



# NEWSLETTER TERM 4 WEEK 8

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## PRINCIPAL UPDATE

Hello parents, carers and community!



We have had some more very exciting weeks here at Magpie. It has been getting very busy in the classrooms, finishing off lots of learning, completing assessments to share where students have reached this year, and I am already seeing the beginnings of the Christmas decorations in rooms!

We have now met all of our new Prep students for 2024, and they are all lovely children who have already shown that they are ready for school next year. We will be welcoming 11 new Preps and 6 other new students across other year levels. Please extend a warm welcome to our new families!

Next week sees the beginning of our intensive 2 week swimming program at Federation Uni. I am so pleased that every student is participating in this program. Water safety is such an important aspect for our students and we look forward to seeing their skills grow over the new couple of weeks. It is a great time over this weekend to dig out the bathers, towels and a bag to put it all in. Please encourage all students to do their own check each morning to ensure they have all the required items (including underwear!) for swimming. Lunch orders will still continue throughout swimming, they will just arrive a little earlier so that our senior students can eat before they leave, and the junior students will receive them at lunch time when they return.

Last night, School Council met for the last time this year. I would like to acknowledge the efforts and achievements of the School Council over the last two years and thank them all for their time dedicated to giving our students the best we can. Outgoing members this year include Ms. Hannah and Jemimah Kendrick - Thank you both for your work on School Council.

With three (and a bit) weeks to go, we have now shared the information for our Festive Friday celebration afternoon. We hope you can bring along the family and join us all in celebrating another wonderful year. Details are near the end of the newsletter if you missed it on Compass!

Have a lovely weekend and see you all next week.

**MRS CARLY MIDDLETON**

## KEY DATES

### November 27th

Swimming Week 1 of 2

### December 4th

Swimming Week 2 of 2

### December 5th

Grade 6 Graduation afternoon

### December 11th

Whole School Art Centre Excursion

### December 12th

State-wide Transition Day

### December 13th

Movie Excursion

### December 14th

Festive Friday Celebration - Family picnic lunch, afternoon celebration / carols and final assembly

### December 20th

End of Year - Students finish at 1:30pm

**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 Lunch Order	7 DEC	8 DEC Newsletter
11	11 DEC Christmas Melodies excursion	12 DEC Statewide Transition Day	13 DEC End of Year Movie Lunch Order	14 DEC Grade 6 Fun Day	15 DEC Final Assembly
12	18 DEC 4-6 Bike Ride	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](http://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:

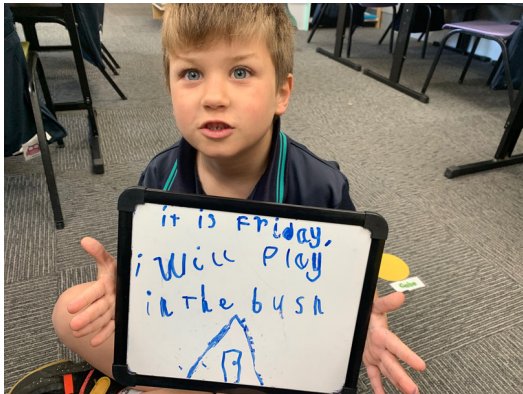
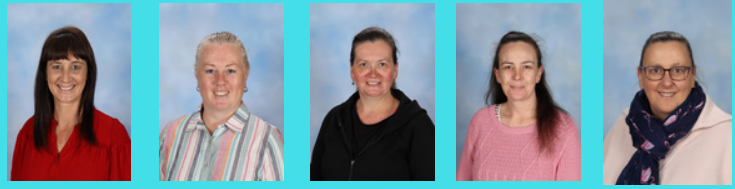
- Plain black shoes with a flat sole
- Plain black runners
- Navy tights under dress/skirt
- White, grey, black or navy socks



