

# NEWSLINE

## SALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### NO. 545

Tuesday  
October 28, 2025

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No. 34

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

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### November

**Monday November 3**

- Student free day

**Tuesday November 4**

- Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

**Friday November 7**

- Junior House Athletics Carnival

**Friday November 14**

- 4pm-6.30pm Garden Party

**Monday November 17 – Friday November 21**

- Dental Van on site

**Wednesday November 19**

- Student free day

**Friday November 21**

- 2pm-3pm 2026 Foundation Transition Session (1)

**Monday November 24**

- 6pm School Council Meeting

**Friday November 28**

- 2pm-3pm 2026 Foundation Transition Session (2)

#### December

**Friday December 5**

- 2pm-3pm 2026 Foundation Transition Session (3)

**Tuesday December 9**

- 2pm-3pm Statewide Transition Day (2026 Foundation students included)

**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

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### CHRIS MALONE



#### 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](mailto: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.

#### Melbourne Christmas Wonderland Tickets

Our school has received a family pass (4 tickets) to Melbourne's Christmas Wonderland being held at the Caulfield Racecourse.

The family pass is valid for Friday December 5 for the 6pm session (family pass includes 4 tickets – adult or children with under 3's not requiring a ticket).

If any of our families would like to go into a draw to win this family ticket, please send an email to [sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au) to have your family entered into a draw. The draw will take place Friday November 7.





Student absence notification  
Compass app OR [sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au) OR  
Phone call to school office  
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Whole School Assembly 3.00pm every Friday  
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School Uniform available from  
JSM, Macarthur Street, Sale  
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School Supervision – students are supervised  
between the hours of 8.45am and 3.30pm  
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Second Hand Uniform Sales  
at the school office

## 545'S GOT TALENT PHIL BARTLETT, MUSIC



### 545's Got Talent Winners

Big congratulations to the following students who gained a place in the 2025 '545's Got Talent' competition.

#### Middle School

3<sup>rd</sup> place – Anastasia C, Isabella C, Frankie B, Taylor C, Laylah R.

2<sup>nd</sup> place – Alexis R, Ruby C, Aleesha B, Laney S, India W.

1<sup>st</sup> place – Ruby W

#### Seniors/Middles:

3<sup>rd</sup> place – Milla A, Ava M

2<sup>nd</sup> place – Ava M, Constance F, Kayal S, Sasvindee K, Madelyn D, Alixia L, Evie J, Layla C, Izabel W, Isla B

1<sup>st</sup> place – Skyla S & Madelyn D

Medallions will be awarded to each of these students in the coming weeks.

Congratulation again.

### Garden Party Performances

I am pleased to announce that a number of our talented students will be again performing at this year's Garden Party being held on Friday November 14.

Below are the groups and their performance times:

**Senior Choir: 4:30pm**

**Taiko: 4:40pm**

**Vocal Ensemble: 4.50pm**

#### Vocal Ensemble students

If your child is in the vocal ensemble, all of the equipment will be set up on the stage that afternoon. **All vocal ensemble students must arrive promptly at 4.15pm to help finalise setting up. Immediately after the vocal ensemble performances, ALL students must help pack up and return the equipment to the music room before getting changed for the Maypole.**

**Senior Choir & Taiko students** - All senior choir and taiko students must arrive **promptly at 4.20pm**

## SPECIAL WEEKLY AWARDS

Grade	Name	Reason
FB	David	For his wonderful and fluent reading of a poem including tone and expression
FC	Sophie	For showing all of the school values, working really hard on her learning in class and always helping out others
FH	Rohan	For making lots of positive choices this week
JN	Matt	For showing great teamwork and joining in group activities during maths this week
JA	Tulip Hudson	For her continued understanding of partitioning three digit numbers and smashing her maths learning goals For making great decisions during learning time to avoid distractions
JF	Hunter	For his full-time commitment to learning and for producing thoughtful and considered arguments in writing
JW	Sophia	For being a positive, engaged and active member in her reading clinic group this week
MM	Leo	For challenging himself to write an alliteration poem this week
MO	William	For consistently demonstrating our school values of respect, learning and belonging
MC	Blake Bai -Bua	For making green choices that best supported his learning this week For her amazing constructions of comic to represent a story
MR	Cohen	For taking the time to complete his learning to the best of his ability
SC	Bentley Sonny	For his enthusiasm he showed throughout the senior school camp For his fabulous contributions during reading clinics
SM	Ava	For her consistent effort in mathematics this week when applying reasoning skills to explore 3D shapes
SG	Michael	For his awesome work during conferring in maths this week
SD	DJ Sam	For his cleverly presented and carefully written information report about sharks For persisting with challenging maths tasks involving drawing 3D shapes and identifying their cross sections
SS	Lachie Beau	For the positive and enthusiastic way he has approached his maths goal this week For his insightful and considered contributions to classroom discussion
Mr Bartlett Music	Feanne Alexia	For displaying our school values in music For displaying our school values in music
Mrs Lambourn Assistant Principal	Austina Ivy Vivaan Oscar	For completing the 2025 Victorian Premiers Reading Challenge.



