

Traffic safety is all about reducing accidents, injuries, and deaths on the road—for drivers, passengers, cyclists, and pedestrians. **Inconsiderate driving around our school is an ongoing safety issue, an accident waiting to happen.** Common examples of what occurs include:

- Speeding in the 40km zone
- Double parking or blocking traffic
- Illegal U-turns
- Stopping in Kiss and Go area too long and drivers exiting the vehicle
- Parking in or blocking driveways
- Failure to follow the correct traffic direction in Fairfield Road
- Illegal parking in the disabled parking space
- Failure to follow traffic laws and rules

The “Kiss and Go” zone is a short-term drop-off/pick-up area. The goal is to keep traffic moving quickly and safely. It is not an area for parking, *you are to stay in your vehicle. This zone is designed for students to be dropped off or picked up quickly and then move on, allowing the next car to move forward.*

During the hours of 8.00am- 9.30am and 2.30pm - 4.00pm driving up Fairfield Road towards Heidelberg Road is illegal. *Access into Fairfield Road during these times is from Heidelberg Road or Austin Street not Railway Place.*

The School Advisory Board discussed this issue at this week’s meeting and will be following up over coming months. Council has already been contacted to request improved traffic management, increased policing of the area and a review of the current system.

I implore everyone to consider their actions to ensure that they are a safe and considerate driver, protecting yourself, your passengers, and other road users. Careful driving reduces accidents, improves traffic flow, and makes roads safer for everyone in the community.

Cyber safety is important for children because it helps protect them from online dangers such as cyberbullying, scams, inappropriate content, and strangers. Learning safe internet habits also helps children protect their personal information, use technology responsibly, and enjoy the online world safely and confidently.

Parents play an important role in online supervision by guiding children to use the internet safely and responsibly. It is a responsibility not a choice. Rules should be set for screen time, ensure devices are in an open space and can be actively monitored during use, teach children about privacy and cyber safety, set up restrictions on what can be viewed, played and purchased and encourage open communication about online experiences. Active parental supervision helps protect children from online risks and promotes healthy digital habits.

Parents’ choices about technology and internet use can greatly impact a child’s school life. Positive choices, such as setting healthy screen time limits, encouraging educational websites, and supervising online activities, can improve learning, focus, and online behaviour. Poor cyber choices, such as unrestricted internet access or excessive gaming, gaming and viewing which is not age appropriate may affect concentration, social interactions, mental health and wellbeing. Discussion and role playing of inappropriate games and content viewed at home has crept into our school. This is not the expectations or standards we accept and will continue to be dealt with as required.

As of recent developments in Australia, there isn’t a single simple “blanket law” that automatically bans all online

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activity for children under 16 across every platform. However, there are stronger and newer protections and laws being introduced and enforced that specifically affect children's access and safety online. Australia is moving toward stricter online safety and age protection rules for under-16s, mainly by making platforms more accountable rather than completely banning access everywhere.

In schools, these legal changes are supported by digital safety education programs that teach children how to recognise risks and report unsafe behaviour. Part of our education includes the Police in Schools Cyber Safety program next week. Sessions for our students will focus on personal safety and appropriate content. A parent information evening will take place in Term 3.

A reminder that as per our Student Technology Code of Conduct signed on enrolment, student mobile phones and smart watches are to be turned off upon entering the school grounds and placed in school bags. They may be turned on once outside the school grounds. During school hours urgent communication to a student should take place via the office. Breach of this will result in devices being handed in at the office each morning and collected at the end of the day,

Child Safety while multifaceted is always with the same intent, ensuring our young people are safe physically and psychologically. Child safety is a **shared responsibility**.

Tania Bennett

What's happening next week:

Monday 25 May 2026

School Closure

Friendly reminder that next Monday is a School Closure Day. Teachers are working on assessment and reporting. MACSEYE (OSH club is open and bookings are available-as mentioned in the OSHC reminders

Tuesday 26 May 2026

Fire Carrier Commissioning Assembly

At 2.45pm we will hold our weekly assembly. As part of National Reconciliation Week we will be Commissioning our Fire Carriers. All are welcome.

Thursday 28 May 2026

National Reconciliation Week

Dress fully in red, black or yellow or just wear a touch of one of these colours. Gold coin donation which is a fundraiser for Opening the Doors Foundation. Opening the Doors Foundation is a 25-year old First Nations led, not for profit, organisation supporting educational opportunities for First Nations children.

