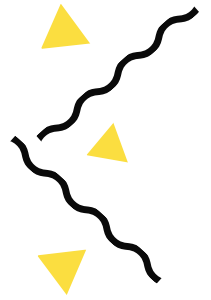


GAAYIP-YAGILA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



THE LATEST EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR
OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

Welcome to Term 1, Week 4. Thank you to all families who attended our first assembly and stayed on for our Meet and Greet afternoon. Your presence made the event a success, and we truly appreciate your dedication to supporting our school community and finding out more about your children's learning.

I wish to extend my gratitude to all members of our current school council for their unwavering dedication and hard work throughout the entirety of 2024. As we prepare for the upcoming year, we have parent vacancies for School Council in 2025. I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to Luke Brownley, who has been a dedicated representative of our school community on School Council since before the school's opening and, more recently, in his role as School Council President. His commitment and leadership have been invaluable, and while his time on School Council is coming to an end, we look forward to still seeing him around the school and remaining an engaged member of our community.

Please be advised that nominations for parent representatives on our School Council will be distributed during the week commencing February 24th through Xuno. Nomination forms will be available for collection at the administration office. Each position carries a two-year tenure. School Council members are expected to attend eight to ten meetings per year, held on the second or third Wednesday of each month during school terms from March to February of the following year. Training sessions will be provided for newly elected School Councillors. Further details and a timeline for the School Council elections will be communicated next week

Coming Together To Learn

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Continued

At Gaayip-Yagila Primary School, the safety and wellbeing of our students are our top priorities. We have an Extreme Weather Policy in place to ensure students remain comfortable and safe during extreme conditions, including high temperatures, heavy rain, and strong winds. On particularly hot days, students remain indoors in our temperature-controlled classrooms, which are maintained at 21°C for a comfortable learning environment. Similarly, during heavy rain or high winds, students stay inside to ensure their safety. A reminder to also send students with a water bottle so that they can stay hydrated in classrooms throughout the day.

Kind Regards

Cassy Hoggins



Coming Together To Learn

2025 SCHOOL CAPTAINS

We are excited to reintroduce our outstanding student leaders for 2025:

- **Sohum Kamat** – Captain
- **Masa Almashhadany** – Captain
- **Jolin Zahrah** – Vice Captain
- **Arhhata Patil** – Vice Captain

These remarkable students have shown dedication, responsibility, and a passion for making a positive impact within our school community. We are eager to watch them grow as leaders, inspire their peers, and continue to embody the values of teamwork, respect, and excellence. We look forward to supporting them in their leadership journey as the year unfolds!



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TERM 1

Fri 28th Feb – Sun 30th March	Ramadan
Thursday 6th March	Regional Swimming
Wed 12th – Mon 24th March	NAPLAN
Friday 14th March	Holi
Thursday 20th March	National Ride to School Day
Friday 21st March	Harmony Day
Mon 24th – Wed 26th March	Year 6 Camp
Tuesday 1st April 2025	School Cross Country
Friday 4th April	Hat Parade
Friday 4th April	LAST DAY OF TERM ASSEMBLY 1:30
FRIDAY 4TH APRIL	LAST DAY OF TERM – DISMISSAL 2:10PM



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EXCELLENCE AWARDS

	Student (class)	For...
Foundation	Mohammed Tehami (FF)	For demonstrating EXCELLENCE and proficiency counting forwards to 20.
Year 1	Scarlett Barberoglou (1A)	For always trying her best and having the confidence to give new activities a go.
Year 2	Muhammad Abdurrafay (2A)	For STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE and demonstrating a hardworking and positive approach to his learning.
Year 3	Azalea Longo (3A)	For giving every lesson a go, trying her best and persisting when she finds things tricky.
Year 4	Ritvi Balayan (4D)	For achieving EXCELLENCE in all learning areas and trying her very best.
Year 5	Thanos Notsikas (5E).	For consistently answering questions promptly and always STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE by putting in his best effort in class.
Year 6	Rishav Nepal (6B)	For consistently STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE by completing all his set work to a high standard and completing it in the set time.



