

LETHBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Care Respect Collaboration Resilience

Lethbridge Primary School acknowledge the traditional custodians of our school lands, the Wadawurrung people, and pay our respects to Elder's past, present and future.

March	Mon-Wed	20 - 22	Year 6 Camp
	Tuesday	21	School Council meeting– 6.30pm
	Thursday	23	MARC Van
	Friday	24	Harmony Week celebrations – Wear a splash of orange!
	Friday	24	Assembly – 3pm
	Thursday	30	School Cross Country 9-11am
	Friday	31	Learning Celebrations 2.30-3.15pm
April	Monday	3	District Athletics (selected students)
	Thursday	6	Final Day of Term 1 – 2.30pm dismissal

SRC FUNDRAISER

Our SRC are leading a fundraiser to support the Good Friday Appeal.

Zooper Doopers will be on sale for 50 cents each at lunch time on:

- Wednesday March 22
- Wednesday March 29
- Wednesday April 5



Tesselaar Fundraising with Bulbs

This week, we have sent home information regarding our fundraiser with Tesselaar Bulbs. Please contact us if you would like another catalogue.

To order, visit www.bulbfundraiser.com.au/LETHBRIDGEPS

- Orders are now open online, and will close on April 6, 2023
- Orders will be delivered directly to the address specified in your order.



HARMONY DAY CELEBRATIONS – EVERYONE BELONGS!

Next week is Harmony Week! We will be celebrating Harmony Week on Friday March 24.

Friday March 24 - Wear a splash of orange!

Students are welcome to wear a splash of orange on Friday March 24. Your splash of orange might include a ribbon, socks or a headband!

Orange is the official colour chosen to represent Harmony Week, as it signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. The colour also relates to freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect.

SAVE THE DATE!!



Can you help at our Bunnings BBQ?

Date: Saturday May 13

Store: North Geelong

Can you help?

In preparation for this day, we are asking that parents advise us of their potential capability to volunteer at the BBQ.

Please use the link below to advise us of your preference –

Morning or Afternoon shift.

<https://forms.gle/kG2suwdRafVAzaU87>

LEARNING CELEBRATIONS

Our learning celebrations for Term 1 will be held on

Friday March 31; 2.30 – 3.25pm



Classrooms will be open and families are welcome to visit to celebrate the learning, progress and achievements of our students. We hope you can join us!

ATHLETICS DAY

Last week, our students participated in Athletics Day. This was a wonderful day of students showcasing their skills in both track and field events.

Our Prep to Year 2 students participated in a range of events that included a gum boot throw and long jump. Our Student Captains did an amazing job of leading our youngest students throughout the morning to enjoy their events.

Later in the day, our Year 3 to 6 students were supported by teachers and parents to celebrate their growing skills in Athletics. I was proud of their perseverance to attempt new events that they have otherwise withdrawn from in the past, and their support for each other.

I wish to thank Mrs Palmer for all of her work in preparing for the day.

Thank you also, to the parents and families who attended to support events and the students.

STUDENT LEADERS

Our School, House and Specialist Captains have been visiting classrooms throughout the last two weeks to gain student input into decisions. Our focus this fortnight has been the development of our lunch time clubs, House Games and sports equipment.

LUNCH TIME CLUBS

All students have been asked for their feedback and our Captains are working through this information to make our school an even better place for our students!

The Captains have now developed our lunch time clubs according to student preferences. The Clubs are open for all students and our Captains are leading these activities with the support of staff. The lunch time clubs provide an alternative and structured activity each day of the week!

In Term 2, our Captains will again ask students for their feedback so that our Clubs continue to cater for student preferences.

LETHBRIDGE
Community of Learners
Est. 1974

LUNCH TIME CLUBS SCHEDULE

Monday

Gardening
Club

Meet Trinity and
Miss Marks at the
office.

Tuesday

Art
Club

Meet Lowla, Jewel
and Kate at the MPR.

Wednesday

Technology
Club

Meet George, Lucas
and Kate at the MPR.

Thursday

Sports
Club

Meet Toby, Oliver
and Rocco
on the oval.

