



NEWSLETTER TERM 4 WEEK 2

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PRINCIPAL UPDATE



Hello parents, carers and community!

Welcome back to Term 4! It is going to be a busy but amazing term. Lots of great things planned... Although, it always has a mixture of sadness and pride when planning to farewell our Grade 6 cohort as they move onto their new adventures. The details on Grade 6 Fun Day will be sent out soon. Graduation will be on the afternoon of December 5th, with more specific information to be communicated directly to families soon.

As we return to another term, I'd like to remind families that all students must have a navy blue, wide-brimmed school hat to play outside in Term 4 and Term 1. We take great pride in our uniform at Magpie PS. Our School Council review our uniform policy every three years and our uniform is compulsory. Please take the time to review our uniform on Page 3. Our school shorts and skorts are plain navy blue and are required to be at least mid-thigh length. Sports shorts and bike shorts are tighter and shorter than school shorts and are not school uniform. I thank you all for your assistance in ensuring your children are wearing the correct school uniform and are appropriately dressed for the weather. Our second hand uniform shop is also open on Tuesday afternoons. This relies on donations from the community, so if you do have any spare or old uniforms that are no longer being used, please send them to the office. We are particularly low on size 8, 10 and 12.

We are currently planning classes and staffing for 2024. We are keen to get this process finalised, so if you are aware of families wishing to join our community, or if you are planning a move, please let me know as soon as possible. Once the numbers, structures and staffing is finalised, I will announce the structures for 2024. At Magpie PS, we are committed to providing the best supports for our students, and we aim to keep our class sizes small where possible.

I know this is featured regularly, but upon the return to school this term, I have seen unsafe behaviours as students are leaving school. As adults we are responsible for ensuring our students have excellent role models for safety around cars and roads. Please ensure your child is not walking on the road, stops to check for traffic and only crosses the road at the crossing at the top gate. No students should be seen running between cars, walking down the side of the road, or crossing near the lower gates or from between parked cars. We value the safety of all of our community members. Please also remember to drive slowly - at a walking pace - when entering and leaving our school.

Have a lovely weekend and see you all next week.

MRS CARLY MIDDLETON

KEY DATES

October 16th

Gr 5/6 Solar Squad Incursion

October 20th

Gr 2/3 and 3/4 Our Flags Incursion

October 27th

World Teacher's Day

October 31st

Halloween Dress Up

November 2nd

Prep transition morning

November 6th

Curriculum Day

November 7th

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

November 10th

Remembrance Day Assembly

November 24th

Prep transition morning

November 27th

Swimming Week

RESPECTFUL

RESPONSIBLE

EMPATHETIC

SCHOOL CALENDAR

TERM 4

| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|----|---|--|--|---|----------------------------------|
| 1 | 2 OCT STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL | 3 OCT SAKG Garden Day | 4 OCT Lunch Order | 5 OCT | 6 OCT Assembly History Box |
| 2 | 9 OCT | 10 OCT SAKG Cooking 5/6 | 11 OCT Lunch Order Teeth on Wheels | 12 OCT Prep 2024 Transition Morning | 13 OCT Newsletter |
| 3 | 16 OCT 5/6 Incursion | 17 OCT SAKG Cooking 3/4 | 18 OCT Lunch Order | 19 OCT | 20 OCT Assembly |
| 4 | 23 OCT | 24 OCT | 25 OCT Lunch Order | 26 OCT School Council | 27 OCT Newsletter |
| 5 | 30 OCT | 31 OCT SAKG Cooking P/1 Halloween Dress Up | 1 NOV Lunch Order | 2 NOV Prep 2024 Transition Morning | 3 NOV Assembly |
| 6 | 6 NOV CURRICULUM DAY | 7 NOV MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY | 8 NOV Lunch Order | 9 NOV | 10 NOV Newsletter |
| 7 | 13 NOV | 14 NOV SAKG Cooking 2/3 | 15 NOV Lunch Order | 16 NOV | 17 NOV |
| 8 | 20 NOV | 21 NOV SAKG Cooking 1/2 | 22 NOV Lunch Order | 23 NOV Prep 2024 Transition Morning School Council | 24 NOV Newsletter |
| 9 | 27 NOV Swimming Week | 28 NOV | 29 NOV Lunch Order | 30 NOV | 1 DEC Assembly |
| 10 | 4 DEC Swimming Week | 5 DEC Grade 6 Graduation | 6 DEC | 7 DEC | 8 DEC Newsletter |
| 11 | 11 DEC Christmas Melodies excursion | 12 DEC Statewide Transition Day | 13 DEC End of Year Movie | 14 DEC | 15 DEC Final Assembly |
| 12 | 18 DEC | 19 DEC | 20 DEC Last day, 1:30 dismissal | | |

