

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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We respectfully acknowledge the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation, who are the Traditional Owners of the land on which Cana School stands in the suburb of Hillside.

We pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.



TERM 1 ISSUE 7 Friday 15th March, 2024

This week was our first week of NAPLAN for our grade 3 and 5 students. I am very proud of each and everyone of our students for working through each task. Today we celebrated St Patrick's Day, it was lovely to see all the children wear a splash of green around the school and participate in the fun activities their teachers had planned for them.

Prayer of St. Patrick

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me. Christ beneath me. Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left,

Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down.
Christ when I arise,

Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in very eye that sees me,

Christ in every ear that hears me.



	Dates for your Calendar	
	Term 1 , 2024	
Wednesday 13th to Monday 25th March	NAPLAN Grade 3 and 5	
Friday 15th March	Saint Patrick's Day - Come to school wearing GREEN	
Friday 22nd March	National Ride2School Day	
Thursday 28th March	Easter Themed Casual Clothes Day - Flyer Below End of Term 1 - 1pm Finish	
	Term 2, 2024	
Monday 15th April	Start of Term 2 - 8:45am start	
	2024 Sacrament Dates	
Grade 3 - First Reconciliation	Family Evening Cana School Hall - Tuesday 28th May 5pm & 6pm session Sacrament Evenings - Tuesday 4th June 5pm (3K) & 6:30pm (3B) session Thursday 6th June - 5pm (3M) session	Reconciliation
Grade 4 - Holy Communion	Family Evening - Tuesday 16th July 5pm & 6pm session Sacrament Day - Saturday 27th July 11:30am (4S) & 1:00pm (4C) session	Tyri Communion
Grade 6 - Confirmation	Family Evening - Tuesday 16th April 5pm & 6pm Session Sacrament Day - Sunday 28th April 1:30pm (6G) & 3:30pm (6S) session	

Child Safety Policy - No sharing of Food

Dear Parents,

This is a reminder to all families that we do not allow food from home to be distributed and shared with other students. Currently children are seeing Easter Eggs in shops and also being brought to school for our Easter Raffle.

We understand giving easter egg gifts is a gesture of friendship between children however, there are children with severe food allergies known to the teacher who would endure serious health repercussions if eaten.

Therefore, please *DO NOT* send easter eggs for your child/ren to give to classmates or other friends at school.

If needed, have a discussion with your child/ren and perhaps suggest they make a personal Easter card for their friends instead.

We ask each family to support this Child Safe Policy with understanding. *Every child's Health and Safety is our shared responsibility.*

Sincerely

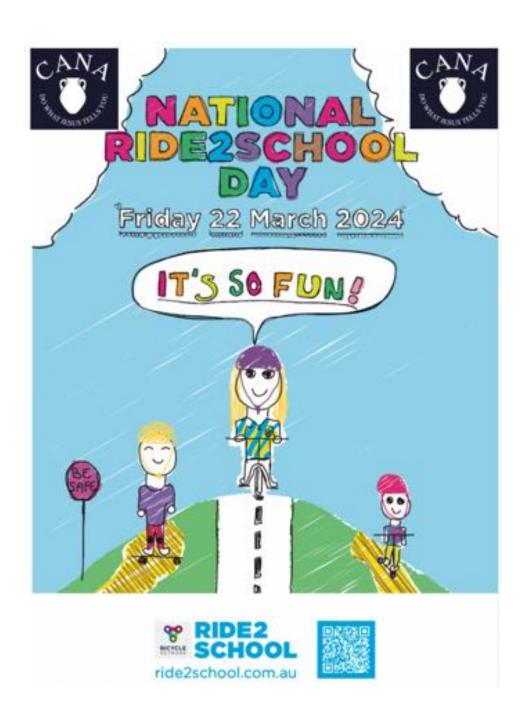
Carmen Blatti on behalf of the Cana school staff.

