



DIARY DATES

JUNE

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd

Grade 3/4 Camp Lady Northcote

Saturday 23rd – Comedy Night

Adults Only – Comedy for a Cause

Tuesday 26th

Mid-year Reports sent home

Wednesday 27th

Pizza Day

Parent / Teacher interviews

Friday 29th

LAST DAY OF TERM – 2.30pm finish

TUESDAYS ARE NUDE FOOD DAYS

WEDNESDAY IS SCHOOL BANKING DAY

DUE BY DATES:

JUNE

Friday 22nd –

Pizza orders & money due

**COPIES OF ALL NEWSLETTERS, FORMS
AND NOTICES ARE AVAILABLE ON
OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE.**

Principal's Report

Super Boss Day

Our SRC has decided to focus on supporting 'Heart Kids' during Term 2 through **Super Boss Day**. On this day nominated members of our teaching and support staff will dress up as their favourite super hero. All families received a letter this week asking them to nominate a staff member who will then dress up as their favourite super hero. Families will be able to sponsor these super heroes with all funds raised donated to Heart Kids, who support children with congenital heart disease.

At Amsleigh Park we actually have a couple of children with congenital heart disease, so it's great to be able to support Heart Kids this time around. I know that our staff love dressing up, and there will be lots of thought given to this. Personally I kind of like the appeal of dressing up as 'Batman' or 'Superman,' but you will just have to wait and see!

Grade 4 and Grade 3 Camps – Next Week

On Monday our Grade 4s depart for their annual school camp to Lady Northcote in Bacchus Marsh, followed on Wednesday by our Grade 3s. This year we have split our Grade 3s and 4s into two separate camps. It is going to be an action packed few days as our students undertake a range of outdoor education learning experiences. Some of the highlights will include the giant swing, canoeing, archery, bush cooking and the Flying Fox. Lady Northcote, which is run by the YMCA, offers an outstanding camping experience, and is an ideal venue for students of this age group. They have excellent facilities so our students and staff can look forward to a comfortable few days. After I was unable to attend the Grade 6 camp due to illness, I'll be heading to Lady Northcote from Tuesday to Thursday and I'm really looking forward to spending some quality time with our students.

Thanks to our Teaching Staff

I would like to take this time to acknowledge and thank our teaching staff. Over the last five weeks our teachers have been writing mid-year reports. This is a job that is done outside of the working day. Routinely over the last month our teachers have been working through to the late hours making student judgements and writing reports. This makes the working day up to 12 or 13 hours long. Our teachers write detailed and highly personalised reports that provide great insight into the progress of each student in all learning areas. I thank them for the professionalism and care that they use.

New Child Care Subsidy is Coming!

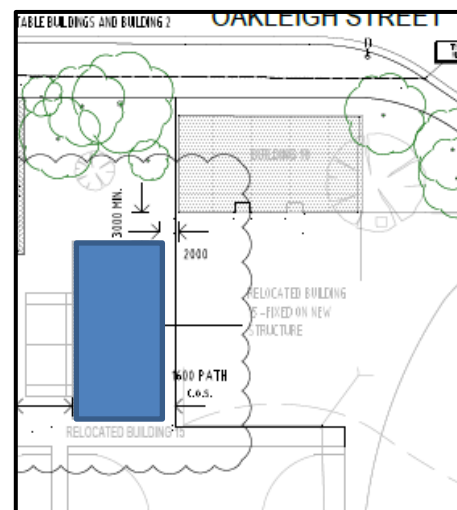
Just a reminder to all of our families that from July 2nd 2018 a new Child Care subsidy package will be introduced replacing the Child Care Benefit and the Child Care rebate. The government is urging families to sign up before the new subsidy commences as this transition cannot happen automatically. To transition, you will need to complete an online Child Care Subsidy assessment using your Centrelink online account through myGov. This needs to be done as soon as possible as it impacts on Out of School Hours Care payments.



