Strathaird Primary School News

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VISION STATEMENT AND MISSION

To empower students to strive for personal achievement, embrace challenges and develop the skills and values that enable them to become lifelong learners and engaged responsible citizens in an ever changing global society.

Strathaird

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Primary School

Honesty Respect Responsibility Compassion

School Values

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Principal Page

Congratulations to our wonderful Preps who recently celebrated the milestone of 100 days of school. New growth, new friendships and an enormous amount of new learning – WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU ALL.

BOOK WEEK PARADE

This year Children's Book Week is celebrating SYMPHONY OF STORIES - how different books, characters, voices, and genres come together like instruments in a grand orchestra to create one rich, harmonious, and magical reading experience.

Our Book Character Parade will be held on Friday 28 August from 9.15 a.m.on the basketball courts. Parents are welcome to attend. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character.

DAFFODIL DAY – THIS FRIDAY

All families would have been touched by cancer or know someone who has had cancer. This Friday, 21 August, we are raising funds to support the Cancer Council, which plays a leading role in fighting cancer through world-class research, prevention programs, patient support, and policy advocacy. We are asking that students wear something yellow with their uniform and please bring a gold coin donation.

e-scooters **PLEASE READ**

We continue to observe some very dangerous and illegal e-scooter riding by the public around the streets of Narre Warren South. We are asking that school families please make yourselves familiar with the Victorian Road Rules if you don't already know them. There are penalties for illegal riding but most importantly, e-scooters and e-bikes can be very dangerous, resulting in severe injuries or death to riders, pedestrians and motorists if rules are not adhered to.

Our school rules and e-scooters

*No e-scooters are to be ridden to school by students.

*Parents or older siblings, 16 and above, can walk e-scooters on to school grounds to pick up other students but they must observe the road rules by carrying a helmet, not carrying a passenger, for example.

*No siblings under 16 can bring an e-scooter on to school grounds to pick up students.

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Are e-scooters legal in Victoria?

Yes, but to legally ride an e-scooter, you must:

- be at least 16 years old
- wear a properly fitted bicycle helmet
- ride at no more than 20km/h
- use a compliant e-scooter
- use flashing or steady front and rear lights, if riding at night or in low light
- follow Victorian road rules.
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Where can you ride an e-scooter in Victoria?

Victoria road rules allow e-scooters on:

- shared-use paths
- bicycle paths
- roads with a speed limit of 60km/h or less.

You **cannot** ride an e-scooter:

- **on footpaths**
- on roads with speed limits above 60km/h
- in tandem (side by side).

Remember that while shared-use paths are permitted, pedestrians always have priority. Slow down when approaching walkers, children, pets and other path users.

What are the speed limits for e-scooters in Victoria?

The maximum riding speed for an e-scooter in public is **20km/h**, regardless of whether you're riding on a bike path, shared path or eligible road.

Can children ride e-scooters?

No. Riders must be at least 16 years old to legally ride an e-scooter in Victoria.

Do you have to wear a helmet on e-scooters?

Yes. Wearing a securely fitted bicycle helmet is mandatory every time you ride an e-scooter in Victoria. Failing to wear one can result in a substantial fine.

Can you ride with a passenger on e-scooters?

No. E-scooters are designed for one person only.

It is illegal to carry:

- another person
- a child
- a pet or other animal.

Both the rider and passenger may receive fines.

Can you use your phone while riding e-scooters?

No. You must not hold or use a hand-held mobile phone while operating an e-scooter.

Can you ride an e-scooter after drinking alcohol?

Victoria's drink driving laws also apply to e-scooter riders, which means you must have a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) under 0.05 while riding an e-scooter.

It is also an offence to drive under the influence of an illicit drug or to drive while impaired by any drug, whether it is legal or illicit, according to the TAC website.

An e-scooter capable of travelling faster than 25km/h is treated as an unregistered motor vehicle and cannot legally be ridden in public. *(Source: RACV)*

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REMINDER FOR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Supervision of students commences at 8.45 a.m. Students should not be coming to school before then.

School finishes at 3.15 p.m. If students have not been collected by 3.30 p.m. they must come to the Office and parents are contacted.

TheirCare Before and After School care is available for parents who require care for their children outside of school hours. They open at 6.30 a.m. and close at 6.30 p.m.

The

2026 Parent / Carer Opinion Survey

notice, survey link, pin and translation guides have been sent out on Compass.

