

# IN THE LOOP



**We are excited to announce VillageOSHC will be offering Before & After School Care services commencing Term 1, 2024!**



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**Acknowledgement to Country**

We are learning on Wurundjeri Country and in the spirit of reconciliation, Lalor North Primary School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we are learning. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



# Important Dates

## Week 11, Term 4

- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – No more Library classes for 2023
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Activities begin
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Macedonian Christmas Carols excursion
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December** – Greek Christmas Carols, 3pm
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 6 -7 Transition Day
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Whole-Day Step-Up 9.15 – 11.00am
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Reports Go Live on Compass
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – Grade 6 Graduation 7pm
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Breakfast Club
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Grade 6 Graduation Lunch
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – 9.10am Final Assembly and Awards
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Last day of specialist timetables

## Week 12, Term 4

- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December** – End of Term 4
- Students finish at 1.30pm**

## Week 1, Term 1, 2024

- Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January** – Curriculum Day, Teachers Only
- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January** – Curriculum Day, Teachers Only
- Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January** – Students Grade 1 -6 Return to School  
(Prep assessments – preps with appointments to attend only)
- Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January** – Village OSHC Begins at LNPS
- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February** – Preps First Day of School
- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** – Newsletter

## Week 2, Term 1, 2024

- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February** – Prep Assessments  
(Prep assessments – preps with appointments to attend only)
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February** – Breakfast Club Begins

# Our School Values

## Honesty

*We communicate openly and work together to solve problems. By demonstrating honesty and acting with integrity we build trust, which enables us to collaborate, to take greater risks with our learning and to be more resilient when things go wrong.*

## Respect

*We respect ourselves, our school and each other, and understand that our attitudes and behaviour have an impact on the people around us.*

## Unity

*We have many languages, come from many backgrounds and are a school of many differences, but we speak with one voice, as one school. We develop a sense of connection and belonging within each part of our school, and across the whole school.*

## Success

*We help each other learn so that everyone experiences success every day. Success means doing new things, learning new skills, finding new ways of thinking and solving interesting, complex and challenging problems.*

## Resilience

*We know trying new things, experiencing challenges and bouncing back from adversity are central to life and to learning. Only by building our resilience can we experience strong levels of growth.*



# Principal's Message

Dear Families,

With only days left until the end of the year we know it's a busy time for our school, our staff, and our families. As we prepare for the holidays and finalise all that's required before the end of the school year. There is certainly a flurry of activity throughout Lalor North Primary School.

Students are also buzzing around with excitement as they are participating in Bike Education, preparing for year 7, presenting captain speeches, singing Christmas Carols, returning library books, preparing to be buddies to new preps, nominating themselves for leadership positions and of course practicing for the Year 6 Graduation. It's no wonder they are feeling excited about the holidays. Not long to go now.....



## Grade 6 Graduation

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December our current grade 6 student will be having their graduation ceremony in our school gym. This begins at 7pm and families of these students are invited to attend. It certainly is a special evening that highlights the learning journey of students and celebrates their achievements. It is also an emotional time where we say goodbye to our students as we reflect on all the special memories created whilst they have been at Lalor North Primary School. We are looking forward to this significant milestone. We will feature this special occasion in our next newsletter.

## 2024 School Captain Speeches

It was a great honour to be invited to the school captain speeches this year. Students have planned and prepared these speeches in order to be in the running to be elected as a school captain or vice captain for the 2024 school year. It was very impressive to hear the confident presentation of their ideas and ways to improve our school. We look forward to working with our new student leaders in 2024 as captain, vice captain and many other leadership roles that we have. Leadership positions will be announced at the final school assembly on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

## Final Assembly

Our end of year final assembly will be held at 9.10am on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. This will be the final assembly for the year. Families are welcome to attend. All presentations will be made at that assembly.



## End of Term Arrangements

Our last day of term is on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. All students will be dismissed at 1.30pm. A reminder to all families to make sure that children are collected on time. We certainly want to ensure that all children are happy and safe and begin their holidays well.

## Village OSHC – Before and After School Care

We welcome Village OSHC to our school community and look forward to working with them in the new school year. There is lots happening in the background and things are beginning to be delivered to our school as the planning and preparation to launch the new service is underway.



Look out for regular newsletter items which will promote the many fun filled activities provided by Village OSHC next year. We will be providing packs for families to be able to enrol their children for 2024. Regular, casual, weekly or holiday bookings (off site at St Claires during holidays) will be available. More information will be provided.

Families that have booked their children in summer holidays programs already with Camp Australia can rest assured that your booking still remains secure.

## New Grade Structures for 2024

New enrolments continue to arrive and some current families are moving away so our total numbers across programs change daily. This has made it difficult to finalise our grade structures for 2024.

Nevertheless, teachers have worked together to create the best possible grade combinations for our school and placed all children into those classes ready for our “Step Up” program next Tuesday. On this day we will have all children meet their new class and teacher.