Friday

Construction
Club

Meet James, Jaydan
and Harry at the
MPR.

HOUSE REWARDS & SPORTS EQUIPMENT

The House Captains will be visiting students again before the end of this term to gain student insight into House Rewards and Sports equipment.

Our House Rewards are scheduled monthly, where students celebrate their collective success in gaining House Tokens and House Points.

The House Captains will also be developing a shopping list of sports equipment. Students across the school will have their

input recorded so that additional equipment is available during break times.

2023 SRC

Last week, we announced our successful applicants for the Student Representative Council. Congratulations to Mia, Ben, Fraser and Finn! These students have a responsibility to represent all students, plan events and use feedback to improve our school.

The SRC have chosen to sell Zooper Doopers this term, with all proceeds going to the Good Friday Appeal.



STUDENT INITIATIVE

Many people in our school community will know Tilly. Tilly is a Year 3 student at our school who last year was diagnosed with Neurofibromatosis 1 (NF1) and is currently having chemotherapy for a brain tumour on her optic nerve.

Tilly has begun raising money to support the initiatives and charities that have supported her – Ronald McDonald House and the Children's Tumour Foundation.

From Monday March 20 to Friday March 24, Tilly is inviting community members to purchase a pair of earrings. Earrings are \$10 each, with \$2 donated from each sale to the above charities.

Tilly will visit classrooms and sell earrings at the front gate after school. We hope to see you there! You can read more information about Tilly's initiative later in this newsletter.

VISITING ARTIST

Last Friday, we welcomed Maddy from STOMP! The program was selected to complement our Arts program. Each class participated in a dance workshop with Maddy before confidently performing their choreography at our Assembly in the afternoon.

The confidence of our students was simply amazing! We are looking forward to Maddy visiting next year already!

ECOLINC INCURSION

This week, our Prep to Year 3 students participated in an incursion with Ecolinc. The students explore the different parts of a frog's body and built their understanding of a variety of adaptations that help frogs survive in their environment.

The sessions also explored the life cycle of a frog and how we can help frogs in the local area.

Our Prep students have recalled some information from their session:

- The Mum holds the babies and the Dad does the signal. (Harlow)
- One frog was black and yellow and it didn't blend into the green. (Aria)
- The black and yellow frog is poisonous. (Lucas)
- When frogs go to sleep their eyes are a tiny bit gold. (Jannali)
- When frogs are awake their eyes are black. (Maverick)
- Frogs jump. (Rylan)
- Tadpoles turn into frogs. (Ashton)
- Frogs drink water through their skin. (Jannali)
- Frogs breathe through their skin. (Willow)

- When frogs are tadpoles they have a little tail at the back. When they grow bigger they don't have a tail anymore. (Piper)
- Frogs stick their tongues out to eat. (Ashton)
- Frogs hop really far. (Aria)
- Frogs don't chew their food, they just swallow it. (Aria)
- Frog tongues are a little bit liquidish. (Beatrice)
- When frogs swallow their food they close their eyes. (Maverick)
- Frogs swallow their food alive. (Harlow)
- Frogs swim in water. (Maya)

STUDENT SAFETY

Gates

As part of student safety, the gates at the turning circle will now only be opened for specific purposes. Students can use the centre gate or tennis court gate to enter and exit the school grounds.

Car Park

Walking through the car park is a safety risk. Please encourage your children to enter and exit the school grounds through a gate.

Parking

Parking is not permitted on the fenced/far side of Stephenson Street as this poses a risk to families. Additional parking is available behind the tennis club. Please be mindful of everyone's safety.

MOTHER'S DAY STALL

Our plans for the Mother's Day Stall are underway. If you have any items you wish to donate to the Stall, please deliver these to the office by the end of this term.

AT-SCHOOL MUSIC

Instrumental music sessions will continue at Lethbridge Primary School in 2023!

Pat Wheeler is at Lethbridge Primary School on Fridays to conduct instrumental music sessions with individual students.

Key information:

- Piano, drums and beginner guitar are available.

To register and make a booking:

- Bookings and payments are managed directly by At School Music.