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WELLBEING AWARDS

	Student	For...
Foundation	Anusri Nepal (FA)	For demonstrating KINDNESS in the classroom by always offering to help others.
Year 1	Suhayla Sharif (1A)	For showing KINDNESS by supporting and helping her classmates.
Year 2	Ayra Adnan Shaikh (2A)	For showing KINDNESS by demonstrating a friendly and thoughtful approach in the classroom and playground.
Year 3	Aradhya Kanwar (3C)	For demonstrating COLLABORATION by always supporting her classmates with their work and being an amazing pair share partner.
Year 4	Leevina Tamang (4E)	For demonstrating RESPECT by always using her manners and showing KINDNESS by helping others when they are not in the Green Zone.
Year 5	Karina Meredith (5A)	For always demonstrating COLLABORATION by supporting her classmates and demonstrating a strong sense of community responsibility.
Year 6	Mikha Mikha (6C)	For showing perseverance and trying new things even when they are challenging.



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Cultural Celebration

RAMADAN

We extend our warmest wishes to our Muslim community members who are celebrating Ramadan. Ramadan began on the evening of Friday 28th February and ends Sunday 30th March. May this be a time of spiritual reflection, renewal, and growth for all who observe.

Ramadan is the name of the ninth month of the Islamic lunar calendar. During this month, Muslims abstain from eating and drinking from dawn to sunset while increasing prayer and charity. Each day of Ramadan ends with Iftar, where families and friends come together to break their fast. Muslims are also encouraged to wake up just before the crack of dawn for a meal before their day of fasting starts - this is called suhur in Arabic, or sehri in Urdu.

How do I wish someone 'Happy Ramadan'?

You're welcome to say, "Happy Ramadan".

You can also say "Ramadan Mubarak, which means: "Have a blessed Ramadan."

Another popular greeting is "Ramadan Kareem", which means: "Have a generous Ramadan."

On the last day of Ramadan, which is Eid-al-fitr, the greeting changes to "Eid Mubarak."

It's helpful to think of them as festive greetings in the same way as "Merry Christmas" or "Happy Hanukkah".

Our school has established a prayer space at lunchtime for students. If your child would like to participate please send the school an email and we will follow up with your child. Student meet at Miss D's room at the beginning of lunch eating time.



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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Let's celebrate unity on International Women's Day with our empowering event, with the themed:

Thrive as a Woman in the Modern Era



WHAT WE WILL DISCUSS:

- Guide to cultivating inner strength to overcome obstacles.
- Tips for juggling career, family, and personal well-being.

**SATURDAY
8 MARCH
2025**

From 10am - 12pm

**Mickleham South
Community Centre**

125 Brossard Road, Mickleham

GUEST SPEAKER

- **Cr. Ally Watson**
Hume City Council
- **Elizabeth & Lucy**
DPV Health
- **Manasi Wagh**
Women's Health In the North

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!

Scan QR code to register



FOR MORE INFORMATION: 93566540

Email: MicklehamsouthCC@hume.vic.gov.au

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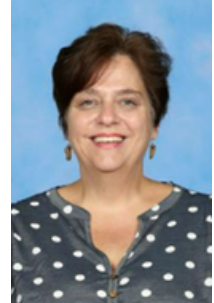
Meet our Wellbeing Team

Assistant Principal



Betty Tzelepis

Leading Teacher
Inclusion



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Smiling Mind

We're excited to announce that we are starting the Smiling Mind Primary School Program this year - an evidence-based program designed to support students social and emotional development.

The lessons help teach mindfulness and emotional wellbeing strategies, empowering students to navigate challenges and thrive in and out of the classroom.

These lessons are incorporated into students' weekly Wellbeing lessons, complementing their regular curriculum and providing valuable strategies for emotional resilience and mindfulness.

Smiling Mind also offers free resources for families to explore together! From guided meditations to tools for fostering resilience, these resources are perfect for supporting wellbeing at home.

<https://smilingmind.com.au/how-we-support>



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Attendance

Every day counts!

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day of school that a student misses puts them behind and can affect their educational outcomes and social friendships.

Coming to school every day is vital.

Parents are legally required to ensure their child attends school every day and to provide an explanation for their child's absence from school.

Does Attendance Really Matter?

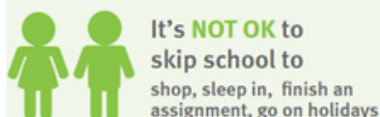
1 or 2 days doesn't seem like much but...

If a child misses	The equals...	Which is....	And over 13 years of school that's
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Almost 1.5 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Almost 8 years

...it adds up.

