

WELCOME TO OUR

Wooragee PS Newsletter

2025 CALENDAR

TERM 1

WEEK 8

MONDAY, MARCH 17 SCHOOL
COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19 NAPLAN
NUMERACY 3 & 5

FRIDAY, MARCH 21 FOLK FESTIVAL
PARADE

WEEK 9

WEEK 10

MONDAY, MARCH 31 1/2 DAY OF
SCHOOL STUDENT LEAD
INTERVIEWS - PICK UP STUDENTS
AT 12PM.

THURSDAY APRIL 3 WORKING BEE
3:00-5:00

FRIDAY, APRIL 4 LAST DAY OF
TERM PICK UP AT 2:20.

From the Principal's Desk

TERM 1 WEEK 7 2025

Upholding Child Safe Standards at Wooragee Primary School.

At Wooragee Primary School, the safety and wellbeing of our students are our highest priority. We are committed to creating a child-safe environment where all children feel valued, respected, and protected.

As part of Victoria's Child Safe Standards, we have strong policies and practices in place to ensure the safety of every student in our care. This includes:

- ✓ Zero Tolerance for Child Abuse – We take all concerns seriously and act immediately to address any risks to children's safety.
- ✓ Code of Conduct – All staff, volunteers, and visitors must adhere to our Child Safety Code of Conduct, ensuring respectful and appropriate behaviour at all times.
- ✓ Empowering Students – We teach students about their rights, personal safety, and how to speak up if they feel unsafe.
- ✓ Safe Learning Environments – We actively promote inclusion and diversity, ensuring a supportive space for all children, regardless of background, ability, or identity.
- ✓ Family and Community Involvement – We value open communication with families and encourage parents to raise any concerns or questions about child safety.

We all play a role in keeping children safe. If you have any concerns or would like more information about our child safety policies, please visit our school web page for a full list of our policies.

Together, we can ensure a safe and supportive school community for every child.

🧑‍🤝🧑 Volunteers Needed for Upcoming Events! 🗓️

We need your help to make our upcoming events a success! Volunteering is a great way to support our school community while having fun along the way.

We're looking for volunteers to help sell delicious corn on the cob at the festival. Click the link to sign up!

♦ Easter Market – Get Involved! 🐰

Can you lend a hand at one of our market stalls? We need help with:

- ✓ Baked Spuds Stall 🥔 (Can you donate your time?)
- ✓ Book Stall 📖 (Can you donate any books)
- ✓ Plant & Produce Stall 🌿 (Can you donate cakes/slices, relish or preserves?) – Please contact the school for the Tomato Relish recipe.

♦ Cow Poo Lotto – Donations Needed! 🐮💩

This is a major fundraiser for our school, and we're seeking prizes to make it even bigger! All proceeds go towards improving the children's playground.

✳️ Please click the link to volunteer or donate – every little bit helps! Thank you for supporting our school! ([Market LINK](#)).

🐝 Working Bee – Volunteers Needed! 🌿

We're holding a Working Bee to help tidy up the school grounds and get everything ready for the Easter Market!

📅 Date: Thursday, April 3

🕒 Time: 3:00 – 5:00 PM

🔧 Jobs include: Setting up tables, cleaning the BBQ, and general tidy-up tasks.

To say thank you, we'll be firing up the BBQ for a sausage sizzle at the end of the afternoon! 🍔

Many hands make light work, so if you're available, we'd love your help! Thank you for supporting our school community.