Our Grade 4 Portable is Moving!

As part of our school modernisation program the Grade 4 portable will be moving from its current position and be relocated adjacent to the Grade 3 portable. Having both portables located together will open up our yard, increasing the green space across this central area of the school. This will become more apparent when the BK hall and surrounding classrooms are demolished later this year, as it's all part of the overall vision for our school site.

New pathways will be included in this part of the project, and last week we started preparations by removing two trees from the area. We are always very reluctant to remove any trees but this was necessary for this part of the project. I know that a number of children were disappointed about this, and I even received some letters from them raising their concerns. I was pleased to read their letters, and want everyone to know that at the conclusion of this project we intend to embark on a large scale replanting all around the school. Our new 'Green Team' will play a big role in this, and I'm confident that we will in fact end up with more trees and other plantings than we had previously. Work started this week to install the in-ground services for the portable, and the whole area will look very different when we return from school holidays in July.



Student Mid-Year Reports

With the introduction of Victorian curriculum in 2017, schools are no longer required to use the report format we have been using over the past 10 years. In 2017 our school introduced an updated format which we will continue to use in 2018. One of the major changes for reporting has been to the A-E grades we have been using. The Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority, in conjunction with the Department of Education and Training, made a significant change to the A-E grades in 2017. For example, a child was previously considered an 'A' if they were achieving at 12 months above the expected level, and this has now been changed so that a child will only receive an 'A' if they are 18 months above the expected level. In order to minimise confusion in 2017 we removed the A-E grades from our report, and we will continue this in 2018. The learning areas table we have been using for many years remains the same; hence, we believe this makes it less confusing for all. See the example below.

Learning Area		Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	Level 6	Level 7
English*	Reading and Viewing					
	Writing					
	Speaking and Listening					
Mathematics*	Number and Algebra					
	Measurement and Geometry					
	Statistics and Probability					

The blue dot indicates your child's progress at school. In this example, the child is achieving at the expected level. When the dot is on either side of the yellow band, the child is achieving at the expected level. A dot placed above the band shows when a child is above expected or below the band when achieving below expected.

STEM Lessons

I had the good fortune this week to attend a STEM lesson with Mr Powell. STEM stands for Science-Technology-Engineering and Mathematics. Grade 4A were highly engaged in a programming task using a special robot known as a 'Sphero.' As part of this task our students were required to program the robot so it could move around a special track, and I was very impressed by their amazing skills. All Amsleigh Park PS students participate in one semester of STEM as a specialist program, and the students are giving it a big thumbs up! Pictured to the right you can see some of action taking place.

Congratulations Mrs Jonga!

Mrs Lisa Jonga and her husband are very excited to be expecting their first child later this year. On behalf of our community we wish them every happiness during this exciting time of planning for their new family life.

Michael Cormick

Principal



Bec's Bulletin...

Lost property

Thanks to Kath Spotkaeff who recently did a big clean out of the lost property. It's a huge job, thanks Kath! Kath has returned all named clothing to its owners, which I'm sure all families appreciate too. There is a large number of lunchboxes, drink bottles and containers still in lost property, along with some unnamed clothing. If your child has lost any food or drink containers, or clothing, please check lost property. At the end of term, any unnamed clothing will be donated to the second hand uniform shop and unnamed containers will be disposed of. Please pop in and see if anything belongs to your child.



Grade 6 Camp at Kangaroobie

It was my absolute pleasure to attend part of the Grade 6 camp at Kangaroobie last week! Camp Kangaroobie is located in Princetown in South Western Victoria, on the Old Ocean Road, a stunning location! I am extremely proud of our Grade 6 students and the way they conducted themselves whilst away from school, representing Amsleigh Park beautifully out in the wider community. I was impressed at how our students took on the personal challenges of camp, choosing to push themselves out of their comfort zones to participate in activities like canoeing, the mud obstacle course, climbing the 30 meter tower at the Otway Fly Treetop Walk and more!