National Ride2School DAY

Dear Cana families,

On Friday 22nd March, Cana registered as a school supporting 'National Ride2School Day'. National Ride2School Day is the perfect opportunity to kick-start new healthy habits and promote the many benefits of active travel. We encourage all students and their families to leave the car at home and give riding, walking or scooting to school a go. Please ensure you are wearing a helmet and obey road rules when doing so. Many families aren't aware that at Cana we have 2 bike racks for storing students' bikes. On the Friday morning, staff at the back gate and front gate will direct students to where they can park their bikes for the day (area near front office). Students partaking in the morning will receive a Ride2schoolday sticker.

Regards, Mr. Cassar



Whole School Mass

On Tuesday 26th March at 2pm, Grade 3M will be hosting Mass for our community. This is a whole school Mass. All families are welcome to attend.

Thoughts and Prayers

As a community, we pray for the Lily Brewer's Family (3M) who had their grandfather pass away. May our thoughts and prayers be with their family at this difficult time.

Onsite Car Park Update

We have received many compliments from both our Cana Families and neighbours to our school, they have found it very hard to drive through Banchory Ave before the gates open.

Our morning gate opens at 8:30am and afternoon gate at 3:00pm. We have found that there are a lot of families who wait up to 10 min on the street for the gates to open. This causes a lot of congestion and prevents traffic from driving through this area. To ease congestion we ask

- To only perform left hand turns into the Cana carpark
- No waiting on the street, and to approach the gate once it is opened.

We have been advised by the council that they will be monitoring this area and will issue fines if cars are stationary on the road and blocking traffic.

St Patrick's DAY Celebrations

Today we held celebrations for St Patrick's Day. We were graced by Mrs. Kate Johns daughter and her friend who performed the traditional Irish dance and taught the students some steps.



Inside Pla

The students at Cana have been enjoying the option of playing board games at recess and lunch this year. The games we have been playing are Monopoly, Connect 4, Uno, Snap, Card Games, Dominoes, Hungry Hippos, Jenga, Pop Up Pirate, Chess, Guess Who? Celebrity Heads, Checkers, Top Trumps Match and Trouble to name but a few.

Here are some of our gamers in action:



Next week Inside Play will be returning to the Library space.

See you there \bigcirc



Interschool Sports player of the week

Season 1, Round 3

Dominik Janus

For displaying persistence with an unfamiliar sport and scoring

2 great goals!





Thank you to those who were able to attend the onsite parent forum on Tuesday regarding homework. For those who were unable to attend, your emailed responses were also received. All family perspectives were valued and considered.

Along with daily reading, homework will be sent home at the beginning of Term 2. Your child/ren's classroom teacher will inform you of what the homework expectations are.

Please see below for a summary of the information discussed at the parent forum as well as the information sent through email from families.

Thank you for working in partnership with us.

Purpose of Forum Discussion:

To gain families' perspective about homework – the *type* of homework and how homework impacts home life.

Main Points:

- Survey last year indicated most families wanted homework at Cana.
- The homework policy was given to families and discussed.
- No new learning for homework consolidation of learning.
- Readers sent home are designed to support fluency and build reading competence.

General discussion:

- Homework in 2023 was challenging a lot of pressure for children to complete the tasks, especially when they have extra-curricular activities after school.
- Homework depends on the child.
- Homework presented in a grid families liked this idea. Provides:
 - Flexibility for tasks to be completed across the week (fit in with family commitments).
 - Teaching students to take responsibility for their homework.
 - Providing choice for the students.
- Term 1, 2023 reading only this has been a good start to ease into the school year and provide time for families to concentrate on their child/ren's wellbeing

What's Working Well

- Reading every night
- Spelling
- Mathletics
- Homework provides insight to my students' learning and learning behaviours
- 4 nights a week (Monday Thursday)

Even Better If:

- Rotating wellbeing, religion, Inquiry
- Project style homework is good because it gives families the opportunity to complete over the weekend if necessary.
- Prep Consider reducing the amount of homework.
- Present homework in a grid to provide students with flexibility and choice.
- Self-directed homework such as research requires more teacher direction.
- In Grade 6, different due dates for homework in Term 3 and 4 to support transition to Year 7.
- Readers for middle/uppers students to be provided with a book.
- Homework grid suggestions
 - Mathletics
 - Study ladder
 - Reading Eggs
 - Sunshine Online
 - Local Library provides E-Books for the older students
 - o Epic
- Optional homework for students wanting a challenge.
- Classroom newsletter to continue.
- Continue SeeSaw posts to families.