I would like to remind parents that children may require time to adjust to their new classroom, friends and teacher. Please support your child by reassuring them and helping them to be resilient and positive as changes can be challenging. We are quite lucky that at our school all children know each other and this makes transition to a new year easier.

## Year 6 Transition Day – Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December

Next Tuesday, all government secondary schools also have a transition day for grade six students starting year seven. Please be aware that private schools arrange transition on other days. We wish our grade six students all the best as they visit their new secondary schools.

## Basketball Fun



Congratulations to our students who participated in Hoop Time at Lalor North Secondary College. It was a fun experience for the students that represented our school.

### School Gates

Child safety is at the highest of our priorities at all time. At Lalor North Primary School, we believe that all children have the right to feel safe as well as be safe and protected. To have a greater consistency at our school when it comes to locking and unlocking our gates in the morning and afternoons, it has been decided that school leadership (staff) will take on this responsibility.

#### **In 2024.....**

The Monash Street gate will be opened at 8.30am and locked at 9am in the morning. Any late students will need to report to the office and enter via Derna Street - Gate 2.

The Derna Street gate (gate 3) will be locked at 9am and unlocked at 3.30pm. Any late students will need to report to the office and enter via Derna Street Gate 2.

This will ensure that our school environment will be safer as gates will always be locked and secure in a consistent manner. Students that are late will need to enter through Gate 2 on Derna Street and collect a late pass at the office.







## The Play Equipment near the oval.....is Back!

As you are aware, our annual playground inspection identified that one of our playgrounds needed some minor maintenance. These have now been repaired and all has been checked. We are so happy to have access to this play space again. Thank you to everyone for their patience!!

### Student Reports

All student reports are available on compass on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December from 5pm. Please ensure that you access Compass and read your children progress report. The school office may assist you if you have trouble accessing your child's report. If you have any concerns regarding your child's progress, please see the classroom teacher to arrange a time to discuss your concerns.

*Elizabeth Bryan & Amanda Lee*

## From the Office

### Dear Families,

We would like to thank you for the great improvement when reporting your children's absences. This has improved our attendance reporting by 18% this year. This is an important part of the schools' processes, and we appreciate partnering with you to make this positive impact on our school attendance data.

### Parent Payments for 2024

Book Pack information as well as Curriculum and Other Contributions for 2024 has been sent home with all students. Payments can be made at the Office using Eftpos, cash or by Bank Transfer. Book packs will be delivered to the school and distributed to students in their new classrooms on the first day of Term 1, 2024.

### Are you leaving our school?

If any families will be leaving our school, it is very important that you come to the office to advise us ASAP. Classrooms for 2024 are in the process of being organised and information regarding students exiting our school would be valuable knowledge for staff.

### Aus kick Expressions of Interest

Lalor North Primary School has the opportunity to have Auskick sessions held onsite at our school in Term 1, details are included further down in this newsletter. Please advise our Office staff if you are interested in registering your child. We are currently gathering numbers of students who would like to attend, further information will come at the beginning of Term one.

*Barbara, Diana, Liz, Angela & Bev*





# VillageOSHC is Commencing Before & After School Care at Lalor North Primary School!

VillageOSHC is excited to provide nutritious breakfast and afternoon snacks, amazing activities, and a safe environment with dedicated educators while you work or study. We are here for you!

Our first day of service is in Term 1, 2024 on **Wednesday 31 January!**

## Operating Days, Hours and Fees

Before School Care | Mon-Fri 7:00 AM - 8:55 AM

After School Care | Mon-Fri 3:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Before School Care	After School Care
Permanent Rate: \$24.50	Permanent Rate: \$27.50
Casual Rate: \$26.90	Casual Rate: \$31.40
Pay from \$2.45 after CCS	Pay from \$2.75 after CCS

Book 24 hours in advance to receive the permanent rate. Bookings made within 24 hours receive the casual rate. Cancel free of charge, 24 hours in advance.

## How to Enrol (for free) and Book

1. Visit [VillageOSHC.com.au](http://VillageOSHC.com.au) and click "Book Your Sessions" in the top corner.
2. This will take you to our booking platform; LookedAfter. Click "Log in/Enrol".
3. Create your account.
4. Check your inbox for a verification email to activate your account. (check junk folder if not found.)
5. Once you've logged in, enrol your children with the relevant details.
6. Book your sessions by searching for your school with "Find My School".

Scan the QR Code and book with VillageOSHC today!



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# Healthy Food Choices

Throughout term 4, students in prep-2 have been learning about making healthy choices.

We have learnt about 'sometimes' foods and 'always' foods and have even learnt about the different food groups.

This week, we all made a healthy food tasting platter. It was fun to taste the foods and describe what they look like, feel like, taste like and sound like.

We have learnt that food gives us energy as well as essential vitamins and minerals.



Some classes talked about 'Eating the Rainbow' as a way of eating a variety of fruits and vegetables.