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



# PREP/ONE

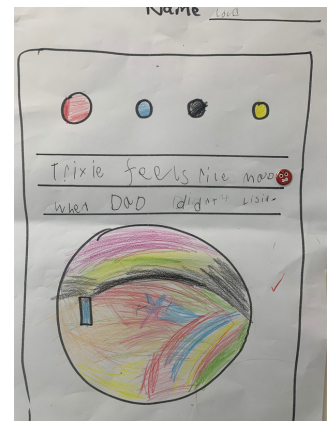
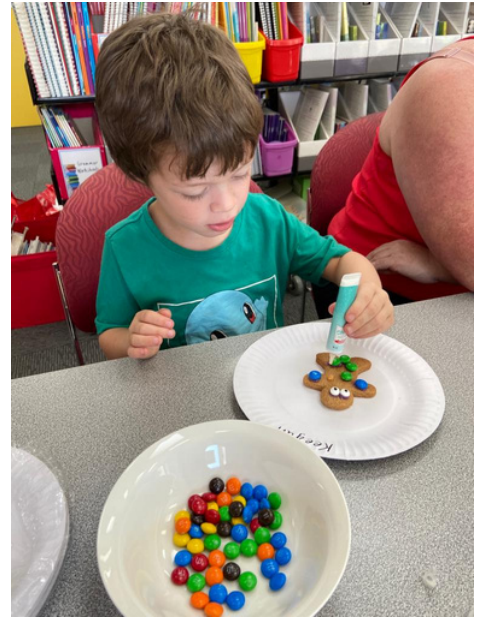


What a busy couple of weeks in the Prep/One Room! We have been focusing on assessment in Numeracy and Literacy and all the students have shown fantastic growth this year. In Numeracy we have also been working on recalling the time, day and month. December will be a busy month and we have spoken about some important dates. In Literacy we have been reading a book called Knuffle Bunny and we have enjoyed writing about the characters in the book. We were very excited to welcome our new 2023 Preps on Thursday. They had a great time making gingerbread men and exploring the prep room.





# PREP/ONE





# TWO/THREE

This week we had our Kitchen Garden day. The students prepared an entree of cauliflower fritters and yogurt sauce, a main of lamb koftas and pasta salad, and a dessert of banana bread muffins with caramel sauce and berry salad.

I liked Kitchen Garden because I got to mix the lamb kofta and rice. It is fun to make. There was also banana bread muffins with caramel sauce and berry salad.

Drew

Something I liked about Kitchen Garden was cooking the banana muffins and trying the food.

Tyler

Something I liked about Kitchen Garden was trying the new foods because if you try new things you can like other things too.

Mackenzie



I enjoyed Kitchen Garden because I like making it and eating it. It was so fun and my favourite bit was the dessert and it was called banana bread muffin with berries.

Archer

I like to make fried rice and make chicken. I just cut it and ate it.

Keith

Something I liked about Kitchen Garden is making the lamb koftas.

Amelia

Something I liked in Kitchen Garden was making crispy chicken because I like cooking and I got to cook!

Axel

Something I enjoyed about Kitchen Garden was having the dinner party because it is fun to set up and I love how everyone is willing to try everything.

Natalie

The thing I enjoyed about Kitchen Garden was trying the food. My favourite was the banana bread muffins.

Alaric

I liked Kitchen Garden because I got to make pasta salad. I cut onions and juiced lemons. I got to plant giant sun flowers. Our class had groups for Kitchen Garden.

Mark

# TWO/THREE

Something I enjoyed about Kitchen Garden was the banana bread muffins because they were so yum and fun to make.

Peyton



In Kitchen Garden I really liked the pasta salad because it was really yummy.

Mia



Kitchen Garden was fun because I like making the cauliflower fritters, and the food was delicious.

Logan



Something I enjoyed about Kitchen Garden is making the berry salad because it was just me and Toby, and we got to eat them!

Izaiah



The things I enjoyed about Kitchen Garden:

- The dessert
- Grating cauliflower
- Trying the food and sitting with my friends

Deecan

Something I enjoyed about Kitchen Garden was the banana bread muffin and I loved it. I helped make the berry salad and I loved the lamb koftas.

Neviah

My favourite part of Kitchen Garden is eating all the berries. They are really yummy. I liked setting up the table for everyone.

Toby

Grade 2/3 are currently taking donations for a reverse advent calendar that will be donated to the organisation Djirra. The students spent some time thinking about what they would like to donate, and why.

Something I would like to donate to the reverse advent calendar is a packet of croissants. They are very special to me because I love France and because my family has Christmas breakfast, not lunch or dinner.

Natalie

Something I would like to donate for the reverse advent calendar is little lollies so people can enjoy their Christmas.

Amelia

I would like to donate Tim Tams for the reverse advent calendar because I always get Tim Tams for Christmas.

