

NO SCHOOL  
MONDAY MARCH  
10TH

Please remember to keep our students  
safe when driving in our school zones.

BREAKFAST CLUB: 8:00am—8:20am

7th March, 2025  
Term 1

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

RESILIENCE



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear School Community,

Just another positive update on the support and learning we are endeavouring to provide here at ESPS.

We have become the recipients of three (3) Buddy Chairs constructed by Traralgon Mens Shed. We are very grateful for their donation, following my acceptance of an offer from them late last year. At this stage, we will install one chair and begin to support its use through learning and care.

As parent/s and educators, we would all be aware that for some children the playground can be a space of uncertainty and some anxiety. In order to support all children who may at times feel like this and also for other children to show support and empathy, we now have another strategy of support. A child can move to this space by choice, and it is up to us as a community of adults and children, to provide attention, companionships and learning for that child. As a school we will develop strategies of support and care in the use of this chair into the future. We aim for all children to feel connected, valued and happy at ESPS.

Ian



Alex, Max and Alexandria were keen to act out a scenario of how the Buddy Seat works. Max sitting on the seat with no one to play with, Alex and Alexandria come and ask him if he would like to play, Max accepts. Alex added, that if Max had said no, that they would just walk away and leave him be.

After hearing what the seat was for, Alex exclaimed, "What a great idea. I really like that".

Well said Alex!

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

**10th March**  
Public Holiday  
No School

**12th–24th March**  
NAPLAN

**19th March**  
School Photos

**19th March**  
**2:10pm–3:05pm**  
Parent/Carer  
Coffee & Cake  
Catchup

**4th April**  
Last day of term.



We acknowledge the traditional Aboriginal owners of country throughout Victoria and pay our respect to them, their culture and their Elders past, present and future.

# AWARDS



Our Respect award recipients for week 5 were: Jaxon and Spencer. For being Responsible students, Brandon, Makayle, Adam and Wyatt were recognised. Our Resilient students were: Jauru and Jayden. Jayden received two resilience awards!

So many students received awards during week 6's assembly. Students who demonstrated Responsibility this week were: Tai, Hope, Karly, Lola, Olivia, Matthew, Jack, and Jamielee. Our Resilient students were: Tallon, Olivia and Glendarah. Two students received their awards for Respect: Levi and Grace. Olivia received two awards this week!



## Carers/Parent Coffee and Cake Catch Up

Who: All parents and Carers

What: Coffee, Cake and Catching up

When: Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> of March

2:10-3:05pm

Where: Breakfast Club Room

Why: Meet Carol (Wellbeing),  
Marien (Mental Health and Wellbeing  
Coordinator) and  
each other!

you  
are **FREE**  
**TO CHOOSE,**  
**BUT YOU ARE NOT**  
**FREE** from the  
**CONSEQUENCES**  
OF  
YOUR **CHOICE**

## WELCOME BBQ THANKYOU

A huge thank you to everyone who helped and attended our  
Welcome BBQ

last Tuesday at the end of the school day.

It was wonderful to see so many of our school community  
enjoying the weather, the entertainment and the sausages!

A special shout out to Col and Craig for cooking all the sausages,  
and to Ms Ruane, Mrs. W., Ms Schulte and Mr Byrne for serving  
us our food and drinks.



On Thursday, 6th of March, our students took part in grade appropriate first aid training.  
Kate from St. John Ambulance Australia facilitated the training. St. John train 200,000 children a year,  
and all for free.

Thank you to Marie, our school nurse, for organising this valuable training for our students.



## School Photographs for 2025

Annual school photos will be taken on **Wednesday, 19 March 2025**

**School Photo Information Flyers with Access Keys have now been sent home with students.**

**Place your order online now to ensure the special pricing,**

**PRE-ORDER ONLINE** (orders close at 5:00 pm on the day prior)

**See the packages available and place your pre-order online.**

To place your order, **Go to our website** or scan the QR code;

[www.spargophoto.com.au](http://www.spargophoto.com.au)

Select> [School Photo Pack Orders](#)



Enter your **Access Key as Provided** on the flyer sent home.

Select the pack you want and complete the form.