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2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR—Terms 2 & 3

Term 2		
Date	Time	Activity
Thursday 21 May	9.30am- 10.30am	Kinder Interactive Session— PE/Future Design
Friday 22 May	9.15am	Prep BG & 1/2JB class mass
Monday 25 May		School Closure Day-report writing
Tuesday 26 May	2.45pm	Assembly -Fire Carriers Commissioning—All welcome
Thursday 28 May		National Reconciliation Week—Dress up fundraiser
Friday 29 May	9.15am	3/4MW & 4/5MG class mass
Sunday 31 May	10.30am	Sacrament of Eucharist- Grade 4
Monday 1 June	9.00- 11.00am	VU Pop Up Play Session
Tuesday 2 June	9.30am- 10.30am	Kinder Interactive Session- Art
Thursday 4 June	9.30am	Open Morning
Monday 8 June		Kings Birthday public holiday
Tuesday 9 June	9.30am- 10.30am	Kinder Interactive Session- Literacy/Numeracy
Friday 12 June	9.15am	Feast of the Sacred Heart & St Anthony's Feast Day Mass
Monday 15 June		School Concert—details to come
Tuesday 16 June	7.30pm	School Advisory Council
Friday 19 June		Dads Night Out—details to come
Monday 22 June	9.00- 11.00am	VU Pop Up Play Session
Monday 22 June	7.30pm	Parents & Friends meeting
Tuesday 23 June		Learning Conversations
Friday 26 June	1pm	Term 2 ends

Term 3		
Date	Time	Activity
Monday 13 July		Term 3 begins
Monday 20 July	7.30pm	Parents & Friends meeting
Tuesday 21 July	9.30am	Open Morning
Tuesday 21 July	7.30pm	School Advisory Council
Tuesday 28 July	6.30pm	Confirmation Formation Evening-Grade 6
Sunday 2 August	10.30am	Confirmation Commitment Mass-Grade 6
Friday 7 August	9.15am	Feast of Mary of the Cross Mass - All welcome
Monday 10 August		School Closure Day— to be confirmed
Wednesday 12 August	9.30am	Open Morning
Friday 14 August	9.15am	Feast of the Assumption Mass—All welcome
Saturday 15 August	3pm	Sacrament of Confirmation at St Anthony's -Grade 6
Tuesday 18 August	7.30pm	School Advisory Council
Monday 24 August	7.30pm	Parents & Friends meeting
Mon-Fri 24-28 August		Book Week
Friday 4 September		Father's Day Breakfast & Classroom visit
Friday 4 September		Father's Day Stall
Monday 14 September	7.30pm	Parents & Friends meeting
Tuesday 15 September	7.30pm	School Advisory Council
Friday 18 September	1pm	Term 3 ends



SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

MONDAY, 25 MAY 2026

* OSHC open—bookings essential. Contact OSHC
directly or see below.

2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR—Term 4

Term 4		
Date	Time	Activity
Monday 5 October		School Closure Day—Staff Wellbeing PL with Head Space
Tuesday 6 October	8.50am	Term 4 begins for students
Monday 12 October	7.30pm	Parents & Friends meeting
Tuesday 20 October	7.30pm	School Advisory Council
Monday 2 November		School Closure Day—Report Writing
Tuesday 3 November		Melbourne Cup Day
Monday 16 November	7.30pm	Parents & Friends meeting
Tuesday 24 November	7.30pm	School Advisory Council
Sunday 6 December	2.30pm	Combined Parish Carols including school choirs
Monday 7 December	7.30pm	Parents & Friends meeting
Tuesday 8 December	6pm	Gratitude Mass and carols
Tuesday 15 December		Step Into 2027
Tuesday 15 December	1pm	Term 4 ends

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**TERM 2
INTERACTIVE
SESSIONS**

THURSDAY 21 MAY
PE/Future Design

TUESDAY 2 JUNE
Art

TUESDAY 9 JUNE
Literacy/Numeracy

9:30AM - 10:30AM

Register online at www.saalphington.catholic.edu.au





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2026 POP UP PLAY SESSIONS



Venue: St Anthony's Primary School

**Dates: 27 April 4 May 18 May
1 June 22 June**

Time: 9.00am - 11.00am

VU early-childhood pre-service teachers and their mentor are trained in the theory and practice of Playwork and will help to facilitate play by providing a variety of items for children to explore, create and engage with.
Ages 2 - 6 year olds