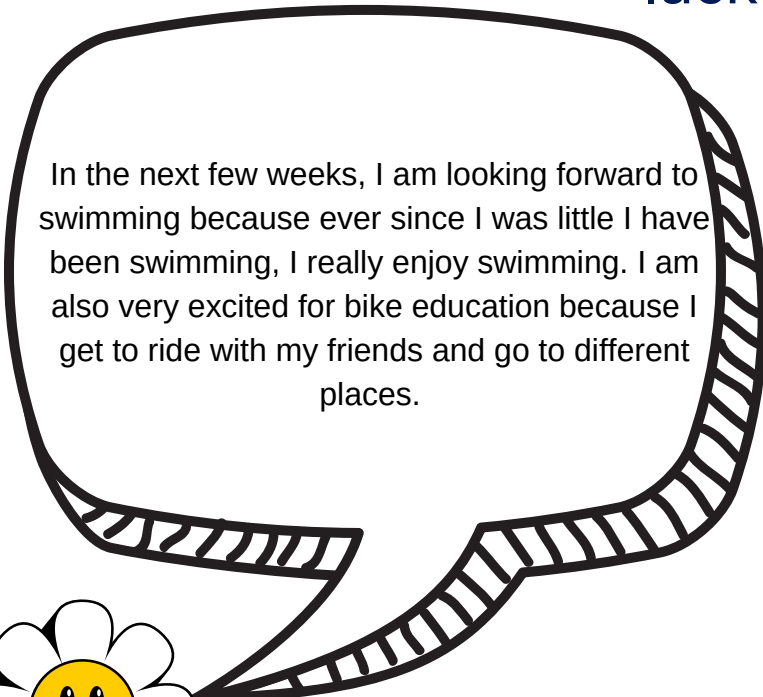
Logan



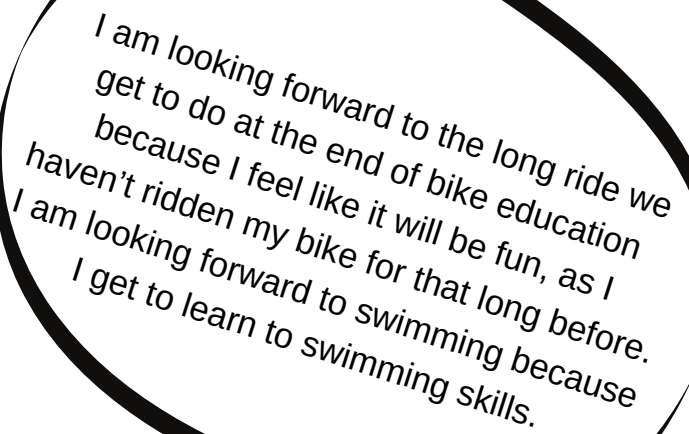
# THREE/FOUR



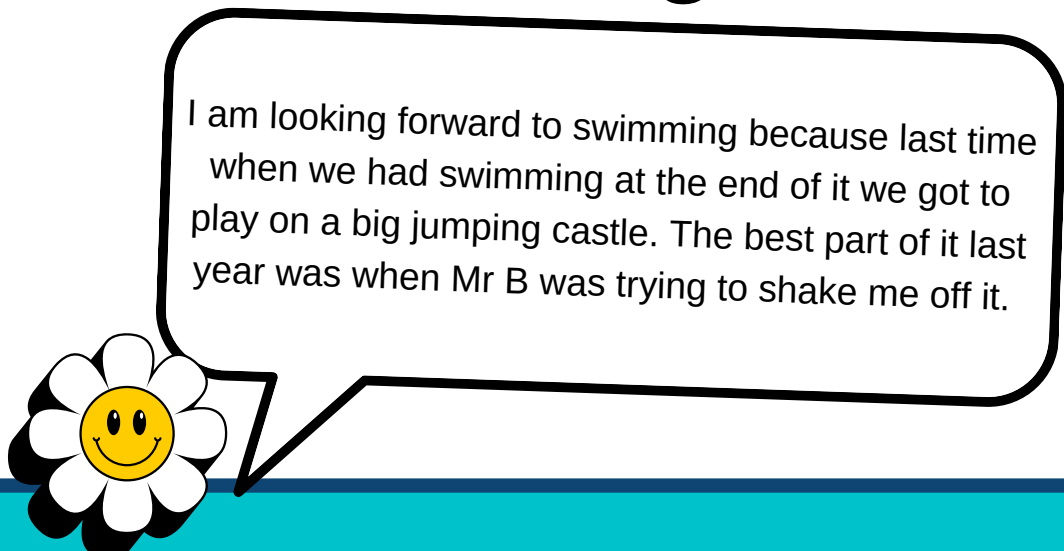
Can you believe that we are heading into week 9? Where on earth has this term gone, I honestly feel as though it is only week 3. The students are so excited for swimming next week and our 4-6's start bike ed! I will be making an appearance on a bike, so wish me luck...!



In the next few weeks, I am looking forward to swimming because ever since I was little I have been swimming, I really enjoy swimming. I am also very excited for bike education because I get to ride with my friends and go to different places.



