

# CHRISTMAS HILLS

Primary School



Newsletter

22nd May 2026 - Term 2 - Week 5



## Maroondah Dam Excursion

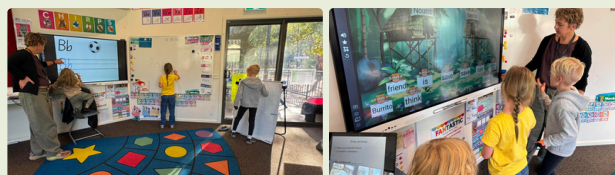
Our excursion to Maroondah Dam was an amazing day! The sun was shining and students had the opportunity to participate in a range of fun tabloid sports activities as well as orienteering. The day was extremely well organised and provided a wonderful opportunity for students to engage in teamwork, physical activity and outdoor learning in a supportive and enjoyable environment. It was fantastic to see students participating enthusiastically, building friendships and demonstrating positive sportsmanship throughout the day.

## From the Principal

We have certainly had a couple of busy weeks with our Open Mornings as part of Education Week and our Discovery Day for 3–5-year-olds. I have continued to conduct a number of school tours, and the feedback from families has been extremely positive. Whilst we are a small school, we are proud to provide a range of unique learning experiences for our students and are able to work closely with individuals to support their learning and wellbeing needs. It is clear from our assessment data this term that students have made strong academic growth across the semester.

Please continue to spread the word and advocate for our wonderful school within the community, as it is important that we continue to grow our enrolment numbers to maintain the personalised support we are able to offer our students.

We celebrated Education Support Day last Friday, acknowledging and celebrating the important role our Education Support staff play in supporting students, staff and our school community each day. Their care, dedication, flexibility and commitment make a significant difference to the learning and wellbeing of our students, and we are



## Important Dates for Term 2

- 2nd May - Harmony In The Hills
- 11<sup>th</sup> May - 15<sup>th</sup> May - Education Week
- 12th May - Orienteering/Phot Trail excursion
- 13<sup>th</sup> May - Open Morning 9:30am - 11:30am
- 20<sup>th</sup> May - Kids Discovery Day 9:30am - 11:00am
- 27th May - National Simultaneous Storytime
- **8<sup>th</sup> June - Kings Birthday Public Holiday**
- **9<sup>th</sup> June - Curriculum Day**
- 26<sup>th</sup> June - Last day of Term 2

## Reminder

LUNCH ORDERS ARE DUE TO  
THE OFFICE  
NO LATER  
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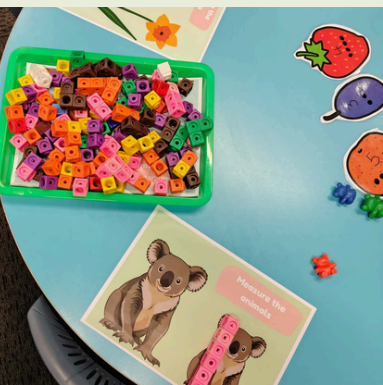
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incredibly grateful to Jodie, Megan and Sharee for their positive contributions they make to our school.

## National Simultaneous Storytime – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 12.00pm

Next week, our school will be participating in National Simultaneous Storytime. This annual event sees thousands of schools, libraries and early learning centres across Australia come together to read the same book at the same time, celebrating a love of reading and shared storytelling.

Students will join in listening to this year's selected picture book and take part in engaging follow-up activities linked to the story. It is a wonderful opportunity to promote literacy, imagination and a love of reading within our school community.

## Victoria's Premier's Reading Challenge

We are excited to be participating in the Victorian Premier's Reading Challenge this year. The Challenge is designed to encourage students to develop a lifelong love of reading and to explore a wide range of quality children's literature.

Students will be encouraged to read (or experience) a set number of books appropriate to their year level, with support from teachers and families to help track their progress. The Challenge is not a competition, but a personal reading journey where students are recognised for their commitment to reading.

We will be setting this up at school with students and sending more information home to families next week to support participation and provide guidance on how to track and record reading.

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## National Reconciliation Week (27<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June)

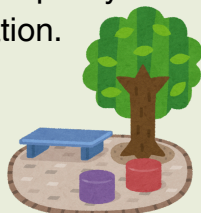
National Reconciliation Week is held annually from 27th May to 3rd June and is a significant time for all Australians to reflect on our shared histories, cultures and achievements, and to explore how we can all contribute to achieving reconciliation.

This year's theme encourages us to continue strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous Australians, for the benefit of all. Throughout the week, students will engage in age-appropriate classroom learning experiences that promote understanding, respect and recognition of First Nations cultures and histories.

## Policy – Yard Duty & Supervision

This is just a friendly reminder regarding our updated 2026 Yard Duty and Supervision Policy that Christmas Hills Primary School's grounds are supervised by school staff from 8:45 am until 3:45 pm. Outside of these hours, school staff will not be available to supervise students.

Please refer to our policy on our website for more information.



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# TAKING PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2027

Contact us to arrange a school tour and view our classrooms, meet our teachers, and experience our vibrant learning community!

- ✔ Innovative and progressive curriculum
- ✔ Dedicated and caring teachers
- ✔ Engaging programs including
  - Bush School
  - Garden to Plate
  - Music



Contact us

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## CHPS LUNCH ORDER MENU

Nuggets & Chips \$7

Burger & Chips \$7

Napolitana Pasta \$7

Chips \$4

Party Sausage Roll \$2

Party Pie \$2

Chocolate Milk \$3

Strawberry Milk \$3

Orange Juice \$2.5

Apple Juice \$2.5

Zooper Dooper \$2



**LUNCH ORDERS ARE  
EVERY WEDNESDAY  
PLEASE WRITE YOUR  
ORDER AND CHILD'S  
NAME ON A BROWN  
PAPER BAG OR ENVELOPE  
AND  
ENCLOSE CORRECT  
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