

SLEIGH PARK THE AMSLEIGH BUZZ



Term 2 2025

Issue 3

Week 6

May 30, 2025

DIARY DATES

JUNE 2025

Mon 2 - Fri 13 Smile Squad Dental Program

WED 4 REPORT WRITING DAY (No Students at School)

Fri 6 G5-6 Interschool Sport

MON 9 KINGS BIRTHDAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Fri 13 G1-2 Science Incursion

Thu 19 PFA School Disco F-2 5:15 -6:45pm G3-6 7pm-8:30pm

Mon 23 – Wed 25 G3-4 Camp Manyung

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
ARE NUDE FOOD DAYS

@ APPS

DUE BEFORE DATES:

JUNE

Fri 20 Book Club Issue 4 LOOP Orders Close

COPIES OF ALL NEWSLETTERS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

Principal Team Report

Happy News

We are delighted to share that one of our teaching staff, Lauren Wall, has given birth to a baby boy. Welcome to the wonderful world, Teddy. It's always great to hear this news and we ask you to join us in wishing Lauren and Josh every happiness. Miss Wall tells us they recently enjoyed their first walk in the pram. As you can see in the picture to the right, he's a very cute little guy!

Performance Assembly

Thanks to the parents and carers who came along to this week's performance assembly. We were all treated to some great performances by our Leigh Club Choir, Grade 1s and Grade 2s. I was left singing about washing my face with orange juice for the rest of the day after hearing the timeless classic 'Mr Clicketty Cane' by Peter Combe. These special assemblies are a wonderful highlight of the term, and I can see how much all the other kids enjoy watching the performances. I think I even noticed a few adults from the audience joining in too. Thanks to the students, Mrs Kenndy and Mr Arundale for these great performances, we are very lucky to have this opportunity.

The Smile Squad

From next week the Smile Squad will be undertaking their annual visit to Amsleigh Park PS in support of good oral hygiene for our students. As a FREE program it's a big help to families and importantly it is encouraging the development of lifelong good habits for dental care. The Smile Squad is sponsored by the Victorian Government. If anyone wants further information, please contact the general office. Sign up to Smile Squad at: https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic



Report Writing Day Reminder

Wednesday 4th June is a report writing day for Amsleigh Park PS and there is no school for students on this day. Our teaching staff will be at school, working on their mid-year reports and writing moderation. Writing reports is a long process and the average teacher spends about 40 hours on this task, a lot of it out of school hours. Considering that, there are conditions built in the Victorian Government Schools Agreement to provide time to undertake some assessment and reporting tasks during school time. Writing moderation involves teaching teams working together to analyse student writing samples and building a common understanding of what standards the students are meeting. As writing can be very subjective, this process means that the assessments are balanced and accurate. Please spare a thought for teachers around reporting time, they are hardworking folk, and it really is a very intensive time for them to get this important task completed.

The Annual Report for 2024

The annual report for 2024 is complete and has been endorsed by the School Council. It is now posted on our school website for anyone who would like to read it. There is a lot to celebrate in our annual report as shown by the range of data published. The annual report format is set by the Department of Education and all schools report on the same data sets. As you will see we compare favourably.

Inclusion

Amsleigh Park has five well established values, Respect, Integrity, Motivation, Inclusion and Resilience. All are equally important in our community and today I want to highlight the importance of inclusion. This value was

adopted by our school council to highlight that as a community we know it is important that every person (student, staff, parent, carer) feels like they belong. In an increasingly complex world, it is more important than ever that we offer our students and our community an environment in which they feel safe and secure and have the chance to be themselves. The experience of school life should offer equal opportunity and access for all children, and it should not/does not matter what their cultural background, disability or life experience is. My aim in highlighting this and putting a statement out there in our community is to showcase what our values are and why we see them as so important to uphold as we develop children into respectful future citizens.