# Grade 6 End of Year Celebrations

On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December, our grade 6 students spent a fun-filled day with their classmates at Funfields Theme Park. Here are some comments made by students about their day...



I loved the Supernova because it was scary and fun at the same time.  
-Catherine

I loved the drop on the Supernova as we were in mid air for a second or two. It was very fun and scary. -Patrick

I enjoyed racing the Go karts and all the fun water slides. -Marko

I liked the Supernova because it was my first ride and it was amazing.  
-Victoria

I liked it when I went on the biggest ride there with Dragan. It was amazing. -Ethan

I loved all the wet rides, the food and everything there. -Dragan

I went on the Supernova 2 times and both times were amazing! There was a drop that was also super thrilling. -Jessie

I liked the pirate ship because it went high and people were screaming loudly. -Manal

I loved the gravity wave because of the drop and I was with my friend Abraham.- Billy

I enjoyed the water slides because they had twists and turns in them and they were fast- Rawan

I enjoyed riding the pirate ship with my friends- Roqia



# Students in Room 4 & 5 have something special to share.....

**NORTH POLE**  
POST OFFICE

01.12.23

Dear Room 4 & 5,

It's me here from the North Pole. I am happy to inform you that I will be spending the next few weeks at your school.

Santa sent me here to keep an eye on everything you do or say to make sure you are obedient and kind. I will then report everything back and let Santa know how you are doing.

Remember, the number one rule is that you cannot touch me because it makes my magic flee.

I am ready and looking forward to sneaking on you every day.

Love,

Choc Chip

1.12.23

Dear Choc Chip,  
Please tell Santa that I have been good this year. When my friends get hurt, I always help them. I have gotten better at reading and I'm trying to be better at school.  
From Tai



01.12.23

Dear Choc Chip,  
Thank you for visiting us from the North Pole. We will be sad when you leave.  
When you visit Santa at night, please let him know I have been extremely nice this year. I have been trying to work very hard this year. I help my parents by vacuuming. When my parents are sick, I ask them if they are ok. When someone is alone or ask them if they would like to play with me and when someone looks sad, I ask them what's wrong.  
I'm a very kind person.  
From Lara



01.12.23

Dear Choc Chip,  
Thank you for visiting us from the North Pole. We will be extremely sad when you leave.  
When you visit Santa at night, please let him know I have been very nice and good. I do the bed sometimes and I help my friends when they are hurt.  
I work very hard when I work at school. I follow the school values every day.  
From Aura



01.12.23

Dear Choc Chip The Elf,  
Thank you for visiting us from the North Pole in a cup.  
Please let Santa know that I should be on the nice list.  
I've been working hard at home and at school. I've been doing heaps of chores and helping my mum.  
Can't wait to see where you will hide tomorrow.  
From Krevsha

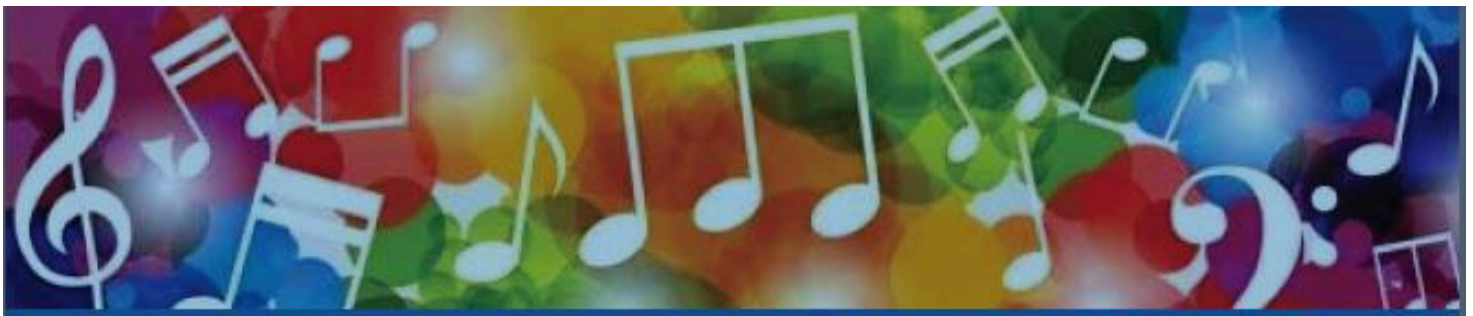


01.12.23

Dear Choc Chip,  
Thank you for visiting us from the North Pole. We will be sad when you are gone.  
When you visit Santa, please let him know that I've been good this year.  
I've been working very hard at Lalor North Primary School this year. I demonstrated ALL the school values and I've been looking after my friends! Please tell Santa I will leave warm milk, cookies, and carrots out for him and the reindeers on Christmas Eve.  
From Lizabelle