Start 9:00am Finish 3:20PM

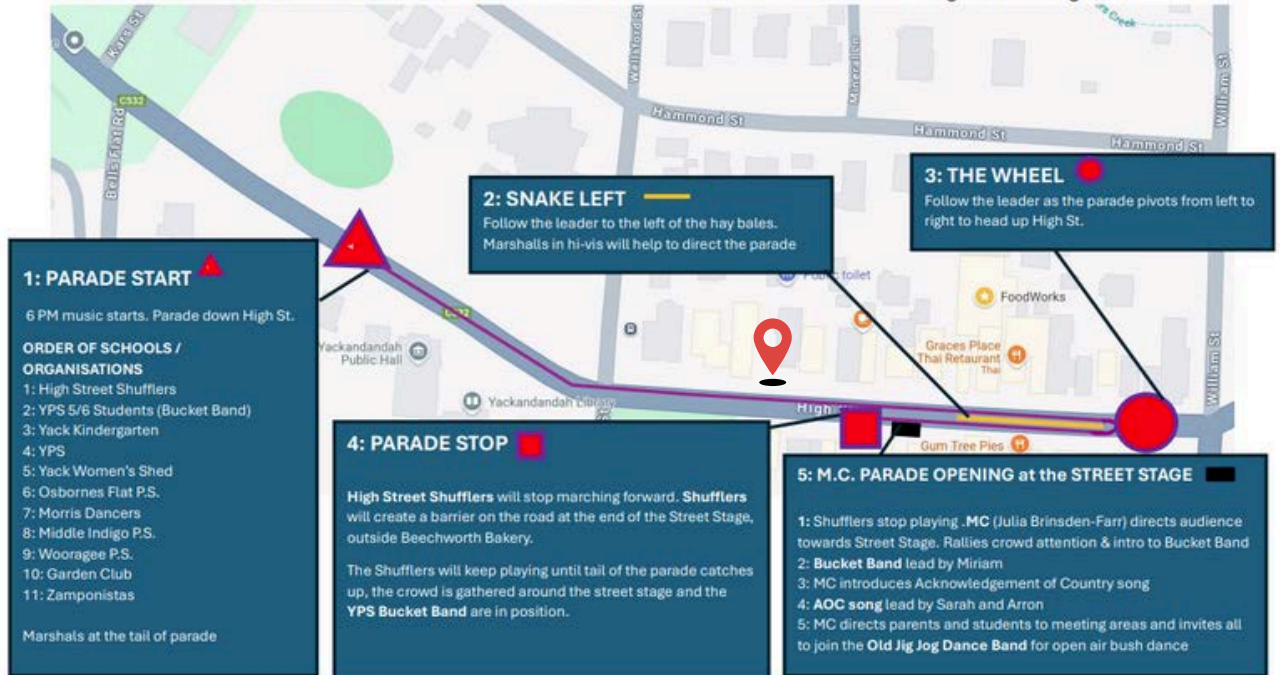
Supervision begins @ 8:35 and Ends @3:45 (For those travelling on the Late bus)

Children will be unsupervised if dropped off or picked up outside these hours



2025 YACKANDANDAH FOLK FESTIVAL PARADE ROUTE

- 1: PARADE START:** 5:45 pm schools/organisations line up behind the start. Opposite the marquee on the Y.P.S. oval back to Kars Street. 6 pm start
- 2: SNAKE LEFT:** Towards the end of High Street, marshals in Hi-Vis will direct the parade to the **LEFT** of the hay bales. This will help **thin out** the parade so the "Wheel" can pivot from left to right.
- 3: WHEEL:** The Shufflers will lead the "Wheel", turning the parade around to head up High Street.
- 4: PARADE STOP:** The Parade will stop at the street stage. The MC will direct the welcome and performances before officially opening the parade.
- 5: M.C. & STREET STAGE PERFORMANCES:** Bucket Band & YFF Kids Choir. **Parents collect students from designated meeting areas**



DESIGNATED MEETING AREA AFTER PARADE: IN FRONT OF OPPSHOP/PUBLIC TOILETS



Folk Festival –Friday 21st March 6pm

The theme for the 2025 Street Parade will revolve around everything BLUE and related to BLUES MUSIC!

Wooragee Primary School will adopt an under-the-sea theme, with BLUE as the primary colour. Encourage your child to dress up as a fish, jellyfish, seaweed, mermaid, and more!

Student Leaders News

Easter Eggs

The students leaders are running the "How many easter eggs in a jar competition again this year. We need donations of easter eggs. Can you please grab a packet of mini easter eggs when you next go shopping.



Lucky Jars

Students are excited to host a lucky jar stall at the Easter Market! Your child will bring home a jar, and we kindly ask you to fill it with items such as jam, toys, sweets, or anything else that would delight both kids and adults, as long as it fits in the jar. Each jar will be assigned a number, and the children will sell tickets. Customers will then draw a lucky number to determine which jar they win!