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Magpie Primary School takes great pride in our school uniform. It is important to ensure your child has the correct uniform items for school.

The supplier for our school uniform is Beleza, and you can find them in Doveton Street or online www.beleza.com.au

As we enter the warmer weather, we are aware of our Sunsmart Policy. **All students are required to wear hats when outside at play during Term 4.** If students do not have their hats at play, they will need to stay under covered areas. Please also note that bike shorts are not appropriate shorts for uniform, but can be worn under dresses. School uniform can be expensive, so it is extremely important that all uniform items are clearly named so we can return lost items to the owner quickly.



Student outer wear:

- Polar fleece jacket with logo
- Polar fleece vest with logo
- Soft shell jacket with logo



Student shirt/dress:

- Navy/teal t-shirt with logo
- Girls summer dress
- Girls winter tunic



Student bottoms:

- Plain navy pants/shorts/skirt
(at least mid thigh length)



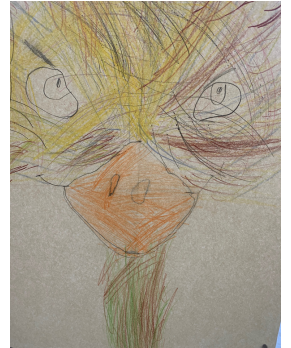
Student footwear:

- Plain black shoes with a flat sole
- Plain black runners
- Navy tights under dress/skirt
- White, grey, black or navy socks

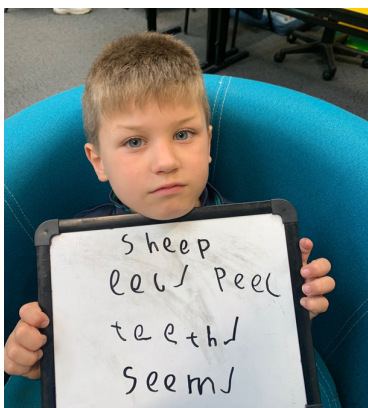
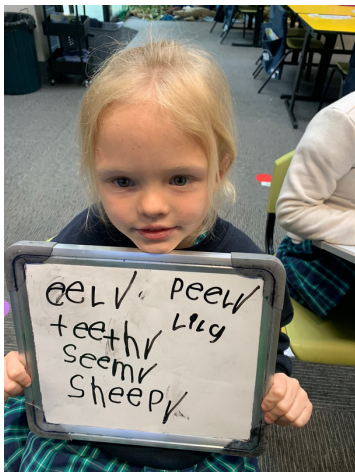


(students may wear sports shoes on the days they have PE)

PREP/ONE



The Prep/Ones have had an exciting start to the term. On Friday, we had a visit from History Box and the students learnt all about life in the 1800s. This week we created a habitat in our classroom for our Koala friend Tippy and all his animal friends. We loved learning about mapping and location through our habitat. The students even had a visit from a real baby kangaroo. Lily was so proud to bring her pet, Skip to meet the class.



ONE/TWO

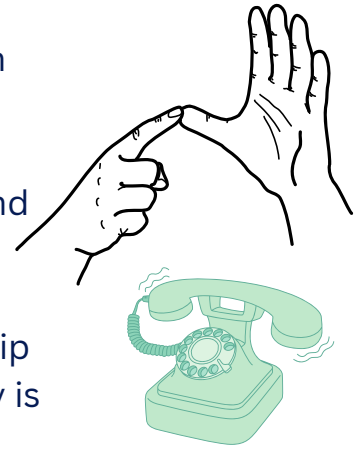


This past fortnight we have really enjoyed having Mrs M back in the classroom.

