

# **Patchwork News**

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Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June Term 2 Issue 2 Telephone: 9756 7463 OSHClub: 1300 395 735 / 0400 708 773 Email: <u>the.patch.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u> Website: <u>www.thepatchps.vic.edu.au</u>

# **Dates to Remember:**

# June

Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Annual Report to Community – 5.45pm
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup>	School Council Meeting – 6pm
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup>	PatchFest21 Meeting – 7pm
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term 2 – 2.30pm finish

# July

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Wed 21<sup>st</sup> – Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Sun 25<sup>th</sup> **Tues 27<sup>th</sup>** Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Fri 30<sup>th</sup>

# August

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup>

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup>

First Day of Term 3 Casual Dress Day "Career Clothes" Div Cross Country (selected students) Y5/6 Camp – Sovereign Hill Working Bee - 9am to 1pm **CURRICULUM DAY – No Students** School Council Meeting – 6pm PatchFest21 Meeting – 7pm Prep 100 Days of School Prep 2022 Enrolments Due

## **Bell Times**

8:55am Warning Bell 9:00am Learning Begins 11-11:45am First Break 11:45-12pm Lunch eating time 2-2:30pm Second Break 3:30 Dismissal

Please feel free to watch our assemblies via Webex each Friday 9.10am

Y5/6 Drug Education (Qkr! payment required TBC) Casual Dress Day (Donations to Monbulk Care Network & Sausage Sizzle)





# FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

What extraordinary events we have experienced in under a month – COVID restrictions, a cyclonic weather event and water issues. The support for our school and community by the efforts of so many is acknowledged.

We will continue to face many challenges in the coming days and weeks and I encourage you to reach out no matter how small or large your worries may be.

As a Principal I have been overwhelmed by the generosity of students, parents, School Council, staff and the wider community. I appreciate the support that has been shown.

We have managed to hold our community and our community has held us. In contacting those families/students that haven't been able to attend school there has been a heartfelt thank you and we look forward to seeing them on their return.

Our wellbeing team has been instrumental at this time and I am appreciative of their support and guidance. I am also grateful we have been able to utilise our Facebook page, Community page and COMPASS to help send out our communication.

I also acknowledge that you have all lived through this and as a school and community we continue to be here to help you navigate through this challenging time.

We are also appreciative that we have our Wellbeing Officer Anne who has had contact with many of our families. Please let us know if you would like contact from Anne as we need your permission to do so.

Below you will find the many supports/contacts that may be of assistance for you and thankyou to the Mum's of the Hills Facebook page for compiling this.

We are all in this together

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This information comes from official sites including the Yarra Ranges Council, Cardinia Shire Council, Yarra Ranges Emergency Relief Network, Australian Red Cross - Emergency Services Victoria, Country Fire Authority - District 13 and Vic Emergency among others. Every effort has been made to ensure the information is accurate at the time.

#### \*\* Urgent Relief Needs\*\*

Contact Council on 1300 368 333

#### **Tap Water Contamination Warning**

Residents in Kallista, Sherbrooke and The Patch have been advised that their tap water is potentially unsafe. Boiling will not remove contaminants.

Emergency drinking water is available at the following locations:

- \* The Patch Hall, 5 The Patch Road, The Patch
- \* The Kallista Public Hall, 6 Tom Roberts Road, Kallista.

Customers will need to bring their own containers (bottles, pots, kettles) to fill up from the tankers. If you have special needs and require assistance, please contact us on 13 2762.

#### **Community Groups**

Council is also working closely with the following groups to help them support the community.

*Monbulk Emergency Planning Group* Working with the RSL to provide hot food, tea and coffee, charging facilities and heating. <u>https://www.facebook.com/MonbulkEmergencyManagementGroup</u>

*Montrose Township Group* Working with local church to provide charging facilities and heating. <u>https://www.facebook.com/MontroseTownshipGroupVic</u>

St James & St Peters Anglican Church 685 Mt Dandenong Road. Open from 10am -3pm. People can warm up, charge devices, grab a hot drink, some hot food or a hot meal. Contact Janice on 0401 717 435

#### Counselling

Counselling support service is available through Victorian Council of Churches. For further information please visit <a href="https://www.vccem.org.au/floods">https://www.vccem.org.au/floods</a>

#### **Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements**

The joint Australian, state and territory government Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) provide a range of financial assistance to the natural disaster-declared areas in each state or territory. The money can also be used to cover accommodation, cleanup, home repairs, reconnecting services and rebuilding or replacing around the home.