Register online
www.saalphington.catholic.edu.au

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2026 Open Mornings 9.30am - 10.30am

- TUE 3 FEBRUARY
- MON 27 APRIL
- TUE 21 JULY
- WED 4 MARCH
- TUE 12 MAY
- WED 12 AUG
- MON 23 MARCH
- THUR 4 JUNE

Or book a personal tour with the Principal via our website

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GROWING GREAT KIDS!

Last week, we discussed the positive outcomes seen in learning, social development and overall wellbeing when children engage in messy, creative and child led play. This week, we have some suggestions from Judd, who has been facilitating our Pop Up Play sessions, on what this might look like at home. Judd is an absolute advocate for play, and you can tell just by chatting to her that she would be a very fun person to play with!!

Supporting Playwork inspired play at home doesn't require special equipment or planned activities. It can look like:

- offering everyday materials such as boxes, fabric, kitchen utensils, ropes, cardboard, or recycled items
- allowing play to be in progress, messy, or temporary without rushing to tidy or correct it
- stepping back to watch and listen before stepping in, and asking yourself: "Is my help actually needed right now?"
- trusting children to assess challenges and manage risks, while staying nearby and available if they seek support.

By giving children the freedom to lead their own play, we send a powerful message: your ideas matter, and you are capable. Whether at school or at home, play thrives when children are trusted.



THIS WEEK IN PREP

BG!



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OSHC REMINDERS

PLEASE REMEMBER
TO COLLECT ANY
HATS, WATER
BOTTLES, AND
JUMPERS AT PICK
UP

IF YOU HAVEN'T
BOOKED FOR THE PFD
ON MONDAY THE
25TH, PLEASE
CONTACT 0491 117
427 TO SECURE A
BOOKING

HOLIDAY PROGRAM
BOOKINGS ARE
OFFICIALLY OPEN
BOOK IN NOW!

PLEASE HAVE THE
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DOWNLOADED TO
ENSURE YOU CAN SIGN
YOUR CHILD IN AND
OUT OF OSH

FOR ANY BOOKING
ADJUSTMENTS, PLEASE
TEXT THE OSH PHONE
ON 0491 117 427 FOR
THE QUICKEST
RESPONSE. THANK YOU

We have added a Pepperoni Pizza, Vegetable Pastie with Tomato sauce, Cheese & Salad Roll and a Mexi Style Wrap with Chicken, Salsa, Cheese, Salad & Corn Chips to our main course items. Please note, the Pepperoni Pizza is made with beef pepperoni not pork, and is therefore Halal.

Our subsequent courses now include a Passionfruit Melting Moment from the Red Hill Cookie Co., and Mango Chutney with Vege Chips. Our Hot Cross Buns have been replaced with "Not" Cross Buns, which are the same recipe but without the cross. We have also added Mandarins to the menu this term. Also, our Dried Pineapple Pieces by Peels will continue in Term 2.

Remember orders arrive in time for lunch only not recess.



Healthy, Interesting and Affordable Lunch Packs, Delivered to School
ST ANTHONY'S ALPHINGTON - Term 2, 2026 - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday!
Order until 8:30am on the day! 2 Course Lunch Pack from \$6.45!

Choose a Main Course item, then select 1 or 2 items from the Snack/Drink Menu to make up a 2 or 3 Course Lunch Pack

