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Friday 15th September

## Principal's Report

### 150th Anniversary Celebration Thank You

Our 150th Celebration and School Reunion on Saturday 9 September was such a wonderful day and I feel so extremely honoured to have been able to share this special experience with such an incredible group of people. It was so lovely to see the excited looks on everyone's faces as they caught up with past classmates, teachers and colleagues to reminisce about their memorable experiences at SPS, and to see them enjoying looking through all the photos and historical displays. To see so many past students in their 70s, 80s and even 90s was such a testament to the life-long connections that families have made to our great school. I would like to say a huge thank you to our amazing 150<sup>th</sup> working party - Sally Downes, Bec Soulsby, Melinda West, Sarah Macumber, Melinda Rosser, Kylie Tan and Jenny Henderson - for the mountain of planning and preparation they put in over the last few months; and to Jade Tonna, Rachel Connelly, Jo Grace, Cherie Walker, James Sait, Michael Roberts and Nic Hargreaves for their additional support last week, and also to Michelle to her assistance with our brilliant Wakakirri and Straths Got Talent performers on Saturday. Thank you also to everyone who came along on Saturday with their family members to join in our special celebration - it was so lovely to see so many familiar faces in the crowd.

### Farewell to Mrs Lancaster

Today is Mrs Lancaster's last day with us this year, and potentially forever! Bec Lancaster will be taking 6 months leave to trial a career change as she starts a new position as a prison guard for Corrections Victoria this coming Monday. Bec has been at our school for just under 18 years, and she will be very dearly missed. I am pleased to be able to let you know that our new Room 1 teachers for Term 4 will be Mrs Gabrielle Cavallaro, who will work each Monday, Tuesday and Friday, and Mrs Isabelle Hooper, who will work each Wednesday and Thursday. There will also be a change to Room 27 as Mr Ratcliffe will be taking on the PE teacher role and we will welcome Mr Nicholas Pinder to the Room 27 teacher role. We welcome these new staff to SPS and we look forward to them starting with us next term.

### Straths Got Talent

I had the pleasure of being a judge at the Grand Final of our Strath's Got Talent competition today, and I was blown away at the talent that all our performers showed! They were amazing!!! It is my pleasure to announce that this year's Straths Got Talent placegetters are: **First Place** - Ilani JVR; **Second Place** - Taylor C; and **Third Place** - Kaiden Y.

### Community Market

As a special celebration for the end of term, we will be holding our next Community Market on Friday 15th September from 2.30pm—6.00pm on the netball courts at the front of our school. This month our Energy Break Through (EBT) team will be running the BBQ and Cake Stall to raise funds to help them compete in the state-wide EBT competition which will be held in Maryborough in November. So please put aside some time to have a look through the market and pick up a sausage or two to enjoy as you walk around.

### 2023 Community Fair

Each year our school conducts Community Fair which is the major fundraiser for the school. This year, our community fair will be held on **Friday October 20th from 4-8pm**. We are seeking donations of goods for our school stalls and lots of volunteers to lend a hand on the day, so if you are able to help out that would be greatly appreciated.

### 2024 Foundation Enrolments

We are currently taking enrolments for next year's Foundation students. If you haven't already received an Enrolment pack, please collect one from the school office. The Department of Education set a due date of 31 July 2023 for all 2024 Foundation enrolments this year, and although this due date has already past, we are still happy to accept additional enrolments. So if you know of any families with little ones starting school next year, please remind them to submit their forms as soon as possible. And don't forget to return your transition selection form to the office as soon as possible too!

### 2023 Curriculum Days and Student Learning Interview Days

Term 4 Week 8: Friday 24th November - Report Writing Day for Teachers (pupil free day)

Term 4 Week 9: Monday 27th November - Combined Professional Practice Day for Teachers (pupil free day)

Kind Regards, Cindi Bruechert [Cindi.Bruechert@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Cindi.Bruechert@education.vic.gov.au)

“Our school vision is to empower everyone to learn and grow in an inclusive environment.”