MOST STUDENTS ATTEND SCHOOL EVERY DAY

It's important that children are at school all day, every day 📅📅📅📅📅



EVERY DAY AT SCHOOL COUNTS

Missing even 1 day can make a difference



Each day's learning builds on what has been learnt before



ATTEND ALL DAY, EVERY DAY



What parents can do



Get involved in your child's school

Logging Absences

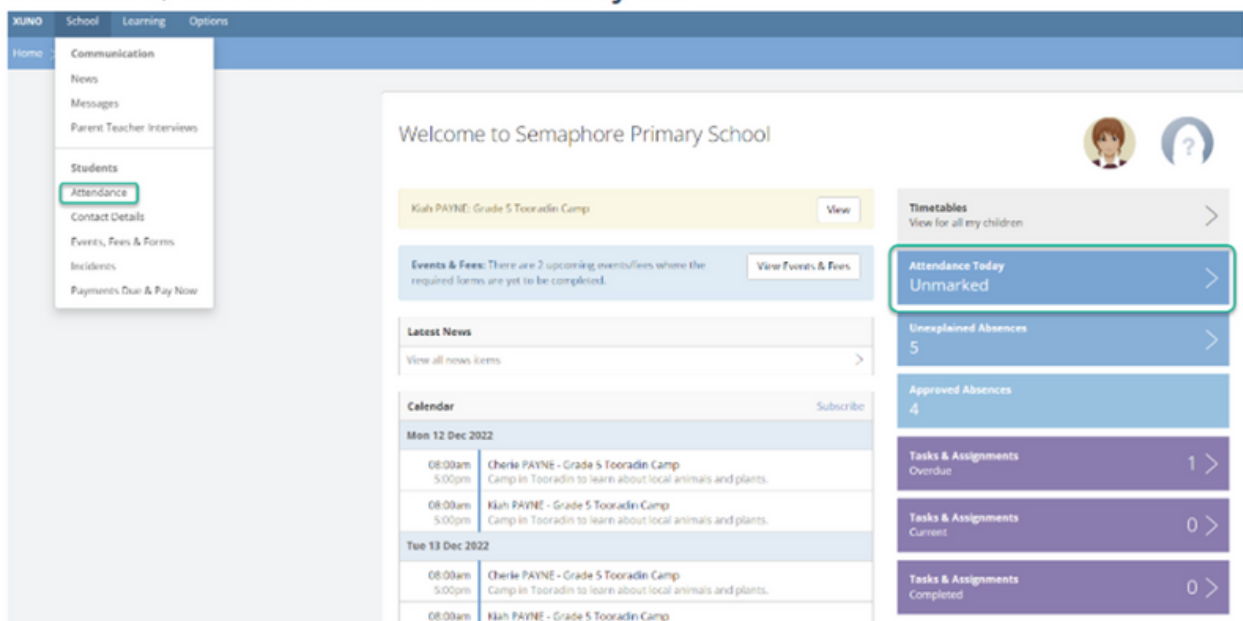
If your child has an approved absence (e.g., illness) you need to inform the school. You can do this by either:

- **CALLING:** Call the office on 9216 3200 and you will be prompted to leave a voice mail with your child's full name, class, date and reason for absence.

or

- **XUNO:** Log onto the Xuno app on your phone and follow the prompts to record your student's absence (see below for instructions)

1. Log in to your XUNO parent portal or XUNO Family app.
2. Via the **XUNO web portal:** From the **School** menu click on Attendance, or on the dashboard, click the blue **Attendance Today** tile.



Via the **XUNO Family app:** From the main menu, tap **Attendance**, or tap the blue **Attendance Today** tile.

3. If you have more than one child at the school, select the name of the child you are reporting an absence for.

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Logging Absences..continue

4. Click/tap on the **Send absence note** button.

 Chase ABBOTT

Last Marked Today
Present 09:52am

Lowest Attendance: 86%
8 English S2

Highest Attendance: 97%
8 Multimedia S2

Attendance Today


Unapproved Absences
0

Approved Absences
43

Great job! Give yourself a pat on the back. Chase has no unexplained absences.

Send absence note

View Day-by-Day Attendance

Subject	Unapproved Absence	Approved Absence	Present	Attendance %
8 Maths S2 (8MTH201-DC1) 2021S1B	0	5	44 / 49	90%
8 Multimedia S2 (8MMA201-ME1) 2021S1B	0	2	61 / 63	97%

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Logging Absences..continue

5. Then click **Send a note for a future date**

 Chase ABBOTT

Great job! Give yourself a pat on the back. no unexplained absences.