Feedback from Google Form (families unable to attend Forum)

- Homework procedures should continue to consolidate learning
- Prepares students for homework expectation in later years (secondary school)
- Nightly reader is enough homework to allow children to complete their extra curriculum activities and 'switch off' for some time
- Provide students with a 'project task' that they can work on over a few weeks to support engagement
- Online literacy/maths learning games motivate students to want to do their homework
- Homework provides an insight to parents as to what their child/ren are learning at school
- Less homework makes it more enjoyable for the children
- Homework prepares students with the necessary skills to transition to secondary school easier time management, independence, responsibility for their own learning, etc.
- Maths practise through games is beneficial



Thursday 28th of March

Add a little Easter fun to your casual clothes on the last day of school for the term.

Get creative!

E.g. bunny ears, bunny masks, Easter bonnets, Easter pastel coloured clothing, hair accessories.

Please bring a Gold Coin Donation

With thanks, the Cana Fundraising Committee







Parents/Families,

Parents we all need to be in partnership and to always be respectful of each other during all interactions - face to face or on social media. We are role models for our children and need to be reflective of our communications and actions.

If there are any concerns please see your child's classroom teacher as the first point of contact, or you can contact the Principal on principal@canahillside.catholic.edu.au



Child Safety Code of Conduct

Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct

Acceptable behaviours

All MACS Board members, MACS Board committee members, School Advisory Council members, the Principal and all our other staff, volunteers, contractors, parent community and clergy at Cana are responsible for supporting the safety of children by:

- adhering to the school's child-safe policy and upholding the school's statement of commitment to child safety, at all times
- taking all reasonable steps to protect children from abuse
- treating everyone in the school community with respect
- taking into account the needs of all children and students
- · listening and responding to the views and concerns of children particularly if they are telling you that they or another child has been abused or that they are worried about their safety/the safety of another child
- promoting the cultural safety, participation and empowerment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait
 Islander children (for example, by never questioning an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander child's self-identification)
- promoting the cultural safety, participation and empowerment of children with culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds (for example, by having a zero-tolerance for discrimination)
- promoting the safety, participation and empowerment of children with a disability (for example, during personal care activities)
- ensuring as far as practicable that adults are not alone with a child
- · reporting any allegations of child abuse to the school's leadership (or child safety officer if the school has appointed someone to this role)
- · understanding and complying with all reporting obligations as they relate to mandatory reporting and reporting under the *Crimes Act 1958* (Vic.)
- understanding and complying with all obligations as they relate to the reportable conduct scheme including reporting allegations of reportable conduct in accordance with the school's reportable conduct policy
- · reporting any child safety concerns to the school's leadership (or child safety officer if the school has appointed someone to this role)
- ensuring as quickly as possible that the child is safe if an allegation of child abuse is made

- reporting to the Victorian Institute of Teaching (VIT) any charges, committals for trial or convictions in relation to a sexual offence by a registered teacher, or specific allegations or concerns about a registered teacher
- ensuring they comply with any and all applicable professional or occupational codes of conduct.

Unacceptable behaviours

All MACS Board members, MACS Board committee members, School Advisory Council members, the Principal and all our other staff, volunteers, contractors and clergy at Cana must not:

