

# NEWSLINE

## SALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### NO. 545

Tuesday  
February 24th, 2026

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No. 05

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

## Dates to Remember

### February

#### Friday February 27

- Easter Colours Casual Day (Easter donation for raffle)
- WELS (Wellbeing, Entrepreneurship, Leadership Sustainability) Student Leadership in Market Square Hall

### March

#### Monday March 2

- School Council Meeting 6:00pm

#### Tuesday March 3

- Wellington Division Swimming Carnival

#### Thursday March 5

- School Photo Day

#### Monday March 9

- Public Holiday – Labour Day

#### Wednesday 11 – Monday March 23

- NAPLAN – Years 3 & 5 students only

#### Thursday March 19

- Parent/Teacher/Student Interview Day (students attend for their interview time only)

#### Tuesday March 24

- Easter Raffle Tickets Due

#### Wednesday March 25

- Sale College 2027 Information Night

#### Monday March 30

- Easter Raffle Drawn
- School Council Meeting 6:00pm

### April

#### Thursday April 2

- Last Day of Term 1  
Colour Run  
2.15pm dismissal

#### Monday April 20

- First Day of Term 2

## Principal's Report – Chris Malone



It has been another busy and exciting time at school, with many opportunities for our students to shine.

### District Swimming Sports

Congratulations to our swim team who proudly represented 545 at the recent District Swimming Sports. Our students demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, determination and team spirit throughout the day. We are very proud of their efforts and the way they represented our school community. You can read more about our students' individual achievements and results in Mr Chivers' report in this newsletter.

### Easter Casual Day

A reminder that this **Friday 27 February** is our Easter Casual Day. Students are invited to come dressed in casual clothes and join in the fun.

Please remember to bring along a donation for the Easter raffle. Donations such as Easter eggs, chocolates or small gift items are greatly appreciated and will help us create wonderful prize hampers for our community. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

### School Photography Day

Our annual School Photography Day will be held on **Thursday 5 March**. Photos will be taken by Gippsland School Photography.

All photo orders are to be completed online. Further information regarding has been provided to families. Please ensure students are in full school uniform on the day.

### **School Council**

There is **one 12 month** parent representative positions available on School Council.

School Council plays an important role in shaping the direction of our school, and we encourage parents and carers to consider becoming involved.

If you would like more information or wish to apply, please contact the School Office.

### **Parent Teacher Student Interviews – Change of Date**

Due to the proposed AEU Stop Work action on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March we have had to change the Parent Teacher Student Interview day. The new Interview day is **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March.**

### **Football Goal Posts – Front Oval**

During the term break, the football goal posts will be reinstalled on the front oval. This will provide students with additional opportunities for active play during recess and lunch times.

To help address previous concerns regarding balls hitting others, a mesh fence will also be installed behind the goal area to help deflect footballs and minimise disruption.

We appreciate your support as we continue to improve our outdoor facilities for students.

If you have any issues or concerns regarding the reinstallation of the goal posts, please email the school inbox at [sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au) by

**Monday 2nd March.**



Thank you for your continued support of our school and the many events that enrich the learning and community experiences of our students.

## **School Swimming Carnival - House Results**

House Shield Award: Carpenter

House Spirit Award: Loughnan

### ***Easing into adolescence: resources for families***

Free resources for families of adolescents aged 10 to 14 years.

The Department of Education has launched an [Easing into adolescence](#) webpage for families of students aged 10 to 14 (Grade 5 to Year 8).

The webpage has information and strategies you can use to help ease your child into adolescence and secondary school. These include:

- a guide to emotion coaching. Staff from The University of Melbourne's Tuning in to Teens Kids program developed the guidance.
- how to support your adolescent with their studies and more generally. Parenting expert and clinical psychologist Andrew Fuller helped develop this resource.

Subtitles for videos by The University of Melbourne on the webpage are available in 10 languages. You can select your preferred language on the [translations page](#).

For questions about these resources, contact the Strategic Partnerships, Transitions and Student Voice team. You can email them at [Secondary.School.Transition@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Secondary.School.Transition@education.vic.gov.au).

## **GIPPSLAND SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY**

Catherine@gippslandschoolphotography.net.au - 0400989217



### **Sale 545 Primary School**

#### **Photo date : THURSDAY 5th MARCH 2026**

Go to [www.gippslandschoolphotography.com.au](http://www.gippslandschoolphotography.com.au) and click the order button  
Enter access key: **H7RL9TPC**  
Family photo orders must be placed by midday - 4th March  
No family orders can be placed online after the cutoff date.