Glasses for Kids Program

Last week, notes went home for the Glasses for Kids program, a fantastic initiative to support young learners in Victoria. This program provides free in-school vision screening, further testing, and glasses (if needed) for Prep to Grade 3 students, ensuring they can see clearly and fully engage in their learning.

If you haven't already, please complete and return the forms as soon as possible to take advantage of this opportunity.

For more information, feel free to contact the school office.



School Council News

Your New School Council Members

The school council members for 2025/2026 school year are:



Jenna O'Harah



Angela Gray



Grace Panjari



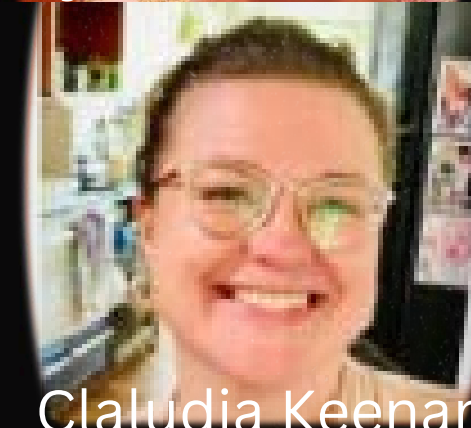
Tyla McKeeman



Nathan Fullar



Louisa Watkin



Claludia Keenan



Adam Davis



Jess Padbury



Tom Collcott



Bec Davis



Chris Jacobs



Important Permissions Needed!

To ensure your child can use a computer at school, you must complete the Acceptable Use Agreement.

We also need your permission to include your child's photos in the newsletter and on school platforms.

If you **haven't** completed this on Compass, please fill out the alternative form linked below.

[LINK](#)

Photo and Media Policy:

Wooragee Primary School requests that parents/carers, students and invited guests who photograph, film or record school activities only do so for their own personal use and do not publish the images in any form, including on social media, without the prior consent of persons whose children also appear in the images.

Neither the school nor the department own or control any images of students taken by parents/carers, students or their invited guests at school activities.

The screenshot shows a webpage from the Victorian Government Department of Education. The main heading is 'FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE' with a sub-heading 'INFORMATION FOR PARENTS'. The text explains that every Victorian child should have access to learning opportunities beyond the classroom. It introduces the 'CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)' which provides children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. A box titled 'HOW TO APPLY' contains instructions for new applicants and those who applied last year, listing conditions for eligibility such as new student enrolments or changed family circumstances. At the bottom, there is a 'MORE INFORMATION' section with a link to the CSEF website and a photo of children playing outdoors.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$154 for primary school students
- \$256 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments:** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances:** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