[View All Future Absence Notes](#)
[Send a note for a future date](#)

Date	Period	Subject
No unexplained absences found in date range.		

6. Select the date and period/s that your child will be absent from school. If the child will be absent for the whole day, you can just select the **All Day** check box

Send a note for a future absence

Cherie PAYNE will be absent from school:

Mon 8 Feb 2021

to

Mon 8 Feb 2021

inclusive

February 2021

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13

Friday, January 15, 2021

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eSAFETY WEBINAR



Term 1, 2025

eSafety parent and carer webinars

Join eSafety's expert education team for a free live webinar designed for parent and carers.

Term 1 topics:

- **Supporting healthy tech use as your child transitions into high school (30 minutes).** For parents and carers of young people in upper primary school (ages 11 to 12) and Year 7.
- **Algorithms and adolescents: The rewards and risks of recommender systems for young people (30 minutes).** For parents and carers of young people in upper primary and secondary school.

For more information and to register now: [eSafety.gov.au/parents/webinars](https://esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars)



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PE NEWSLETTER



On Thursday 20th March 2025 we will be celebrating National Ride2School Day.

Join in the fun by riding, walking, skating or scooting to school.

We will be meeting at the Merrifield Recreation Reserve Pavillion at 8am, enjoying a ride around the ovals, before making our way to school and enjoying breakfast provided by the Breakfast Club outside the gym.

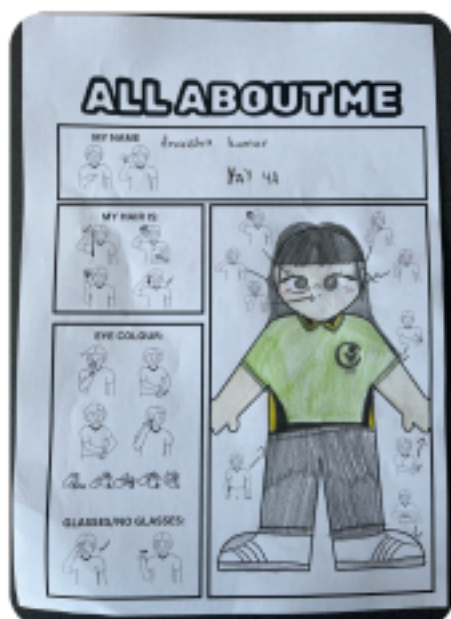
National Ride2School Day is the perfect opportunity for you to embrace a healthier start and to try riding and walking to school.



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Auslan Moments Captured

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AUSLAN NEWS

What's been happening in Auslan?

It's been an exciting start to Term One in our Auslan classrooms, with students across all year levels making wonderful progress in their learning. Here's a quick look at what each group has been focusing on:

Our Foundation students have been exploring the world of letters, animals, colours, and numbers through the Little Learners Love Literacy model.

In Years 1-2, students have been revising their learning from last year. They've been practicing greetings, discussing their favourite colours, and learning to use pronouns in Auslan. It's been wonderful to see their confidence grow as they express themselves!

Students in Years 3-6 have been focusing on describing themselves in Auslan. They've been learning signs for body parts.

We are so proud of all our students for their enthusiasm and dedication to learning Auslan. Keep an eye out for updates as we continue to develop our skills and deepen our understanding of this beautiful language.

GYPS AUSLAN TEAM

Annual Privacy Reminder for our school Community 2025

Our school collects and uses student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy and the Schools' Privacy Collection Notice.

Our Photographing, Filming and Recording Students Policy, describes how we collect and use photographs, video and recordings of students. The policy also explains when parent consent is required and how it can be provided and withdrawn.

We ask parents to also review the guidance we provide on how we use Microsoft 365/Google Workspace for Education safely at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information. If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using Microsoft 365/Google Workspace for Education, please contact the school.

For more information about privacy, refer to: Schools' Privacy Policy – information for parents. This information is also available in ten community languages:

- *Amharic*
- *Arabic*
- *Dari*
- *Gujarati*
- *Mandarin*
- *Somali*
- *Sudanese*
- *Turkish*
- *Urdu*
- *Vietnamese*

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MOBILE PHONE POLICY

A reminder that the Department of Education has in place a mobile phone ban that requires students who bring mobile phones to school to have them switched off and securely put away during school hours. Smart Watches are also included in this ban.