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**GARDEN PARTY NEWS**  
**CARLIER GRANT**  
**GARDEN PARTY COORDINATOR**

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## **Garden Party spinning Wheel Donations Wanted!**

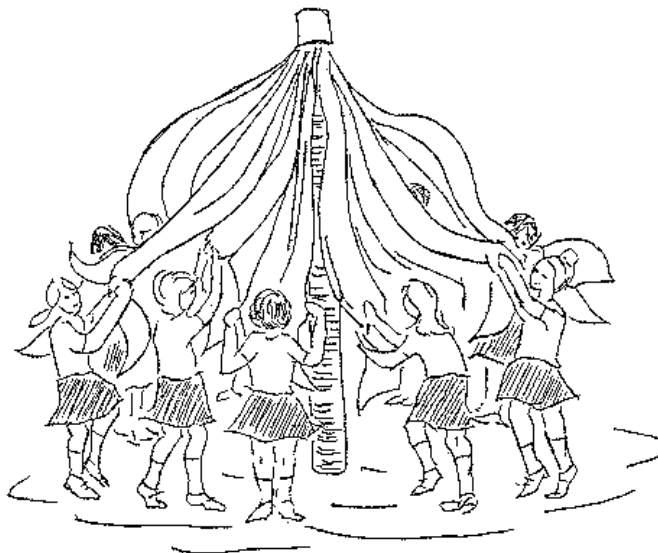
Our much-loved Sale Primary School Garden Party is just around the corner, and preparations are in full swing! One of the highlights each year is our spinning wheel, and we're now seeking donations to help make it a big success.

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!







Last Saturday night Sale Primary School grade 6 student, Bessie, was honoured with 'Female karateka of the year 2025'. This award was given in person by the esteemed Sensei Kora Nowak, originally from Germany, the first female to compete in Japan. This award recognises Bessie's dedication towards her own karate together with contributions towards the club. Kase-Ha Shotokan Karate Australia, with Sensei Mark Johnson here in Sale, is an inclusive and welcoming club. This style of karate is more than punching and kicking, as it's more so about developing the sense of self. Bessie enjoys volunteering her time each Thursday for two hours to teach younger students. Bessie is liked and respected due to her kindness and thoughtful approach towards others. I think this illustrates wonderful characteristics that all students could aspire towards.

If any students are interested in joining, please find details below, <https://share.google/JlgsWnYdbTOtF25zK>

## SCIENCE DISCOVERY DOME VISIT ROD SMITH



### Science Discovery Dome Visits 545!

Last Wednesday and Thursday, our students had the incredible opportunity to step inside the **Science Discovery Dome** — a mobile planetarium that transformed our school hall into a breathtaking window to the universe!

Students from all year levels were captivated by immersive 360° dome projections exploring topics such as **Earth and Space, the Solar System, constellations, weather patterns, and the**

**wonders of our galaxy.** The experience complemented our current science units and sparked deep curiosity about how our world and beyond are connected.

Inside the darkened dome, students journeyed through space, witnessed stars being born, and learned how day and night occur.

A huge thank you to the **Science Discovery Dome team** for bringing such an engaging and educational experience to our school — and to our teachers and students for their enthusiasm and curiosity during this amazing incursion!







## ART ROOM NEWS

### LOU COOPER, ART

The students had fun with Halloween art activities last week. Foundation students created mixed media zombies using a sponge dabber to create a mottled green for the face. They added some red paint for blood, eyes (button/cotton ball and/ or cut out ), bandage and bits of yellow sponge for the manky teeth and pink sponge for scabs. Needless to say, they loved it. Juniors made mixed media witches consisting of cut out newspaper face, google eye and cut out eye, wool hair along with learning the accordion fold paper technique and hat with button and glitter glue.

Middles made mixed media pumpkins - zentangle, collage and soft pastels. Senior students are still working on their paint pen drawings of sugar skulls.







**SALE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Presents  
The

**GARDEN  
PARTY  
2025**

Featuring for the 132nd year:

**THE MAYPOLE**

Fun games, raffles and a  
variety of food available!

**Friday, November 14**  
**4:00 - 6:30pm**

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## **PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS 2026**

Dear Parent

Sale Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Sale Primary School's voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students. We want to thank you for your support, whether that's through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school this support has allowed us to enhance our digital learning opportunities (notebook computers, ipads, server upgrades and faster WIFI/internet), purchase new classroom furniture, sports equipment, science resources, and upgrade our school's facilities.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see the one-page overview attached.

