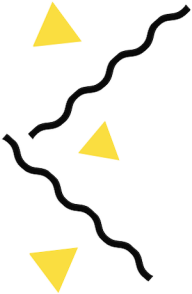


GAAYIP-YAGILA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



THE LATEST EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR
OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

Welcome to Term 2 Week 3! I hope this newsletter finds you well and that your children are settling back into their school routines after the holiday break.

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge our School Captains who facilitated our Anzac Day commemoration last week. Their thoughtful and respectful tribute exemplified our school values, and I was proud to see our student community come together to honour the sacrifices made by our servicemen and women.

I am pleased to inform you that our 2023 Annual Report to the School Community has been endorsed at our recent School Council Annual General Meeting. This report provides a comprehensive overview of our school's achievements, challenges, and future directions. I encourage you to take the time to read through the report when it becomes available after completion of the quality assurance process.

As Mother's Day approaches, I would like to express gratitude to all the incredible mothers and mother figures in our community. Your support shapes our students' lives in countless ways. Happy Mother's Day! We will be holding a stall where students can purchase gifts to show their appreciation for the wonderful females in their lives. Details about the stall are contained further in the newsletter.

I'm thrilled to share that Education Week is just around the corner, taking place from Monday, May 13th to Friday, May 17th. This year's theme, "Spotlight on STEM," underscores the significance of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) in our daily lives and beyond. Throughout the week, we have an array of exciting activities planned. Join us for our Maths Mania open evening on Monday, May 13th at 5.00pm, where families can come together to enjoy a variety of engaging math activities. Additionally, our Science team has curated captivating activities, including a special incursion by Professor Bunsen, tailored for our Year 1 and 2 students. It promises to be an educational and entertaining week for all!

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Together, we can make Term 2 a successful and enriching experience for all our students.

Kind Regards
Cassy Hoggins

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2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TERM 2

Friday 3rd May	District Cross Country
Wednesday 8th May	Mother's Day Stall
Monday 13th May	Year 2 Science Incursion - Professor Bunsen
Tuesday 14th May	Year 1 Science Incursion - Professor Bunsen
Wednesday 22nd May	Student Free (staff Professional Practice: DE required day)
Monday 27th - Friday 31st May	Swimming Year 4
Monday 3rd June - Friday 7th June	Swimming Year 3
Monday 10th June	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 28th June	Last Day - 2.10pm finish

TERM 3

Monday 15th July	First Day of Term 3
Wednesday 4th September	Parent Teacher Interviews 11 - 6.30pm Student Free Day
Friday 20th September	Last Day - 2.10pm finish

TERM 4

Monday 7th October	First Day of Term 4
Monday 4th November	Student Free (Staff Reporting: VGSA requirement)
Tuesday 5th November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Friday 20th December	Last Day - 1.10pm finish

Orthodox Easter

As we embrace the rich, diverse cultures within our community, we are delighted to highlight the upcoming celebration of Orthodox Easter, also known as Pascha. This year, Orthodox Easter falls on Sunday, May 5th, and it's a time when families come together. It is a time of spiritual significance, filled with traditions, rituals, and customs that reflect the deep-rooted faith of Orthodox Christians.

One of the most important traditions is the lighting of candles. Another favourite tradition is the colouring of eggs, symbolising new life and the resurrection. Families gather to dye eggs in vibrant hues, creating beautiful patterns and designs—a joyous expression of creativity and renewal.

Orthodox Easter is a time for joy and reflection, as families come together to celebrate their faith and heritage. After the church service, families gather for a festive meal, which often includes traditional foods like lamb, dyed eggs, and sweet bread called tsoureki. Children also enjoy Easter egg hunts, where they search for hidden eggs filled with treats.

As a multicultural community, we acknowledge the diversity of traditions and beliefs that enrich our communities lives. Wishing all those who celebrate a joyous and blessed Easter!



Don't forget your helmet!



As our students enjoy the beautiful weather and ride their bikes to school, we want to remind everyone about the importance of wearing a helmet. Helmets are essential for keeping our children safe while they're out on their bikes.