## Weekly Awards

Weekly Awards were presented to the following students at last Friday's Assembly

Grade	Students Name	Award
FB	Lucas C	For the wonderful effort he has put into his writing.
FH	Archie E	For the wonderful start to his foundation year!
FW	Connor P	For being a helpful and resilient member of our classroom!
JA	Dawson	For his growing understanding of how to use adjectives when describing pictures.
JB	Tommy G	For the amazing effort he put into making numbers to 20 using tens and ones.
JD	Archer P	For always being organised and prepared to learn, and for his great focus during mini lessons.
JN	Jean W	For her wonderful use of GUM in her timed write this week.
JT	Sanuki	For her growth mindset and 'Green' learning behaviour.
JV	Tommy N	For being a fantastic class role model and always showing our school values.
MA	Jesse G	For his motivation and persistence to achieve his learning goals in all learning areas.
MC	Alexia M	For her continuous positive attitude towards learning and willingness to let her brain wobble as she tries new things.
MM	Lila W	For consistently showing our school values of Respect, Learning and Belonging.
MS	Kiera R	For being such a thoughtful and inclusive member of our class.
MV	Jake L	For using his initiative and asking for help when he is unsure about a task and for showing great responsibility and a strong commitment to his learning.
SC	Evie J	For her fabulous show don't tell writing piece on 'The Evil King of Middle Earth'.
SG	Maliyah C	For her excellent reading responses this week.
SM	Selena M	For being a fantastic learning buddy and engaging in discussion with her partner in all lessons.
SW	Thomas M	For demonstrating positive learning behaviours in class.
MUSIC	Billie C	For great singing in music.
PE	Josh B	For his enthusiasm shown when participating in 'Floor Hockey'.



## Sale & District Swimming Carnival – Ben Chivers



Yesterday 25 students represented Sale Primary School at the Sale & District Swimming Carnival. The students competed in a range of events throughout the day including individual stroke events, free style relays and an open boys/girls medley relay. We had fantastic results throughout the day with lots of students placing in the top three for both individual and team events.

A couple of noteworthy performances include:

Tucker M -1<sup>st</sup> place 10 year boys breaststroke  
Lila W - 1<sup>st</sup> place 11 year girl breaststroke  
Girls open medley relay 1<sup>st</sup> place  
Kaitlin F – butterfly  
Lila W – breaststroke  
Ana C – backstroke  
Ruby C – freestyle

With all the fantastic efforts for the day, Sale Primary came runners up overall which was a huge achievement. Big thanks to Coleen for assisting Mr Chivers with walking and supervision and also to Bree Whittaker for being the race Marshal for the day. The Wellington and District Carnival will be held **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> of March** for students who have progressed.



## Art News – Lou Cooper



The junior cohort have been looking at the colourful abstract pieces of Australian artist Anna Blatman. Students divided an A4 sheet into 8 sections, then picked their favourite colour paint and painted tints of that colour, adding white paint to each section. Their painted papers were sliced up and shared. Juniors then drew an outline of a bird on black paper and decided which repeating pattern, shape and colours to collage for their bird.

These are super cute!



## Music News – Phil Bartlett



A big congratulations goes to Austina J who is the latest addition to our 2026 band. Well done, Austina!

### 2026 Taiko

I would once again like to remind parents that if your child is now in the groups, ear plugs are highly recommended.



## Parents & Friends

### CASUAL DAY THIS FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY

Hop into the Easter spirit and join us for our School Easter Casual Day! Students are invited to come dressed in their favourite casual clothes for a fun-filled day at school. Please bring a donation for the Easter Raffle!

All donations will help create wonderful Easter prize hampers for our school community.

Donation ideas:

Easter eggs or chocolates  
Easter-themed treats

Small gifts or festive goodies

Your generosity is greatly appreciated and helps make our Easter raffle a fantastic event for everyone!

**EASTER CASUAL DAY!**  
★ Friday 27th February ★  
Come in your favourite **casual clothes** & join the fun!  
**Bring a donation for the Easter Raffle!**  
(Easter eggs, treats, small gifts)  
**Let's celebrate together!**

## Monty the Monstar Colour Run

**MONTY THE MONSTAR FUN RUN!**  
**EVENT DATE:**  
**THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> APRIL**

# PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS 2026

Dear Parents & Carers,

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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Email: [sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

*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> <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.

<b>Extra-Curricular Items and Activities</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<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*

Ph: 03 51445545 | Email: [sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:sale.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

<b>Category</b>	
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.