We would love you to complete the survey if you can spare the time.

Please see your Compass notification.

Thanks so much :)

Term 3 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AUGUST	**17th**	**18th**	**19th**	**20th**	**21st** Daffodil Day SNR Assembly
	24th Swimming Grade 1, 2A, 2B and 2C	**25th**	**26th**	**27th**	**28th** Book Week Character Parade JNR Assembly
	31st Swimming Grade 1, 2A, 2B and 2C Fathers Day Stall	**1st** Fathers Day Stall Gr 6 Lightning Prem	**2nd**	**3rd** Bookclub Due today	**4th** District Athletics SNR Assembly
SEPT	**7th** Swimming Prep, 2D, 2E	School Council Meeting 6.30pm Marine Ambassadors Excursion	**9th**	**10th** Prep Information Night 6pm-7pm	**11th** Purple Day JNR Assembly
	14th Divisional Athletics Swimming Prep, 2D, 2E	**15th**	**16th** Canteen Closed Gr 1 Art Show 3.15pm - 3.45pm	**17th**	**18th** Last Day Term 3 - 2.20pm Finish Footy Parade No Assembly

Term 4 2026

OCT	**5th** School Returns today	**6th**	**16th**	**17th**	**18th** SNR Assembly

Student of the Week

Week 4

Prep A	Izzah	For being a kind, helpful and thoughtful student who always tries her best. Well done Izzah!
Prep B	Haryar Kosar	For arriving to class on time and getting through his satchel routine. Great effort!
Prep C	Sioana	For confidently sharing your ideas during class discussions!
Prep D	Faizan	For trying hard to sound out words during writing sessions. Well done!
Prep E	Zuhayr	For consistently trying his hardest and showing respect to all his peers. Keep up the amazing work!
Prep F	Elias	
1A	Aayan	For being a math star with sharing.
1B	Sitarah	For working so hard during phonics and building new words. So proud of you!
1C	Arsheeda	
1D	Sarah	For being extremely kind and helpful :)
1E	Sarah	For working hard to sound out words in writing.
2A	Zoha	For approaching all lessons with a positive attitude
2B	Liam	for developing some amazing wonderings about our inquiry topic
2C	Kora	For all her hard work during Reading
2D	Mason	For working hard to complete your work.
2E	Shaveen	For his excellent work in division!
3B	Yasmin	For her hard work in maths this week!
3C	Bradley	For his excellent performance in the production!
4A	Liam	For supporting his peers in their learning
4B	Lily	For her enthusiasm during the production!
4C	Chace	For working hard to improve your writing. Well done!
4D	Selena	For being a kind and helpful member of the class!
4E	Yunus	For being an excellent contributor in the classroom!
5A	Samir	For being a positive role-model to your peers in and out of the classroom
5B	Simrat	For working really hard to catch up on your Layers of the Earth Inquiry learning.
5C	Afsah	For staying focused and completing your work with care.
5D	Yasman	For working well this week!
5E	Ismaiel	For making better choices with your learning this week. Well done Ismaiel!
6B	Peyton	For her well thought out open ended question about our Guided Reading text
6D	Yousuf	For your valuable contributions during class discussions. Keep it up!

Student of the Week

Week 5

Prep A	Baneen	For always working hard and doing some amazing writing! Well done Baneen.
Prep B	Heliya	For always helping others in a kind manner. Keep it up!
Prep C	Nuha	For always trying your best and working really hard! Keep it up!
Prep D	Muzammil	For working hard to sound out words when reading. Well done!
Prep E	Quinton	For starting to use his voice a lot more in the classroom, putting up his hand to share his amazing ideas. Great job Quinton!
Prep F	Sara	For being a thinker in phonics to blend her sounds!
1A	Ava	For being a great contributor during class group time ! Keep up the great work!
1B	Suleiman	For showing great effort when learning to share objects into equal groups. Well done!
1C	William	
1D	Nihaal	For being a helpful and friendly class member who always tries his best! Well done Nihaal :)
1E	Sara	For always trying her best!
2A	Addy	For being an active contributor in class discussions
2C	Komail	
2D	Kage	For working hard to meet your maths goals.
2E	Josie	For challenging yourself in all your work!
3B	Issy	For trying her best during writing this week. Well done Issy!
3C	Amelia	For being a kind and considerate member of our class!
3D	Omar	For working so hard and getting his narrative published and illustrated. Keep up the amazing work!
4C	Sama	For always being a supportive and helpful member of 4C.
5C	Arian	For showing responsibility by staying focused, working hard, and following through with their responsibilities.
5E	Mazher	For being responsible and respectful to people who are supporting your learning. Well done Mazhar!
6D	Soleiya	For your thoughtful contributions during Guided Reading. Well done!