Wearing a helmet significantly reduces the risk of head injuries in the event of a fall or collision. It's a simple and effective way to protect our children and ensure they can continue to enjoy biking safely.

Please encourage your child to wear their helmet every time they ride their bike to school. Let's work together to keep our students safe and promote healthy habits for a lifetime.

Thank you for your cooperation and support in keeping our school community safe!

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ANZAC Commemoration

We were honoured to have our student leaders take the lead in our ANZAC Day commemoration this year. With solemn reverence, they led staff and students through a tribute to honour the bravery and sacrifice of our ANZAC heroes.

Utilising the new screens and sound system, we were able to display the commemoration, enhancing the reflective atmosphere of the event. Through visuals and heartfelt words, we paid tribute to those who have served our country with courage and dedication.

Together, we continue to uphold the spirit of ANZAC and ensure that their legacy lives on. Lest we forget.



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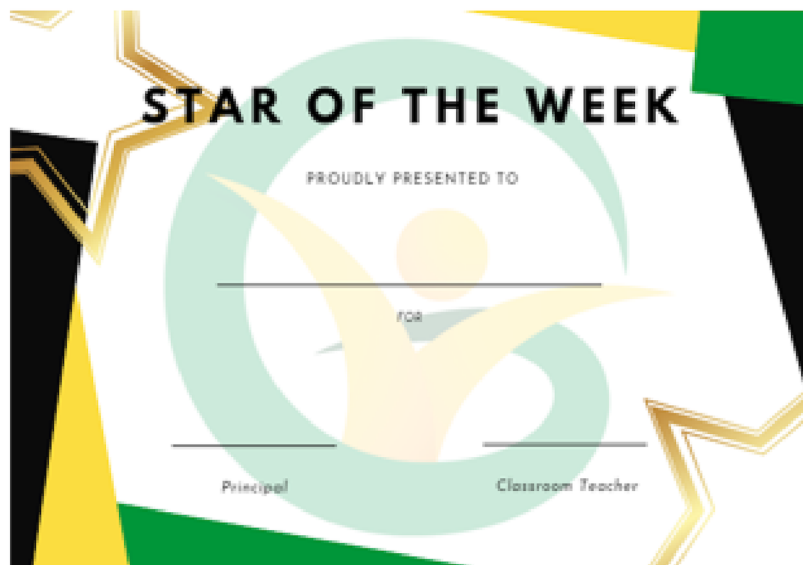
Introducing "Star of the Week"

We're pleased to introduce an additional acknowledgement to our current process called "Star of the Week". This acknowledgement aims to recognise the positive efforts and achievements of our students in their classroom.

Each week, a student will be selected as the "Star of the Week" based on their notable academic progress, leadership qualities or acts of kindness. This program provides a platform to acknowledge and appreciate the diverse talents and contributions of our students.

The chosen student will earn a star to contribute to a whole school display and receive a certificate of recognition. It's a simple yet meaningful way to highlight the efforts and successes of our students within our school community.

We look forward to seeing the positive impact of the "Star of the Week" program as we celebrate the accomplishments of our students as they are 'Coming together to learn'.



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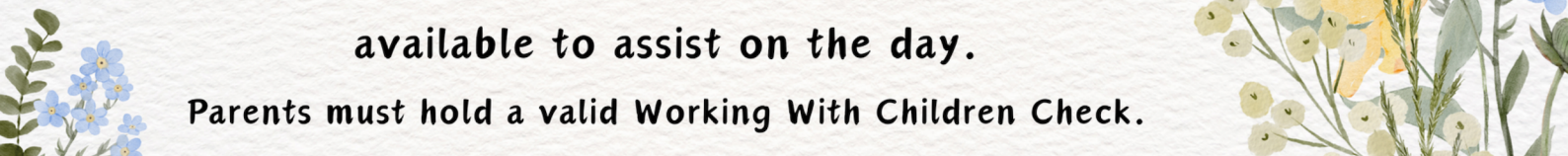
Mother's Day Stall Wednesday, 8th May

Students will have an opportunity to shop with their class on the day. Gift prices range from \$1 - \$5

Please do not send more than \$10 per child.