Wednesday

13/12/2023

Outside of Room 10

*Let us  
entertain  
you!*

# **KIDS FOR KIDS RECESS**

## **ENTERTAINMENT**

*Special performances by*

***Magic Mallets***



*Rooms 1, 4, 5, 7, 8 & 13 students*

*Singers: Aura, Lyndi, Angelina H,*

*Auriel, Anamarija, Khloe N & Rose*

***Come along for some fun dancing!***



# Student of the Week – 1st December

Room	Student	School Value	Reason for award
1	Jayden D	Unity	For always making sure he includes and takes care of others. Thank you, Jayden!
2	Musa A	Success	For putting such a great effort into his writing piece. Your story was so fascinating to read! Great work!
3	Rua O	Success	For demonstrating his excellent ability to move and groove and perfect our graduation dance. Well done!
4	Savannah S	Respect	For consistently demonstrating our school values, especially respect, which she displays in and out of the classroom. Well done, Savannah!
5	Lara A	Unity	For always being a respectful and caring classmate, who is always willing to help and include others. Congratulations on being a 5-star role model of unity.
6	Patrick K	Unity	For always including others and being respectful of other people's differences. Well done, Patrick!
7	George D	Success	For his continued efforts during Greek writing sessions. Well done, George!
8	Jana G	Respect	For consistently being a wonderful role model and displaying wonderful manners in social situations.
9	Tatjana C	Unity	For working collaboratively with her classmates, always ensuring that they feel comfortable and valued.
10	Portia A	Success	For successfully engaging in group discussions on the floor and having the confidence to share her thoughts and ideas with her grade. Well done!
11	Tala S	Success	For trying her best with her learning this week. She has planned and written a narrative and created some great patterns in numeracy. Well done, Tala!
13	Illy A	Success	For demonstrating increased confidence when speaking in Macedonian and making improvements in reading in both languages. Well done Illy!
14	Ethan C	Honesty	For being honest and returning money to the owner. Well done Ethan!
PE	Mirilla G (Room 3)	Success	For overcoming her fears to become a superstar bike rider during our PE Bike Ed program. Well done!
Art	1/2V (Room 4)	Unity	For working cooperatively and collaboratively on creating festive decorations for the Art room.
Music	Anamarija K (Room 13)	Success	For singing "Cover Me In Sunshine so beautifully in classroom Music. Congratulations.
ITALIAN	Zoe R (Room 1)	Success	For displaying greater confidence to converse with others and share information about herself in Italian. Brava, Zoe!
STEM	Paris N	Resilience	For patiently working through a difficult tangram puzzle when using her Osmo shapes.



# Student of the Week – 8<sup>th</sup> December

Room	Student	School Value	Reason for award
<b>1</b>	Arlene	Success	For her exceptional narrative writing that demonstrated well developed ideas and sentence development.
<b>2</b>	Orson Y	Success	For the admirable way he challenges himself in his school work every day. You deserve your excellent results Orson!
<b>3</b>	Moustafa K	Success	For creating an excellent and artistic student profile for the graduation night. Well done
<b>4</b>	Reyansh S	Resilience	For showing persistence when working through challenging tasks and trying your best! Great work!
<b>5</b>	Tai Y	Resilience	For demonstrating the value of resilience by seeing mistakes as a learning opportunity to grow. Congratulations on 5 star resilience.
<b>6</b>	Anton M	Resilience	For making a great start at our school and settling into class routines extremely well. Welcome Anton!
<b>7</b>	Giovanni S	Success	For joining in and completing tasks to the best of his ability and for trying hard to make good choices. Well done Giovanni!
<b>8</b>	Zoe J	Success	For having the confidence to show the class how to use functions on the ipad. Well done!
<b>9</b>	Dame M	Resilience	For his growth and achievement in developing the skills and attitude needed to bounce back from challenges. Congratulations Dame!
<b>10</b>	Damien M	Success	For expressing excellent ability to complete writing tasks independently and effectively to a high standard..
<b>11</b>	Aria G	Unity	For being a great team player and supporting her classmates when they need help. She has been looking out for others and trying to help when she can. Well done, Aria!
<b>13</b>	Sienna B	Unity	For being a kind and caring classmate who is always willing to help others. Well done Sienna!
<b>14</b>	Jacob H	Success	For putting a great effort into his Macedonian writing and completing his task. Great effort!
<b>PE</b>	Cleopatra K (Rm 9) & Skye S (Rm 2)	Success	For overcoming her fears to become a superstar bike rider during our Bike Ed Program!  For working hard to improve her bike riding skills during our Bike Ed program! Well done Skye
<b>Art</b>	Karamveer S (Room 1)	Unity	For assisting and including other classmates in his Christmas activity. Well done, Karamveer!
<b>Music</b>			
<b>Italian</b>	Isabella S	Success	For demonstrating great independence and persistence when completing tasks to revise her knowledge of the Italian language. Brava, Isabella!
<b>STEM</b>	Nadja T (Room 13)	Resilience	For demonstrating patience while waiting for her Christmas Card to be printed.