School Values Awards

Congratulations to the following Students

Week 4

Prep B	Abhiman
Prep C	Billy
Prep D	Eshal
Prep E	Mehran
Prep F	Jett
1A	Kavisan
1B	Tabish
1D	Azaan
2A	Mahsa
2B	Ileana
2D	Olivia
2E	Jayon
3B	Nadim
3C	Charnell
3D	Sreihaan
4A	Armas
4B	William
4C	Kendall
4D	Raahim
4E	Jannat
5A	Claire
5B	Austin
5C	Shikab
5E	Will
6B	Felix
6D	Emran

Week 5

Prep A	Tiara
Prep B	Sana
Prep C	Aryan
Prep D	Ghazi
Prep E	Logan
Prep F	Farzan
1A	Nora
1B	Dua
1D	Katelyn
2A	Hudson
2D	Emma
2E	Josie
3B	Fernando
3C	Ava
3D	Dustin
5C	Prathna
6D	Yousuf

Compassion

Responsibility

Honesty

Respect

Special Events

Please join in us in our celebration of the 2026 Children's Book Week. We will be having a Book Character Parade at 9.15am on the basketball courts (weather permitting). There will be two prizes for each grade for "best dressed". We are looking for creative characters from your child's favourite stories.

Special Events

Strathaird Primary School

Junior School Council

Daffodil Day

Friday 21st August

Wear something yellow with your school uniform.
Bring a gold coin donation to support our charity,
the Cancer Council

Together, we can make a difference

Cancer Council
Daffodil Day

Compass

You can download the Compass App on iOS and Android devices, simply search for Compass School Manager in the store.

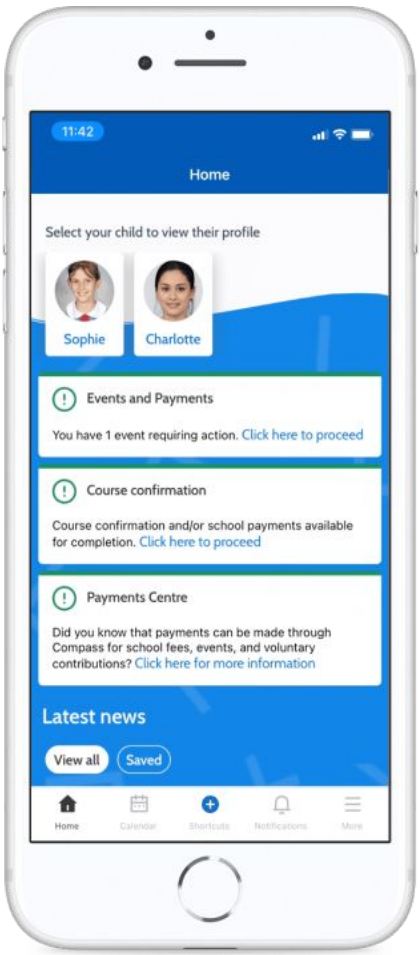
Using the app you can:

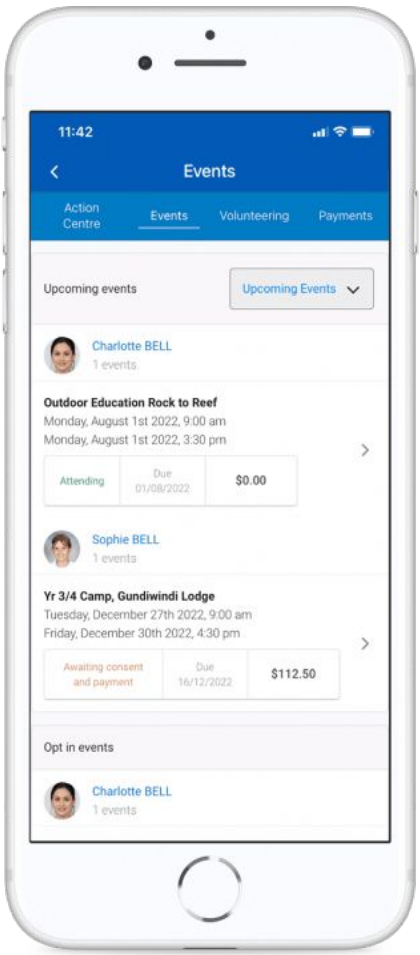
- View the school news feed
- Receive messages from the school
- View your child's timetable and the school calendar
- View Learning Tasks
- Book parent-teacher conferences
- Add Attendance Notes
- View academic reports
- Event, Consent and Payments