I am looking forward to the long ride we get to do at the end of bike education because I feel like it will be fun, as I haven't ridden my bike for that long before. I am looking forward to swimming because I get to learn to swimming skills.



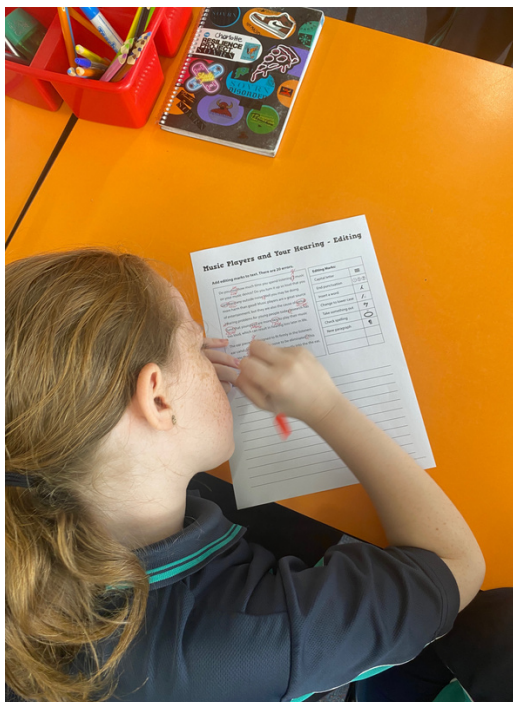
I am looking forward to swimming because last time when we had swimming at the end of it we got to play on a big jumping castle. The best part of it last year was when Mr B was trying to shake me off it.

# FIVE/SIX



Thanks Ms Bella!

This week we had a little celebration for Ms Bella who has been in our classroom refining her teaching skills with our lovely class for 5 weeks. We were able to start and finish writing our autobiographies with Ms Bella and wrapped it up with presentations on Wednesday. Students presented and gave feedback to each other very respectfully and Bella, Ms Rach and I were very proud of every student's effort!





# FIVE/SIX

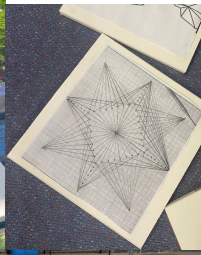
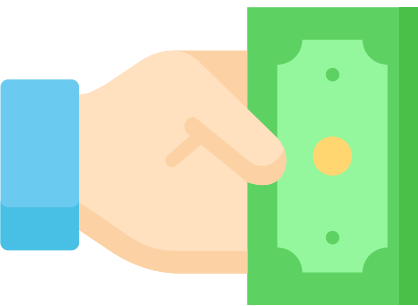


## 💰 Bizarre Bazaar 💰

On Friday 8th of December during our school picnic we will have a market stall with products that students have made in our inquiry unit this term.

We have looked at markets in Istanbul, Turkey and have analysed the way things are consumed, produced and marketed. We have then used our creative thinking to come up with products we hope to sell to you all at our end of year celebration day.

**SPECIAL OFFER**



**SUPER SALE**



# SAKG

## LAMB KOFTA

### INGREDIENTS

- 2 TEASPOONS CUMIN SEEDS
- 2 TEASPOONS CORIANDER SEEDS
- 1/2 ONION
- 1 LEMON – ZEST AND JUICE
- 1/2 BUNCH PARSLEY
- 1/2 TEASPOON DRIED THYME
- 500G LAMB MINCE
- 2 TEASPOONS SALT

### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1.PREHEAT OVEN TO 180C. SOAK SKEWERS.
- 2.HEAT A FRYING PAN OVER MEDIUM HEAT. TOAST CUMIN AND CORIANDER SEEDS IN THE PAN, STIRRING WITH A WOODEN SPOON UNTIL THEY ARE FRAGRANT. TIP SEEDS INTO THE JAR OF THE NUTRI BULLET.
- 3.BLITZ THE SPICES UNTIL THEY BECOME A COARSE POWDER.
- 4.TIP THE SPICE POWDER INTO A LARGE BOWL. PLACE THE ONION INTO THE BULLET JAR AND BLITZ UNTIL FINELY CHOPPED. PLACE INTO BOWL WITH SPICES.
- 5.ADD LEMON JUICE AND ZEST.
- 6.CHOP PARSLEY AND ADD TO BOWL. ADD THYME, LAMB AND SALT.
- 7.MIX TOGETHER WELL.
- 8.DIVIDE MIXTURE INTO 10. USE HANDS TO SHAPE ONTO THE SKEWER IN SAUSAGE LIKE SHAPES.
- 9.PLACE ON LINED TRAY IN OVEN. BAKE FOR 20 MINUTES, CHECK. COOK LONGER IF REQUIRED. ALTERNATIVELY COOK KOFTAS ON THE BBQ.

