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Negotiations are occurring daily, regarding a push for significant increases to pay and improved conditions.

The purpose of the ban is to highlight the significant amount of unpaid out of hours work AEU members complete to provide written comments in student reports to parents or carers.

The ban has been in place since 6.00am on Monday 20 April 2026 and remains in place unless the AEU advises otherwise.

AWARDS



SWIMMING PROGRAM 2026

I can confirm that our swimming program will run during the last week of term, Monday 22nd June and runs for 5 days through to Friday 26th June at Monbulk Aquatic Centre in Monbulk. Our aim is to utilise this pool and lower overall running costs by eliminating the need for buses. We will therefore be relying on parent helpers to help transport students privately. See schedule below.

DATES TO REMEMBER	
2026	
Wed 20th May	Grade 4-6 Menstrual Health and Pelvic Pain Program School Council 7.00 pm online
Fri 22nd May	District Cross Country
Tues 26th May	Ride, Roll, Blade or Skate to School Day
Fri 5th June	Grade 3-6 Indoor Soccer Tournament
Wk. 8 Mon 8th June Fri 12th June	Australian Smile Squad Visit Days TBA
Mon 22nd June	Reports sent home Swimming Program Begins at Monbulk Aquatic Centre
Tues 23rd June	Swimming Program Day 2 at Monbulk Aquatic Centre
Wed 24th June	3 Way Conferences – 2.30 pm start Swimming Program Day 3 at Monbulk Aquatic Centre
Thurs 25th June	Swimming Program Day 4 at Monbulk Aquatic Centre
Fri 26th June	Swimming Program Final Day at Monbulk Aquatic Centre Last day of term 2.30 dismissal

MID YEAR REPORTS & INDUSTRIAL ACTION

As part of the current industrial actions in place between the state government and the AEU, please be aware that there is a ban on all aspects of work related to the provision of written comments on student reports that will be provided to parents.

Mon 22nd June Lesson Time <i>1.30 pm – 2.30 pm</i>	Tuesday 23rd June Lesson Time <i>1.30 pm – 2.30 pm</i>	Wed 24th June Lesson Time <i>12.30 pm – 1.30 pm</i>	Thurs 25th June Lesson Time <i>1.30 pm – 2.30 pm</i>	Fri 26th June Lesson Time <i>11.30 am – 1.45 pm</i>
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AUSTRALIAN SMILE GROUP

Thank you to all families who have returned their permission slips for the Australian Smile Group visit. The company will attend our school the week starting Monday 8th June 2026. We have 9 returned forms. Keep bringing them in if you would like to take advantage of the service

RIDE, ROLL, BLADE, SKATE TO SCHOOL DAY

On Tuesday 26th May we will be having an 'Active Kids are Healthy Kids' Day. We will meet on the corner of Queens Rd & Monbulk Rd at 8.30 am and ride and or roll to school as a group. This will be followed by breakfast at school and some Bike Education activities. Place Tuesday 26th May in your diary and dust off your bikes and check that they are roadworthy in readiness for this event.

NEW GOAL POSTS FOR SCHOOL OVAL UPDATE

Resident Sport liaison, Joel Walsh, has been helping me co-ordinate the new installation of AFL/Soccer goals for our school oval. Joel ticked off the first stage with the removal of the old goals. He's surveyed the land and conclude that the goals will need to be brought in a bit at each end to ensure we have a rectangular pitch when the goals are set up for soccer. Thanks for the attention to detail Joel and keep up the great work. No-one wants to take a corner kick on a wonky angle.

3 WAY CONFERENCES

Mid-year reports will be sent home on Monday 22nd June, followed by our 3 Way Conferences on Wednesday 24th June.

More information regarding the 3 Way Conferences will be forwarded in the coming weeks. Like last

year, the conferences will be offered via face to face and/or online via Webex Meetings.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Next Wednesday 20th May online at 7.00 pm.

BELGRAVE LATERN FESTIVAL

This year Tara Sawyer has entered our school in the upcoming Belgrave Lantern Festival. We are very excited about this opportunity and believe it will be a memorable and enriching experience for all students involved.

This event celebrates light, creativity, and connection, bringing together schools, families, and local artists from across the Dandenong Ranges. Students will have the opportunity to design and create their own lanterns, which are then carried in a magical evening parade through the streets of Belgrave. The festival is well known for its glowing handmade lanterns, live music, and strong sense of community spirit.

Participating in this event is a wonderful learning experience for students. It encourages creativity, collaboration, and pride in contributing to a shared public artwork. It is also a memorable way for students to see their learning extended beyond the classroom and into a real-world community celebration.

Event Details:

- **Date:** Saturday 20th June
- **Official start time:** 5:00pm
- **Meeting time:** Approximately 3:30pm – 4:00pm (at Belgrave, location to be confirmed closer to the date)
- **Lantern parade begins:** Approximately 5:15pm – 5:30pm

Important Information for Families:

Last year, parking at the event was very challenging as it was a very crowded event which created some challenges for families arriving later in the evening. To help with this, we are planning to arrive early and enjoy a picnic together in the park near the event space. This will also help us secure parking and allow students time to settle in before the lantern parade begins.

Please note: If we do not receive enough parent support and attendance to safely and successfully

participate in the festival, we will instead organise a school-based celebration after school one evening instead. This will give students the opportunity to showcase their lanterns and share a small performance with the school community.