Parent Helpers please contact the office if available to assist on the day.

Parents must hold a valid Working With Children Check.



JOIN US FOR MATH MANIA NIGHT!

Get ready to unleash your inner math wizard at our

Math Night Extravaganza!

Date: Monday, May 13th

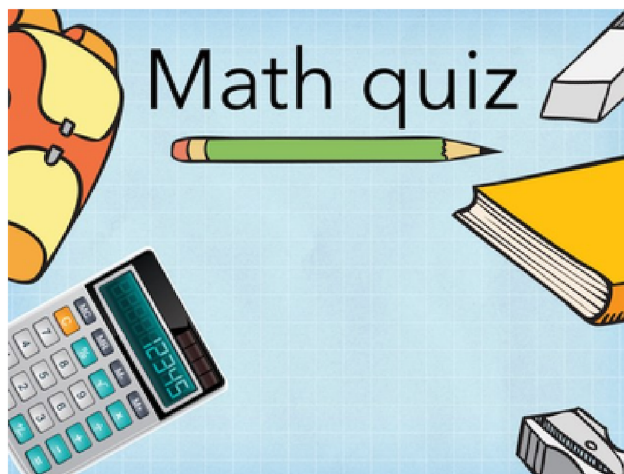
Time: 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Calling all students and families to an evening filled with thrilling math games, brain-teasing puzzles, and exciting challenges!

Whether you're a math enthusiast or looking to sharpen your skills, there's something for everyone at Math Mania Night.

Come prepared to explore the fascinating world of numbers, discover new math tricks, and engage in hands-on activities that will make math come alive!

Don't miss out on the fun – mark your calendars and join us for an unforgettable Math Mania Night on Monday, May 13th! See you there!



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GAAYIP-YAGILA
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MATHS MANIA NIGHT

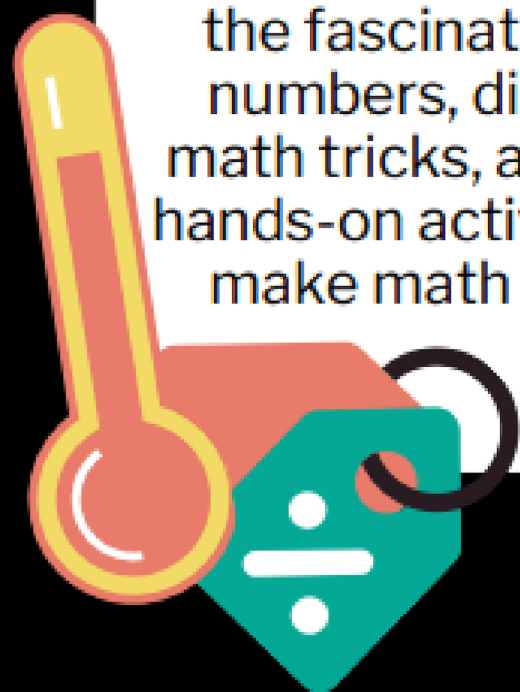
Monday 13th May
5.00 - 6.00pm

**CALLING ALL STUDENTS
AND FAMILIES!**

Come prepared to explore
the fascinating world of
numbers, discover new
math tricks, and engage in
hands-on activities that will
make math come alive!

REGISTER YOUR
INTEREST [HERE](#)

OR USE THE QR CODE



UNIFORM

As we settle into the routine of the cooler weather, we kindly remind you of the importance of ensuring your child wears the correct school uniform. Maintaining our uniform standards not only fosters a sense of belonging and pride.