The department is requiring all schools to ensure this ban is in place and enforced from the start of the 2024 school year.

The ban applies equally to all government schools right across the state.

This helps ensure that school is a learning environment free from unnecessary distractions and disruptions.

By ensuring mobile phones are kept away at recess and lunch times, students can interact with each other face-to-face, without the distractions and social pressures that mobile phones can cause.

I ask for the support of all our families, staff and students in continuing to support the implementation of this policy in our school.

Further information

Exceptions: For a small number of students with particular health needs, an exception to the policy may be granted. Please contact Nurse Daniella if you would like to discuss this.

Emergencies: In the event of an emergency or if you need to immediately contact your child, I ask that families contact the school office who will pass on a message as required.

School mobile phone policy: A copy of our school's local mobile phone policy, which implements the government's mobile policy in line with our local context, is available [here](#)

Parent support: The Mobile phones in schools webpage provides links to resources for families to help them balance their children's time using mobile phones.

If you have further questions, please contact the administration office.

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ROAD SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS

As a reminder, please prioritise road safety when dropping off or picking up your children. We kindly ask that you use designated school crossing to cross the road, rather than crossing along Blackmore Road. Your cooperation ensures the safety of everyone in our community. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

If you have concerns regarding road safety this can be raised with the Hume Council Local Laws Office.

Speed zones, pedestrian crossings and parking restrictions around school are there to improve the movement of traffic during peak times and maximise safety for children and road users. During the Summer holiday period our school crossing on Blackmore Road received an upgrade. The school crossing is now raised and aims to slow cars travelling along Blackmore Road.

It is vital as adults, we lead by example and set good road safety practices travelling to and from school. As such, we are asking all parents and carers to observe and obey parking signs.

Hume City Council have asked us to remind our school community that it is an offence to:

- double park by stopping next to a legally parked vehicle, even for a short time or to drop off/pick up passengers
- stop or park on the centre median strip (Blackmore Road)
- stop or park across a driveway or footpath (especially down our side streets this has been occurring)
- stop or park within 10 metres of an intersection or corner that doesn't have traffic lights stop or park across or in a bus zone.
- Council Local Laws Officers will be active around our school area to issue warnings and fines.

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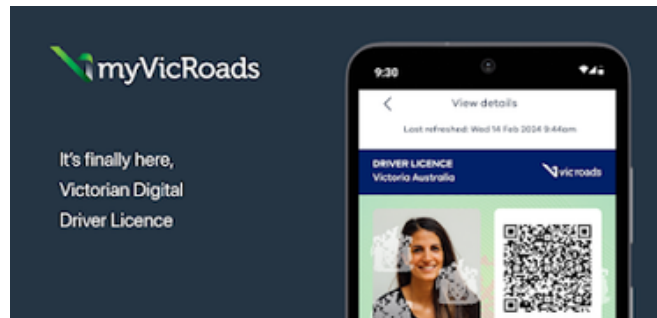
Collecting Students During School Hours

As a school we are committed to child safety. The following processes are in place for early collection of students.

Students are to be signed out at the office by a parent/guardian. If the student is being collected by someone other than the parent/guardian, we require the parent/guardian to call the office prior to collection to authorise on each occasion.

Verification of identity using suitable photo identification (such as a driver's licence or passport) must be sighted by school personnel for every collection.

Tip: Take a photo of your licence on your phone or download the Vic Roads App to download



Mobile Phones and SMART Watches

As per the Department of Education's Mobile Device Policy, we ask that any devices that can facilitate connectivity beyond the school for calls/messages/emails/internet etc are handed in to the office on arrival to school and are then collected at the end of the school day. Devices are stored in a lockable cabinet. Where students are found to have them on their person they will be taken to the office for safe keeping and parents will be contacted to collect them.

It is important that we minimise all unnecessary distractions throughout the school day so that we can optimise the learning opportunities for our students. We seek the support of all students and parents on this important matter. * For the purpose of this policy devices include mobile phones, smart watches, other wearable devices, iPads and other personal devices.

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Supervision of Students

This week, we have noticed a number of children arriving at school well before 8:40am. As a reminder, gates open and teacher supervision in the yard begins at 8:40am. If students need to arrive earlier, they must be accompanied by an adult or booked into TheirCare, our before-school care provider.