We have been continuing to work on our handwriting, UFLI, story writing and vocabulary.

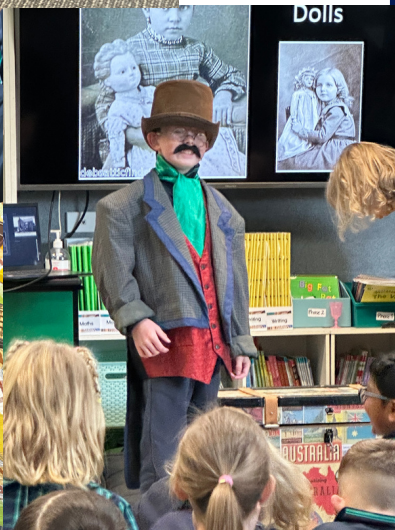
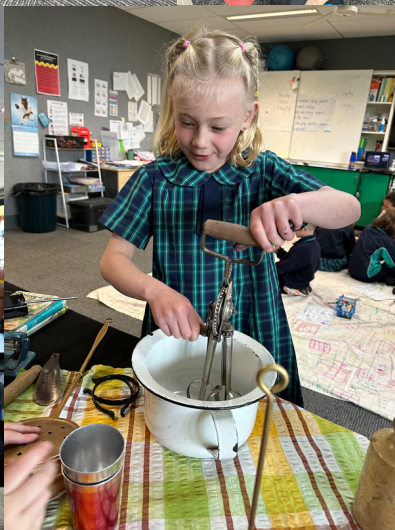
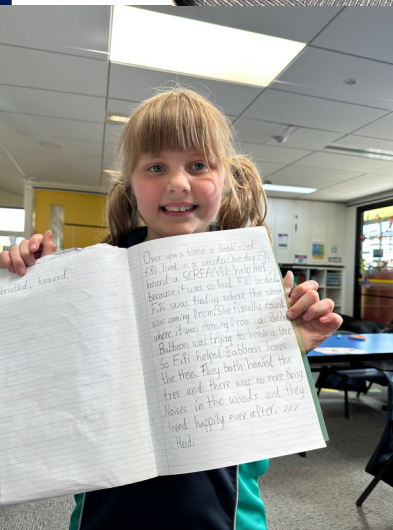
In maths we have been working on arrays, counting patterns and shape.

This term we have started to learn Auslan. We are very excited to learn new signs and implement them in the classroom.



Last Friday we had a visit from History Box, they came in and showed and taught us things about the past.

On Thursday we were very lucky to have a very special visitor named Skip come into the classroom to visit. Skip is a joey that lost his mum that Lily is helping look after!



TWO/THREE

This term we have jumped straight into our history learning, reading Greek Myths, and participating in the History Box program where the Grade 2 students learned about the difference between then and now, and the Grade 3 students learned stories from the First Fleet.

The students have started planning their money/shop project, and more information will be sent about this on Monday. We are spending time outside each week in our bush area, working on team-building, gross motor and problem-solving skills. Today the students found some ochre, crushed it between two rocks and made a paste with water. We then used the ochre to paint on a rock, and we even practised some of our spelling words from today! Thank you to the families who have ensure students are well-prepared with gumboots.



THREE/FOUR



Welcome back 3/4! What an amazing start to Term 4, the sun is shining, hay fever is at its peak and of course it is jam packed with exciting excursions! In the last fortnight we have been learning fractions and focussing on how to add them on a number-line as well as adding and subtracting fractions. Last Friday students were lucky to have Barry from History Box. He taught students all about the first fleet, through videos, games, activities, and dress ups.



FIVE/SIX



TERM 4

Term Four in the senior room becomes very busy, very quickly!!

Soon we will begin writing Autobiographies - this will be like building a scrapbook of photos and memories for your children. Students may ask if you have a photo from them as a baby, as a toddler and from kinder that they could use for these memory books.