- · ignore or disregard any suspected or disclosed child abuse. This includes but not limited to physical / mental abuse, neglect and any form of maltreatment by an adult which is threatening to a child.
- develop any special relationships with children that could be seen as favouritism (for example, the offering of gifts or special treatment for specific children)
- exhibit behaviours with children which may be construed as unnecessarily physical (for example, inappropriate sitting on laps)
- put children at risk of abuse (for example, by locking doors)
- · initiate unnecessary physical contact with children or do things of a personal nature that a child can do for themselves (for example, toileting or changing clothes)
- engage in open discussions of a mature or adult nature in the presence of children (for example, personal social activities)
- · use inappropriate language in the presence of children
- express personal views on cultures, race or sexuality in the presence of children
- · discriminate against any child, including because of age, gender, race, culture, vulnerability, sexuality, ethnicity or disability
- · work with children while under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs
- have contact with a child or their family outside school without the school leadership's or child safety officer's (if the school has appointed someone to this role) knowledge and/or consent or the school governing authority's approval (for example, unauthorised after-hours tutoring, private instrumental/other lessons or sport coaching); accidental contact, such as seeing people in the street, is appropriate
- have any online contact with a child (including by social media, email, instant messaging) or their family unless necessary (for example, providing families with eNewsletters or assisting students with their schoolwork)
- · use any personal communication channels/devices such as a personal email account
- exchange personal contact details such as phone numbers, social networking sites or email addresses
- · photograph or video a child without the consent of the parents, guardians or carers
- consume alcohol or drugs at school or at school events in the presence of children.

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NOTICE OF 2024 SCHOOL FEES

24* November 2023

Dear Parents & Guardians

The Cana Catholic Primary School Fee and Levies for the 2024 School Year will be as follows:

Description	1 Child Family	2 Child Family	3 Child Family	4 Child Family
Family Fee	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Grounds Maintenance Levy	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
Building Levy	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
Levies per Student				
Educational/Curriculum Levy Excursion Levy	\$455.00 \$125.00	\$910.00 \$250.00	\$1,365.00 \$375.00	\$1,820.00 \$500.00
Technology Levy	\$505.00	\$1,010.00	\$1,515.00	\$2,020.00
TOTAL 2024 School Fees	\$3,235.00	\$4,320.00	\$5,405.00	\$6,490.00

In 2024, the School Fee per Family will be \$2,150.00 plus Levies per Student of \$1,085.00

Levies per Student: Education/Curriculum Levy of \$455.00

Excursion Levy of \$125.00 Technology Levy of \$505.00

(NY 5 & 6 students only)

Sport Levy of \$130,00 (NY 3, 4 & 6 students only) Sacramental Levy of \$50.00

Please Note: Grade 6 Students Only - Camp costs will be invoiced during Term 1, 2024

All school fee payments required to be paid directly to the Cana school bank account. Please quote your unique 6 digit Account Code as reference BSB: 083 347

Account Number: 563 191 059

EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT - for School Fees paid in full before 28th March 2024 (End of Term 1, 2024)

\$50 Early Payment Discount is available to families who choose to pay their school fee account in full before the end of Term 1.

If paying 2024 school fees in full by the end of Term 1, please reduce your full account payment by \$50.

Alternatively, Families paying by regular instalments throughout the year must comply with the following payment due dates:

PAYMENT DUE DATES AMOUNT REQUIRED TO BE PAID

Due Date: 29th March 2024 25% of annual Fee & Lovies paid by end of Term 1,2024 Dive Date: 28th June 2024 75% of annual Fee & Levies paid by end of Term 2, 2024 Due Date: 20th September 2024 Balance paid in full no later than end Term 3 2024

Families can choose to pay school fees by regular instalments either Weekly, Fortnightly, or Monthly

School Fees must be paid in full no later than end of Term 3, 2024

If required, School Fee Payment Plans need to be arranged with the School Bursar at the commencement of Term 1, 2024.

An appointment is required to arrange a Payment Plan Meeting. Please telephone the School Office on 8390 9200 if you require a Payment Plan. appointment.

Mrs Carmen Blatti Principal



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Payment Requirement Schedule

To ensure that you maintain your payment schedule, please refer to the table below as a guide, to assist with identifying the required level of payment required for your family shucture.

Students per Family	Annual Fee/Levies	Early Full Payment Discount Criteria		Payments by Instalments per Term Due Dates		
		Early Payment Discount *	Payment required by 28/03/2024 *	25% of the annual charge to be paid by End Term 1 26th March 2024	75% of the annual charge to be paid by End Term 2 28° June 2024	Balance Due no later than 20th September 2024
1 child family	\$3,235.00	-\$50.00	\$3,185.00	\$808.75	\$2,426.25	\$808.75
2 child family	\$4,320.00	-\$50.00	\$4,270.00	\$1,080.00	\$3,240.00	\$1,080.00
3 child family	\$5,405.00	-\$50.00	\$5,365.00	\$1,361.26	\$4,063.76	\$1,361.26
4 child family	\$6,490.00	-\$50.00	\$6,440.00	\$1,622.50	\$4,867.50	\$1,622.50

If paying by instalments, please consider the level of payment required by each due date. If a Payment Plan is required, please contact the Cana Catholic Primary School Front Office to arrange for a private meeting with our School Bursar to discuss Payment Plan Options. Payment Plans provide maximum benefit when arranged early during Term 1.