Divisional Cross Country

Miss Hayes accompanied 8 students to the Divisional Cross-Country event this week and our students ran a great race. At this level the competition is very high as all the participants had to qualify through their district competitions. Whilst we congratulate all runners, we would like to say a special well done to Olivia and Flora who have now qualified for the regional event. You will also notice in the photos that the group took along one of our new Amsleigh Park PS tear-drop banners, which have kindly been supplied by the Parents and Friends Association.





Beating the Winter Chills

Unfortunately, we have experienced a lot of illness across our school in the past few weeks, with nasty colds and viruses going around. Schools always go through these times, so it is not unexpected. Given our staff work directly with students every day, they are highly susceptible to catching these illnesses too and (just like students) must be away from school when they are ill. We understand that it can be disruptive when the

teacher is absent but it's not something we can avoid. Wherever possible we get relief teachers, but there is a nationwide shortage of teachers, so they are not always available. We hope you can understand this situation and we appreciate your patience.

One thing parents and carers can do to help is to make sure children are not sent to school when they are sick as this is the main reason that we get these illnesses spreading. Children typically need a few days off with a cold to get over the highly infectious stage, and at least five days for COVID. If children have a tummy issue, then they should not return until after 24 hours since least the wards are digretated.



after 24 hours since last the vomit or diarrhoea. All we can do is work together as a community to try and keep it to a minimum. Hopefully the current surge will soon be over.

Advance Notice - School Disco

Please note Thursday 19th June in your diaries for the student social event of the year. Our annual school disco will once again be held in the gym, organised and hosted by our wonderful Parents and Friends Association. More information soon.



Book Fair



Recently we held our annual Book Fair in the Library! After feedback from recent years the format was different in 2025 with fewer cheap plastic items for sale and the focus on books. Many students and families enjoyed the opportunity to come to the library and browse through the range over a couple of days. It was lovely to note the excitement from the students at new books and the desire to read. A huge thank you to Martin, our librarian, and the parent, carer and staff volunteers who helped to process sales and make the fair a success. Huge thanks to our PFA who also assisted by organising parent helpers. A benefit of hosting the fair, is that based on the book sales we had, we will receive approximately \$800 of books for our school library. We are always happy to take any feedback you might have about the book fair, please send it through to amsleigh.park@education.vic.gov.au and mark it 'book fair feedback.'

NCCD 2025 - Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the Disability Discrimination



Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the NCCD guidelines (2019). Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD has no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information.

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact Michael or Bec at school.

Excursions and Bus Costs

We would like to inform parents and carers that the cost of hiring buses for excursions and sports continues to be a challenge. It does concern us to see these increases and we always shop around for good value across the range of companies we normally use. Rest assured there is no compromise on the quality of the buses we hire which are all seat belted coaches. When we organise sport or excursions, we only charge what it costs our school which is normally the bus fare, the price of the event or venue being visited. If a child did <u>not</u> attend an excursion or event due to illness and where we have <u>not</u> incurred costs, we will refund that money. This is decided on a case-by-case basis as detailed in our refunds policy. We do hope that you can understand that providers will often not change the prearranged cost, and we are obliged to pay even if a student did not attend. It's much the same as if you purchased a ticket to a concert and could not attend at the last minute, where you will not get a refund if you don't attend. Details of our refund policy can be found on our website: https://amsleigh.vic.edu.au/governance/

Until next time...

Michael Cormick Principal



Bec Carr Assistant Principal



FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE ADMIN TEAM...



Student Medications

A reminder that a Medical Action Plan, completed by a doctor, must be provided for any student medication (e.g. Ventolin, Epi Pens, severe allergy medication) stored at the school office.

We cannot store or administer any medication without an Action Plan containing instructions from a doctor. Parents are responsible to ensure up to date Action Plans and medications are provided to the school and must inform the school office of any changes to a student's medical condition / action plan.

All other medication must have a medication authority form completed by a parent at the Office.