If you can take a photo of each of the 3 photos and then please email them into emily.ellis@education.vic.gov.au this will get us ahead of the task!

HISTORY BOX

Last Friday we had the History Box incursion. Barry taught us some interesting things about the First Fleet: who the people were, how the convicts became convicts and what happened to them after the boat trip, if they made it! We dressed up, mixed spices and engraved coins for our families.



FIVE/SIX



STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM



BUDDIES: TREES WITH LEAVES

On Wednesday afternoon we spent some time with our buddies. Our preps were learning all about the 'ee' sound, so we helped them to find some leaves and then we made some trees together. We hope to see the preps more often this term!



BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to our wonderful students who have celebrated or are about to celebrate their birthdays this month!

A graphic with the words "Happy Birthday!" in large, colorful, 3D-style letters. The letters are in various colors including yellow, blue, green, orange, and pink. The background is dark blue with small, colorful confetti dots scattered around.

OCTOBER

17 – JAEGER

20 – ALARIC

26 – EVELYN





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coming in Term 4!

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Christmas
presents!



Details on how to order will be sent out in Term 4.

Bush Playgroup
@ Magpie PS

Taking expressions
of interest!



[REGISTER INTEREST HERE!](#)



Day 1 - Lets Get Messy: Our first day of the Holiday program was loads of fun, with the children getting their hands dirty with loads of messy activities. The Children participated In Splat painting, Bubble wrap Stomp painting, making soap foam and crafting their own kinetic sand!

Day 2 - Carnival Day: Today was our first Incursion Day of the Holidays, the children each got their own Carnival kit to set up and use, this Included a circus ball, a DIY hula hoop, a circus mask, and a mini carnival tent. The children also created the own rainbow ring toss, a Knock em down game and we made our own healthy snow cones!

Day 3 - Mini Inventors: Today the children got to put their thinking caps on, creating their own box vehicles or animals, competing in building the strongest and biggest bridge, designed their own protective gear for an egg drop challenge and created hand puppets!

Day 4 - Fitness for fun: This was our Excursion Day, we rallied all the kids up and headed to Extreme bounce, the children had loads of fun and jumped their little hearts out. When we returned, we competed in some fitness games, Tug of War, and Fitness connect 4 and Tic Tac Toe!

Day 5- Indoor Glamping: Today we set up camp Inside our Osh Service with a Gazebo and camp chairs. We cooked up some healthy smores, created our very own take home rock tic tac toe, competed in some relay races and made our own Dream Catches!

Day 6- Jurassic Garden: Today we went back In time to meet the dinosaurs, the children played some T-Rex Tag, Created some Dinosaur stomp Painting, made some Fizzy Dinosaur Eggs and created their own Salt Dough dinosaur Fossils!

Day 7- Pirates of the OSH: Today we became a pirate of many trades, we played Captains Orders, created some Pirate Cartography, Participated In a Pirate Boat challenge and built our own Clay Tressure Chests!

Day 8- Zombie Party: Today we got a little spooky, we played a game of Zombie Tag, created our own Zombie Slime, built our own Plants vs Zombies Catapults, and cooked up Zombie Muffins!

Day 9 - Culture and Countries: Today was our final day of our Term 3 Holiday Program, and another Incursion Day. The children got their own activity pack, this Included their own Lantern to design and special hardening clay to design their own dragons. Throughout the Day we also played a game of Tippity Cricket, made our own Koi Fish, and cooked up some Vegetable Spring Rolls!

To enrol go to oshclub.com.au or for more Information phone 0486013816.