*Chris Malone*

*Principal*

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*Laura Considine*

*School Council President*

### Contributions and Extra-Curricula Items and Activities for 2026

<b>CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS – itemised list of Curriculum Contributions for your child</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
<p><i>These contributions directly support a number of important curriculum areas and programs that we offer including:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>class sets for vital numeracy manipulatives (MAB, playing cards, trundle wheels, counters, protractors etc.)</i></li> <li><i>critical literacy resources (Guided reading books, take home readers, dictionaries etc.)</i></li> <li><i>the maintenance and repair of musical instruments</i></li> <li><i>replacement of sporting equipment</i></li> <li><i>purchasing of art supplies and resources</i></li> <li><i>purchasing of inquiry and science resources</i></li> <li><i>Language (AUSLAN) program resources</i></li> <li><i>printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials to learn in class and at home</i></li> <li><i>consumables for the classroom</i></li> </ul>	\$70.00
<p><i>Online Subscriptions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Essential Assessment</i></li> <li><i>Sunshine Online</i></li> </ul>	\$5.00
<p><i>Information and Communications Technology</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>software and equipment needed to sustain and enhance our ICT program</i></li> </ul>	\$20.00
<p><i>Whole school/year level events</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Athletics carnival - entry and transport</i></li> <li><i>Swimming carnival – entry and transport</i></li> <li><i>Year 5/6 Interschool sport</i></li> </ul>	\$15.00
<p><i>Swimming and Water Safety Program</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Bus travel and entry for swimming lessons</i></li> </ul>	\$85.00
<b>OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS (for non-curriculum items and activities)</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
<i>School Sports Victoria membership to participate in inter-school sports</i>	\$5.00
<p><i>Student Wellbeing program</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>We support individual student wellbeing; this includes the engagement of external professionals on a needs basis. Your contribution supports us in developing our knowledge of the many different student needs and the best approach to assist them and their families.</i></li> </ul>	\$20.00
<p><i>First aid</i></p> <p><i>The school provides first aid consumables to treat students and to meet student health needs when at school, on excursions and camp.</i></p>	\$10.00
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements to keep the school looking its best</i>	\$20.00
<i>Compass for attendance / absence notification, to support report writing as well as tracking of student academic and wellbeing data</i>	\$15.00
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b>	<b>\$265.00</b>

### Educational items for students to own

Sale Primary School pre-purchase all of the students supplies from CJ's Office Choice in bulk and distribute them to the classrooms in preparation for the school year. These items are included in the Curriculum Contributions.



### **Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – provided on a user-pays basis**

Sale Primary School offers a range of optional items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides in order to deliver the Curriculum.

The cost of extra-curricular activities will be advised throughout the year.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
<i>Visiting Performance Entry (4 performances)</i>	\$30
<i>Optional Year 5/6 school camp</i>	\$400 - TBC
<i>Optional Year 3/4 school camp</i>	\$400 - TBC
<i>Other optional Year level excursions to be scheduled</i>	TBC

### **Financial Support for Families**

Sale Primary School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- State Schools Relief (SSR)
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricula Items and Activities
- Local Community Supports
- Second hand uniform and low cost options

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact:

*Chris Malone*

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Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$195.00
Other Contributions	\$70.00
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities (as selected from above) plus appropriate school camp as above	\$30.00

### **Payment methods**

- Payment of parent payment charges can be made at the school office by cash or EFTPOS, or by bpay.
- Parents/carers will be provided with information on alternative payment options including payment by instalment and Centrepay deductions and will be invited to discuss alternative arrangements with the school where appropriate.
- Only the initial invitation for voluntary financial contributions and one reminder notice is sent to all parents and guardians.
- All students have access to the standard curriculum.
- Students are not treated differently, denied access to the standard curriculum, or refused instruction on the basis of payments not being made for education items, services or voluntary financial contributions.
- Parents will be made aware of alternative payment options and an invitation to discuss these options on request.
- Any record of payment or contributions by parents and guardians is to be kept confidential.

### **Refunds**

*Parent requests for refunds are subject to the discretion of the school and made on a case-by-case basis. Refunds will be provided where the school deems it is reasonable and fair to do so, taking into consideration whether a cost has been incurred, the Department's Parent Payment Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy and any other relevant information.*



# PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY

## ONE PAGE OVERVIEW



### FREE INSTRUCTION

- Schools provide students with free instruction and ensure students have free access to all items, activities and services that are used by the school to fulfil the requirements of the Curriculum. This includes the Victorian Curriculum F-10, the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) including the VCE Vocational Major and the Victorian Pathways Certificate.
- Schools may invite parents to make a financial contribution to support the school.



### PARENT PAYMENT REQUESTS

Schools can request contributions from parents under three categories:

#### Curriculum Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.

#### Other Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.

#### Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides for free to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

- Schools may also invite parents to supply or purchase educational items to use and own (e.g. textbooks, stationery, digital devices).



### FINANCIAL HELP FOR FAMILIES

- Schools put in place financial hardship arrangements to support families who cannot pay for items or activities so that their child doesn't miss out.
- Schools have a nominated parent payment contact person(s) that parents can have a confidential discussion with regarding financial hardship arrangements.



### SCHOOL PROCESSES

- Schools must obtain school council approval for their parent payment arrangements and publish all requests and communications for each year level on their school website for transparency.

# ICY POLES EVERY FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL FROM THE CANTEEN



small change please

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!

## FREE Halloween Family Event

Bunnings Sale



Thursday 30th of October  
5:00pm – 7:00pm

Activities and fun for the whole family

Come in store for a Spooktacular Evening!  
Make a mask  
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