	2 Course	3 Course	
Main Course Menu			
BAKERY - All items freshly baked this morning!			
Cheese & Vegemite Scroll (V)	\$6.45	\$9.15	
Savoury Bite 'Little Frank' Roll	\$6.45	\$9.15	
Topped with Only Cheese Roll (V)	\$6.45	\$9.15	
Cheese & Bacon Roll	\$7.45	\$10.15	
Scroll with Ham & Cheese	\$9.95	\$12.65	
Frankfurt 'in a blanket' with Sauce & Cheese (2)	\$10.95	\$13.65	
PIZZA / SAUSAGE ROLLS / GOZLEME / PASTIZZI / QUESADILLA / PASTIES - SERVED AT ROOM TEMPERATURE!			
Ricotta & Spinach Pastizzi (2) (V)	\$8.95	\$11.65	
Margherita Pizza TWIST (V)	\$9.95	\$12.65	
Sausage Roll with Sauce	\$9.95	\$12.65	
Margherita PITA Pizza (V)	\$9.95	\$12.65	
Quesadilla (Chicken) served with Sour Cream (H)	\$10.95	\$13.65	
Ham & Pineapple Pizza Slice	\$10.95	\$13.65	
BBQ Chicken Pizza (H)	\$10.95	\$13.65	
Pepperoni Pizza (H)	\$10.95	\$13.65	
Vegetable Pastie with Tomato Sauce (H, V)	\$12.75	\$15.45	
Lamb & Beef Gozleme (H)	\$13.45	\$16.15	
Mushroom & Spinach Gozleme (Vg)	\$13.45	\$16.15	
Spinach & Cheese Gozleme (V)	\$13.45	\$16.15	
SUSHI HAND ROLLS (2pc) - Soy Sauce (GF) Provided			
Teriyaki Chicken Hand Rolls (H)	\$12.45	\$15.15	
Crispy Chicken (Schnitzel) Hand Rolls (H)	\$12.45	\$15.15	
Cooked Tuna Hand Rolls (GF)	\$12.45	\$15.15	
Avocado Hand Rolls (GF, Vg)	\$12.45	\$15.15	
Cucumber Hand Rolls (GF, Vg)	\$12.45	\$15.15	
Vegetarian Hand Rolls (GF, Vg)	\$12.45	\$15.15	
Tofu Hand Rolls (GF, V)	\$12.45	\$15.15	
RICE PAPER ROLLS (2pc) - (Wednesday, Thursday & Friday only)			
Chicken Rice Paper Rolls (GF, H)	\$13.45	\$16.15	
Prawn Rice Paper Rolls (GF, H)	\$13.45	\$16.15	
Vegetarian Rice Paper Rolls (GF, Vg)	\$13.45	\$16.15	
SANDWICHES / ROLLS / WRAPS			
Strawberry Jam Sandwich (1.5) (Vg)	\$7.45	\$10.15	
Vegemite Sandwich (2) (Vg)	\$8.95	\$11.65	
Plain Cheese Sandwich (2) (V)	\$9.95	\$12.65	
Simple Salad Roll (Vg)	\$9.95	\$12.65	
Wholegrain Ham & Cheese Sandwich (1.5)	\$10.95	\$13.65	
Cheese & Salad Roll (V)	\$11.50	\$14.20	
Roast Beef, Chutney, Cheese & Lettuce Roll	\$11.50	\$14.20	
Turkey, Cranberry, Lettuce & Cheese Sandwich (1.5)	\$11.50	\$14.20	
Chicken, Mayonnaise & Salad Roll (H)	\$12.75	\$15.45	
Mexi Style WRAP w. Chicken, Salsa, Cheese, Salad, Corn Chips (H)	\$12.75	\$15.45	
SALADS / PICNIC BOXES / POKE BOWLS			
Fresh Fruit Salad - Main Course Size (GF, Vg)	\$11.50	\$14.20	
Ham Picnic Box (GF)	\$11.50	\$14.20	
Vegetarian Picnic Box (GF, V)	\$11.50	\$14.20	
Greek Style Salad with Feta & Olives (GF, V)	\$12.75	\$15.45	
Tortellini Pasta Salad (V) (Wednesday, Thursday & Friday only)	\$12.75	\$15.45	
Poke Bowl with Teriyaki Chicken (H)	\$13.45	\$16.15	
GF SANDWICHES			
GF Ham & Cheese Sandwich (1.5)	\$10.95	\$13.65	
GF Chicken (with Mayo) & Cucumber Sandwich (1.5)	\$10.95	\$13.65	
Snack/Drink Menu			
FRESH FRUIT & VEGETABLES			
Apple pieces, Lemon juice, Cinnamon & Brown Sugar	+\$1.00		
Fresh Fruit Combo	+\$1.00		
Freshly Chopped Orange Segments	Included		
Freshly Chopped Watermelon Pieces	Included		
Whole Fruit - Apple	Included		
Whole Fruit - Banana	Included		
Whole Fruit - Mandarin	Included		
Bag of Grapes	Included		
Carrot, Cucumber, Red & Yellow Capsicum	Included		
Cherry Tomatoes, Tasty Cheese & Rice Crackers	Included		
Corn Wheels & Lightly Steamed Broccoli	Included		
Edamame (Lightly Salted)	Included		
BAKERY - SWEET			
ANZAC Biscuit	Included		
Choc Chip Cookie	Included		
Cinnamon Doughnut	Included		
Cornflake Cookie	Included		
Finger Bun with Sprinkles	Included		
"Not Cross" Bun	Included		
Lamington	Included		
Blueberry Muffin	+\$1.00		
Carrot Cup Cake (GF/CF/Vg)	+\$1.00		
Choc Cup Cake (GF/CF/Vg)	+\$1.00		
Jam Drop Biscuit (GF)	+\$1.00		
Passionfruit Melting Moment Biscuit	+\$1.00		
Yo Yo Biscuit	+\$1.00		
SUSHI			
1pc Tuna Sushi (GF)	+\$1.00		
POPCORN / HARVEST SNAPS			
Popcorn - Slightly Sweet, Lightly Salted	Included		
Popcorn - Lightly Salted	Included		
Harvest Snaps (GF/CF/Vg)	Included		
DRIED FRUIT / LEGUMES			
Lime & Black Pepper Chickpeas	Included		
Roasted Chickpeas	Included		
Balsamic & Sea Salt Fava Beans	Included		
Dried Pineapple Pieces by "Peels"	+\$1.00		
DIPS WITH MINI RICE CAKES / CORN CHIPS			
Avocado Dip with Mini Rice Cakes	+\$1.00		
Spicy Capsicum Dip with Mini Rice Cakes	+\$1.00		
Spring Onion Dip with Mini Rice Cakes	+\$1.00		
Tzatziki Dip with Mini Rice Cakes	+\$1.00		
Corn Chips with Salsa (GF)	+\$1.00		
Mango Chutney with Vege Chips (GF, Vg)	+\$1.00		
YOGHURTS / BOWLS / CUPS			
Raspberry Jelly Cup	Included		
Strawberry Yoghurt (Dairy Farmers)	+\$1.00		
Vanilla Yoghurt (Dairy Farmers)	+\$1.00		
Stewed Rhubarb and Apple with Custard	+\$1.00		
DRINKS			
Apple Juice (Nippy's)	Included		
Orange Juice (Nippy's)	Included		
Chocolate Milk (Nippy's)	Included		
Strawberry Milk (Nippy's)	Included		
Full Cream Milk	Included		