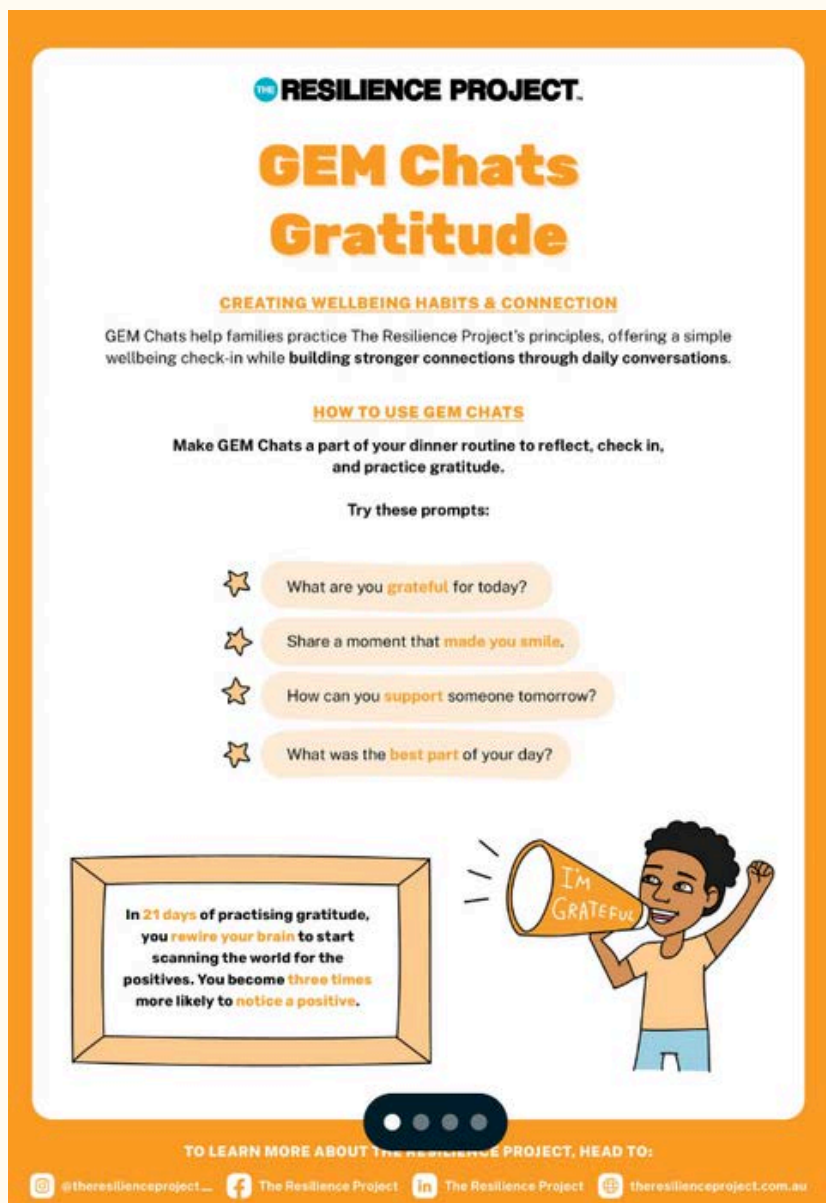
Check with the school office if you are unsure

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:
<https://www.vic.gov.au/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund>

To Apply Click Here

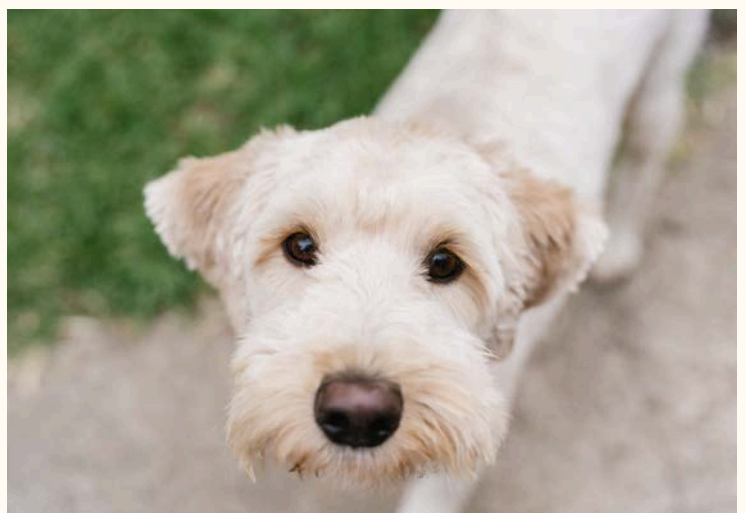
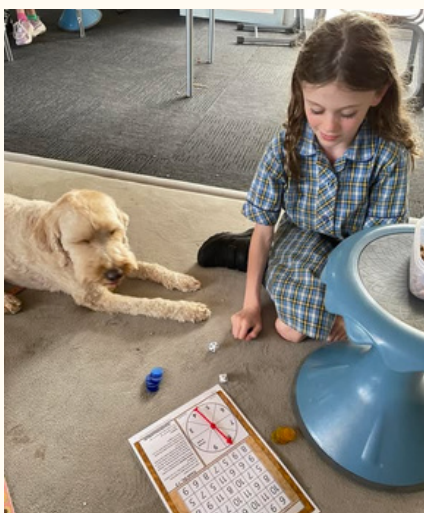
All students must hand in their mobile phones or tablets to the teacher at the beginning of the day!