- Go to atschoolmusic.au and complete the enquiry form at the bottom of the page.

- Staff at At-School Music will contact families directly using information provided by parents in the website enquiry submitted.



If you need to collect your child or children early from school, please notify us by contacting your child's teacher or phoning the office. This is particularly helpful if you are collecting your child during a break time or special event.

Students are dismissed at 3.20pm. Teachers will attend the front gate to speak with parents until 3.30pm to share successes and discuss any concerns. This is a wonderful opportunity to contact your child's teacher on a regular basis.

Enjoy your weekend,
Chelsey



BRICKS

We have a collection of bricks at school that are not required. Families are welcome to collect some if they are of use to you. The bricks are located near the turning circle and water tank.

Please ensure you wear protective clothing such as gloves when collecting these.



LATE ARRIVALS and EARLY DEPARTURES

Supervision of students is available from 8.50am. The Community OSH program is available for students who are attending school prior to 8.50am.

Our first bell at 9am indicates the beginning of learning time. It is important that students arrive to school on time to avoid significant teacher instruction time from 9am.

Students who arrive late, need to be signed in at the office by a parent or carer.

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

UNIFORM DONATIONS

If you have any uniform items that no longer fit your child/ren, we would gratefully accept any donations for the sick bay. We are particularly after tracksuit pants and shorts.



CAMPS, SPORTS AND 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. The allowance (\$125 for Primary school students) is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

To be eligible for the fund you must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
- a) Hold a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC), Pensioner Concession Card (PCC), OR
- b) Be a temporary foster parent, and
- c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

If you applied for CSEF at Lethbridge Primary School last year, you do not need to complete an application for this year, unless there has been a change of family circumstances. You only need to complete an application form if any of the following has occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started at Lethbridge Primary School in 2023.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year (eg prep students)

Please contact the office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

NAMING UNIFORM ITEMS

A reminder to please label your child's belongings with their name. We have a range of lost property in the office that has remained unclaimed as it isn't labelled.

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE

The conveyance allowance is a contribution towards transport costs and is not intended to cover the full cost of transporting children to and from school.

Eligibility

An application on behalf of a student may be submitted if the student is:

- a Victorian resident;
- school aged and enrolled (3) three or more days per week at a school; and
- attending a school/campus located outside the Melbourne metropolitan conveyance boundary

A student who meets the above requirements may be eligible if they:

- attend their nearest or designated neighbourhood government school/campus appropriate to their year level, at which admission is permissible, and
- reside 4.8km or more by the shortest practicable route from the campus attended