The students learnt about rural and farm life, participating in the day to day running of the working cattle farm, enjoying feeding the cows and pigs. The students also learnt a lot about how to live and share space with others, and refined their interpersonal skills while being away from home for 5 days with their peers and teachers. It was so positive to see new friendships, as well as relationships with teachers being strengthened over the week.

I would like to acknowledge the outstanding work done by our teaching staff, lead by Miss Sam Hayes, throughout the camping program. Our teachers willingly and generously give up time from their personal lives to attend for the benefit of their students. On behalf of the school community, I extend my sincere thanks to our staff for organising, attending and ensuring is a wonderful experience for students.



Mid-Year Parent Teacher Interviews



As mentioned in previous newsletters, the mid-year student achievement reports will be sent home to families on Tuesday 26th June. Parent teacher interviews will be held on Wednesday 27th June. We will once again be using the 'school interviews online' website to coordinate bookings. Please look out for a notice coming home this week, with instruction on how to book your interview. It would be great to see as many parents as possible attend, as this is an important accompaniment to the written reports.

OUR SCHOOL IS A RESOURCESMART SCHOOL

Amsleigh Park is taking action to become more environmentally sustainable through a Victorian Government initiative called ResourceSmart Schools.

ResourceSmart Schools is an award-winning Victorian Government program that assists our school to embed sustainability in everything we do.

Our school is supported through consultancy and professional development from CERES, to minimise waste, save energy and water, promote biodiversity and take action on climate change to benefit our school and community.

**We are a
ResourceSmart
School**



We also want to involve students, families and other members of our school and local community.



We are working with Nick Rickard from CERES Community Environment Park on the actions of the Core model.

This year, we are aiming to create a strong foundation for our sustainability program, monitor our resource use by using a free website called ResourceSmart Online, improve our gardens, improve our energy/waste/water systems, get our community involved, participate in exciting events, supporting our students.

We can't wait to share our achievements with you, see our gardens grow, reduce our school's impact, help make the Earth a better place for all, contribute to a sustainable future for all.

Read more about ResourceSmart Schools at <http://www.resourcesmartschools.vic.gov.au/>

Looking forward to seeing you all on board.

Frau Salles, Mr. French, Ms. Tapper and Ms. Ryan

SCHOOL BANKING

EVERY WEDNESDAY

AT APPS

For more information & account application forms, visit
www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking





EVERY DAY COUNTS

SAME-DAY NOTIFICATION OF UNEXPLAINED STUDENT ABSENCES

Fact sheet for parents/carers

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify their school as soon as possible **on the day of absence** using one of the following methods:

1. **Online:** log the absence directly using your school's IT platform - [FlexiBuzz](#)
2. **Telephone:** the school office and let the staff know your child's name, class, date of absences and reason. **Phone 9544 1553**
3. **Email:** the school and provide the staff with your child's name, class, date of absences and reason. amsleigh.park.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Notifying the school of your child's absence either prior to, or on the day that they will be away, helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and will fulfil your legal responsibility.

Why do I need to notify the school if my child is absent?

Schools need to know when and why a child is absent and you need to know if your child isn't at school.

From the end of Term 2 2018, all Victorian government schools are required to contact parents/carers as soon as practicable on the same day of an unexplained student absence. If your child is absent on a particular day and you have not contacted the school to explain why, the absence will be marked as unexplained.

This system also promotes daily school attendance. Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education, they learn new things every day – missing school puts them behind.

What is your responsibility?

You are legally required to ensure your child attends school every day or you must provide an explanation for their absence. You should let the school know in advance of any upcoming absences or let them know in the morning if your child won't be at school. In order for schools to implement the same day notification requirement, it's essential that you provide the school with your most up-to-date contact details.

Generally one notification will be sent per family. Should there be circumstances that require both parents and carers to be notified, please contact the school to make the necessary arrangements.

What is the school's responsibility?