For information on available recovery assistance, visit the VIC Emergency website. https://www.emergency.vic.gov.au/

#### Donations

GIVIT, in partnership with the Victorian Government, is urging people not to send unrequested goods to communities affected by the storms and resulting floods. Instead, please utilise the official partnership in place between the Victorian Government and GIVIT to manage and coordinate donations (goods and services) for this recovery.

Please direct all donations to <u>www.givit.org.au.</u> GIVIT captures all donation offers (including goods, services, time and money) online, removing the need for impacted communities to receive, sort, store and dispose of donations they don't need.

100% of donated money received by GIVIT is used to purchase exactly what's needed by people impacted. We buy locally, wherever possible, to support local businesses and the economic recovery of affected communities. GIVIT's operational costs are covered by government contracts and corporate partners.

I now have the request form for those who are in need of assistance. If you have been affected, please contact me and together we can fill the form out and get it to the Yarra Ranges SC. They are registered with GIVIT and will be able to connect donations with those who need it most.

#### Requesting a donation

Community members can request specific items, such as food or vouchers for shopping, which can then be supplied by donors. If you're struggling and in need of donations, please drop us an email at emergencymanagement@yarraranges.vic.gov.au and we'll try to help out.

We know there are still many community members without power and internet service, so we'll have forms available at our Power & Shower relief centres at Lilydale Heights Secondary College, Yarra Junction Sporting Pavilion, Yarra Glen Memorial Hall and the Belgrave Community Hub (all sites are open 8am-8pm today and Sunday bring toiletries, towels and chargers if you need shower/charging facilities)

Making a donation (money or goods)

Anyone wanting to offer goods or money for donations can do so through GIVIT's website.

#### **Fallen Trees**

Local Roads - Contact Council on 1300 368 333 (if you know that a request hasn't already been made on your road)

Main Roads - Contact VicRoads on 13 11 70

On Powerlines – Contact AusNet Services on 13 17 99

#### **Family Violence Support**

*The Orange Door* is the access point to services for adults, children and young people who are experiencing family violence. Visit orangedoor.vic.gov.au

Safe Steps Family Violence Response Centre provides confidential support for women and children living with family violence. Call 1800 015 188 or visit safesteps.org.au

The Men's Referral Service is a confidential telephone service for men who might be using violence towards a family member or who have been victimised by a partner or family member. Call 1300 766

#### **Food Waste Disposal Locations**

Extra bins have been made available for residents to dispose of emergency food waste only at the following locations:

- \* Kalorama Football Club, Mt Dandenong Tourist Road, Kalorama
- \* Olinda public toilets, 33 Monash Avenue (service road)
- \* Rear of the Healesville Community Link, River Street Healesville
- \* Monbulk Recreation Reserve, Moores Road, Monbulk
- \* Belgrave Recreation Reserve

#### **Financial Assistance**

Department of Families, Fairness and Housing

Personal hardship assistance : https://services.dffh.vic.gov.au/personal-hardship...

Emergency relief assistance payments:

https://services.dffh.vic.gov.au/.../Emergency-relief...

Financial crisis support: https://services.dffh.vic.gov.au/financial-crisis-support

Emergency Victoria

Financial relief: https://www.emergency.vic.gov.au/relief/

Relief and recovery information: <u>http://emergency.vic.gov.au/relief/</u>

Recovering from a storm

http://emergency.vic.gov.au/relief/...

Recovering from a flood

http://emergency.vic.gov.au/relief/...

Personal wellbeing following an emergency

http://emergency.vic.gov.au/relief/...

#### HICCI

HICCI will be open Monday between 10am and 12pm with food, Coles and fuel vouchers

231 Maroondah Hwy, Healesville VIC 3777

#### Flood or Storm assistance

Contact SES on 132 500

#### Generators

Requests for a temporary generator should be made through the GIVIT.org.au site. The council can monitor these requests and help where possible.

#### Hardship assistance & financial support

Contact Department Families, Fairness & Housing on 1300 475 170

#### **Hot Meals**

Monbulk RSL, 48 Main Road, Monbulk, can provide hot food and charging facilities.