We appreciate your cooperation in ensuring that your child arrives at school dressed in the appropriate attire each day. Should you have any queries or require assistance with uniform requirements, please don't hesitate to reach out to our administration office.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Girls Winter Uniform

- Black Pants / Trackpants / Shorts
- Short/Long Sleeve Polo with School Logo
- Choice of Knitted Jumper or Soft Shell with School Logo
- Puffer vest with School Logo
- Winter Pinafore (in School pattern)
- Winter Blouse with School Logo
- Black Tights may be worn with the Winter Pinafore

Boys Winter Uniform

- Black Pants / Trackpants / Shorts
- Short/Long Sleeve Polo with School Logo
- Choice of Knitted Jumper or Soft Shell with School Logo
- Puffer vest with School Logo

Other Items

- Black or white socks
- Hair accessories to be school colours – Green, Yellow and Black, along with White
- Foundation to Year 6 – School Bag with Logo
- New Year 6 students – School Bag with Logo (optional)



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ENROLMENTS OPEN 2025

SCHOOL TOURS

Wednesday 17th April 2024

9:30am and 4:30pm

Thursday 2nd May 2024

9:30am and 3:30pm

Tuesday 14th May 2024

9:30am and 4:30pm

Monday 27th May 2024

9:30am and 4:30pm

Friday 14th June 2024

9:30am and 3:30pm



**CONTACT US FOR
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For more info and to book,
scan the QR Code

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

CURRICULUM UPDATE

MATHEMATICS CURRICULUM CHANGES 2024

As part of our commitment to providing the best possible education for your children, we are implementing the revised Mathematics Curriculum 2.0, recently published by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA).

The decision to adopt Mathematics Curriculum 2.0 stems from our dedication to continuously improving the quality of education we offer. We believe that this updated curriculum will better equip our students with the skills and knowledge necessary for success in mathematics and beyond. Additionally, aligning with this new curriculum allows us to synchronize our teaching approach with our newly adopted Explicit Direct Instruction model.

Starting in 2024, all schools are required to implement the revised curriculum, with the option to do so in either 2024 or 2025. At Gaayip-Yagila Primary School, we have chosen to embrace this change in 2024 to ensure that our students benefit from the enhanced learning opportunities as soon as possible. This change over year will allow us to teach content that students may have missed in previous years, or content that has been moved between year levels.

One significant aspect of this transition is how student progress is reported. Previously, our teachers reported against the three strands of the achievement standard for mathematics: Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, and Statistics and Probability. However, under Mathematics Curriculum 2.0, teachers will report against the achievement standard as a whole, providing a single, aggregated score.

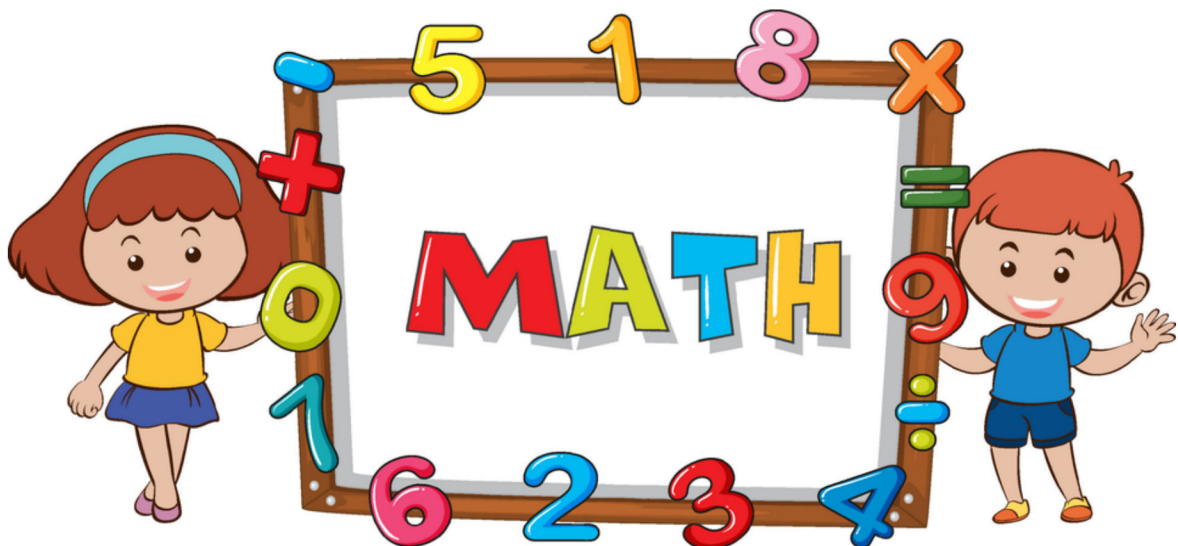
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This means that the first time you receive a report under the Mathematics 2.0 curriculum, it will only show achievement and not progress. Subsequent reports will include progress assessments against the single achievement standard, allowing you to track your child's development over time more comprehensively.