All medication, including over the counter types, <u>must be stored securely at the office</u> for the safety of all <u>students</u>. It is recommended that students with hay fever etc. <u>take their medication at home before school</u>.

Absences/ Late Arrivals

A reminder that all absences should be reported via Xuno, including any family holidays.

Parents are responsible for addressing and updating their child's 'Unexplained Absences' in Xuno.

Students arriving late to school must be first signed in at the office by a parent before going to class.

School Emails - Check the email you are replying to

When contacting classroom teachers or responding to their emails via Xuno, remember to double check the 'To' address.

Many emails meant for classroom teachers are arriving in the Amsleigh Park PS inbox, along with a huge number of other daily external emails.

Replying to the school inbox may delay your communication being received by the classroom teacher in a timely manner and creates extra work for Admin staff.

Change of Details Updates

If you have any details that need to be updated – phone numbers, home address, emergency contacts, work details, etc this can all be done via Xuno.

You need to click Full Xuno > School > Students > Contact Details > Update details

It will then let you update any of your details and it will notify us of any changes that have been made. This is an instant update.

CSEF - Do you have a healthcare/pension card?

Parents - If you currently hold a Centrelink health care or pension card **and did not claim CSEF through our school last year**, please come and see the office team and we can help you to apply for the CSEF payment. This is a \$154 per child payment to financially assist families with the cost of Camps, Sports Excursions, Swimming etc.

Birthday Bucket Bookings / Payments

A reminder that all bookings for Birthday Buckets must be made with <u>Admin Staff at the office</u>, one week prior to your requested date. Payment by credit / debit card can be made in person at the office or over the phone.

SCHOOL SAVING BONUS (SSB)

Families wishing to use their School Saving Bonus for camp, excursions/incursions, activities <u>must take the following steps:</u>

- 1. Reallocate your School Saving Bonus from the default "Textbooks/Uniforms" in the School Saving Bonus portal to "School Activities" It is recommended that the whole \$400 is reallocated in one transaction by parents of students going to camp this year. This will decrease the number of processes required by parents and also Admin staff.
- 2. Select SSB / CSEF in the Xuno payment section of the event and the enter either the SSB Voucher Number when prompted or type "CSEF" as the voucher code if selecting CSEF as the payment option.

Link to SSB Parent Portal: https://www.schoolsavingbonus.vic.gov.au/s/

School Saving Bonus (SSB) Frequently Asked Questions:

• Can I use the SSB to purchase stationary/book packs?

No. The SSB cannot be used to purchase Book Packs/Book List Items. The Department of Education has included Textbooks only as allowable purchases using the SSB from authorised suppliers. Amsleigh Park PS students do not require any textbooks.

• Do I need to allocate money to uniforms in the SSB Portal?

No, because we have a school run onsite uniform shop. Parents will need to complete **a Green SSB uniform** order form and submit it to the school office for all uniform items. Admin staff will process then forward the order to the uniform shop for picking and packing. Orders will be sent to the child's classroom unless alternative collection is requested.

Can I take uniforms on the day if I want to use the SSB?

No. You will need to submit a **Green SSB uniform order form** to the office for processing by Admin Staff. Once processed the order will be given to the Uniform Shop. Orders may take a week, or longer to be filled depending on processing times, submission day of the order form and stock availability.

Can I only use the SSB on uniform purchases before June 30, 2025?

Yes. After June 30, 2025, the SSB money will automatically be allocated to school activities.

Will I need to put the voucher code into the portal to re-allocate the SSB from uniforms to activities?

Yes – For parents with students who will be attending camp in 2025, please allocate the whole amount of the SSB (\$400) in one transaction to "School Activities"

• Can I pay for events/activites in Xuno with SSB for activities

Yes. Each time you wish to use the SSB for payment of a school activity, you will need to select the SSB payment option in Xuno and enter the voucher code.

Does the SSB money expire if I don't use it all in 2025?

No. The money will carry over to the following year

Is the SSB only able to be used for each individual sibling?