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DRAMA CLASSES

Anne has been a therapeutic theatre maker for more than 13 years, collaborating with young actors to write performances based on personal narratives. As a drama teacher, Anne allows children the ability to tap into their imagination, and express it through play. There is no expectation for them to "perform". Simply, to explore and enjoy the process. These classes aim to build students' confidence, enhance their imagination and encourage creative expression. While also developing skills such as problem-solving, adaptability, collaboration and emotional intelligence.



Location St Anthony's Primary School Alphington
Wednesday 4.30 - 5.30 for 9 - 12 year old
Thursday 4.00 - 5.00 for 6 - 8 year old

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Community Fun Day

Saturday 30th May | 11:00am to 2:00pm

We invite you to celebrate the opening of
Goodstart Thornbury Hutton St

- Face painting & balloon twisting
- Magical days kindy dancing
- Farm animal encounters
- Little sports heroes activities
- Centre tours and much more!

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/community-fun-day-at-goodstart-thornbury-tickets-1988608673073?aff=oddtcreator>

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Thornbury

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MUSIC LESSONS AT ST ANTHONYS PS

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ST ANTHONYS Primary School in association with Metro Music School is now offering Music Lessons to students who are interested in learning an instrument at school every week. Lessons are held during school hours (30 mins/once per week) at suitable times. (Prep to Gr 6) Enquiries are welcome on 9460 4818 (Metro Music School).

Lessons Offered: **KEYBOARD PIANO GUITAR – (subject to sufficient enrolments)**

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Wednesday 10 June
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All students attending St Anthony's Primary School have the right to feel safe. The care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people is a fundamental responsibility of all within our school.