The school must notify you of an unexplained absence in relation to your child as soon as practicable on the same day.

Schools will let you know either by your school's online communications app, SMS, phone call or email. If you can't be reached because the school does not have your correct contact details (i.e. changed phone number, SMS/email failure notification received etc.), the school will attempt to make contact with any emergency contact/s nominated on your child's file held by the school. Where possible, this contact will be made on the same day of the unexplained absence.

Where can I learn more about the process for managing student absences?

Ask your school for a copy of the *Attendance Policy* which outlines the school's processes and procedures for monitoring, recording and following-up of student absences.

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 and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be 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:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef





APPS CANTEEN



The Canteen is open each

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

► The Canteen is **CLOSED** on Tuesdays ◀

Lunch orders are **NOT** available on Tuesdays

Current Menu/Pricelist is available on the school website – www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au

CANTEEN HELPERS ROSTER

JUNE

Thursday 14 th – Anna	Friday 15 th – Wendy & Catherine
Thursday 21 st – Kiran	Friday 22 nd – Cassie & Maria
Thursday 28 th – Sharon	Friday 29 th - Kath

We're always happy to have new people join our team of Canteen Helpers.

If you would like to volunteer on Thursdays or Fridays, please contact Dia on 0418 536 154.

(Volunteers must hold a current Working With Children card)

Thank you.

APPS UNIFORM SHOP

Located next to the general office

OPENING HOURS FOR 2018

TUESDAY & THURSDAY AFTERNOON: 3:30pm – 4:00pm

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS: 8:45am – 9:30am

(Copy of the approved uniform list is available at the uniform shop, the General Office and on our website www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au)

For any other queries, or to source second hand items, please visit the Uniform Shop during the above opening hours.

A huge thank you to the families who donate second hand uniforms back to the school. We really appreciate the supply of good quality items to offer for sale at reduced prices.

Joanne & Kath



WINTER ITEMS NOW AVAILABLE

<u>CLOTHING ITEM</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
Rain Coats - great for school camp!	4 – 6, 8 – 10, 12 – 14, S/M = 18	\$34.00 each
Winter Tights	4 – 6, 7 – 9, 10 – 12	\$7.00 pair
Beanies	Child or Adult sizes	\$5.00 each
Gloves	Small or Medium	\$5.00 pair
Scarves	One Size Fits All	\$5.00 each

SALE



LONG SLEEVE POLOS

SIZE 16 only

\$7.00 each

DEAR PARENT

NumberWorks'nWords can help bring out the best in your child with expert after-school Maths and English tuition.

From **Prep to Year 10**, no matter whether they're struggling to keep up, or bursting to race ahead, NumberWorks'nWords promises to give your child's education – and confidence – a real boost.

Over the past 26 years, NumberWorks'nWords has proven effective, helping thousands of children just like yours succeed, by:

- tailoring to your child, according to his or her particular needs
- setting goals, which are monitored along the way and discussed with you
- developing their own programmes using qualified Maths and English specialists
- matching the tuition to the school curriculum.

Right now NumberWorks'nWords is offering **FREE ASSESSMENTS** in Maths and English. These assessments provide a great opportunity for you to discover how your child is doing, collaborate on a plan to help them achieve their potential, and to see for yourself how effective – and enjoyable – NumberWorks'nWords specialist Maths tuition and English tuition really is.

Call today to book your free assessment, or to discuss any concerns you may have about your child's progress.

