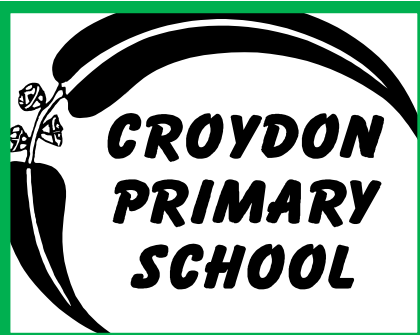




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HOURS OF SCHOOL SUPERVISION FOR CHILDREN

8.45AM TO 3.45 PM

Before and Afterschool Care

15th October 2026

GREEN & GOLD

Calendar Dates to Remember

Term 4 Dates

Oct 16th Volleybounce Final - (The Nets)
2027 Prep Transition 2.30pm
Oct 20th 5/6 Puffing Billy STEM Excursion
Oct 26-30th Swimming
Nov 3rd **Melbourne Cup day**
Nov 5th Sleepover Year 2
Nov 6th Pre Breakfast
Nov 9th -13th Swimming
11th Nov Remembrance Day
Choir 11.11 RSL Service Civic Square
16th Prep Race Safety Squad
19th Multicultural Day
20th Prep Transition 2.30-3.30pm
Assembly

23rd-24th Teeth on Wheels
25th Prep 2027 Information Night
26th 1/2 CERES Excursion
27th Curriculum Day (no Students)
28th Election Cake & Craft Stall
1st Dec Xmas Concert 6.00pm
2nd Dec Teeth on Wheels
8th Secondary Transition Day
Prep Transition 2027 9.15-10.30am
9th Dec Xmas Stall
16th Year 6 Graduation
17th Big Day Out Year 6
18th **Last Day of Term**
1.00pm Assembly
1.30pm Dismissal



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

NEW LOOK FOR PUBLICATIONS

In response to recent online safety guidance from the eSafety Commissioner, we are making some changes to the way we select and share imagery on our public sites: website, facebook and newsletter.

You may notice the pictures start to look a little different. No student faces will be shown. We will continue to celebrate the learning, achievements and experiences of our students, just in a safer way.

The school website is to be updated and may take a while to be completely finished. It will be a huge job to replace the pictures.

Thank you for understanding.

SAFE ARRIVAL

Emily Sisson and her husband welcomed Charlotte into the world on the 10th of October at 10:57am, weighing 3.005kg.

All are doing well.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

NEW PLAYGROUND.

There has been incredible enthusiasm and joy around the new playground. Students are playing in the dry creek bed and weaving between the wooden poles. The large rocks are used for climbing, jumping and sitting.

The water to the pump will be turned off after hours to try to reduce the water bill. We will chain up the pump as it had been broken by weekend visitors before we returned.

An important rule for your family is no tanbark or sand in the creek bed. It will clog the drain! Sticks and small rocks are fine for “dams”.



NEW FENCING

We are completing the fencing around the school. There will be gates to enter off Tallent St and Croydon Rd.

The gates will be locked to pedestrian traffic from 9.00 to 3.00.

We are trying to deter people who take a short cut to the shops. It is an important child safety improvement. We will also have some double gates making access to the oval possible for mowing and trades. This was lost when the gym was completed.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

YEAR 3/4 CAMP

We completed a very successful camp last week. Year 3 /4 went to Fern Gully camp in Healesville. It was the first time we used this venue and everyone was very impressed.

The nearby locality certainly helps with the bus costs too.

Thank you so much to the staff who gave up their time and reorganised their families to attend. The huge amount of pre -planning goes unseen but takes a great deal of time prior to heading off.

Thank you to Kerri Hutcheson, Sarah van den Akker, Glynis Hughes, Jake ten Hacken, Jenny Savory and Cameron Ross.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

HALL

We have started the renovation of the hall into a performing arts space. The acoustic panelling has made a huge difference to the echo.

We will be putting down carpet and slowly moving all of the equipment across in December.

DISTRICT ATHS

Congratulations to the students who went to District Aths last week.

Will Whitty Ryan, Thomas Berntsen and Jordan Kay

The results were; Jordan 2nd in high jump, Will 1st in high jump and Thomas 1st in discus. Will and Thomas progress to the Division finals on 22nd October.