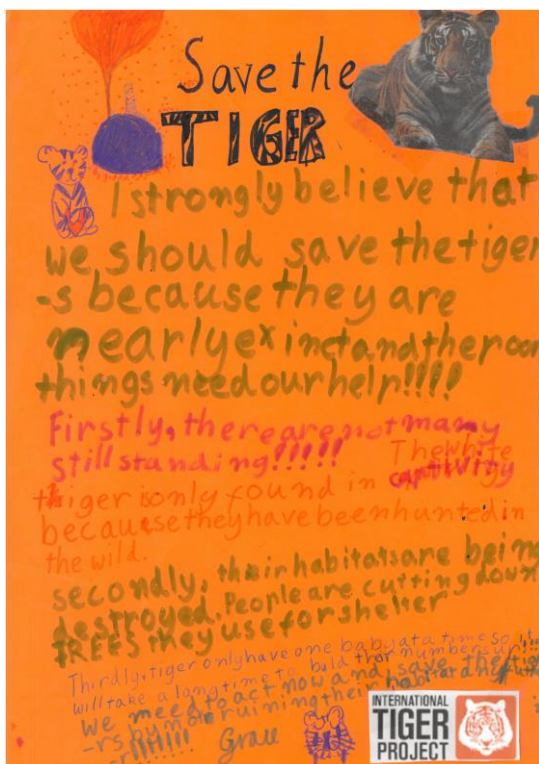
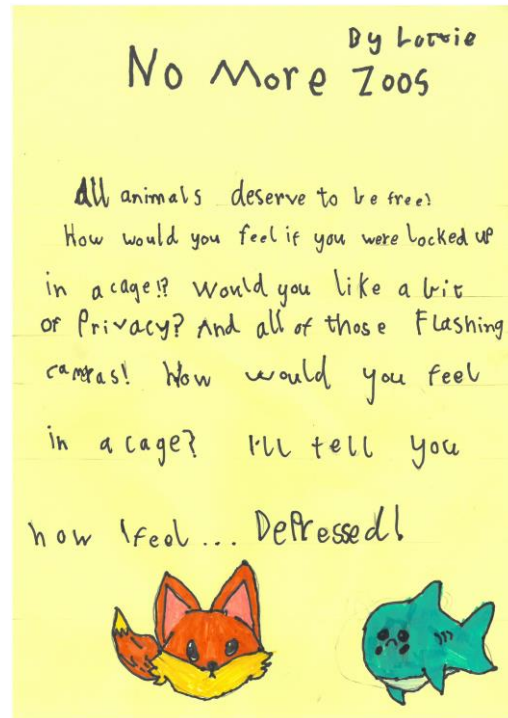
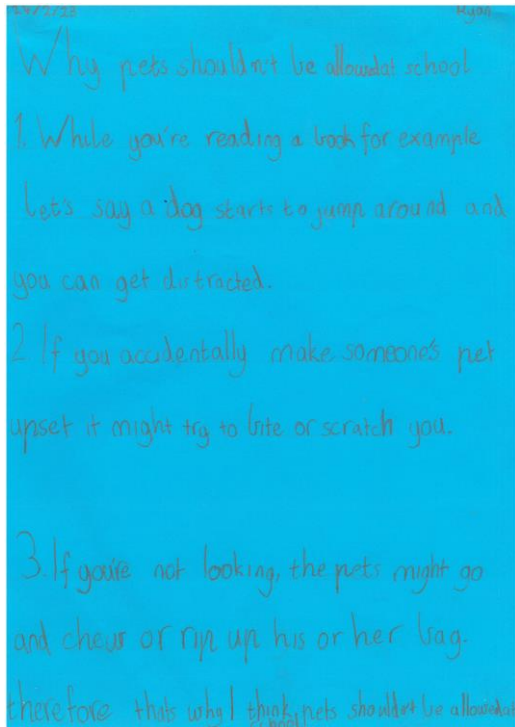
For further information regarding the Conveyance Allowance Program see:

<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/conveyance-allowance/policy?Redirect=1>

If you think you may be eligible for Conveyance Allowance, please see Meagan in the office.

LEARNING CELEBRATIONS

In 4/5M we have been including persuasive techniques in our writing to try and convince others to agree with us on a topic of our choice. Here are some examples of our work:



1/3/2023 Brooklyn Boal

Voice in Parliament

Dear Anthony Albanese,

2 for territories 12 for states, is this fair? It is my strong belief that all states and territories should have equal representatives in federal parliament. This should put you on the FOR side, like me.

No.1- Ask yourself: How is it fair that the states have 12 people in parliament and territories have 2? Well as you may not know, the Northern Territory out of all the other states and territories has 79,000 Aboriginal people. The most in the whole Country. On television there are protests showing people support Aboriginal people should have a voice in parliament.

No.2- Territories should be equal to the states. I frankly believe this is due to the fact that territories have not been around as long as states. Even if we can't get the number of territories up, let's reduce the number of states in parliament. If we had a country wide election, aboriginal voice is rather likely to win.

No.3- Think about the downfall of living in a territory. You would feel like you are not being heard, or like you can't have a say. And by the way, being Prime minister means making everyone happy, states and territories.

Has this put you in deep thought? Well I hope this has. By the way, if this sounds grown up I'm only 9 3/4. Even if I'm a kid, don't ignore my voice. Everyone needs a voice!

Sincerely,
Brooklyn Boal

Hello Lethbridge Community,

Our Inquiry focus this term is Civics and Citizenship. We have been learning about the United Nations global goals and what we can do in our local area to support these goals.