Ice Creams

Varieties will vary from time to time

	Zooper Doopers	\$1.00
	Paddle Pop Icy Twist	\$2.00
	Chocolate and Vanilla Frozen Yoghurt	\$2.00
	Strawberry and Vanilla Frozen Yoghurt	\$2.00
	Chocolate Paddle Pop	\$2.50
	Rainbow Paddle Pop	\$2.50
Distre	Calippo- Lemon, Pineapple and Raspberry	\$3.00

Please note strictly 1 ice cream per child only, available in Term 1 and 4.

We are kindly asking for students to bring coins only for payment as large change will not be given.



Dear Parents, Families, and Community.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to TheirCare as the provider for both Before and After School Care at Cana Catholic Primary School.

Our operating hours are 7:00 am to 8:30 am for Before School Care and 3:15 pm to 6:00 pm for After School Care.

During Pupil Free Days, TheirCare will operate a full day care program for children from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm.

We provide an adventurous and stimulating program in a safe environment for all children. During sessions, children develop life skills, friendships, confidence, and creativity through play.

Our values make SENSE because they empower children to be their best selves and to have a voice. These values are:



We are available for both permanent and casual bookings for both sessions, to register or book please visit our website: https://theircare.com.au/

You can always contact our program's mobile on 0457 797 014.

Your service coordinator will be available during session times to take any calls regarding care. TheirCare Support Office is available during office hours if required on 1300 072 410.

We are looking forward to seeing you in care soon.

TheirCare Support Team.



How to Enrol

GUIDE



Enrolment and bookings are completed online at www.theircare.com.au and takes around 15 to 20 minutes.



When doing your child's enrolment there will be some information and documents that you will need on hand to complete the process.

These include

- Centrelink CRNs for yourself and the child you are enrolling
- Credit card or bank account details for direct debit purposes
- Emergency contact details in case you are not contactable in an emergency
- Authorised nominees for drop off and collection
- Doctor, Medicare, immunisations details for your child
- Any medical or health details for your child



Enrolment takes approximately 15 – 20 minutes



See FAQs on our website theircare.com.au/families

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The Child Safe Standards

The safety of each child at Cane is of the ulmost importance. It is our duty of care to ensure each child feels safe within all environments including school, home, and the community.

To comply with the <u>Ministerial Order No. 1359 – Implementing the Child Safe Standards</u>, Cana is required to meet the Child Safe Standards 1-11. Below is an outline of each Child Safe standard. More information on each standard can be found here: The 11 Child Safe Standards

Standard 1; To establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children and young people are respected and valued.

Standard 2: Child safety and wellbeing are embedded in organisational leadership, governance, and culture.

Standard 3: Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.

Standard 4: Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing.

Standard 5: Equity is upheld, and diverse needs respected in policy and practice.

<u>Standard 5</u>: People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice.

Standard 7: Processes for complaints and concerns are child focused.

Standard 8: Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills, and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training.

Standard 9: Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.

Standard 10; Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved.

Standard 11: Policies and procedures document how the school is safe for children and young people.

In future editions of the newsletter, each Child Safe Standard will be explored in further detail with examples of how it is implemented at Cana.





We acknowledge Australia's First Nation and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the Traditional Custodians of lands, waterways, and skies across Australia.



Theme: National Sea Week

We celebrated National Sea Week. We explored our ocean, it's habitats. characteristics, and inhabitants this week. We acknowledged the ocean and life within it. has a huge influence on the Earth's features through Watching videos detailing this and creative arts planned learning experiences

Friendly Reminders

De are currently in SunSmart Season. All children are required to wear a hat during outdoor program. The service provides sunscreen for all children. If your child has sensitive skin and requires alternative sunscreen please pack this in their bag. Next week We will be celebrating Harmony Week



Changes to your child's booking

Simply log into your account anytime to make the relevant changes or call us between 6:30am -9.00pm weekdays on 1300 072 410.