Week 1

Mon 18 - Let's Get Messy

Tues 19 - Carnival Day (Incursion)

Wed 20 - Mini Inventors

Thu- 21 Fitness for Fun (Extreme Bounce Excursion)

Fri 22- Indoor Glamping

Week 2

Mon- Jurassic Garden

Tue - Pirates of the OSH

Wed - Zombie Party

Thu - Cultures and Countries (Incursion)

Fri - Public Holiday

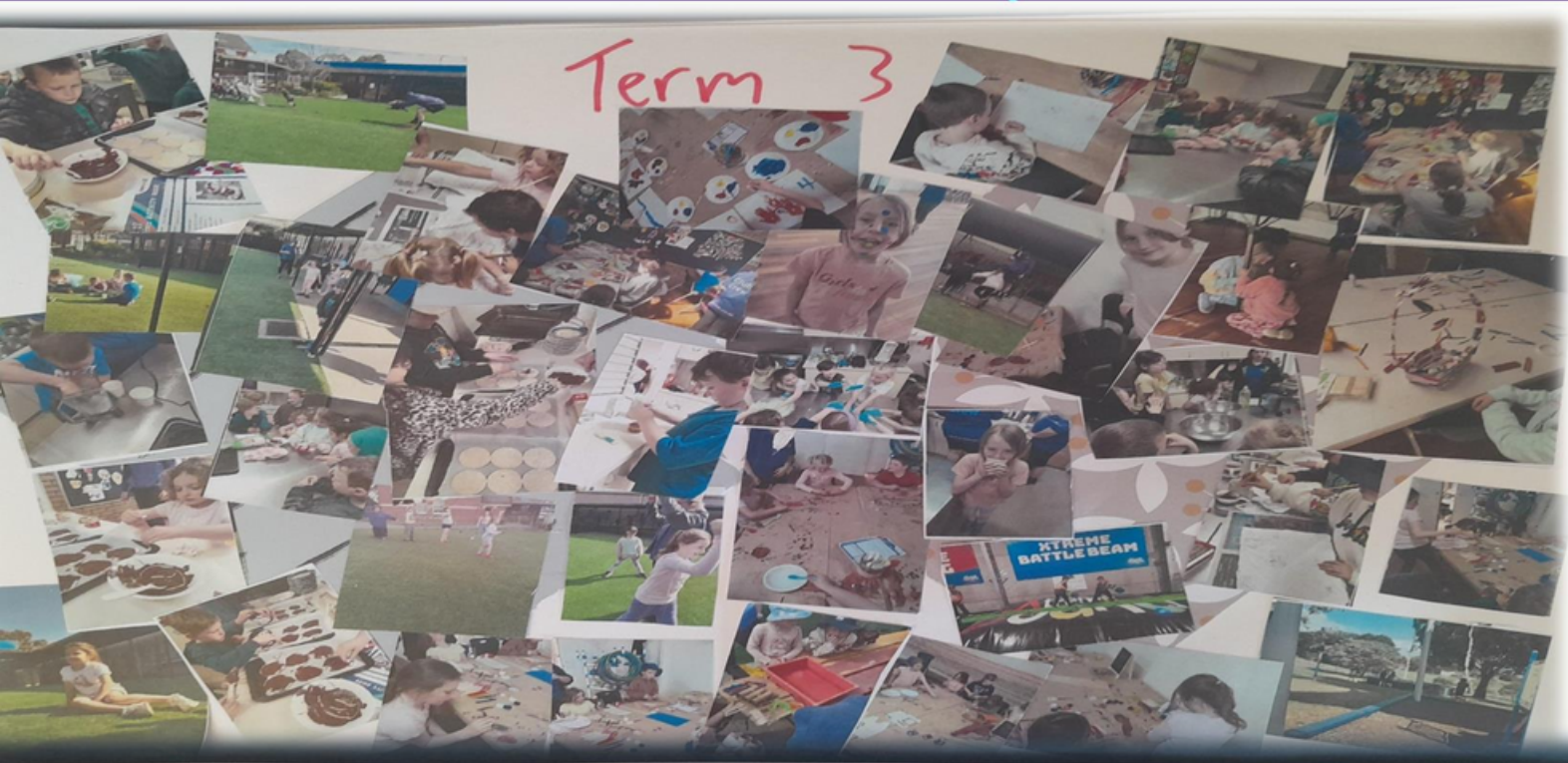


Magpie

Newsletter

October 2023

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What's been happening...

This Term has started in full swing, Jam packing each session with a cooking experience and an activity chosen by the children in our daily children's meeting. During these first two weeks of Term 4 have done various painting activities, made glitter slime, made our own board games, designed and prepared Halloween decorations, created a Giant marble run, and started preparing for our own OSH comedy show.

