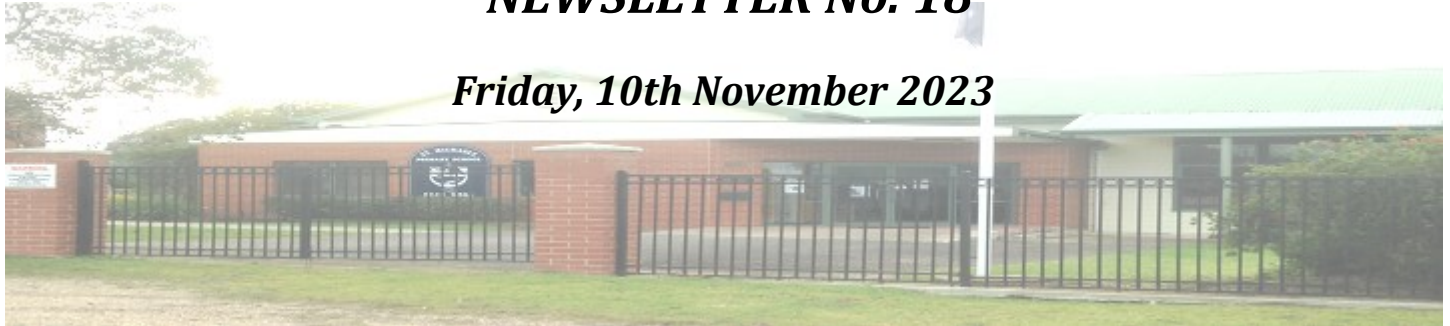




## NEWSLETTER No. 18

Friday, 10th November 2023



### DIARY DATES

#### TERM 4

#### NOVEMBER

Saturday 11th	Remembrance Day
Wednesday 15th	Interschool Equestrian Challenge School Advisory Committee Meeting
Thursday 16th	Heyfield Police Visit for Preps
Monday 20th	St. Johns Ambulance First Aid Visit
Tuesday 21st	St. Michael's Art Show 4-6pm
Friday 24th	Pupil Free Day– Staff Professional Development

Mon 27th & Thurs 30th	Prep 2024 transition sessions
Weds 29th– Fri 1st	5/6 Camp Coolamatong

#### DECEMBER

Mon 4th & Thurs 7th	Prep 2024 transition sessions
Thursday 14th	Grade 6 Graduation
Monday 18th	Last day for students

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It is hard to believe we have just finished week 6 and are gearing up to complete 2023 school year. It was great to see the year 3/4 students have so much fun on camp. Students were able to conquer and complete different activities such as the giant swing and flying fox. The camp instructors were impressed with the behaviour, attitude and participation of all students. A huge thanks to Maestra Tilka and Mrs Barry for organising the camp.

On Wednesday we were lucky enough to have Downball Australia run some workshops at St. Michael's. The workshops were tailor-made to inspire and educate, merging physical activity with teamwork, strategy, and fun! Students were also lucky enough to receive their own individual downball.

On Tuesday 21st November we have the St. Michael's Art Show from 4-6pm at school. Students have been working on lots of different art pieces to display on the afternoon. A huge thanks to Mrs Kuizenga for coordinating this event.



### TERM DATES 2023



TERM 4 - 2nd October - 20th December  
**STUDENTS LAST DAY– MONDAY 18th DECEMBER**

**PUPIL FREE/SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY**  
**24/11/23**

Today at assembly we had a ceremony for Remembrance Day. Remembrance Day comes out of the Armistice which ended the First World War. The Armistice came into effect at 11am on 11 November 1918 – the eleventh day of the eleventh month. Beginning in 1919, that date and time became a moment to stop, reflect and commemorate the millions who died in that war. Students and families are also invited to attend the Heyfield Remembrance Day service on Saturday.

Have a great weekend.