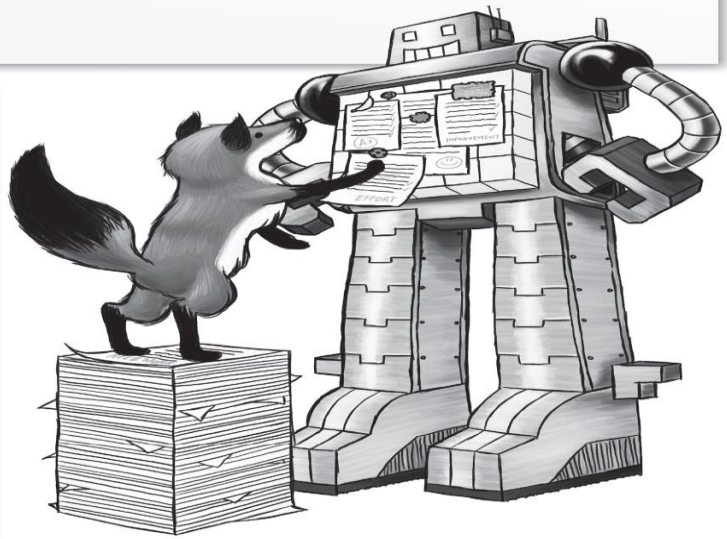
**Glen Waverley
PH 9574 9964**

Kind regards,

Margaret Seenan
numberworksnwords.com/au

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Specialist Maths tuition and English tuition



St John's Preschool OPEN DAY

Talk to the teachers
Explore our kinder and facilities
Meet other families

16th June from 10am to 1pm

**2 Carmichael Road
Oakleigh East, Victoria
3166**

Phone : 9544 5704

St John's Preschool



bestchance.org.au |

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CHILD + FAMILY CARE
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First
2 classes
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The sport with performing at its heart

Calisthenics offers a unique combination of dancing, singing, gymnastics and technical skill, all in one class, developing strong, confident leaders through life-long friendship and teamwork.