Nellie News

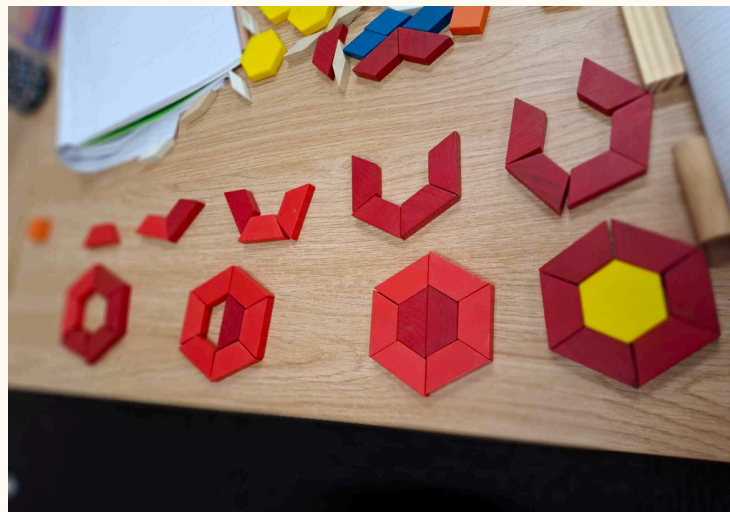
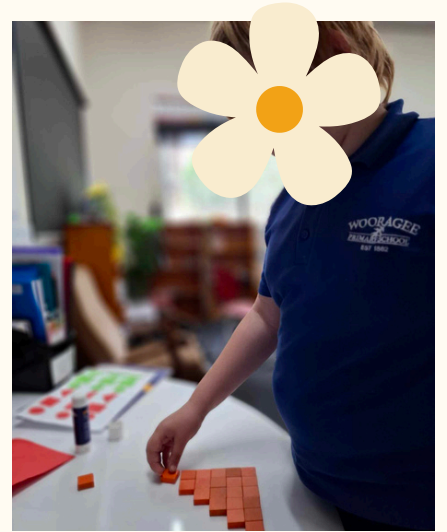
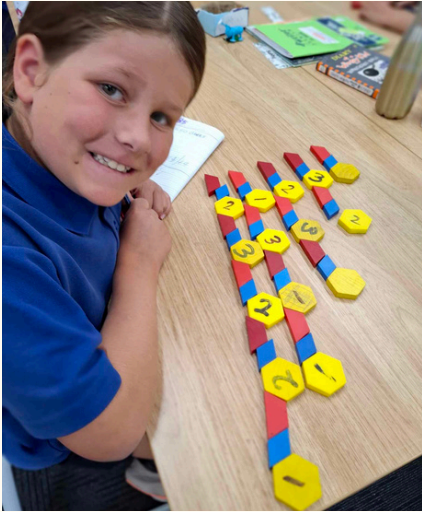
Nellie had a mini photoshoot after her buff and polish. She is looking very photogenic for our new website.

Nellie has also enjoyed playing some maths games where she was an expert dice roller.



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HUMAN BODY





ACKNOWLEDGEMENT PHOTOGRAPH



February	March
<p>11 Finlay 21 Lottie 23 Sophie-Maree 24 Matilda 24 Logan</p>	<p>1 Lexi 13 Eviee 24 Ty 30 Phoebe 31 Audrey</p>

Thank you

THANK YOU TO SOPHIE, CHRIS AND SARAH FOR YOUR HELP IN THE GARDEN
THANK YOU COLCOTTS FOR THE CHICKEN DONATION
THANK YOU MAUREEN FOR SORTING AND CLEANING THE LIBRARY





Come and meet the students and teachers at our local school. Hear from our school leaders and participate in activities and interactive experiences.

DISCOVERY NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 2ND APRIL, 2025

5.00 - 7.00pm

PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME @ 6.00pm


Talk to us about 2026 enrolments - enquiries welcome at all year levels.