Our group have chosen to look at the goal; "Life Below Water"

Since the start of our Inquiry focus, we have noticed a ridiculous amount of rubbish lying around our school yard.

It's DISGUSTING! Eventually that rubbish will head to the ocean and kill our sea life and make our drinking water unsafe to drink. We would like to change that, so if you could keep your rubbish in your lunchbox or not bring rubbish to school that would be AWESOME!

We hope that this made you think a little more about our environment and how we have been treating it. Thank you for your help,

Dyer, Jai, Jasper and Jaxen



Before



After



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Term 1, Week 6

Prep B	Kobe For showing interest in your learning at home, working hard to improve your name and number writing. I'm so proud of you Kobe!
Grade 1 / 2 F	Baxter For your lovely creative writing in narratives and your experimentation with punctuation. Keep up the good work Baxter!
Grade 2 / 3 M	Zoe For showing care in the classroom by assisting her peers when they need help or something explained to them. You are a super star Zoe!
Grade 4 / 5M	Zavier C For persisting in Maths and independently completing double digit addition with renaming. Awesome work Zav!
Grade 5 / 6R	Jenna For showing excellent commitment to improving your learning. I am really impressed with your attitude to new tasks. Great work, Jenna!
Art Award	Ruby For her hard work and dedication to finishing a beautiful abstract colour wheel.
Italian Award	Lily For always making the effort to practice Italian greetings. Brava Lily!
STEM Award	Grayah For her wonderful ways to save water. Keep up the great work Grayah!
P.E. Award	Toby For his amazing leadership skills when supporting the Preps on Athletics Day. You were amazing Toby!
Principal's Award	Jackson D For being proactive and applying maximum effort in all learning areas.

Term 1, Week 7

Prep B	Beatrice For working hard on your learning at home and proudly showing and explaining what you have been doing to your classmates. I am so proud of you Beatrice!
Grade 1 / 2 F	Amelia D For her fantastic work in Maths to measure objects using informal measurement units. Great work Amelia!
Grade 2 / 3 M	Ava For her patience and persistence when learning about strategies to work out perimeter. Well done Ava!
Grade 4 / 5M	Hudson For seeking challenges in Maths and working towards your goals. Keep it up Hudson.
Grade 5 / 6R	Jewel For consistently producing poetic and thoughtful writing pieces. I love reading your work, Jewel!
Art Award	Ruby-Rae For being super focused and getting her art piece done in one session.
STEM Award	Gracie For her suggestions on how we can save water at school. Fantastic Gracie!
P.E. Award	Bella For her fantastic defending skills. It was super hard to get past you Bella! Keep up the amazing work!
Principal's Award	Blake For his positive attitude and perseverance during learning challenges.

LUNCH ORDERS

Below is a copy of the updated menu for Lethbridge General Store. *Please note that some of the items have had a price increase.*
Printed copies are available from the office.

00LETHBRIDGE GENERAL STORE

Phone: (03) 5281 7428

Lethbridge Primary School Lunch Order Menu – 2023

Hand your order into school or the shop ,along with payment ,by Thursdays morning approx. 11am to ensu
lunch order on Fridays. Any order cancellation must report at shop before 10am on Friday.

<u>SANDWICHES</u>	
Salad	\$4.50
Salad & Meat (Chicken, Ham)	\$5.00
<u>Cheese/Tomato</u>	\$4.00
Ham cheese tomato	\$4.50
Chicken cheese mayo	\$5.00
<u>HOT FOODS</u>	
Party pies/sausage roll	\$2.00
Chicken Nuggets	\$1.00
Plain pie	\$5.50
Sausage roll	\$4.50
Meat and Veggie Pastie	\$5.50
Hot Dog	\$4.00
Sauce Sachet	0.20c

<u>DRINKS</u>	
Pop Tops {Apple,Blackcurrant}	\$2.50
Big M 300ml {Strawb,choc}	\$3.50
Water Bottle 600ml	\$3.00
Big M 600ML {Choclote}	\$4.90
Lipton tea {peach,lemon}	\$4.50
<u>Sweets</u>	
Any Donuts {straw,choc,pineapple	\$4.00
Scroll {apple,coffee}	\$4.00
Slices {jelly,apple,lemon,vanilla	\$4.50
Yo Yo	\$3.50
Smarties Cookies	\$4.00
Muffins {Banana,blueberry,choc chip	\$4.50

MARCH 2023

COMMUNITYOSH NEWSLETTER LETHBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



It has been a very busy few weeks here at OSH with school back in full swing. We have explored the themes 'Superheroes' and 'Constuction' in the past two weeks, allowing the children to take interest in various topics while also extending on their own interests and learning.