No. The SSB is allocated to the family and can be used for any student in the immediate family

Incorrect payment methods made by parents, eg, Credit card instead of School Savings Bonus and vice versa cannot be refunded/re-processed.

APPS UNIFORM SHOP

Located in the Thelma Baily Learning & Sporting Centre

OPERATING HOURS – TERM 2 2025 Wednesday afternoons 3:00pm – 3:45pm

Pay by Credit/Debit Card at the Uniform Shop

Orders for new Uniform items can be emailed to the general office if unable to attend in person on Wednesday afternoons – credit/debit card payments only

Please download & complete a copy of our uniform shop order form and send as a PDF to amsleigh.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Any Back orders will be filled as soon as stock is available.

School Savings Bonus (SSB) Uniform Orders – Complete a Green SSB order form and drop into the office. Order will be processed by Admin Staff and then forwarded to our uniform shop for picking and packing. This may take up to a week, or longer depending on processing times, order form submission day and stock availability.

In the event of incorrect sizing, please return unworn items/s with tags intact, together with the original packing slip that includes the child's name, grade and the correct size required.

A copy of the <u>current</u> approved uniform list/order form is included in this newsletter and is available on our website <u>www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au</u>

Lemonia Spindzos Uniform Shop Co-Ordinator

UNIFORM SHOP - 2nd HAND UNIFORMS & LOST PROPERTY

Thank you to the families that donate quality used uniform items back to the school. Second hand uniform items are only available to purchase during the Uniform Shop opening hours. We cannot take orders for second hand items, however requests for items to assist families experiencing financial hardship should be made at the General Office.

As stock relies on donations from parents, and changes regularly, there is no guarantee on availability of items. If you have any items that you are happy to donate back to the school, please drop them into the general office. Please ensure that items are clean and have had any name labels/naming removed prior to returning them to school. Thank you.

LOST PROPERTY - Sadly, there are many items in our lost property area in the canteen foyer. Named items are returned to class rooms by our wonderful volunteer helpers. Un-named items will be disposed of at the end of each term if not collected. <u>Please ensure all of your child's belongings are clearly named</u> and you regularly check the Lost Property area if you are missing any items.

Thank you,

Admin Team

AMSLEIGH PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL - UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM Pricing Effective Term 2, 2025 (Apr 22, 2025)

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Long Sleeve Polo LSP Size M-XL also avail POA	Navy/ Emerald	\$29.00											
Surf T-shirt STS (No Collar) Size M-XL also avail POA	Navy	\$15.00											
Windcheater <u>WC</u> Size 4-18	Navy	\$23.00											
Bomber Jacket <u>BJ</u> Size 4-20	Navy/ Emerald	\$34.00											
Shorts - Cotton CRS Rugby (Unisex)	Navy	\$17.00											
Shorts- Gabardine Zip Pocket <u>GS</u>	Navy	\$20.00											
Track Pants <u>TPDK</u> Double Knee-Unisex Size 4-20	Navy	\$26.00											
Girls Pants SLP Straight Leg Viscose/Nylon/Elastine	Navy	\$26.00											
Girls Skort Gab <u>skrg</u> (Gabardine Fabric)	Navy	\$23.00											
Girls Skort Cotton SKTC Size 4-14 Size 16-20	Navy	\$24.00 \$30.00											
Summer Dress SD	Navy & White	\$28.00											
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APPS UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM

Effective Term 2, 2025

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School Bag SBAG	Navy	\$43.00	N/A						
Book Bag <u>BB</u> Not required for Preps	Navy	\$9.00	N/A						
Slouch Hat <u>HAT</u>	Navy	\$10.00			ED LGE cm 59cm		XL 61cm		
Gloves <u>G</u>	Navy	\$5.00	4-6		7-10		12-16		
Winter Tights <u>wr</u> Sizes - 3-5 4-6 7-9 10-12	Navy	\$9.00			•				
Beanie <u>B</u> Child / Adult	Navy	\$5.00 ea	Child / Adult		CHILD		ADULT		
Scarf - one size <u>s</u>	Navy	\$5.00 ea	One size	•					
All Uniform items have been approved by the Amsleigh Park Prin Policy for further information. Please ensure you are using a current version of this order form – prices are subject to change without notice, previous versions may have incorrect pricing.								- see Uniform	