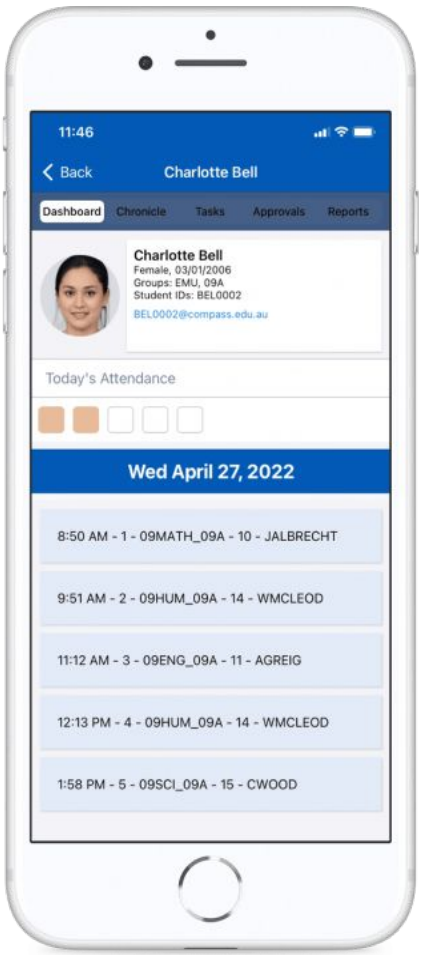
Learn how to use Compass through the following links

Parent Compass App - YouTube

A guide for parents & families | Compass Education AU







Road Safety

Parents/Carers - Choose safe crossings

Families - always choose to use safe crossings.

Teaching your children to look for safe places to cross the road.

When pedestrians cross in other areas, this causes danger to drivers and also to the pedestrian.

Role Model

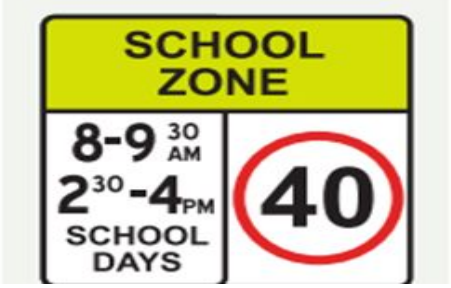
When you show your children safe pedestrian behaviour, they will copy you.

Teach your children the 4 safety words when crossing the road - ***Stop Look Listen and Think***

Hold hands with your children...

Holding hands with young children is such a simple way to keep children safe.