# New Updated School Uniform



This is our updated school uniform which is available at our supplier. It has finally arrived! The new school uniform items will be available for purchase from A Plus Schoolwear from Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November. In the instance where an item you would like to purchase is not in stock, they are happy to place the order and contact you once the item arrives.

There have been some improvements made through consultation with students and parents. The colours now match our school logo as well as improved fabric that is softer on the skin and better quality.

All students will have three years to transition to our new uniform so its fine to continue to wear the current uniform to school.

Teachers have also expressed interest in wearing our uniform so we will begin to order for our staff as well.

## Child Safe Standards



- [Standard 1: Culturally safe environments](#) – Establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children and young people are respected and valued.
- [Standard 2: Leadership, governance and culture](#) – Ensure that child safety and wellbeing are embedded in school leadership, governance and culture.
- [Standard 3: Child and student empowerment](#) – Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.
- [Standard 4: Family engagement](#) – Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing.
- [Standard 5: Diversity and equity](#) – Equity is upheld and diverse needs are respected in policy and practice.
- [Standard 6: Suitable staff and volunteers](#) – People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice.
- [Standard 7: Child-focused complaints processes](#) – Ensure that processes for complaints and concerns are child focused.
- [Standard 8: Child safety knowledge, skills and awareness](#) – Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training.
- [Standard 9: Physical and online environments](#) – Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.
- [Standard 10: Review of child safety practices](#) - Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved.
- [Standard 11: Implementation of child safety practices](#) – Policies and procedures that document how schools are safe for children, young people and students.

Further information about child Safe Standards is available from the [Department of Education website](#)



# Lalor North Primary School Uniform Order List



	Item	Sizes Available	
	<b>Summer Dress</b> <i>Bottle green &amp; white</i>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16	\$29.00
	<b>Cotton Back Short Sleeve Polo</b> <i>Emerald with black panels, white piping and black collar with emerald and white stripes (embroidered logo)</i>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16  Adult sizes 14, 16, 18, 20	\$35.00  \$38.00
	<b>Rugby Knit Shorts - Unisex</b> <i>Black</i>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16	\$21.00
	<b>Microfibre Shorts - Unisex</b> <i>Black</i>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16 Sml - Med - Lge - XL	\$30.00 \$33.00
	<b>Cotton Back Long Sleeve Polo</b> <i>Emerald with black panels, white piping and black collar and cuffs with emerald and white stripes (embroidered logo)</i>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16  Adult sizes 14, 16, 18, 20	\$37.00 \$40.00
	<b>Hooded Top</b> <i>Black with green sleeves and green insert in hood with black bands with green and white stripes on bands (embroidered logo)</i>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16  Adult sizes 14, 16, 18, 20	\$48.00 \$51.00
	<b>Bomber Jacket</b> <i>Black with green sleeves and black bands with green and white stripes on bands (embroidered logo)</i>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16  Adult sizes 14, 16, 18, 20	\$52.00 \$55.00
	<b>Straight leg Track Pants</b> <i>Cotton/Polyester Black</i>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16	\$28.00
	<b>Fleecy Double knee trackpants with cuff</b> <i>Black</i>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16	\$25.00
	<b>Fleecy straight leg trackpants</b> <i>Black</i>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16	\$24.00
	<b>Waterproof Jacket Fleecy Lined</b> <i>Black</i>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16	\$52.00
	<b>Bucket Hat</b> <i>Black</i>	XSm 53cm Sm 55cm Med 57cm Lge 59cm XLg 61cm	\$12.00
	<b>School Bag</b> <i>Black</i>	One size	\$45.00
	<b>Warm Beanie</b> <i>Black</i>	One size fits all	\$12.00
	<b>Grade 6 Cotton Back S/Sleeve Polo Top</b> - Green/White/Black <b>Special Order Available only Oct/Nov</b>	4 6 8 10 12 14 16  Adult sizes 14, 16, 18, 20	\$52.00 \$56.00



## **Lalor North Primary School Uniform**

The purposes of the school uniform are to distinguish the school in public, build a school identity, help build an inclusive environment and to provide parents with cost effective and convenient clothing for school.

Lalor North Primary School has a compulsory school uniform. It must be worn at school, on excursions, at sporting activities and any other special occasions where students represent the school. It's important that every student feels comfortable and has a sense of belonging to our learning community while feeling pride about being a member of our school community each school day.