The uniform shop is located in the foyer of the Thelma Bailey Learning & Sporting Centre (Gym)

<u>UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS - TERM 2 2025</u> Wednesday afternoons 3:00pm – 3:45pm

Second hand Uniform items only available during this time

Credit /Eftpos/Debit card payments must be made at the General Office or Uniform Shop prior to collecting/receiving uniform items. "Tap" payments now available.

ORDER FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

www.amsleigh.vic.edu.au

IF YOU DON'T NEED TO ATTEND THE UNIFORM SHOP IN PERSON DURING OPERATING HOURS, PLEASE PLACE AN ORDER AS PER THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS

- Write child's name, grade and date of order at top of order form.
- Indicate quantity of items required per size and total cost for each item.
- Scan (PDF) and email this completed form to <u>amsleigh.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u> OR send an email directly to the school with your details, student name and grade, the items required and credit card details. Completed forms can also be dropped into the General Office.
- 4. Order will be processed and uniform items and will be either sent home with your child or collected from the office if requested. Orders are usually completed within one week (excepting unavoidable delays from the supplier). Any items not available at time of order will be placed on back order and provided as soon as possible.



Information for families

Could we contact YOU in an emergency?

Unfortunately, we still have a number of families with incomplete or incorrect contact and/or emergency contact details.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR FAMILY DETAILS IN XUNO & UPDATE IF NECESSARY. Thank you

Amsleigh Park uses Xuno as our main communication tool with families, including newsletter distribution, absence notifications, student reports, communication with your child's teacher, messages and reminders, event approvals and online payments.

Xuno is a web-based school management program that has a website portal for use in a browser and an App, 'Xuno Family" for use on smart phones or tablets.

It is easy to use and is a vital tool to keep our parents informed about their child/ren's school life and all things happening at Amsleigh Park.

Bookings for "Get to Know You" & Parent Teacher interviews are also managed through Xuno.

Parents can use Xuno to notify the school of any address/contact detail changes, absences, late arrivals, upcoming family holidays etc.

For new families - On enrolment, you should have received a welcome email from Xuno (please check your junk folder if not received in your inbox), with information on how to create your Xuno account. Please follow the instructions and links in the email to create a Xuno account and password.

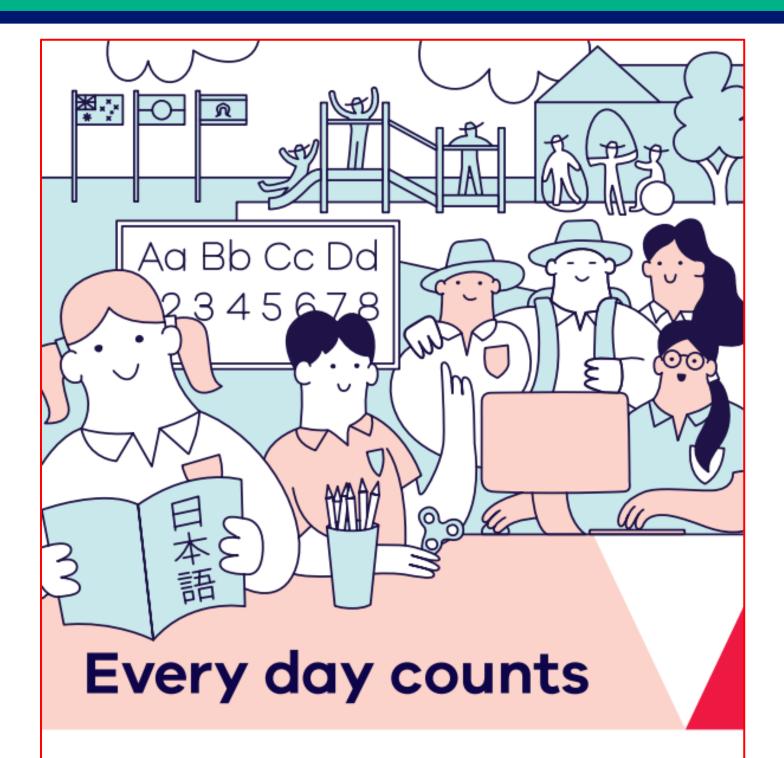
As Xuno is our main communication tool, it is important that <u>all families are signed up</u> so they are aware of school information and events and can easily inform the school of their child's absences and advise us of any changes to family or emergency contact details.