As Drivers - follow the signs around your school precinct

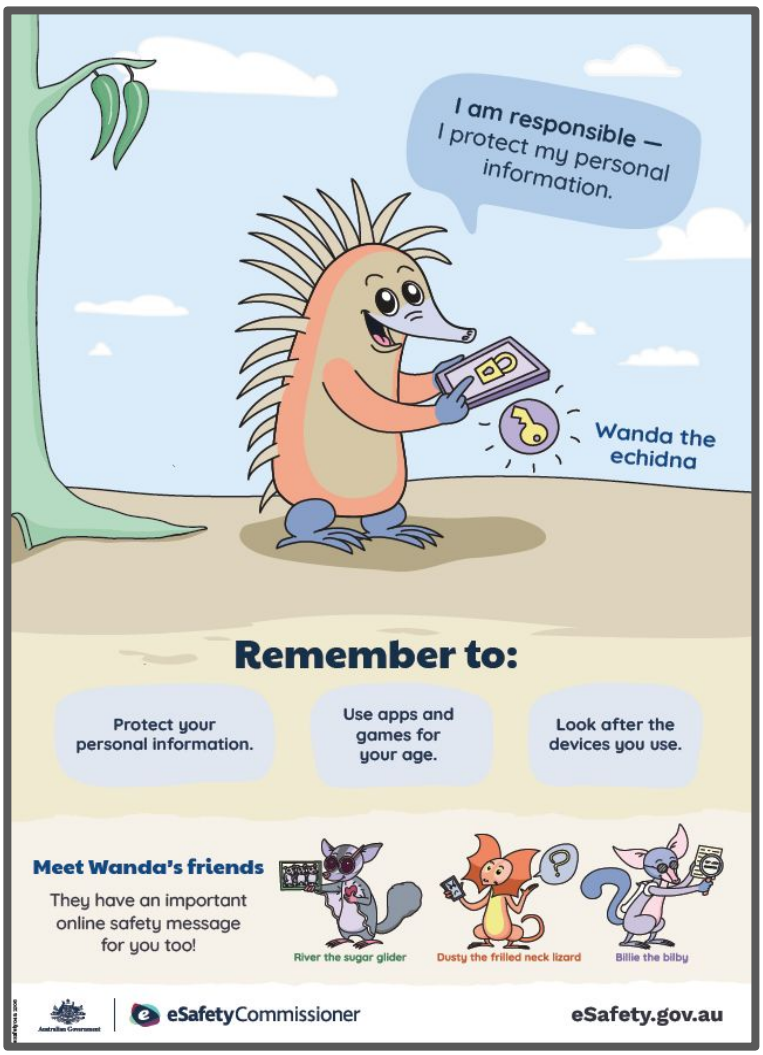


Remember to:

- Listen to your body clues.
- Close the screen if something doesn't feel right.
- Ask a trusted adult for help.

Meet Dusty's friends

They have an important online safety message for you too!

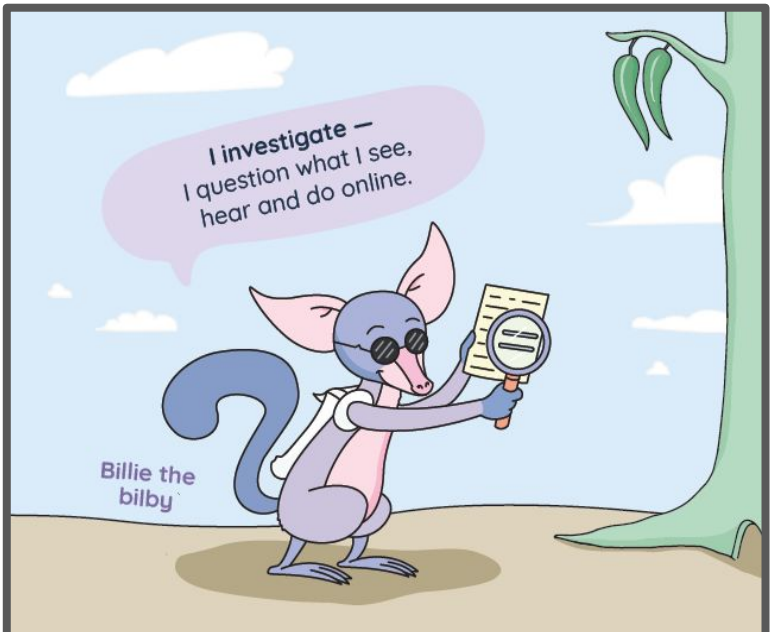


Remember to:

- Protect your personal information.
- Use apps and games for your age.
- Look after the devices you use.

Meet Wanda's friends

They have an important online safety message for you too!



Remember to:

- Make good choices when you're online.
- Be curious and ask questions.
- Know when time's up online.

Meet Billie's friends

They have an important online safety message for you too!

Remember to:

- Always show respect online.
- Take turns and share when playing online.
- Ask others before taking or sharing their photo or video.

Meet River's friends

They have an important online safety message for you too!

Important Parent Resources

Attendance

Please ensure your children are at school on time. Students should be at their class by 8.50am ready to begin class by 9am.

If your child is absent, please notify the school through the Parent Portal on Compass or call the admin on 9705 3800.

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School Values PROGRAM

Honesty
We are truthful in what we say and do, people can rely on us and trust us .

Responsibility
We make good choices and are accountable for our actions .

Respect
We value people's worth and qualities and treat them in a polite and friendly manner.

Compassion
We care about others, we treat them with kindness and we help people when they are in need .