a personal mobile phone to school, particularly if they are travelling independently to and from school.

At Sale Primary School:

- Students who choose to bring mobile phones to school must have them switched off and securely stored at the office during school hours
- Exceptions to this policy may be applied if certain conditions are met (see below for further information)
- · When emergencies occur, parents or carers should reach their child by calling the school's office.

Personal mobile phone use

In accordance with the Department's <u>Mobile Phones — Student Use Policy</u> issued by the Minister for Education, personal mobile phones must not be used at Sale Primary School during school hours, including lunchtime and recess, unless an exception has been granted.

Where a student has been granted an exception, the student must use their mobile phone for the purpose for which the exception was granted, and in a safe, ethical and responsible manner.

Secure storage

Mobile phones owned by students at Sale Primary School are considered valuable items and are brought to school at the owner's (student's or parent/carer's) risk. Students are encouraged not to bring a mobile phone to school unless there is a compelling reason to do so. Please note that Sale Primary School does not have accident insurance for accidental property damage or theft. Students and their parents/carers are encouraged to obtain appropriate insurance for valuable items. Refer to the Sale Primary School's Personal Property Policy and the Department's

Claims for Property Damage and Medical Expenses policy.

Where students bring a mobile phone to school, Sale Primary School will provide secure storage. Secure storage is storage that cannot be readily accessed by those without permission to do so. At Sale Primary School students are required to store their phones at the main office.

Enforcement

Students who use their personal mobile phones inappropriately at Sale Primary School may be issued with consequences consistent with our school's Student Wellbeing and Engagement policy.

At Sale Primary School inappropriate use of mobile phones is any use during school hours, unless an exception has been granted, and particularly use of a mobile phone:

- · in any way that disrupts the learning of others
- · to send inappropriate, harassing or threatening messages or phone calls
- to engage in inappropriate social media use including cyber bullying
- to capture video or images of people, including students, teachers and members of the school community without their permission
- · to capture video or images in the school toilets, changing rooms, swimming pools and gyms
- · during exams and assessments

Exceptions

Exceptions to the policy:

- · may be applied during school hours if certain conditions are met, specifically,
 - Health and wellbeing-related exceptions; and
 - Exceptions related to managing risk when students are offsite.
- can be granted by the Principal, or by the teacher for that class, in accordance with the Department's <u>Mobile</u>
 Phones Student Use Policy.

The three categories of exceptions allowed under the Department's Mobile Phones — Student Use Policy are:

1. Learning-related exceptions

Specific exception	Documentation
For specific learning activities (class-based exception)	Unit of work, learning sequence
	Individual Learning Plan, Individual Education Plan

2. Health and wellbeing-related exceptions

Specific exception	Documentation
Students with a health condition	Student Health Support Plan
Students who are Young Carers	A localised student record

3. Exceptions related to managing risk when students are offsite

Specific exception	Documentation
Travelling to and from excursions	Risk assessment planning documentation
Students on excursions and camps	Risk assessment planning documentation

When students are offsite (not on school grounds) and unsupervised with parental permission	Risk assessment planning documentation
Students with a dual enrolment or who need to undertake intercampus travel	Risk assessment planning documentation

Where an exception is granted, the student can only use the mobile phone for the purpose for which it was granted.

Camps, excursions and extracurricular activities

Sale Primary School will provide students and their parents and carers with information about items that can or cannot be brought to camps, excursions, special activities and events, including personal mobile phones and other personal mobile devices.

Exclusions

This policy does not apply to

- Out-of-School-Hours Care (OSHC)
- Out-of-school-hours events
- Travelling to and from school

COMMUNICATION

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- · Provided to staff at induction and included in staff handbook/manual
- Discussed at staff meetings/briefings as required
- · Made available publicly on our school website
- · Made available in hard copy from school administration upon request

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

This policy should be read in conjunction with the following policies on the Department's Policy and Advisory Library (PAL):

- Mobile Phones Student Use Policy
- Weapons Banning, Searching and Seizing Harmful Items
- Claims for Property Damage and Medical Expenses policy

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	October, 2025
Approved by	Principal
Review Cycle	3-4 years
Next scheduled review date	Before October, 2029