ASPIRE

RESPECT

CONTRIBUTE

Call us on (03) 5728 1264
www.beechworthsc.vic.edu.au
85 Balaclava Road, Beechworth VIC 3747



GUITAR UKULELE & PIANO

lessons during school hours

LESSON	DURATION	COST
<i>private</i>	<i>30 minutes</i>	<i>15 each</i>
<i>group (3 - 4)</i>	<i>30 minutes</i>	<i>25 each</i>

School: _____

Student Full Name: _____

Year Level: _____

Instrument: _____

UKULELE GUITAR PIANO

Lesson Type: _____

PRIVATE GROUP

Parent Full Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Or contact Billy:
p: 0402 490 095
e: livingbridgemusic@outlook.com



Community Events

THE AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION (AEC) HAS 100,000 TEMPORARY JOBS AVAILABLE ACROSS AUSTRALIA AT THE NEXT ELECTION.

ALTHOUGH THE DATE FOR THE ELECTION IS YET TO BE ANNOUNCED, WE NEED TO ENSURE WE HAVE THE TEMPORARY WORKFORCE TO RUN THE EVENT.

THERE ARE JOBS AVAILABLE BEFORE, ON AND AFTER ELECTION DAY IN METRO, REGIONAL AND REMOTE AREAS.

WE ARE SEEKING YOUR HELP TO SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT THESE JOBS. ALL JOBS ARE PAID, NO EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED AND TRAINING IS PROVIDED.

TO HELP SPREAD THE WORD THERE ARE PROMOTIONAL RESOURCES THAT YOU CAN:

- SHARE ON SOCIAL MEDIA
- ADD TO NEWSLETTERS AND WEBSITES
- PRINT AND DISPLAY

PLEASE READ OUR 'USERS GUIDE' BEFORE USING THESE PROMOTIONAL RESOURCES.

IF YOU OR ANYONE YOU KNOW ARE INTERESTED IN APPLYING, PLEASE VISIT

AEC.GOV.AU/ELECTIONJOBS



TERM 1 CLASSES

Book online: quercusbeechworth.org.au or SCAN 

Our FREE regular activities

- Repair Cafe & Flea Market, first Saturday of each month
- IT-Helpdesk, fortnightly

If you have an idea for an activity, are interested in venue hire, tutoring or volunteering, please reach out to operations@quercusbeechworth.org.au



Performing Arts 5-12 year olds

Weekly on Mondays
3.30 - 5.00pm
Teacher: Franja Bailey
\$90/ Term 1 from 17 Feb or \$17 / session



Kid's Bootcamp

Weekly on Thursdays
3.30pm-5.00pm
A fun, movement based session specialising in strength, stretch, tumbling and some dance elements.
Ages 8-12yrs
\$90/ Term 1 from 20 Feb or \$17 / session



Stretch, Strength & Core

Weekly on Mondays
5.30 - 6.15pm
Teacher: Franja Bailey
\$90/ Term 1 from 17 Feb or \$17 / session



Flash Mob!

Weekly on Fridays
5.15-6.30pm
Move, connect, socialise and have fun!
Teacher: Franja Bailey
\$75/ 5 sessions from 21 Feb or \$17 / session



Rhythm, Movement & Music 2-5 year olds

Weekly on Fridays
2.00 - 3.00pm
Teacher: Franja Bailey
\$75/ Term 1 from 28 Feb or \$17 / session



First Aid & CPR

Tuesday 18th March 9am-12pm
Accredited First Aid training delivered in Beechworth including CPR refresher.
First Aid \$165.00
CPR Refresher (only) \$90.00



Share + Connect

Women's Circle
TAKING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
A space to be heard, gain insight or simply spend time with like-minded Women. Please express interest via our Activities page on our website.

External Regular Activities

Martial Arts
Weekly on Tuesdays
6-7pm Family Martial Arts
info@alburywodonga-martialarts.com

Beechworth Dancing
Weekly on Thursdays
7:00pm
Call 0417 560 481

Quercus Beechworth, 30 Ford Street, Beechworth | 0403 865 095



**Beechworth Community
Early Years Learning Centre**

Schools 2026 Information Night



**6:30pm
Wednesday 12,
March 2025**



**For more
information**

Mandy

0357 282 378



**RSVP Friday the
7th march**

**This information night is all local schools coming together in
the one place to provide information for new parents of
2026 enrolments**