*Foothills Community Care* - Fresh hot take away meals at: 1. Upwey Baptist Community Church, cnr Darling Ave & Burwood Hwy, Upwey (opposite Upwey train station). Mondays from 5.30pm. 2. Ferntree Gully Guide Hall, Underwood Rd, Ferntree Gully (opposite train station). Wednesdays from 5.30pm. <u>https://www.foothillscare.org.au/</u>Ph 8711 8677

Home delivered meals and care packages can be ordered online through our Community Casseroles <u>https://www.foothillscare.org.au/#community-casseroles</u>

*Dandenong Ranges Emergency Relief* (*DRERS*) – Free grocery items. 1616-1624 Burwood Highway, Belgrave, Monday to Friday 9.30am-12.30pm <u>http://www.drers.org.au/</u> Ph 9754 7777

*Food is Free Tecoma*, Groceries, meals & fresh food available 24/7. Verandah of Tecoma Uniting Church at 1566 Burwood Highway, Tecoma <u>https://thehillsfoodfrontier.org.au/</u>

*Hope in the Hills Friday* – Free grocery packs available on Friday mornings at 3 Clifford Grove, Tecoma. During COVID-19 restrictions, bookings are essential to ensure social distancing can be maintained. <a href="http://www.hopeinthehills.org.au/">http://www.hopeinthehills.org.au/</a> Ph: 9754 6809

*Open Door Church Monbulk Verandah Pantry* - cnr David Hill and Moxhams Rds, Monbulk. Available 24/7. Ph. 9756 6700 <u>https://www.facebook.com/opendoorcommunitychurchmonbulk/</u>

Soupees – Main St, Upwey, beside Bendigo Bank. Hot soup plus blankets, clothing and etc available. Fridays 3pm-7pm. <u>https://www.facebook.com/Soupees</u> Ph. 0409 607 610

#### **Injured Native Wildlife**

Contact DELWP on 136 186

#### Livestock issues

Contact Agriculture Vic on (03) 9032 7676

#### **Red Cross Victoria**

If you need extra assistance, don't hesitate to reach out to someone, look at our resources, and visit Ask Izzy <a href="https://askizzy.org.au/">https://askizzy.org.au/</a>

Salvation Army 13 72 58

#### **School Closures**

You can find if your child's school is closed here:

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/.../Pages/closures.aspx

#### Showers and Wifi and Charging Stations

#### YARRA RANGES

The Yarra Ranges hubs are open for wifi, charging devices and some have showers.

- Belgrave Community Hub, 1616/1624 Burwood Highway, Belgrave
- Lilydale Heights Secondary College, 17-19 Nelson Road, Lilydale
- Yarra Junction Sporting Pavilion, 2435 Warburton Highway, Yarra Junction
- Yarra Glen Memorial Hall, 45 Bell St, Yarra Glen (NO shower facilities, charging facilities and triage only)

• Olinda Recreation Reserve at 71-73 Olinda-Monbulk Road. Residents can use this site to take a hot shower and charge their devices.

• Queens Park Pavilion, 36A Don Road, Healesville

Please bring your towel and toiletries, and any charging equipment you might need for your devices. At the Lilydale site, a staff member will be able to assist anyone who may be seeking emergency accommodation.

#### CARDINIA SHIRE

The Hills Hub in Emerald will remain open while there are still power outages throughout the Hills. At this stage, it will be open at the following times:

The Hills Hub drop-in centre and Cockatoo Community Complex drop-in centre will again be open tomorrow (Tuesday 15 June) from 9.30am to 4pm. The centre features space for residents to warm up, charge phones and grab a tea or coffee. A portable water pumping station is now available there too for residents in need of water.

The shower facilities at Worrell Reserve and the portable showers at the Cockatoo Community Complex will be available tomorrow from 9.30am to 8pm.

#### **Temporary Office Space**

Burrinja has a beautiful coworking space, and large foyer space, perfect for quiet work zones.

Includes shared work desks, Wifi, facilities, charging stations, and hot coffee. We are offering our beautiful building free of charge this whole week. Spaces available Tuesday (tomorrow) to Friday 10am - 4pm No need to book, please just turn up.