Before School: 7:00 - 8:30 AM After School: 3:15 - 6:00 PM

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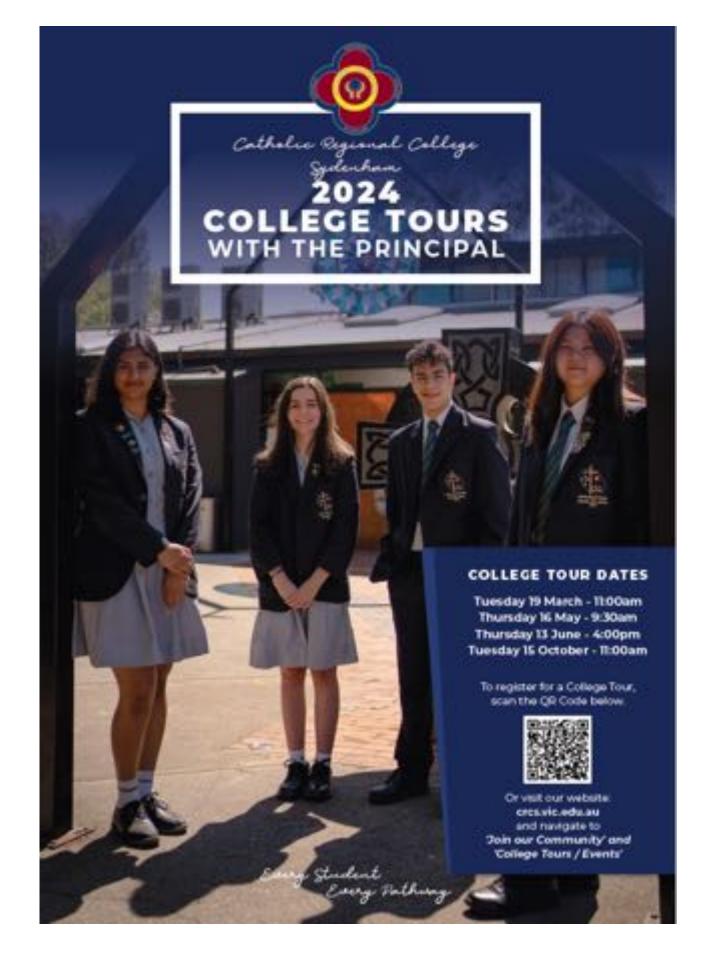


CONTACT SERVICE









Cana is committed to the Safety and Wellbeing of our students

School Hours

Music starts at 8:42am

Monday 8:45am - 3:15pm
Tuesday 8:45am - 3:15pm
Wednesday 8:45am - 3:15pm
Thursday 8:45am - 3:15pm
Friday 8:45am - 3:15pm

Recess 10.45am – 11.15am Lunch 1.00pm – 1.50pm

Mass Times

Saturday

Sacred Heart 5:00pm Emmaus 6:30pm

Sunday

Sacred Heart 8:00am, 10:30am, 11:30am

Emmaus 9:00am

Parish Office / Presbytery

Secretary Margaret

T: 9366 2146 F: 9366 9876

NO Second Hand Uniform

Sales

Due to the need for social distancing and other COVID safety measures, cannot currently offer we second-hand uniforms. We will advise when this returns and in the meantime recommend contacting your **PSW** outlet for uniform enquiries.



School Website

To watch videos from the website, the password you will need is:

PASSWORD:



CanaVids

Mobile Phone App

We advise all families to download this App as this is our form of communication.





TheirCare is our Before & After School Care Program. Children need to be registered before they attend.

We advise all families to register their child/ren (registration is free).

TheirCare Program
Numbers:

Mobile: 0457 797 014

Cana Bank Account

For EFT payments, please ensure you reference your SURNAME and your

6 – digit family ID

BSB: 083 347

Account: 563 101 059