We understand that change can sometimes be challenging, but we are confident that this transition will ultimately benefit our students by ensuring they receive the highest quality mathematics education possible. As always, we are here to support you and your child throughout this process.

We will provide further communication regarding this change when reports are released to families at the end of the term. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the implementation of Mathematics Curriculum 2.0, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Katrina Lamers



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AUSLAN NEWS

As we step into a new term, we are thrilled to announce the continuation of our Auslan (Australian Sign Language) program with great enthusiasm. Last term, our students explored the foundations of Auslan through the alphabet, colors, and everyday signs. This term promises to be equally exciting as we delve deeper into the rich language and culture of the Deaf community.

Throughout the coming weeks, we are committed to providing our students with opportunities to expand their signing skills. Building upon the groundwork laid last term, our students will revisit familiar signs and concepts to help solidify their understanding and fluency in Auslan.

But that's not all – this term, our students in grades 1- 4 are set to take their learning to new heights with engaging hands-on activities that are designed to support they exploration of signs related to school, numbers and the farm. Meanwhile, our students in grades 5 and 6 will focus on refining their handshape formation and describing these topics in greater detail. Our Foundation students will participate in activities tailored to further develop their understanding of the Auslan alphabet. These themes not only expand our students' vocabulary but also deepen their comprehension of Auslan's application in various contexts.

Whether they are signing about familiar places and people in our school community, mastering counting in Auslan, or learning the signs for beloved farm animals, our students are sure to enjoy the journey of discovery.

We are truly excited for the term ahead and the progress our students will make on their Auslan journey. By nurturing a positive and inclusive learning environment, we strive to empower all students to communicate confidently and respectfully, both within our school community and beyond.

We would like to extend our gratitude to the entire school community for your ongoing support of our Auslan program.

Auslan Team!

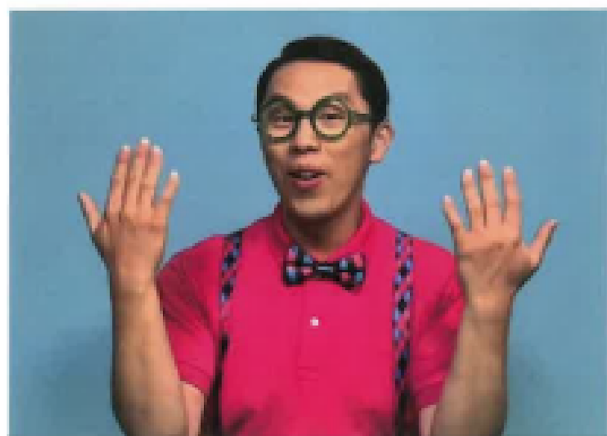
Finger Spelling	Sign
	 FAMILY
	 SCHOOL
	 FARM/FARMER

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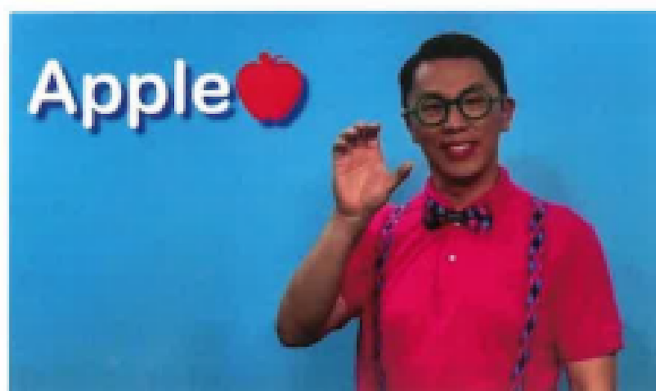
Head to YouTube!