At the end of the school day, staff are on duty from 3:10pm to 3:25pm. Any students who have not been collected by 3:25pm will be taken to the office by the yard duty teacher.

For families new to our school, please be aware of the following procedures in place to ensure student safety:

- If a child arrives at school before 8:40am, parents will be contacted as supervision is not provided before this time.
- If a child continues to arrive early without supervision, they will be directed to Before School Care, where a fee will apply.

TheirCare operates both before and after-school care at Gaayip-Yagila Primary School for families needing this service. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students safe.

Respectful Behaviours within the School Community

The Department of Education has a policy that describes the positive behaviour expected from parents, carers, and other adults in Victorian school communities. The policy sets clear standards of behaviour to create a safe, respectful, and inclusive learning environment for students, staff and adults.

There are also other resources to support safe and respectful relationships in our school community, including information about getting involved in the school, advice on how to raise a concern or complaint, and parenting support resources.

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School Uniform

Recently at Gaayip-Yagila Primary School, we have noticed some variations of our school uniform, particularly amongst children in Years 3-6. We would like to remind all parents that our school uniform is compulsory. As per our School Uniform policy that is published on our school website, children should be wearing black pants or shorts, the school polo shirt (with the school logo) in Year F-5 or the Year 6 polo for Year 6 students and black jumper or jacket (with the school logo). Our Winter Tunic with shirt may also be worn. No black, labelled or free dress jumpers should be worn to school either on top or under the uniform.

Please review your child's school uniform to ensure it fits the above requirements. Items can be purchased from our official uniform supplier Academy Uniforms online at <https://academyuniforms.com.au/login.php>, in person at 71 Potter Street Craigieburn VIC 3064, or contact 9768 0344. Black pants and shorts can be purchased from all major department stores including Kmart, Target, BigW and Best & Less.



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Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

The Department administers the CSEF to help eligible families with the costs of camps, sporting activities and excursions. Payments for 2025 are \$154 per year for eligible primary school students. The payments is made directly to an eligible student's school. Applications are to be received by the school no later than 4 July 2025.

Some common examples of school-organised programs for which a CSEF payment may be used include:

- school camps or trips
- swimming and school-organised sports programs
- outdoor education programs
- excursions and incursions that are extracurricular
- graduations/valedictories..

Eligibility for the CSEF

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. A special consideration category also exists. Schools can receive applications from families by 4 July 2025.

Families can list more than one student in the one application form if they are attending the same school.

Submitting an application

A parent/carer will only be required to submit an application form to the school in the following circumstances:

- the parent/carer is applying for the CSEF payment for the first time – i.e. an application form was not lodged with the school in the previous year, or
- circumstances have changed – for example, there has been a change in the care arrangement of the student, a change of name or CRN, or a new sibling has started at the school and the parent/carer wishes to apply for the CSEF payment for the new sibling also.

Please see forms at the end of the newsletter.

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Meal deals

Toastie meal deal
Pasta meal deals

Hot dog meal deal
Nuggets and chips meal deal

Wednesday special – Chicken Burgers

Thursday special – Pizza



Price		Price	
Hot Food			
\$4	3 pack chicken nuggets	\$6	6 pack chicken nuggets
\$5	Penne <u>napoli</u>		Chicken noodles
\$7.50	Penne <u>bolognese</u>	\$4	3 pack steamed dim sim
	Hot dog - halal available		4 pack cocktail franks
	Large meat pie or sausage roll		6 pack vegetarian cocktail spring <u>roll</u>
\$5	2 pack of sweet chilli tenders or Vegetarian samosas		
	3 pack party pies/sausage rolls	\$0.40	Tomato, sweet chilli or soy sauce
Salads and sandwiches			
From \$3	Sandwiches and croissant– Variety of fillings.	From \$5	Variety of salads
	Toasted panini		
Snacks			
\$1.20	Seasonal fruit piece	\$2	Homemade large choc chip cookie
\$1.50	Diced fruit in juice	\$3	Jelly with a chocolate frog
\$2.50	LCM rice bubble bar, Oreo minis	\$1.50	Popcorn
	Red rock deli chips, noodle snacks	From	Homemade baked goods (muffins large and small, brownies etc)
	Pringles minis - Sour cream and onion	\$1	
\$2	Hot jam donuts	\$2.50	Crackers with carrot sticks
Beverages and Frozen items			
\$3.00	200ml juice and milk box varieties	\$1.50	Frozen orange wedges (seasonal)
\$2	600ml bottled water	\$4	Hot Chocolate/ Milkshake (seasonal)
\$1	<u>Zooper dooper</u>	\$3	Choc coated ice cream
\$2.50	99% fruit juice slushie, lemonade icy pole	\$2	<u>Smooze</u>