PORTABLE

The portable was painted inside in the holidays. This is the start of the change to 3 /4 classrooms.

Next new blinds will be installed and then carpet once performing arts moves out. New furniture and storage has started to arrive

SWIMMING IS FAST APPROACHING

First lessons start on Monday 26th October.

This is an important program to keep everyone safe and I am really proud we are able to offer it to the whole school. Funding for the whole school helps keep costs down for P – 2 and we are able to utilise another funding source to provide 3-6 free of cost.

Please make sure everyone has returned their permissions.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please note

Report writing curriculum day **27th November** – Their Care will be open

Xmas Concert **1st December** 6.00 p m - 7.00 pm

Xmas Stall **9th and 10th December**

End of term **18th December** – Assembly 1.00pm Dismiss 1.30 pm

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

INTERESTING FACTS

Chameleons can move one eye in a different direction from the other eye.

The foot is the most common body part bitten by insects.

The catfish has the most taste buds of all the animals, having over 27,000 of them

TONGUE TWISTERS

Betty Botter bought a bit of butter but the bit of butter was too bitter, so Betty bought a better bit of butter to make the bitter butter better.

I wish to wish the wish you wish to wish, but if you wish the wish the witch wishes, I won't wish the wish you wish to wish.

Kinds Regards

Julie Gilbert

COMMUNITY NEWS

UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

Mondays 8.30am-9.15am

SCHOOL UNIFORM



Breakfast Club

Tuesdays & Thursdays
8.30am to 8.50am
Come and enjoy a free
breakfast .

There is cereal, toast, canned fruit and more.

Everyone is welcome.



MANY HAPPY RETURNS TO STUDENTS HAVING THEIR BIRTHDAY FROM

15th October – 29th October

Atticus, Tori, Jessica. Ella Lu, Luke, Lachlan D, Hlimpuii,
Ruth, Annoula, Parker, Kap, Jonette and Simon



Melba College Chaplaincy Fundraising Event

Friday 16th October at 7pm

Gifford Village Community Centre
387A Maroondah Highway
Croydon North Vic 3136

No Bookings necessary – just
turn up on the night

\$15 per head

*Which includes ice cream, soft drink and
yummy bag of lollies to enjoy during the
Movie*

*And supper to be served after the Movie
(Cash & Card accepted)*

COMMUNITY NEWS

Term 4, Week 2



Before School Care: 7:00 – 8:45

After School Care: 3:30 – 6:15

Welcome back families! It is great to see everyone back for the last term of the year. We had a wonderful time during our Sports Arena School Holidays with many fun activities such as decorating their own pickleball sets, creating recycled cars out of materials to keep an egg safe, butterfly dragon catchers, a smoothie and energy ball cooking day, and more!

It was amazing to spend the last few weeks in the sunshine as we got outside enjoy the new playground set up, we just want to remind families that now that we are in term 4 everyone needs to make sure they have a hat for before and after school care.

Week 1 we started with the theme, when I grow up. This week was a chance for us to reflect on what the children want to be when they get older, as they look at what they wrote at the start of the year. We also compared our heights on our height chart to see how much we have grown from the start of the year to now. Throughout the rest of our week, we looked further into some of the job the children said they wanted to be, these included being an engineer, a sports star, a singer/dancer, and a doctor. Through each day of looking at these jobs we engaged in conversations about what you would need to learn to be successful in the position and looked at other positions in the field.

For term 4 we have a few dedicated events coming up:

- **Week 2** Is World Food Day on the 16th, we will be celebrating the week with a variety of food and healthy eating activities, as well as starting up TC Tucker again! If you have any fun healthy recipes, you would like us to try to cook, please email them to Alex at croydon@theircare.com.au
- **Week 3** We will be hosting a special Pasta making workshop on Friday the 23rd to celebrate Grandparents Day. If any Grandparents would like to come down on that day from 4pm to join us in making some fresh pasta we would love to have you there.

To join the celebration of World Food Day and starting up TC Tucker again we have chosen Foodbank to be our charity this term. More information will come about our fundraising for this wonderful charity!