# SAKG

## PASTA SALAD

### INGREDIENTS

500GG PASTA (SPIRALS)

1 CUP FROZEN PEAS

300G TINS CORN KERNELS

100G SHAVED HAM, ROUGHLY DICED

1/2 CUP MAYONNAISE

2 TABLESPOONS OLIVE OIL

1 TEASPOON HONEY(SLIGHTLY HEATED TO MAKE IT RUNNY)

1 TEASPOON WHOLEGRAIN MUSTARD

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. BRING A LARGE POT OF SALTED WATER TO THE BOIL. COOK PASTA ACCORDING TO PACKET INSTRUCTIONS. STRAIN THE PASTA AND SET ASIDE TO COOL UNTIL NEEDED.
2. PLACE PEAS IN A HEATPROOF JUG WITH WATER. MICROWAVE ON HIGH FOR 3 MINUTES OR UNTIL JUST COOKED. DRAIN AND COOL.
3. DRAIN CORN. ADD TO COOLED PASTA. ADD COOLED PEAS AND HAM.
4. TO MAKE DRESSING: PLACE MAYONNAISE IN JUG, ADD OLIVE OIL, HONEY AND WHOLEGRAIN MUSTARD. WHISK UNTIL COMBINED.
5. ADD DRESSING TO PASTA MIXTURE. MIX CAREFULLY UNTIL PASTA IS COATED.
6. REFRIGERATE UNTIL READY TO SERVE.

# BIRTHDAYS

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

Happy  
Birthday!

**DECEMBER**

**4TH BENTLEY**

**8TH ADDISON**







# MAGPIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR OUR

*Festive Friday*

*Family Picnic & Christmas*

*Carols afternoon*



**FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER, 2023**

**FAMILY PICNIC AND GAMES - 1:15PM**

**CAROLS AND FINAL ASSEMBLY - 2:15PM**

**Sausage sizzle and drinks available - \$2 each**  
**Can be purchased on QKR prior or at the event**  
**(please bring small change!)**



MAGPIE PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

# GRADUATION AFTERNOON TEA



**CLASS OF 2023**

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 5TH**

DATE: Tuesday December 5th

TIME: 4:00pm - 5:30pm

Afternoon Tea and Presentations

Cost: \$5.00 per person (Gr 6 Student Free)

**RSVP THURSDAY NOVEMBER 30**

MAGPIE PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

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Afternoon Tea and Presentations in the Multi

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## RSVP

My child \_\_\_\_\_

will be bringing \_\_\_\_\_ guests to Graduation

Dietary Requirements? \_\_\_\_\_

Payment of \$5 per person to be made on the Qkr App  
or see Kerrie in the office.





# ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

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to meet  
you!**



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we have a brand new  
Buddy Bench in the  
courtyard! Doesn't it  
look great?!**



# KIDS

# GO FREE

## at Mars Stadium, Ballarat

As a **BONUS** for kids who have a Liberty Pass for the A-League Women season, get **FREE ENTRY** to the first **THREE** A-League Men home games in Ballarat.

That's entry for kids 16 and under to any A-League Women match in the season **PLUS** entry to the first three big A-League Men games in Ballarat.

### COME AND BE PART OF THE WUFC FAMILY FUN!



SATURDAY 11 NOV  
3:30PM K/O



SUNDAY 26 NOV  
5:00PM K/O



SATURDAY 2 DEC  
3:30PM K/O

## GET YOUR KIDS THEIR 2023/24 LIBERTY PASS TODAY

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**Everyone welcome- kids 4-10yo**



**Over in a flash** – 60-90 minutes of fun each session in a safe and inclusive environment - Make pals, catch skills, throw like a boss, and teamwork like a pro! Kids will be able to rock the colours of their favourite Big Bash heroes with their own Cricket Blast pack.

Commences Thursday 23 Nov for 4 weeks (and 4 weeks from early Feb) at Buninyong Recreation Reserve (cnr Forest and Cornish streets)

**Register and join in at any time at: [bit.ly/BCCblast](http://bit.ly/BCCblast)**

**For more info - contact David:**

tel. 0407 886 695 or email: [buninyongcc.president@gmail.com](mailto:buninyongcc.president@gmail.com)

**We're a proud local club welcoming players (and their families) of all abilities and ages to join our club**