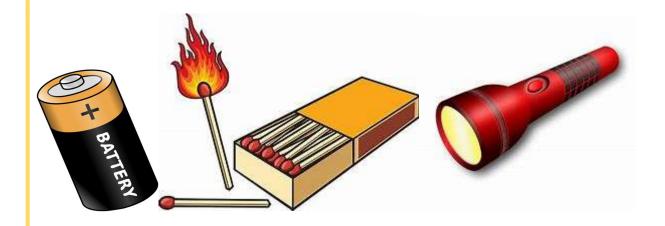
# **Donations:**

Lots of people want to do something practical to help. There has been a call out for the following items to help our mountain community.

There will be boxes in the front foyer for donations and we will deliver these to the Monbulk RSL. You are welcome to hand donations to your child's teacher at drop off or send them in with your child to school and we will send a box of love from our school community.

The following items are what has been asked for:

Candles (large, not the tealight variety) Matches Firelighters Batteries (AA & AAA) Chargers Paper for fire lighting Toilet Paper Hot Water Bottles Torches Headlamps



## New COVIDSafe arrangements now in place at The Patch PS:

How wonderful it is to begin to return to normal procedures now the lockdown period is over.

Parents or carers may now be on site and in school buildings, however<mark>, if parents or carers need to enter any school buildings (hall, classrooms, staffroom, etc) they must first register with the QR code</mark> displayed on the front door of the main building regardless of how long they stay. They must also wear a mask.

Visitors who will be in school buildings for more than 15 minutes, must **also** sign in at the office. The sign in process continues to be necessary for our own management of people on site, particularly in an emergency.

# Mountain District Cross Country SCHOOL CHAMPIONS



## A New Fence to be Constructed Below Our Garden

We are very excited to announce that the Education Department have agreed to replace our northern fence (below the garden and adjoining Rhodo-Glen Nursery) with a black cyclone fence.

This is wonderful news as it means we have a clear and safe boundary without the burden of finding the funds.

It is expected to be constructed very soon....

## **CASUAL DRESS DAYS**

Our next casual dress day will be on **MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> July**. The theme chosen by the SRC Sub-Committee is to wear your favourite "career clothes'. This is a **free activity**.



On **THURSDAY**, 12<sup>th</sup> **August**, the casual dress day will coincide with a **sausage sizzle**. **Both activities will be raising funds for** Monbulk Care Network. We would love to hear from those who could help to process orders, cook and distribute sausages. Please contact the office or Michelle if you can help.

Payment will be made via Qkr!



# **School Improvements:**

You may have seen the new sign on our front fence referring to some upcoming improvements.

These refer to a Minor Capital Works Grant we were successful in procuring at the end of last year for \$265,000 to address stormwater issues on our site.

The project will result in a school master plan, a series of raingardens and swales to catch, filter and disperse water sustainably, and a number of workshops delivered by hydrologists, architects and engineers to educate our students in the benefits, workings and maintenance of the new technologies.

The works shall further promote the school's sustainable practices and act as an exemplar to other schools dealing with ongoing and increasing water damage as a result of climate change.

More on this soon.

# Working Bee

Our next working bee shall be held on:

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July, from 9am to 1pm.

Works will focus on weeding, mulching, constructing the igloo, oiling outdoor furniture, sorting out wood piles, planting and generally tidying up in preparation for PatchFest21.

Pizza will be available (would ove some donations of sauce, cheese, toppings) from 11am.

We shall also run a **free workshop on Fruit Tree Pruning at 10am** led by John Rayner, experienced horticulturalist and lecturer, Melbourne University.

A list of jobs to be done with accompanying images shall be provided shortly.

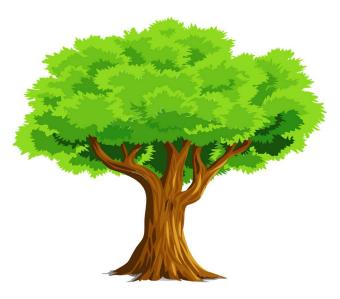
# Tree Safety at The Patch PS

We have had some enquiries regarding the safety of the trees growing on our school grounds.

At the end of 2020, a tree safety audit was conducted by Tree Dimensions that included all trees growing on the school grounds.

All recommendations were undertaken, including the sonic tomography which explores internal tree health, and paid for by the department as part of our bushfire preparations.