### School Council

#### Principal

Cindi Bruechert

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Mihaela Kovacic

#### Vice President

Karlie Baker

#### Finance Committee Convenor

Hamish McIntosh

#### Minute Secretary

Cherie Walker

#### Parent Members

Alex Forrest

Lee Harte

Kim Kohlman

Carleen Pickett

Sarah Wilson

#### DET Members

Jo Grace

Cherie Walker

#### Community Members

Andy Clark



# TERM 4 CALENDAR



## Strathfieldsaye Primary School

October 2nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Term 4 Commences</li></ul>
October 11th-13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grade 6 Roses Gap Camp</li></ul>
October 13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assembly</li></ul>
October 16th, 17th, 19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prep Orientation Sessions Week 1</li></ul>
October 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community Fair 4pm-8pm</li></ul>
October 23rd, 24th, 26th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prep Orientation Sessions Week 2</li></ul>
October 26th & 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grade 5 &amp; 6 Kung Fu Excursion for LOTE</li></ul>
October 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Canteen Special Lunch</li></ul>
November 3rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assembly</li></ul>
November 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jess West Colours Day/Memorial Footy Match</li></ul>
November 16th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grade 2 End of year Pizza/Movie night</li></ul>
November 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assembly</li></ul>
Nov 20th—22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grade 5 Camp Wyuna</li></ul>
November 22nd—24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Energy Breakthrough competing in Maryborough</li></ul>
November 24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Curriculum Day</li></ul>
November 26th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strathfieldsaye Community Market</li></ul>
November 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Curriculum Day Staff Professional Practice Day</li></ul>
November 30th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grade 1 Tabloids Sports &amp; Pizza Night</li></ul>
December 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Canteen Special Lunch</li></ul>
December 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• State Wide Orientation</li></ul>
December 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assembly</li></ul>
December 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grade 6 Graduation</li></ul>
December 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strathfieldsaye Community Christmas Market</li></ul>
December 4th– Dec 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Whole School Swimming Program</li></ul>
December 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Guard of Honour and end of year celebration for the Grade 6 students</li><li>• Last day of Term 4—1.30pm finish</li></ul>
December 20th-Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• School Holidays</li></ul>
January 29th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Term 1 Commences</li><li>• Curriculum Day</li></ul>
January 30th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students return to school</li></ul>

## Important Dates

September 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assembly 9.15am</li> <li>• Straths Got Talent Final</li> <li>• Term 3 Concludes at 2.30pm</li> <li>• Twilight Community Market 2.30—6pm</li> </ul>
September 16th—Oct 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School Holidays</li> </ul>
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# C A N T E E N

We would like to introduce you to Jade Tonna, our new canteen manager. Jade runs a local catering business from home called DOTE when she's not busy working at our school. Jade comes with a wealth of knowledge working 20 years in the hospitality industry, she also has lots of experience working in an early childhood kitchen.

Since starting at our school Jade has introduced some new healthy snacks and drinks, which the students have loved. The most popular addition has been the healthy carbonated fruit drinks which have very little sugar. They are 99.9% fruit juice & carbonated water. It makes Jade incredibly happy to see the excitement of the children at the canteen window each day.

Jade is excitedly working on a new menu that will launch in Term 4. A sneak peek will be revealed in the last week of Term 3.

Please keep an eye out on Compass for snack changes as Jade likes to add items frequently. Jade will require lots of helpers in Term 4 with a predicted influx of orders, if you can help her out, she will offer one of your children a free lunch to say thank you. Please send Jade a message if you can assist her- thank you! **0405 825 850**

**Jade would also like to say a huge thankyou to the volunteers who have helped make the transition easy, your help is very much appreciated.**