### **A PLUS SCHOOLWEAR**

**Northern Regional Uniforms Shop**

**Address: Unit 3 /30 Heaths Court Mill Park**

**Contact: [03 9436 4005](tel:0394364005)**

**Email: [info@northernregionaluniforms.com.au](mailto:info@northernregionaluniforms.com.au)**

#### **Trading Hours:**

Monday: 9.00am - 5.00pm

Tuesday: 9.00am - 5.00pm

Wednesday: 9.00am - 5.00pm

Thursday: 9.00am - 5.00pm

Friday: 9.00am - 3.00pm

Saturday: 9.00am - 12.00pm

**Closed Sundays and Public Holidays.**

#### **For Online Orders**

**Website Details: [www.aplusschoolwear.com.au](http://www.aplusschoolwear.com.au)**





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### LALOR NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

### SALE ON UNIFORM ITEMS



**SHORT SLEEVE POLO = \$20.00**  
**ALL SIZES**



**LONG SLEEVE POLO = \$20.00**  
**ALL SIZES**



**WINDCHEATER = \$20.00**  
**ALL SIZES**



**BOMBER JACKET = \$30.00**  
**ALL SIZES**

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# **CHRISTMAS CLOSURE**

**APLUS SCHOOLWEAR SHOP WILL CLOSE ON  
TUESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2023 AT 4:00PM AND  
REOPEN ON TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024 at 9:00AM**

## **OPERATING HOURS**

**MONDAY TO THURSDAY 9:00AM TO 5:00PM**

**FRIDAY 9:00AM TO 3:00PM**

**SATURDAY 9:00AM TO 12:00PM**

We would like to wish all family's a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Regards,

Jayne O'Brien  
SALES MANAGER





## Mobile Phones in schools

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.

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.

We 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 our office if you would like to discuss this.

**Emergencies:** In the event of an emergency or if you need to immediately contact your child, we 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 to view on our school website.

**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.



## Screen time for your child – 7 tips

There is a lot of conflicting advice and emerging research around screen time. But, the right amount of screen time can depend on a range of factors like your child's age and maturity, the kind of content they are consuming, their learning needs and your family routine. It can be easy to focus only on the clock and how long your child is spending in front of the screen, but the quality and nature of what they are doing online, and your involvement are just as important.

Consider your child's screen use in the context of their overall health and wellbeing – for example, is online time getting in the way of their sleep and exercise? Is it impacting on their face-to-face connections with family and friends? The answers to these questions will guide you and help strike the right balance of online and offline activities for your child.



### 1. Be involved

Sharing screen time and online activities like gaming with your child helps you gauge the appropriateness of what they are doing and manage potential risks. It's also a great way to start conversations with your child about their online experiences.

### 2. Work with your child to set boundaries for screen use

If you decide that setting screen time limits is right for you and your child, discuss these new rules with your child. Older children are more likely to cooperate if they have been part of the decision-making process. Colourful pictures or charts of daily limits and other important activities is a fun way to get younger children on board.

### 3. Be clear about the consequences of not switching off

Part of our role as parents is to set clear limitations and boundaries. The same applies to technology limitations so, being clear and consistent about the consequences for your child if they do not stick to these rules is paramount. The [Raising Children Network](#) provides some useful tools and advice.



#### 4. Set device-free zones and times at home

Device-free zones can help you manage your family's digital use. Here are some ideas for setting digital boundaries within your home:

- no devices in the bedroom for younger children
- all screens off in bedrooms after a certain time for older children
- all screens off at least one hour before planned bedtime
- all family members switch off at dinner time
- charge devices overnight in a place your child cannot access

#### 5. Ask your child to explain their screen use

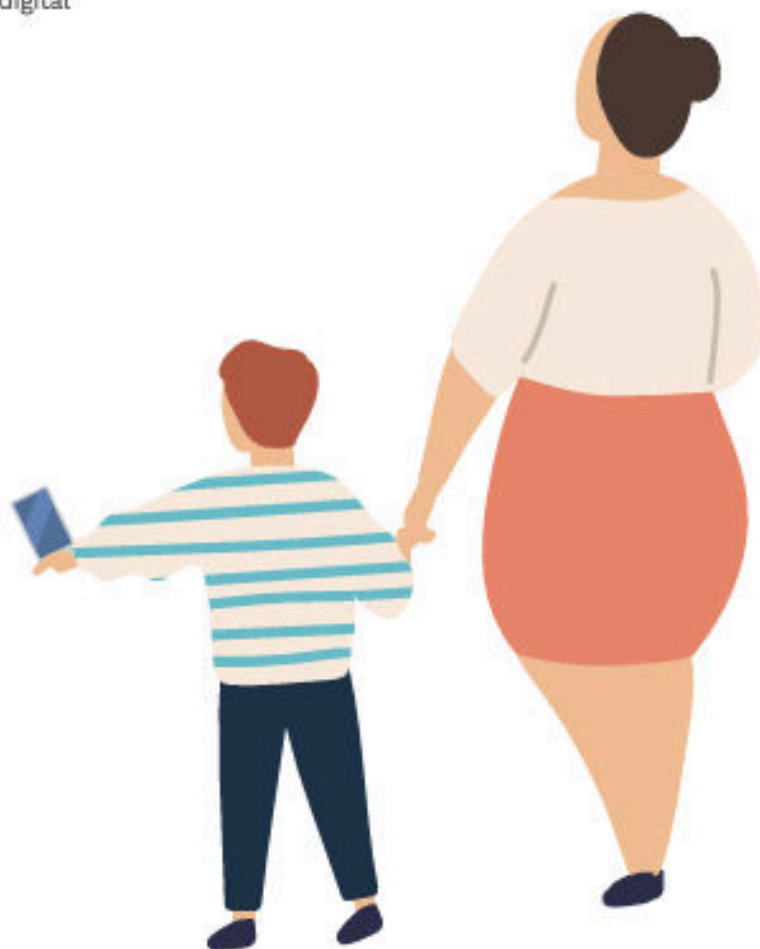
Get your child in the habit of explaining why they want to be in front of a screen or online. It's a great way to get them thinking about their own digital habits and balancing screen time with other activities.

