

— 11th of October 2024 —

# Swan Hill Specialist School



## IMPORTANT DATES

Week 1, Term 4

**School canteen**

Every Wednesday

**Community Café**

Fridays 10:30-12

**Playgroup**

Fridays 10-11 am

**Red Room Camp**

October 17th - 18th

**Graduate Camp**

October 29th -  
November 1st

**Pupil Free Day**

Monday 4th of  
November

**Graduation Dinner**

Thursday 5th of  
December

**Pupil Free Day**

Friday 13th of  
December

## Principals report

### Welcome back

Welcome back to term 4 for what looks like a very busy term with camps and celebrations.

### Early Years Fort

Unfortunately, we have had to remove the fort in Early Years due to it now being non-compliant and not meeting safety standards. The Strive Crew are currently pulling it apart and we have requested some quotes from companies to replace it with some new equipment.

### Buildings

Stage 1 (Basketball Court) was signed off as complete yesterday and Stage 2 is still underway. We hope that it will be complete by the end of the year.

### Music

Welcome to Katherine Legudi who has joined us to teach music and to Annie Edgerton who is back to help out in Maroon when Mrs Pino heads off on leave.

### Here comes the bride.

Congratulations to Georgia and Cal, Tasha and Josh and Sophie and Sam who will be getting married over the next month. We wish you all the joy in the world.

### Office news

If your child is regularly collected by a carer or other organisation at any time throughout the day, please fill out the attached form and return to the front office, or email a copy to [amity.reed@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:amity.reed@education.vic.gov.au). We understand that this can change suddenly, however we would like to have a basic guideline of our students routines to ensure their safety.

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Principal: Jodi Walters

Assistant Principal: David Gracia

# School Savings Bonus

Dear parents and carers

As shared with you previously, parents and carers of every child enrolled in a Victorian government school in 2025 will receive the one-off School Saving Bonus \$400 support.

In the coming months, the Department of Education will send you 2 email communications for each of your children enrolled in Victorian government schools.

By Friday 18 October 2024, please ensure that your child's 2025 enrolment is completed and that your contact information is up to date.

The 2 emails from the Department of Education will:

- Confirm your email address between mid-October and late-November.
- Provide you with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code by the end of November.

If you do not receive a confirmation email from the department by late-November, please check your spam or junk folders and contact the front office if needed.

You can read more about the School Saving Bonus on the Department of Education website, with key information now available in 14 different languages.

Kind regards  
Jodi Walters

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## **School Wide Positive Behaviour Support**

Students can show they belong to our school and class by embodying the value of belonging through respect for others, contributing positively to group activities, and taking responsibility for their actions. By following classroom routines, using kind words, and helping peers, they create a sense of community where everyone feels included. Engaging in teamwork, participating in discussions, and taking pride in their work shows their commitment to belonging. When students support and encourage one another, they strengthen relationships, reinforcing that they are an important part of the school, reflecting our core value of belonging.

# Student collection information

**Student Name:**

**Name of organisation/Carer:**

**Best contact:**

**\*\*\* please specify if you have multiple carers/organisations collecting your child during the week and supply information for all \*\*\***

**Day:**

**Time of day:**

**Carer collecting:**

**Carer contact (if applicable):**

**Reason for collection:**

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**Carer contact (if applicable):**

**Reason for collection:**

**Any other comments/information we should be aware of:**

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**Form completed by:**

**Signature:**

**Date:**



## TERM 4 LUNCH CANTEEN MENU

Wednesdays

Ham and cheese pizza \$3

Chicken Burger \$4

*(Chicken, Lettuce, cheese, mayo on a roll)*

Homemade sausage roll      \$3 each

Plain chicken tender      \$1.50 each

Steamed dim sim      \$1 each

Fruit juice box—Orange / Apple      \$1

Flavoured milk—Chocolate / Strawberry      \$1

Two fruits cup      \$1

Yoghurt pouch      \$2

# CELEBRATING NATIONAL CARERS WEEK



We're celebrating the incredible contribution unpaid carers make within our community during National Carers Week.

Let's enjoy a high tea lunch and celebrate, connect and acknowledge all that you do.

**Address:** One28 Doors, 128 Curlewis Street, Swan Hill  
**Date:** Wednesday, 16th October 2024  
**Time:** 12.00pm – 2.00pm



#### Ways to register:

QR Code

Email: [CHSP@genu.org.au](mailto:CHSP@genu.org.au)

Telephone: 1300 558 368

You need to be a non-paid carer to qualify.

Please feel free to share with other non-paid carers that you know in the local community.



## CARERS LUNCH IN SWAN HILL

Carers are invited to take some time out for themselves and meet other carers.

Enjoy a free two-course lunch at One28 Doors Restaurant.

**Tuesday 29 October**  
**12 noon - 2pm**  
**One28 Doors**  
**128 Curlewis St, Swan Hill**

*Registration essential as tickets are limited.*



To register visit

[www.bendigohealth.org.au/css/events](http://www.bendigohealth.org.au/css/events)  
or scan the QR code by 22 October 2024

**Bendigo Health Carer Support Services**  
[carersupportservices@bendigohealth.org.au](mailto:carersupportservices@bendigohealth.org.au)  
03 5454 7719



### CHILD SAFETY

Child safety and wellbeing at Swan Hill Specialist School: information for families and the school community  
The Victorian Government has announced new Child Safe Standards to further strengthen child safety across organisations, including schools. The new standards recognise the critical importance of families and the broader school community in maintaining and promoting child safety and wellbeing.

Swan Hill Specialist School has reviewed and updated our child safety policies and procedures to ensure they meet the requirements of the new standards. These are available to view on our school's website and at the school's front office upon request.

We are committed to continuous improvement in our approach to child safety and wellbeing and welcome feedback from families and members of our school community on ways we can further strengthen our child safety policies, procedures and practices.