**All Auslan!
All for Kids!**



A great way to
practice Auslan at
home with your
family.

**Weekly
episodes!**



**Auslan learning,
signing songs,
interviews and
Deaf guests!**



Auslan Time with Geo



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DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

This Friday we are excited to be taking a number of students to participate in the District Cross Country Event. Students will be participating in races which range from 2-3km. I wish all the below students the best of luck!

Lennox Pati	Rihanna Kataria	Seth Lister	Haidar Toufaily
Sohum Kamat	Myra Pathak	Armaan Singh	Veer Goyat
Jaxon Ferris-Davies	Ramneet Batta	Peyton McDonald	Harfateh Singh
David Yousif	Grace Brownley	Ivneet Kaur	Vansh Solanki
Jaxson McLarty	Mayar Youeil	Loni Rima	Ryan Prasad
Gurshaan Sidhu	Avinav Momi	Arhhata Patil	Hannah Gojar
Ethan Ninaji	Mehul Sodhi	Prabnoor Nanra	Navroj Kaur
Samiullah Haidary	Ethan Nair	Matilda Lucca	Hargun Kaur
Abbass Al Rubayi	Christos Notsikas	Mohamed Al Rubayi	Hisha Thyagaraj
Daniel Brownley	Tomasso Longo	Isaac Brownley	Mannat Sandhu
Japjit Kaur	Bilal Sarary	Princeton Rima	

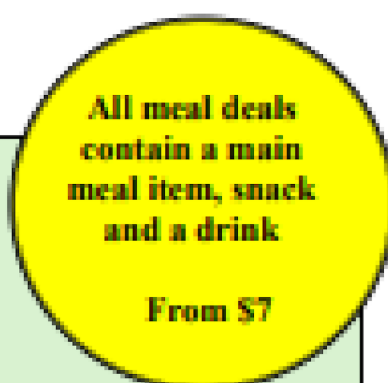


PE Team !

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Term 2 Winter Menu



<u>Meal deals</u>	Available all days
<u>Monday</u> – Mac n Cheese meal deal	Fried Rice meal deal
<u>Tuesday</u> – Toasted sandwich meal deal	Hot dog meal deal
<u>Wednesday</u> – Pizza meal deal	Napoli or Bolognese Pasta Meal deal

Price		Price	
Hot Food – Online order only			
\$3	3 pack chicken nuggets	\$5	6 pack chicken nuggets
\$5	Penne napoli (veg)	\$3.50	Hot chicken noodles
\$6.50	Penne bolognese	\$1.20	Steamed dim sim
\$4	4 pack cocktail franks	\$1.50	Party pie / mini sausage roll
\$4	Hot dog	\$2.50	Vegetarian samosa
\$4.50	Four’n Twenty Meat pie / Sausage roll	\$2	4 pack vegetarian cocktail spring roll
		\$0.40	Tomato, sweet chilli or soy sauce
Salads and sandwiches – Online order only			
From \$3	Sandwiches– Variety of fillings	From \$5	Green Salad Caesar Salad Greek Salad
Wrap \$1 – Toasted \$1		Gluten free bread available – extra \$0.50	
Snacks – Over the counter and online order			
\$1.20	Fruit piece – apple, banana	\$1.50	Homemade large choc chip cookie
\$1	Homemade healthier mini muffin	\$3	Homemade healthier large muffin
\$1.20	Diced fruit in juice	\$1.50	Popcorn varieties
\$2	Harvest snaps baked pea crisps	\$2.50	Le Snak cheese dip and crackers
\$2.50	Red rock deli chips varieties Pringles minis - Sour cream and onion	\$2.50	Hummus dip with carrot and cucumber and sticks
Beverages and Frozen items - Over the counter and online order			
\$2.50	200ml Juice box varieties – no added sugar	\$2.50	200ml milk box varieties
\$2	600ml bottled water	\$3	Paddle Pop varieties
\$1	Zooper Dooper	\$2	Lemonade icy pole
\$2	Smooze – mango coconut icy	\$2.50	99% fruit juice slushie
\$1	Frozen orange wedges		

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 to your recess or lunch online order, then using the express collection line for faster service.