Whilst this is no guarantee that tree failure will not occur in the near future, it does provide some assurance that our trees are current deemed healthy and of low risk.



# **ART Excursion**

# Y5/6 and selected Y2, 3 & 4 students

Unfortunately, due to the recent lockdown we had to cancel the Art Excursion that was booked for the Y5/6 and selected Y2, 3 & 4 students.

The Art Excursion will be rescheduled for sometime in Term 3. You will be advised of the new dates as soon as they have been organized by Sofia.

# BEST SCHOOL GARDEN FOR BIODIVERSITY AWARD

The \$1000 prize money for our Biodiversity Garden award last year shall be used next week to purchase plant material for the front of the school, in our Alphabet Garden and propagation material to sell at PatchFest21. It's always such a treat to spend someone else's money 💿

# Yarra Valley Water Pump Station Opening

The official ceremony to open the pump station has been postponed due to the lockdown. It will now be held on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> July from 10am – 11am which coincides with NAIDOC Week and National Tree Day.

Gang Green students will participate in a planting activity with 12 guests from YVW, Jaydo (the construction company) and possibly a politician.

Short speeches will acknowledge the school's input and partnership, how the school has benefitted and the environmental improvements that will result from the new sewerage system

# **Community Notices**

## **Music Tuition with Chris Walker**

Lessons in piano, guitar and bass guitar during school hours and after. Phone 0407 049 012 or email <u>chrisw7@ymail.com</u>

## Violin & Viola Lessons

Private violin/viola lesson available for all grades from prep. Please contact Hiro (0423 765 312 or hiro1656@hotmail.com)

## **Private Ukulele Lessons**

The Patch School students now have the opportunity to take private ukulele lessons. The Patch School parent, Jess Dunn, has had 6 years' experience teaching ukulele to kids and adults and loves teaching at The Patch. The cost is \$18 for a 20-minute individual lesson or \$12 for a 20 minute group lesson (subject to suitable pairing). For more information, please call or email. 0408 102 542 jessdunn.arts@gmail.com

# Join Scouts Today

## 1st Kallista Scout Group

Scouting actively engages and supports young people aged 5-25 in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Joey Scouts (5-8 years) Mondays 5:30-6:30pm

Cub Scouts (8-11 years) Tuesdays 7:00-8:30pm

Scouts (11-14 years) Wednesdays 7:00-9:00pm

kallistascout@gmail.com



1800 SCOUTS scoutsvictoria.com.au



#### Building Brighter Futures Together

#### The Patch

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#### Monday, 28th June to Friday, 09th July 2021

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NOTICE - ALLERGY - Please ensure all food is nut free

#### Monday 28 June

#### CUTE CRAFTS AND CRAZY KITES

IN-SERVICE

Today's your chance to get crafty as we make some amazing kites and all kinds of colourful Indoitions!



#### Tuesday 28 June

#### WINTER OLYMPIC DAY

IN-SERVICE

Go for gold in a day of fun Olympic challenges. There are lots of medals on offer, how many will you take home?



#### Wednesday 30 june

#### OBSTACLES GALORE

EXCURSION - INFLATABLE WORLD RINGWOOD

Wear your comfortable clothes today as we head to Inflatable World to bounce, climb and navigate your way through the inflatable obstacles today!



#### Arrive by 8.30am. Don't forget your socks!

## Thursday 01 July

PYJAMA PARTY

#### IN-SERVICE

Come dressed in your Onesie or Pyjamas today for a jam packed day full of party games!



(N) + \$24.00

#### Friday 02 July

#### RUN AWAY TO THE CIRCUS

INCURSION - FUN FIT CIRCUS WORKSHOP Join the circus and become a clown for the day learning Juggling, Hula Hoops, Acrobalance, Cowning & More



Monday 05 July

#### MINUTE TO WIN IT

#### IN-SERVICE

You have one minutel Can you best the clock in the challenges that we set you? Game on, ready, set, gol



(E3) \$43.00

#### Tuesday 06 July

#### BUBBLE BOUNCE

EXCURSION - BOUNCE INDOOR TRAMPOLINE PARK BLACKBURN

Fly high and enjoy some extreme fun at Bounce Indoor Trampoline centre that's all about dodgeball, slam dunk and trampoline areas. Don't forget to land softly and safely. Let's jump to some funi

#### Please arrive by 8.30am

#### Wednesday 07 july

#### LET'S GET MESSY

#### IN-SERVICE

No need to worry about making a mess today We are going to be up to our heads in idey, sticky funi



#### Thursday 08 July

#### CODEBREAKERS

INCURSION - SPACE TECH

Imaginations take flight in an out of this world experience. Make & launch rockets, create & test Sphero Moon Buggles, experience Virtual & Augmented Reality, and be able to turn a cube into the Universe whilst holding it in the palm of your hand!