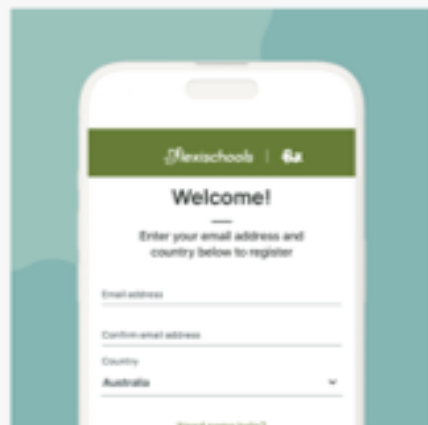
View item descriptions, options and place orders using the flexischools app.
Dietary requirements, allergy friendly, vegetarian and halal options available.

Skip the canteen line by adding frozen items or hot chocolate/milkshakes to the lunch order. Your student will then bring their lunch order bag back to the express collection line for faster service.





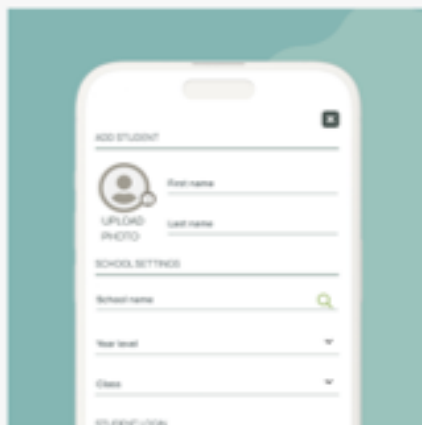
How to set up your Flexischools account



1. Register with Flexischools

Open your Flexischools app and click **'Register'**.

1. Submit your email to create an account.
2. In your inbox, open the registration email.
3. Click the link within and follow registration prompts in app.



2. Enter your child's details

Once your account is set up, log into your Flexischools app

1. Select **'Profile'** icon on the navigation bar.
2. Under **'Students'**, click **'Add new'**.
3. Enter your child's name, school, year level, and class. Click **'Submit'**.



3. Order and pay with ease!

Here's how to order food on Flexischools

1. Click **'Order food'** - top of app home screen
2. Select the student you'd like to order for
3. Choose a service (e.g. lunch) and order date
4. Select any items you'd like to order
5. Once finished, click **'View order'**
6. Select **'Checkout & pay'** to place your order

Placing multiple orders

A recent update to the desktop platform of flexischools has included the function to 'add another order' at checkout, allowing you to include multiple orders for the same day and only pay 1 order fee. You must use the desktop ~~flexischools~~ website to access this.

When this function is included on the app, a notification will be sent to families. Ensure your mobile phone has notifications enabled for your ~~flexischools~~ app to avoid missing canteen announcements.

My child is sick, what should I do?

If it is before the order cut off time of 9am, you are able to log in and cancel the order yourself. If it is after the 9am cutoff time, but before 10:30am, contact the school on 9216 3200 and ask to be transferred to the canteen. Your child's order can be moved to a later date by canteen staff.

How does my child receive frozen or specialty items?

Frozen items, milkshakes, hot chocolates and slushies are to be picked up from the canteen counter. They will be highlighted on the lunch order bag. Your child simply brings the lunch order bag back and lunch playtime and it will be swapped for the required items.



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$150 for primary school students
- \$250 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund APPLICATION Form

School Name

School REF ID

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname

First name

Address

Town/suburb State Postcode

Contact number

Centrelink pensioner concession OR Health care card number (CRN)

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☐ Foster parent* OR Veterans affairs pensioner (Gold Card)**

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Victorian Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH). **Applicants must provide a copy of the Veteran Affairs Gold card.

Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Victorian Department of Education (DE) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry about my Centrelink customer details and concession card status to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Victorian Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) to provide the results of any enquiry to DE regarding temporary care orders.

I understand that:

- DFFH or Centrelink will use information I have provided to DE to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DE personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- This consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DFFH and provide it to my child's school so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DE.
- Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to DFFH and/or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You can request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant Date //