Please contact the office if you require a Xuno welcome email to be resent or a password reset.

Thank you,

Amsleigh Admin Team





Missing one day per fortnight adds up to missing four weeks of school a year.



The Education State



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:

- \$154 for primary school students
- · \$256 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form.

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

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit: https://www.vic.gov.au/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund



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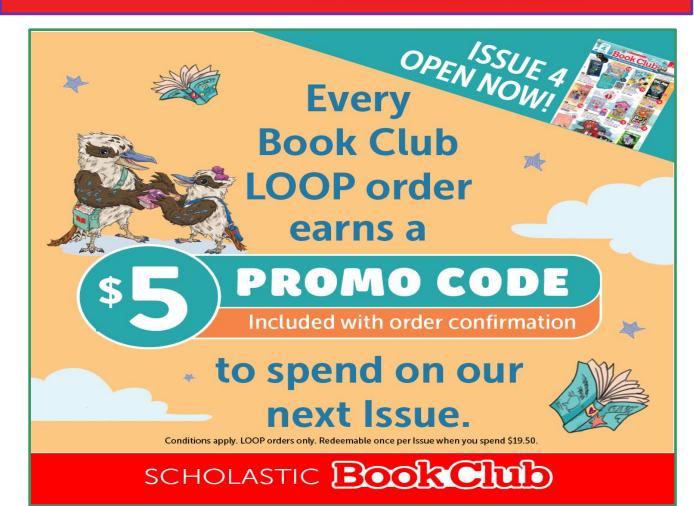
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Want to create a delicious and special birthday experience for your child and their classmates?

Order a Birthday Bucket and have a festive bucket delivered to your child's classroom just prior to lunch filled with either Zooper Doopers or Killer Pythons* to ensure your child's birthday does not go unnoticed.

Cost: \$15

Fill out the form below and return it to the front office a minimum of 1 week prior to the date you would like your birthday bucket delivered. We will take care of the rest!

Any questions or suggestions please contact the PFA at apps.parents@gmail.com

*Killer Pythons contain gluten



APPS - BIRTHDAY BUCKET ORDER SLIP

Please complete all details an	d return to the school	office (min 1 week	prior to deliver	y date)
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Student name:			Class:	
Select one: Zooper Doopers	\$15.00	OR	Killer Pythons	\$15.00
Date Birthday Bucket to be delive	ered to clas	ssroo	m:	

Payment to be made over the counter at the School Office by Credit/Debit Card only



TWO DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMPS!

Community Sports Camps are back this winter to offer all the fun and skill development that we have delivered in the past. Multiple sports and venues running across Melbourne

Programs include

- 9am to 3pm each day
- **⊘** Delivered by quality coaches
- Suitable for kids aged 4- 12 years
- One and Two Day Options available

Locations

Basketball @ Oakleigh Recreation Centre, Oakleigh 7, 8 June 2025

Basketball & Soccer @ Cheltenham Secondary College 10, 11 June 2025

Contact Us 1300 914 368

admin@australiansportscamps.com.au