#### Friday 08 July

#### KIDS CARNIVAL

IN-SERVICE

Enjoy all the fun of the fair, as we get into carnival mode with an array of thrilling challenges and exciting games



Mon - Pri 7:00am - 6:00pm The Patch - 0400 708 773 53 Kallista-Emerald Road The Patch VIC 3792

Book now at oshciub.com.au | be quick as places are ilmited

Daily price: \$72.00 | Ecouraions an additional cost to the daily fee and a lither attends whether they document the test blick

Customer Service 1300 395 735

#### (N) + \$19.00









#### **Contaminated Water alert**

Yarra Valley Water is advising residents in Kallista, Sherbrooke and The Patch to not drink tap water until further notice.

As of 2.30pm Wednesday 16 June, Yana Valley Water has stated that water sampling will take place over the next 48 hours to make sure that tap water is safe to drink.

Emergency drinking water is available at: . The Patch Hall, 5 The Patch Road, The Patch

Kalista Public Hall, 6 Tom Roberts Road Kalista

Please be patient as supplies will be refiled as required.

Residents will also need to bring their own containers (bottles, pots, kettles etc.) to fill up from the tankers. If you would like any more information or updates, please reach out to Yarra Valley Water on 13 27 62.

#### What do I do with my green waste?

The sheer volume and scale of the clean up ahead is something Council and our community can't tackle alone. This is why we are calling on the State and Federal Governments to support Council and our community with this clean-up operation.

Being able to get this done as quickly as possible is particularly crucial given we are only months away from bushfire season

We are asking the State and Federal Governments for funding to enable Council to clear the material we are collecting from the roads and roadsides, as well as resources to enable our community to get material off their own properties.

We will continue to keep you updated with our progress.

#### Septic Tanks

Recent storms may have had a significant impact on septic tank systems around the Yarra Ranges. If you're an owner of a septic tank system, please undertake the following checks to work out if your system is operating correctly:

- . Check for odours around the system
- . Check the system for signs of damage
- . Monitor whether the wastewater flows well through water fixtures and fittings
- . Check the system for blockages (if safe to do so)

If you identify any problems through the above checks, please reach out to a suitably qualified and experienced plumber to check your system. For lurther advice, please contact our Environmental Health Department on 1300 388 333 or visit www.health.vic.gov.au for more information.

Please note that there may be potential access issues for plumbers if nods are still blocked by fallen trees or flooding, which will increase wait time.

#### For more update to information

yarraranges.vic.gov.au/stormemergencyinfo

www.facebook.com/yrcouncil/



#### **Road Closures**

To assist with the clean up, Victoria Police has traffic management points set up at key access roads in the Dandenong Ranges.

Access to the Mount Dandenong Tourist Road is restricted to emergency service personnel, supporting agencies and local residents only. Non-residents are advised to stay away from the area while the clean up continues.

Mountain Highway closed from Claremont Avenue. The Basin to Mount Dandenong Tourist Road, Sassafras, Black Spur closed from Healesville to Narbethong.

#### Power and Shower Sites

The below 'Power and Shower' sites are available to residents who need hot showers or charging facilities from 8am-8pm.

Lilydale Heights Secondary College, 17-19 Nelson Road, Lilydale		
Yarra Junction Sporting Pavilion, 2435 Warburton Highway, Yarra Junction		
Belgrave Community Hub, 1616/1624 Burwood Highway, Belgrave		
Olinda Recreation Reserve, 71-73 Olinda-Monbulk Road, Belgrave		
Queens Park Pavilion, 36A Don Road, Healesville		
Kalorama Memorial Reserve, 1190-1196 Mt Dandenong Tourist Road, Kalorama		

Please ask staff and emergency volunteers at these sites if you require anything else, and they will see how they can assist.