Eco Craft & Play Sessions

Join us at the Mickleham North Community Centre for 4 special eco events designed for 4-7 year olds!

Enjoy sensory play, nature and recycled craft, wooden games & more.

25th May - 'Recycled Robots'

12th July - 'Winter Wonderland'

27th September - 'In the Garden'

30th November - 'Festive Fun'

FREE ENTRY!

Sessions run from 1-2.30pm.

Book at reception.

Adults must accompany children at all times.



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Eco Play Group Special Events

Join us at the Mickleham North
Community Centre for 4 unique play
groups designed for 1-4 year olds!
Grow your community connection as your
little ones enjoy an array of themed
nature sensory play, music, wooden toys
& games plus more.

FREE ENTRY!

Sessions run from 10-11.30am. Book your place
at reception.

25th May: 'Space & Sky' - dads session

**30th August: 'Bookish Play' - cousins
session**

17th October: 'The Seasons' - mums session

**30th November: 'Festive Celebrations' -
grandparents session**



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LITTLE LUMIERE LEARNING

ENLIGHTENING TOMORROW'S MINDS

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As you know, chess is a mind game that stimulates the brain development. As educators, it is our responsibility to provide students with life skills. Our students need to be able to evaluate and reason, solve problems quickly, be strategists and effective planners to become self-sufficient thinkers and self-starters.

Classes will be weekly. For this term, it will be held on Thursdays. There will be 8 classes in a term.

How does chess help you?

- **Cognitive Skills Development:** Chess promotes critical thinking & problem-solving skills, requiring children to plan and strategize their moves.
- **Enhanced Memory and Concentration:** The game encourages the development of memory and concentration as kids need to remember rules, patterns, and opponent moves.
- **Improved Academic Performance:** Chess has been linked to enhanced mathematical skills and better academic performance, possibly due to the analytical and strategic nature of the game.
- **Social and Emotional Growth:** Playing chess teaches kids valuable social skills, such as good sportsmanship, patience, and the ability to handle both success and failure gracefully.
- **Life Skills and Habits:** Chess instills important life skills, including persistence, adaptability, and the habit of making decisions under time constraints, which can be beneficial in various aspects of their lives.

Class Details:

8 classes each term. Will be held weekly on Thursdays.

Commencing Thursday May 2nd 2024

Class Timing: 3:20pm - 4:20pm

Venue: Biik Building

Cost: \$80 per term

Please note:

- If more than 2 consecutive classes are missed a credit may be forwarded to the following term
- Min 8 students are required for classes to commence
- Payments can be made by cash or using payID 0450698014. Payments to be made before the second week of class.

Please fill out the enrolment form at the earliest.

Enrolment form: <https://forms.gle/tUENxwTdQ5QJ1FKf6>



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AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

2024 HUME CITY WINTER SOFTBALL LEAGUE

COST

TEAM
REGISTRATION
\$500.00
SENIORS NEW
MEMBER \$72
JUNIORS NEW
MEMBER \$63

EVENTS

T-BALL
12 & UNDER
U14
U16
U18
MIXED SENIOR
WOMEN'S SENIOR
MEN'S SENIOR

**9 WEEK SATURDAY COMPETITION INCLUDES FINALS
1 HOUR GAMES, CATERING FOR ALL AGES, GENDER AND ABILITY**

DATES

SAT 1 JUNE - SAT 10 AUGUST JUNIORS FROM 9.00AM
SENIORS FROM 12.00PM

TIME

AGES

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