



WELCOME BACK

Important Dates

Labour Day Public Holiday	9 th March
NAPLAN (Year 3 and 5)	11 th - 23 rd March
Year 3 to 6 Cross Country	25 th March
Classroom Library Grand Opening	30 th March
School Photo Day	31 st March
Year 3 to 6 Athletics Day	1 st April
LAST DAY OF TERM 1	2 nd April



**SCHOOL FINISHES
AT 2:15PM**



*A note
from our
Principal*

What a fantastic start we've had to 2026! It has been wonderful to see students return to school happy, settled and ready to learn.

A special welcome to our Foundation students, who have begun their school journey with excitement and curiosity. They have settled in beautifully, learning routines, exploring their classrooms and beginning to build friendships.

Across the school, students have been learning and re-establishing routines, working through our Start Up program, and demonstrating our school values, showing respect, responsibility, safety and a genuine readiness to learn.

We are already incredibly proud of how all students have approached the year with positivity and focus. The calm start has set a beautiful tone and we cannot wait to see all that our students will achieve throughout 2026.

*Jade
Seddon*



Acknowledgement of Country

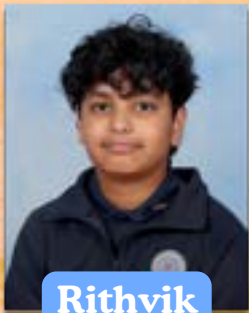
Derrimut Primary School
acknowledges the Bunurong
people of the Kulin nation, the
Traditional Owners of Country
on which our school stands.

We pay our respects to the
Elders past and present, for
they hold the traditions, stories,
culture and hopes of
Indigenous Australia.

We must always remember that
under the concrete and asphalt,
the land, sea and waterways
were, and always will be,
Aboriginal land.

Meet the 2020 Team

Meet the newsletter team that will bring you all the news!



Rithvik



Noah



Raiden



Alannah



Theo



Jack



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Harkirat



Ryan



Charlotte

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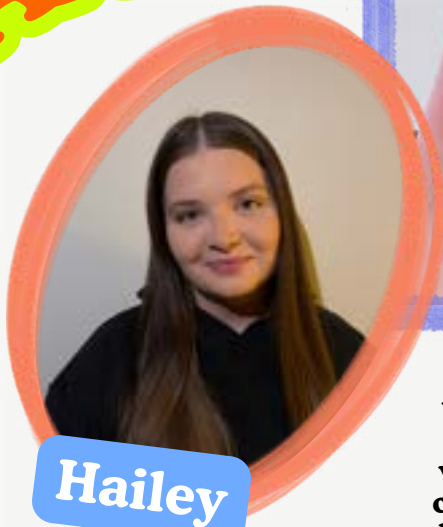




WHAT'S THE SCOOP?

School News, Events and Announcements

NEW STAFF



Hailey



Mahmuda

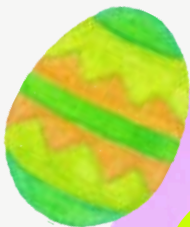


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We are excited to welcome our new ES members who will be supporting our students in the classroom! Say hello if you see them around.

WE NEED CHOCOLATE!

We are looking for **chocolate donations** for our Easter raffle so if you would like to donate, please bring them to the Front Office!



YEAR 1 - 6 STUDENTS

WE WANT

YOU!

This year, our school is taking part in a School Review. Every four years, all schools in Victoria do this to help make their school even better.

A School Review helps us:

- **think about what we are doing well**
- **celebrate our successes**
- **decide what we want to improve**

During the review, some friendly visitors will come to our school and work with our teachers and leaders. They will look at our learning, how we help students feel happy and safe, and listen to ideas from students, teachers, and families.

This helps us make sure our school is the best place it can be for everyone to learn and grow.

There is a **STUDENT FORUM on Thursday 19th of March where the reviewers would like to hear from YOU.**

If you are a **Year 1-6 student and you would like to be a part of the student forum, please talk to **JADE OR MICHELLE** DIRECTLY.**



Key Word Sign

Key Word Sign is a tool or strategy which can be used to support children and adults with communication difficulties to understand and get their message across to others. Key Word Sign (KWS) adds signs to spoken words. The key words in a message are signed.



ATTENDANCE

Every day at school counts... Missing even one day can make a difference over time



Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind. If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

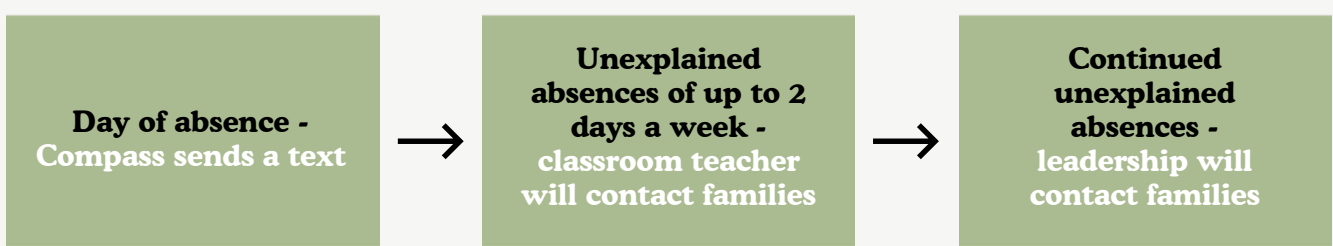
If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify the school as soon as possible **on the day of absence** using one of the following methods:

Log absences directly on Compass

OR

Call the office - press 2, record your child's name, class and reason for absence

Our school's process for following up on unexplained absences:



If you would like to include something in our newsletter, please don't hesitate to contact us!

Send an email to:
derrimut.ps@education.vic.gov.au

with the subject title:
Whole School Newsletter