# Community News



## 2027 OPEN INFORMATION NIGHT

Sale College invites all prospective families to our 2027 information night on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

Year 7 2027 Information Session

**4pm - 5pm** School Tours

**5pm - 5:30pm** Information Session in the Guthridge Open Learning Centre

2027 Select Entry Accelerated Learning



**From 5:30pm** Information Session in the Guthridge Campus Open Learning Centre



**Guthridge Campus** - 5144 3711  
**Macalister Campus** - 5144 1711



**Guthridge Campus** - 279-295 Guthridge Parade Sale  
**Macalister Campus** - Corner of York and Macalister Street Sale



## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Somers School Camp

A nine day residential outdoor and environmental experience for Year 5 & 6 students

Focusing on developing the Victorian Curriculum Capabilities

- Personal & Social
- Ethical
- Intercultural
- Critical & Creative Thinking



Experience FOR a Lifetime

Inspiring optimism and developing the consciousness and care of **SELF, OTHERS and the ENVIRONMENT**

Years 5 & 6 Students from Schools in your area will be participating in the Somers Camp.

From: Tuesday 25th August 2026 To: Wednesday 2nd September 2026

FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE SENT SOON  
[www.somerscamp.vic.edu.au](http://www.somerscamp.vic.edu.au)



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## 2026 Parks Week



### The GranPam & PhilPop Show



**Saturday 28 February 2026**  
10am - 12pm



**Macalister River Regional Park**  
McMahon Drive, Maffra

- Interactive children's show for the whole family!
- Free face painting
- Free sausage sizzle
- Coffee van
- The Mystery Ice Cream Machine
- Maddison's Magical Pop n Floss

Scan for full list of events



[www.wellington.vic.gov.au/parks-week](http://www.wellington.vic.gov.au/parks-week)

If you have questions regarding Parks Week events, please contact Wellington Shire Council's Open Space Officer on 1300 366 244

This event is proudly sponsored by



## Community News



Roseberry House ELC

**OPEN DAY** 2026  
Free family day out!

**SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH**  
From 9:00am-12:00pm  
Roseberry House ELC- 18 McCole Street Sale

Jumping Castle  
Face painting  
Animal Farm  
Coffee Van and Sausage Sizzle

RoseberryhouseELC 5144 7424 sale@roseberryhouse.com.au

### **SCORE A RUN & HAVE SOME FUN!**

Sale Rangers Baseball Club is now recruiting new players for our junior baseball and T-Ball teams!

Join a supportive, family-orientated club that accepts players of all ages and skill levels.

Two of our new players have just finished a season with the New Mexico Santa Fe Fuego team. Rickey and Joey are excited to meet and coach our junior players over the 2026 Winter Season!

**Join us on the 25th Of March 2026**  
**4:30 - 5:30pm**  
For our first Come and Try day of the season  
Contact Kevin on 0439 221 856 for information



## MAFFRA SECONDARY COLLEGE

More than you imagine...

### **OPEN NIGHT YEAR 7 – 2027 AND 2028**

**Monday 16th March 2026**

5.15pm - Arrival

5.30pm - Presentation in the Library

6.00pm to 7.15pm - Student Led tours of the college

**FREE BBQ available throughout the tours**

**Bill Cane Crt, Maffra**

**Ph: 5147 1790**



## Community News



SALE CITY JUNIOR  
FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

# REOPENED

# U13'S FOOTBALL REGISTRATIONS

## SEASON 2026

Due to increased participant interest Sale City JFNC have made the commitment to field a 2nd Under 13's side and are now seeking extra players to join the Bulldog family.

Link to register: <https://www.playhq.com/afl/org/sale-city-junior-football-club-sdjfa/b086c369/register>

Register before 01/03/2026 to receive the early bird discount fee



«««« We Run As One »»»»

**Office Hours**  
Monday – Friday 8:00am – 4:00pm  
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**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



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To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
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- ✓ Be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

  
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SALE MAFFRA BADMINTON ASSOCIATION INC

## JUNIOR BADMINTON WINTER COMPETITION UNDER 13'S & UNDER 18'S



### BEGINNERS WELCOME

**STARTS**  
**APRIL 20**  
4PM - 6PM

**MICK MUNDY STADIUM**  
CORNER OF COBAINS RD &  
GIBSONS RD SALE 3850  
REGISTRATION: \$45

**COME AND TRY: MONDAYS 5PM - 6:30PM**

**CONTACT: JUSTIN ROBSON 0407 886 475 OR**  
**SMBASALE@GMAIL.COM**