#### **Emergency Food Waste Disposal**

Extra bins have been made available for residents to dispose of emergency food waste only at the following locations

- Kalorama Memorial Reserve, Mt Dandenong Tourist Road, Kalorama .
- Olinda public toilets, 33 Monash Avenue (Service road) Rear of the Healesville Community Link, River Street, Healesville
- Belgrave Recreation Reserve, 1A Reserve Rd, Belgrave
- Monbulk Recreation Reserve car park, Moores Road
- Lilydale Recreation Reserve, 179 Main St, Lilydale
- Yarra Junction Recreation Reserve car park near sporting pavilion

Please check Council's website or call 1300 368 333 for more information and updates on these services and locations.

Edition - 4 Wednesday, 16 June 2021





A week on from the storms hitting the region, we know that living without power, without internet and with patchy phone reception is wearing people thin. We also know that this is the point where the initial supplies you may have gathered – your batteries, extra food, tollet paper, freewood and sanitary items – may also be running low.

It can be hard to know where to go for support - especially when you're feeling isolated from the wider community - but if you need a hand, we want to hear from you.

We've got Power and Shower sites and food waste drop off areas isted in this newskitter and on our website with other emergency information, at yarraranges.vic.gov.au. At our Power and Shower sites, you can access hot water, power for your devices (pring your own chargers and toletries) and staff, who you can talk to about how you're going and what you may need.

Emergency services and community groups have also been gathering donations of food, supplies and equipment which we can help you to access.

We're also encouraging anyone who needs a hand to call us on 1300 388 333, especially if you're unsure of where to go for help. We'll try to connect you with agencies, community groups or Council teams who can assist and help get things back on track for you.

The joint Australian, state and territory Governments have created Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements. Information can only be accessed at this stage by visiting disasterassist.gov.au so please reach out to someone who has internet access to assist you if you do not have internet access yourself, for more information.

There have been reports of scammers operating in Kalorama offering to cut up trees, please be careful and vigilant regarding any offers of help.

## FOR URGENT RELIEF NEEDS

ve any urgent relief needs including food; or lact Yarra Banges Council

## 1300 368 333

# **Key Contact Information**

For urgent relief needs including food and alternate accommodation contact Council on 1300 368 333

	Serviced by	Contact Number
Fallen trees - Local Roads	Council	1300 368 333
Fallen trees - Main Roads	VicRoads	13 11 70
Fallen trees - On Powerlines	AusNet Services	13 17 99
Livestock issues	Contact Agriculture Victoria	9032 7676
Flood or Storm assistance	SES	132 500
Material aid and financial support	Contact Council	1300 368 333
Temporary care for pets	Council	1300 368 333
Mental health support	Beyond Blue	1300 224 636
Domestic Violence Support	EDVOS	9259 4200 or 1800 015 188 (after hours)
Legal Services	Eastern Community	1300 32 52 00

#### Stay safe when using candles or alternative heating sources

When heating or lighting your home during a power outage, please be aware of the following:

- Do not use appliances designed for outdoor use inside your home, basement, garage, caravan or tent.
- · Do not use these appliances close to an open window when outside Appliances such as power generators, grills, camp stoves, patio
- heaters or other devices that burn petrol, gas or charcoal should only be operated in well-ventilated outdoor areas away from open windows and vents Please beware of fire hazards when using candles. Try to use torches
- instead
- If you need to use candles, make sure to keep them away from curtains and put them out before you go to sleep.





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# FREE Bookaburra Storytime Yarra Ranges

# Session Times

Dandenong Ranges Botanic Garden Monday 10:30am (every 2nd Monday commencing 19th April)

Mt Evelyn Community House Monbulk Living & Learning Chirnside Park Community Hub Victoria Road Primary School Coldstream Primary School Tuesdays 9.30am

Wednesday 10.30am

Thursday 10.45am

Fridays 9:15am

Fridays 9.30am

## Join in with a Bookaburra Volunteer for interactive stories, songs and rhymes!

## Commencing Term 2 2021

No bookings required however participant numbers are limited.

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Enquiries: Family and Children's Service Early Years: 1300 368 333 earlyyears@yarraranges.vic.gov.au

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