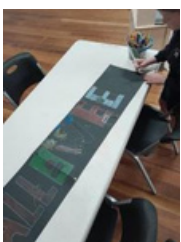
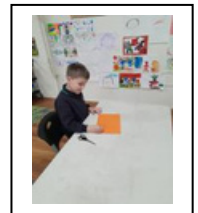
In the kitchen this fortnight our little chefs have cooked up some delicious dishes. We've cooked up Banana Pancakes, Muffins, Pizza Scrolls, Sushi Bowls, Smoothie Bowls, Pizza, Cookie Monster Ice Cream, Milkshakes, No bake Fruit Tart, Biscuits and more. The Childrens cooking skills have Improved through the terms at OSH.

When the weather has been good, we have tried to get outside when we can for the warmth of the sun with some outdoor ball games and our super sports activities. As It Is getting hotter, we now require all children to have hats packed in their bags for when we go outside at OSH Club.

The Term 4 Clubs have now been selected and are set to commence at the start of week 4. Specific dates are yet to be selected, if your child has strong Interest In either of our upcoming clubs. Please get in contact with us, and we will try our best to align these clubs on appropriate days If possible.

We hope everyone has had an amazing start to Term 4, and we are excited for the rest of the year to come!

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Coming Up

Tue
31st

OSH CLUB Halloween Party

Mon
23rd

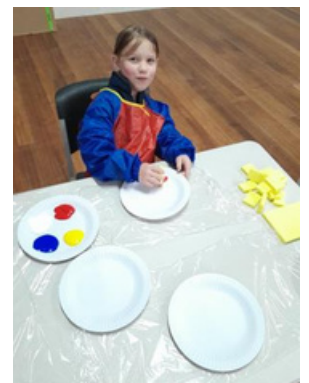
Term 4 Clubs Commence

Club News

Term 4 Clubs

Around The world
&
Bake Club

Specific Days TBD
Commencing week 4



Run FOR A CAUSE

19 NOV 2023

JOIN US SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER
ON A BRAND NEW COURSE TO
RAISE FUNDS FOR THE
BALLARAT CHRISTMAS APPEAL

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The Ballarat Foundation is pleased to bring Run for a Cause to a new, exciting location for 2023. This year, our Event Village will be based in Lucas Town Centre, with our courses utilising the beautiful streets and paths of Lucas as well as giving participants the opportunity to run down the centre of Sturt Street and through the Arch!

Join your school Team when you sign up for the 12km, 6km event, or as part of the Y Kids' Dash.



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A ThinkUKnow online safety presentation will take place on

DATE: Thursday 26 October 6pm

LOCATION Ballarat Library at
Town Hall

: Ph: 5338 6850

CONTACT session will cover:

- What young people SEE, SAY and DO online
 - The challenges they may face
 - How to report and get help if things go wrong
- Please note this session is not appropriate for children

**Bookings
Required:**



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Introductory basketball development program

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Introductory basketball development program

All Abilities Hoops (5 - 18 years old)

Introductory basketball development program

Next Level (10 - 12 years old)

Learn new concepts and build on skills

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Basketball Ballarat Term 4 Community Programs

Basketball Ballarat provide children with a fun and safe basketball experience that will serve as an introduction to a lifetime involvement in the game. A wide variety of introduction to basketball programs are ran by Basketball Ballarat, allowing children to start learning basketball as young as 2 years old.

Basketball Ballarat's introduction to basketball programs:

- Aussie Hoops – perfect for children aged 4 – 7 years
- Rookie Hoops – perfect for children aged 8 – 11 years
- All Abilities Rookie Hoops – perfect for children aged 5 – 18 years whom are living with a disability
- Mini Miners – perfect for kindergarten aged children, 2 – 4 years
- Next Level – suited for domestic players 2011-2013 born

Registrations are now open for all community hoops programs, with the programs starting the week beginning October 9th.

For more information and to register: [Community – Ballarat Basketball](#)

For further details please contact Zack Cummins via email
programs@ballaratbasketball.com
or call reception on (03) 5338 1220