**It's an exciting time to be at Emmanuel.
Join us.**

Class times/

TINIERS

3 – 7 years

Saturday 9.00 – 10.30am

SUBBIES

10 years and under

Saturday 10.45 – 1.15pm

JUNIORS

13 years and under

Wednesday 5pm – 8pm

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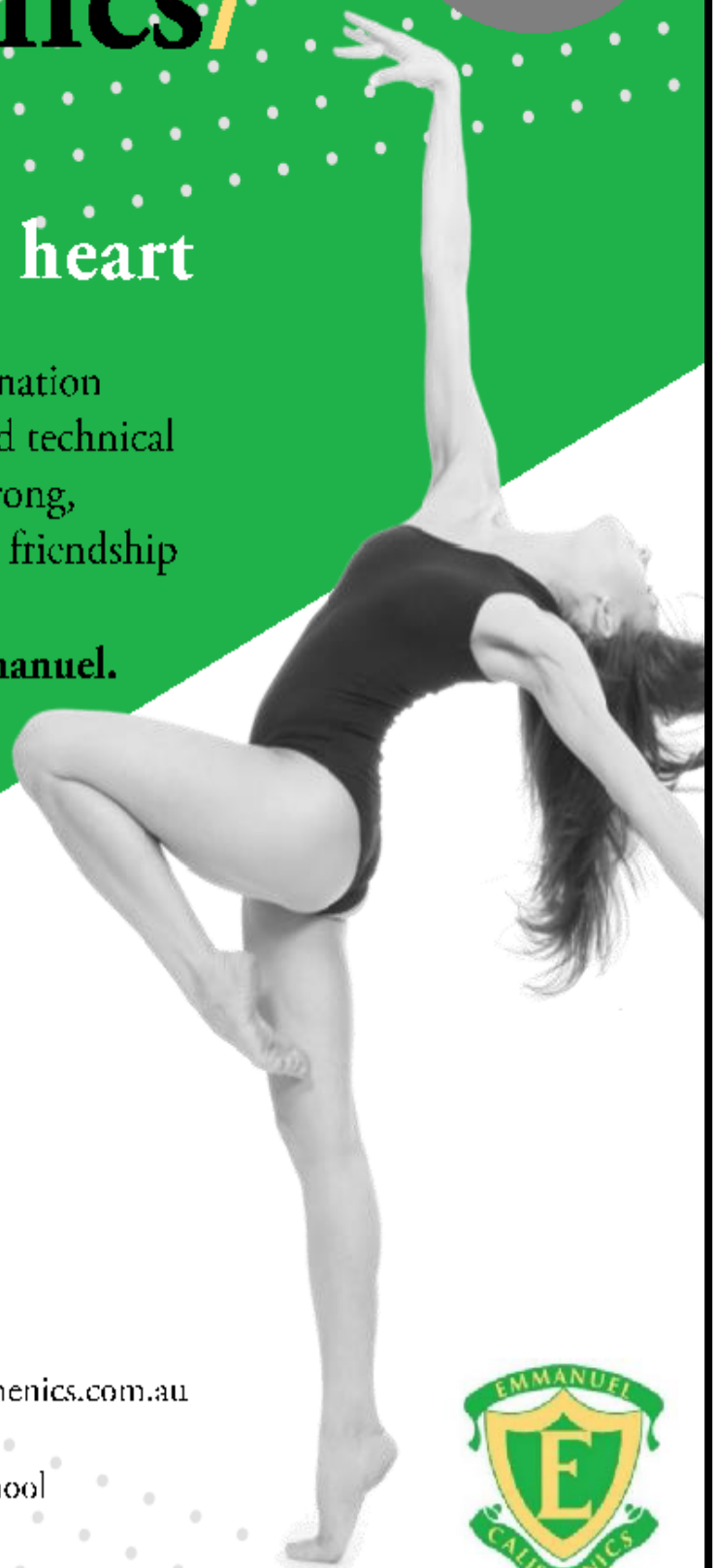
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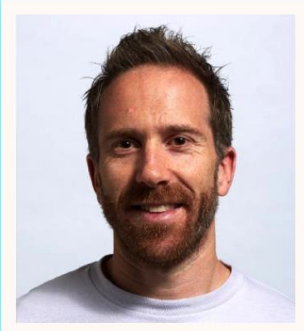
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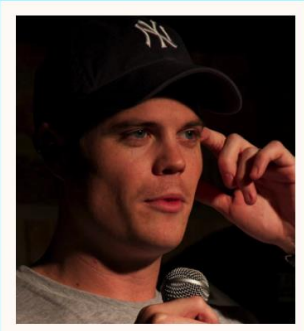
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Adam Rozenbachs

- Spicks & Specks, Mick Molloy's The Nation, Rove [live]
- Stand Up Australia, Headliners (The Comedy Channel)
- Hot Breakfast with Eddie McGuire, Mick Molloy and Luke Darcy
- Hughesy and Kate on Nova 100
- Opening act Dave Hughes and Adam Hills
- ★★★★ - "Fast paced, quality Stand Up" - Herald Sun
- "Think Jerry Seinfeld with a Black Heart" - The Age



James Masters

- Brighton Comedy Festival (UK), Vancouver Fringe Festival
- Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- Vancouver Global TV Comedy Festival (2013)
- Strut TV's Tight 5 (Canada), Live on Bowen (Ch 31)

"Genuinely, entertainingly hilarious. Best comedy gig I've seen in years." – Herald Sun (4.5 stars)



Adam Knox

- Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- Raw Comedy National Finalist, Class Clowns National Champion
- The Little Dum Dum Club
- "Perpetually scene-stealing" Chortle
- ★★★★★ - Funny Tonne



Danielle Walker

- Raw Comedy 2016 National Champion
- 'So you think you're funny' (UK) Finalist
- 'The Comedy Zone' - Melbourne International Comedy Festival's top five best new comedians
- "Insane pay-offs, delivered with the unhinged laugh a Batman villain would be proud of." - Chortle UK

Saturday 23 June 2018
Thelma Bailey Learning and Sports Center
Amsleigh Park Primary School
17 State St, Oakleigh East

Tickets: \$35 at
comedyforacause.net/APPS
Doors: 7pm / Show: 8pm
(18+ only)