We look forwards to seeing you all next week!



TO ENROL & BOOK, LOGIN OR CREATE YOUR ACCOUNT AT
WWW.COMMUNITYOSH.EDU.AU OR EMAIL ADMIN@COMMOSH.EDU.AU

SECONDARY SCHOOL EVENTS



ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE GEELONG

COLLEGE TOURS



AM Tours - 9.00am start:
Tuesday 14 March
Thursday 16 March
Tuesday 28 March
Friday 31 March
Monday 3 April
Thursday 27 April

PM Tours - 4.00pm start:
Tuesday 28 March
Monday 3 April

St Joseph's Geelong would like to invite you to join our College tours this semester!

We are proud to continue offering an innovative education, and we welcome all senior primary school boys and their families to come and visit us.

Year 7 applications for 2024 are now open.
Apply via the College website.

TOUR REGISTRATIONS ESSENTIAL
REGISTER VIA OUR WEBSITE

WWW.SJC.VIC.EDU.AU



2023 OPEN DAYS

**Wednesday 15, Friday 17
and Friday 24 March 2023**

Multiple Information and Tour Sessions

Bookings are essential and can be made online from Wednesday 1 February 2023
clonard.vic.edu.au

Tours can be scheduled outside of Open Days by contacting Clonard College on 5278 2155 and making a booking with the Registrar.



Clonard College is a Kilbare Education Ministries Catholic School in the Belgine Tradition





Bannockburn P-12 College would like to invite you to our

2024 Year 7 Information Evening

Wednesday, 29 March, 2023

College Tour: 5:15PM
Information Session: 6:15PM

Where: Bannockburn College,
139 Milton Street, Bannockburn, 3331

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COMMUNITY NOTICES



Thank you 

Hi there! My name is Tilly, and I am 8 years old. Recently, I was diagnosed with Neurofibromatosis 1 (NF1) and am currently having chemotherapy for a brain tumour on my optic nerve.

I love making my own earrings and have decided to sell them. My earrings are \$10 a pair, and I will donate \$2 from every pair sold to the Ronald McDonald House & the Children's Tumour Foundation.

Hopefully, one day soon, there will be a cure for NF.

Love TILLY PEARL xx



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FOOTBALL VICTORIA GEELONG CLUBS SEEKING PLAYERS FOR 2023!

PLEASE GET IN TOUCH IF YOU OR YOUR DAUGHTER OR SON
WANTS TO PLAY FOOTBALL (SOCCER) IN 2023

Football Victoria (FV) has run Football (Soccer) Programs at schools within the Geelong region during 2022. We want to connect those students who were interested in playing Football (Soccer) in 2023 to their local Clubs in the Geelong region.

If you are interested in hearing more about the Football opportunities offered by the local Clubs in the region for yourself, a friend or family member, please get in contact with Foddy from Football Victoria.

Foddy - Foddy.Kyprian@footballvictoria.com.au




EASTER EGG HUNT

SUNDAY 2ND APRIL | 10.30AM

Saint Ignatius College Geelong is 'eggsited' to launch our inaugural 'SICG Easter Egg Hunt'

2 separate sections
'the Little Tackers Section' 0-5 years,
and the 'General Hunt Area' 5 years +



All profits going towards student resources at the College



Tickets are available via the below link and the QR code www.trybooking.com/CGDWH

Thanks to the Parents and Friends Association for this 'eggsellent' new event.




ABILITY DISABILITY NETWORKS



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for the April school holidays

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