### SCHOOL CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE

Saturday 11th November is a very important day as it is Remembrance Day. Remembrance Day is a day for people to come together to remember and pay respects to those who fought and died in wars. There will be a service held at the Heyfield Cenotaph and some students will lay the wreath. In the SRC we have had the idea of Zooper Dooper Tuesdays they will cost 50c and the SRC will give them out at lunch time, the money raised will go towards donating food to the Heyfield Community Resource Centre before Christmas. Another idea we had in the SRC is a down ball tournament where you compete with your friends and other students to see who is the grand champion of down ball in our school.



St Michael's Primary School acknowledge and pay our respects to the Gunaikurnai people, traditional

## COMMUNICATION

At St. Michael's, much of our communication to families is done via Class Dojo, school newsletter and Email. For certain events, reminders and absences we will also now use text messages to communicate.



## PUPIL FREE DAY/SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

We have a pupil free day on **Friday 24th November**. This day staff members will be trained in a program called InitialLit. This program is provided by MultiLit. MultiLit is a leading provider of effective literacy instruction in Australasia.

## DOWNBALL AUSTRALIA WORKSHOPS



## SRC ARE SELLING ZOOPER DOOPERS ON TUESDAY AT LUNCHTIMES

The SRC have decided to do Zooper Dooper Tuesday for the rest of the school year. If you would like to buy a Zooper Dooper (1 per student) they will cost 50 cents. The money raised will go towards buying canned items for the Heyfield Community Resource Centre. The canned food will then be donated to people in the Heyfield community in the lead up to Christmas. Well done to the SRC on coming up with such a great initiative.







# ART WITH HEART

## 2023

### @ St Michael's HEYFIELD

Join us in celebrating our students' artistic creations  
and be amazed by their talent!

Raffles @ 50c a ticket      Devonshire Tea (Gold Coin)



**21st November**  
**4.00pm - 6.00pm**





### 3rd November

**Penny:** For using her initiative and being a responsible member of our class.

**Layla:** For her attention to detail and working diligently in all areas.

**Harper:** For being a wonderful member of our 3/4 camp and for participating in all activities.

**Arthur:** For being so enthusiastic and positive whilst participating in all our camp activities.

**Emmy:** For being an organized helper and positive role model during our 3/4 camp.

### 10th November

**Georgia:** For persisting and trying her best to make the Remembrance day wreath.

**Marshall:** For being a self starter and working hard to complete set tasks.

**Charlie:** For writing a well-detailed information report and for structuring his ideas well.

**Lilly:** For OUTSTANDING effort in our science unit on electrical circuits.

**Archie:** For a high level of effort in our Maths unit on area and perimeter.

#### BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to the following people who celebrated their birthday in the last fortnight.

Charlie: 31st October  
Amy: 1st November  
Yvette: 9th November  
Hayden: 10th November



St Michael, our archangel and patron: Pray for us.

St Michael, protector of us all: Pray for us.

St Michael, whose name means 'he who is like God': Pray for us.

St Michael, who gives us courage and strength: Pray for us.

St Michael, defender of us all: Pray for us.

St Michael, who stands for truth: Pray for us.

St Michael, a man of prayer: Pray for us.

St Michael, who guides us every day: Pray for us.

#### OUR PARISH

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Mass is celebrated at St Michael's Church in Heyfield on Tuesday mornings at 9.30am and Saturday evenings at 6.00pm.

*We are a 'Parish in Partnership' with Maffra, Newry, Cowwarr and Dargo.*



## ECO WARRIORS

This week's article will be about how animals can help the ecosystem and how important animals are for the environment from dropping seeds into the ground to helping vegetation to insects helping break down and dispose of wastes, dead animals and plants.

Insects help break down and dispose of wastes, dead animals and plants.

Insects pollinate many of our fruits, flowers, and vegetables without insects it would be very much harder to grow vegetation.

When animals eat, they'll knock some seeds from the stems, cones or flower heads that they're feeding on. This results in seeds regenerating in the ground.

When animals graze they Animals that eat insects and small mammals help reduce damage by caterpillars, rabbits, and other plant-eaters.

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Animals help plants reproduce by carrying pollen from plant-to-plant and help the production of vegetation.

Earthworms freshen soil, providing pathways for water and nutrients.

Lilly, Poppy, Lottie, Molly, Chloe, and Oscar.