**Sibling photos** are available for families with multiple children attending the school.

**Sibling photos** must be ordered online before 5pm the day prior.

**\*\* A complimentary family/sibling photograph is available for families who order an individual pack for 3 for more children at the same school. To be eligible, you must order all the individual packs first and then add the family photograph to the same shopping cart. The discount will be automatically applied. Bonus offer only applies to orders before 5pm the day prior to photo day.**

**Place your order online before 5pm the day prior, you do not need to return any paperwork.**

**Lost or replacement Access Keys can be requested [www.spargophoto.com.au](http://www.spargophoto.com.au),**

Select> [Student Access Code Request](#)

Students are to be in full school uniform.



# MOE/NEWBOROUGH DODGERS BASEBALL CLUB



**No Club Fees!**  
Only pay state registration



## JUNIOR BASEBALL PLAYERS WANTED

Moe/Newborough Dodgers are seeking junior (and senior) players to join their 2025 sides.



Moe/Newborough Baseball Club

**Training** Thursdays 5pm - 6pm

Location: Burrage Reserve, John Field Drive, Newborough

**Games** Sundays

U16s 9:00 - 10:30  
U10s (teeball) 9:30 - 10:30  
U13s 11:15 - 12:45

**Season** April - September

League teams: Moe/Newborough, Morwell, Traralgon, Churchill and Sale

**More Information** Eric Robinson (President) 0457316798  
moenewboroughbaseball@gmail.com

**Follow us** Moe/Newborough Baseball Club Inc



## Trafalgar High School Information Evening Year 7 2026

**4pm-6pm Monday 17th March 2025**

Sports Centre—Trafalgar High School

- View facilities and learning areas at the school.
- Discuss with teachers the work undertaken and the opportunities each learning area provides.
- Make an informed choice regarding secondary school in 2026.



Further information or enquiries may be directed to Mr. Jack Brown or Ms. Phipps on 5633 1733

**Trafalgar High School**  
Principal: Mr. Brett Pedlow



Sunday March 9th, 2025

Thorpdale Recreation Reserve, Thorpdale

9:30am-4:30pm

## THE THORPDALE POTATO FESTIVAL IS BACK FOR 2025!

With all your favourite events and activities returning!

The Vin Rowe Spud Challenge Spud Picking Hessians on the Field  
Pallet Throw Professional Woodchop TC Trickz Stunt Motorbikes

as well as...

Over 100 food & market stalls Sheep Shearing Demonstrations

Petting Zoo Free Kids Rides Live Music Farmers Market

and much more!



Buy tickets online and save time at the gate!

STRICTLY NO DOGS PERMITTED AT THE EVENT



Visit [www.thorpdalepotatofestival.com.au](http://www.thorpdalepotatofestival.com.au) for tickets!



**VIN ROWE**  
FARM MACHINERY

## Hessians on the Field

Get out the sewing machine and get creating!

With over \$1500 in prize money up for grabs, Hessians on the Field returns to the 2025 Thorpdale Potato Festival bigger and better than ever! With Primary, Secondary and Open categories, budding designers of all ages are encouraged to enter. Get on the sewing machine and start creating!



Sunday March 9th, 2025

Outfits/items must be predominantly made from new or recycled hessian or potato bags.

Visit [www.thorpdalepotatofestival.com.au](http://www.thorpdalepotatofestival.com.au) for entry & prize info!



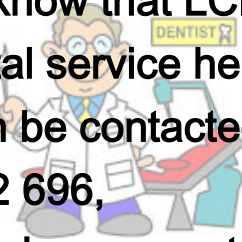
**VIN ROWE**



# We all need help from time to time.

Available 8am to midnight, 7 days a week including public holidays

Did you know that LCHS offer a free dental service here in Moe? They can be contacted on 1800 242 696, select 4 when prompted. See below for the link to their website.



Call 13YARN (13 92 76)



13YARN is run by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people



Free and confidential service available 24/7 from any mobile or pay phone



Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Crisis Supporters to yarn to

<https://kidshelpline.com.au/>

<https://www.13yarn.org.au/>

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<https://www.lchs.com.au/services/general-health/dental/>

# March 2025

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3	4	5	6 Student 1st Aid Sessions	7
10 Public Holiday No School	11	12 NAPLAN	13 NAPLAN	14 NAPLAN
17 NAPLAN	18 NAPLAN	19 NAPLAN School Photos Coffee/Cake Catchup	20 NAPLAN	21 NAPLAN
24 NAPLAN	25	26	27	28
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## School Terms 2025:

Term 1: January 30th— April 4th  
Term 2: April 22nd— July 4th

Term 3: July 21st— September 19th  
Term 4: October 6th— December 19th