#### 6. Use tech tools to help manage access

There are robust products and device functions which allow you to see which apps are being used in your home and for how long. But try not to use these tools to secretly monitor your child. Instead, be open about the process and check the whole family's usage, including your own. Start with [Google Family Link](#) for Android devices or [parental controls](#) and [Screen Time](#) for iPhone/iPad.

#### 7. Lead by example

Your behaviour is one of the most effective ways to help your child develop a positive digital mindset. Show your child you can put down your device too.





# NAB AFL AUSKICK IS COMING TO YOUR SCHOOL IN TERM 1!

**AFL Victoria will be running NAB AFL Auskick Programs in Term 1 at Primary Schools and we want to invite your school to take part!**

## WHAT IS NAB AFL AUSKICK AT SCHOOL?

- An Introductory Auskick clinic delivered by AFL Victoria at your school for your students aged 5-8, held before or after school.
- \$50 for a 5 week program.
- Students in Prep - Grade 3 (up to Grade 6 if required).
- AFL Victoria to manage all registrations on PlayHQ platform.

## BENEFITS FOR YOUR SCHOOL

- NAB AFL Auskick gives students at your school the chance to experience AFL in a safe and inclusive environment with their friends.
- Providing opportunities to your community to engage in sport.

## HOW DOES YOUR SCHOOL GET INVOLVED?

- Contact your Participation team for more information and to secure your schools spot today!
- Once confirmed, registration links will be updated to share with students to register.
- Would you like to run something for your students in Grade 4-6? Check out AFL Superkick on the other side of the flyer.

AFL Victoria are committed to child safety, ensuring that all staff delivering the program hold a valid WWCC. We hold the appropriate public liability insurance and safety measures are in place to make the program safe for all participants and their families.

*Please advise our Office staff if you are interested in registering your child*







#### MINI BASKET WEAVING

Wednesday 17 January  
1pm - 2pm  
Suitable for ages 6+  
\$10 per person

Join us for an enriching and hands-on basket weaving workshop. Kids will use yarn to weave mini baskets to take home.



#### COFFEE AROUND THE WORLD

Thursday 18 January  
10am - 11am  
Suitable for ages 16+  
\$10 per person

Savour unique flavours, learn about coffee origins and brewing methods.



#### MINI MUSLIN PRINTMAKING

Friday 19 January  
10:30am - 11:30am  
Suitable for ages 6+  
\$10 per person

In this interactive workshop, kids will use wooden stamps to print onto mini muslin bags. It's a creative journey where they explore a traditional art form, and most importantly, enjoy hands-on fun!



**Islamic Museum of Australia**  
15 Anderson Road, Thornbury



**1300 915 171**



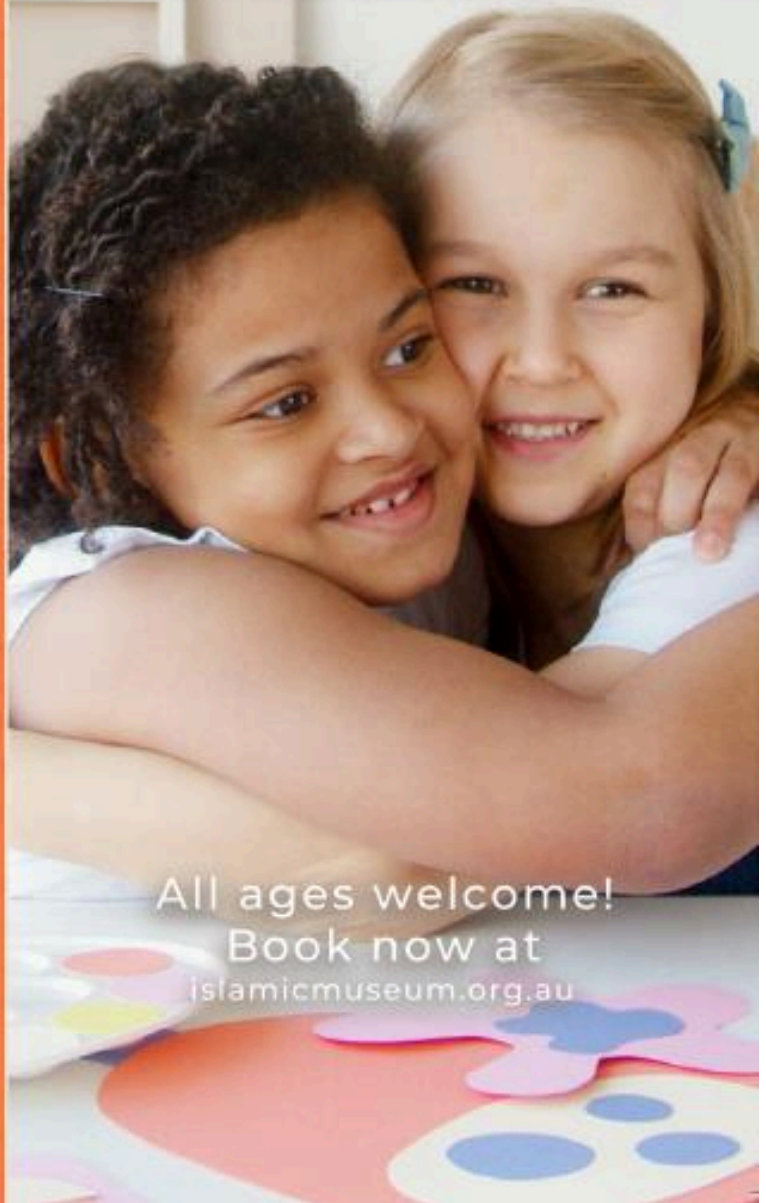
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**ISLAMIC  
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ART HERITAGE DISCOVERY

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



All ages welcome!  
Book now at  
[islamicmuseum.org.au](http://islamicmuseum.org.au)



### CLAY BEADING WORKSHOP

Wednesday 13 December  
10am - 11:30am  
Suitable for ages 10+  
\$25 per person

Participants will create Islamic prayer beads (tasbeeh or misbaha) by shaping air dry clay into beads. After they have dried, customise their colour and string them onto cotton thread. Finish the project by crafting a tassel from scratch.



### MINI ARTISTS: KAABA

Friday 15 December  
3pm - 4pm  
Suitable for ages 6+  
\$15 per person

Bring your mini artists to the IMA for some artistic fun. Create an art piece inspired by Hajj (pilgrimage). A piece inspired by Siddiqua Juma's Diversity series.



### MOSQUE LANTERNS

Wednesday 20 December  
10am - 2pm  
Suitable for ages 10+  
\$25 per person

Ramadan is only three months away! Kids will craft their own clay lantern in the enchanting shape of a mosque. This activity combines creativity with cultural exploration, allowing young minds to connect with the beauty and significance of mosque architecture.



### PINHOLE CAMERA

Thursday 21 December  
10am - 11am  
Suitable for ages 10+  
\$15 per person

Kids will learn the history of the modern-day camera and discover the first cameras developed by Ibn Al-Haytham. As part of the activity, participants will build and create their own pinhole camera.



### ORNATE ORNAMENTS

Wednesday 10 January  
10am - 11:30am  
Suitable for ages 10+  
\$20 per person

Engage your little ones in a delightful creative endeavor as they embark on a journey to adorn your home with Ramadan-inspired ornaments. This children's activity invites kids to craft their own prayer mat, design a colorful tassel, and fashion a graceful crescent moon decoration.



### YARN MANDALA

Wednesday 10 January  
2pm - 3pm  
Suitable for ages 6+  
\$10 per person

Here's an exciting children's activity that combines creativity with a touch of mystique. Dive into the world of yarn mandalas, where you'll utilise sticks and colorful yarn to craft intricate patterns and shapes inspired by the captivating beauty of mandalas.



### MINIATURE PAINTING: IZNIK DESIGN

Friday 12 January  
3pm - 4pm  
Suitable for ages 12+  
\$15 per person

In this workshop, kids will discover the world of Iznik design, an art form found in Turkiye.

Participants will create miniature art from a mixture of watercolour and acrylic paint.



### DIY SOLAR WINDMILL

Wednesday 17 January  
10am - 11am  
Suitable for ages 8+  
\$15 per person

This exciting activity draws inspiration from the historic windmills of Nashtifan, Iran, and allows young minds to explore the principles of sustainable energy in a hands-on and engaging way.





# School staff have a right to be safe at work

**Any abuse will not be tolerated**

**Parents, carers, advocates and adult members of the school community must engage respectfully with school staff.**

Unacceptable behaviour will be addressed promptly. This may include calling the police if required or issuing you a School Community Safety Order.

These behaviours are not permitted in-person, over the phone, by email, text message or on social media:

- ✗ Rudeness
- ✗ Intimidation
- ✗ Insults or offensive communication
- ✗ Discriminatory or derogatory comments
- ✗ Malicious or defamatory communications
- ✗ Threatening gestures
- ✗ Aggression, including raising your voice at a staff member
- ✗ Threats
- ✗ Harassment
- ✗ Violence

These behaviours are **never okay** and can make staff and students feel unsafe.



**Scan the QR Code** to learn more about how you can build positive relationships with school staff in the department's *Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy*.