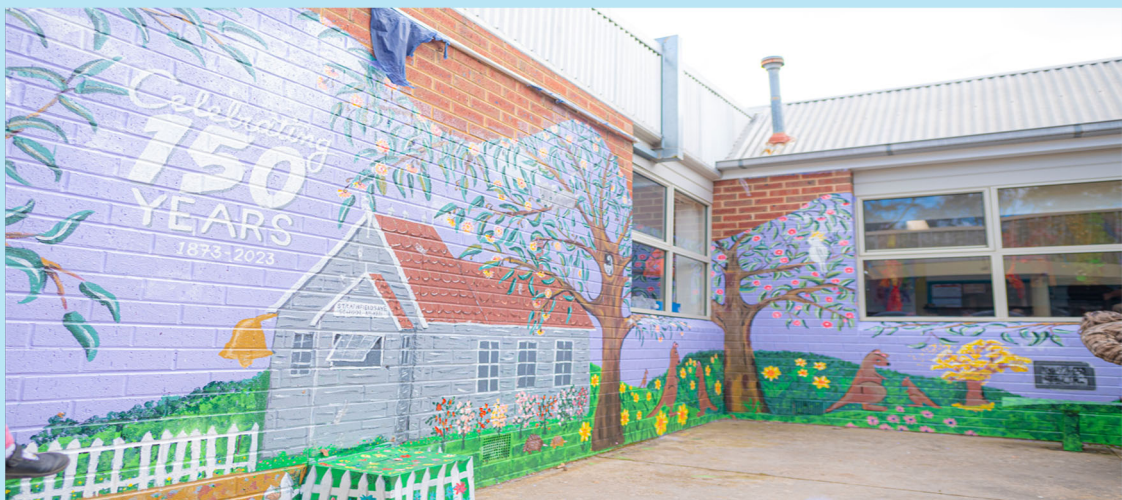


## School Canteen Information

- The school canteen operates on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday between 11-12pm
  - Canteen orders and payments, by credit card, can be made through the Compass portal. The Canteen link is accessible under the 'Community' icon (the 2 people) on your Compass home page
  - **Online orders close at 8:40am each day, except for Friday when orders close at 8:00am**
  - Lunch wallets are available from the school office for \$8
  - Volunteers are always welcome to help collate the orders and prepare the lunches.
- If you are willing to assist between 9 -11:30am on either Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday please contact Jade, our Canteen Manager, on **0405 825 850**

## 150th Official Celebrations & School Reunion

On Saturday, September 9th Strathfieldsaye Primary School had their Official Anniversary celebrations and School Reunion. Past and current students, teachers, principals and families and the local community enjoyed a beautiful day, witnessing the unveiling of the mural. They enjoyed a High Tea, student creative performances, historical displays. Everyone had a lovely day reminiscing with old friends and family for the celebrations.



# 150th Official Celebrations & School Reunion



## Student Wellbeing

To help promote student wellbeing across our school we have decided to include the article titled 'How to talk to your kids about the Referendum'



For further information please visit: [www.happyfamilies.com.au](http://www.happyfamilies.com.au)

## A Message from The City of Greater Bendigo

### Increased Mosquito Activity and Threat of Arbovirus in Greater Bendigo Region

The City of Greater Bendigo region has been identified as having increased Mosquito activity through its mosquito surveillance program. Some of the mosquitos identified by the surveillance program are capable of carrying infectious diseases. Over the coming weeks, we expect the population of mosquitos to continue to increase, resulting in a higher risk of exposure to these infectious diseases.

Management of mosquitos requires a community effort. You can protect yourself by doing the following:

- Wear loose fitting clothing when outdoors.
- Use effective mosquito repellents on exposed skin containing DEET or picaridin.

You can increase your protection by:

- Ensuring your buildings are fitted with well maintained flyscreens or other physical insect barriers.
- Checking any rainwater tanks and water storage devices are sealed or fitted with mesh screens.

If you have identified increased mosquito at your premises, I encourage you to engage a licensed pest controller to assist you identify and apply appropriate chemical controls at your site.

Should you identify areas in your neighbourhood supporting the breeding of mosquitos, please do not hesitate in notifying the City. Together we can minimise the spread of mosquito borne disease in our community.

# Visual Arts

Well this term has been very busy with the 150<sup>th</sup> year celebrations for our school. Students have created a lot of artwork that looks amazing and fills the school with colour. A number of grade 6 students worked with myself and “Sarah the painter” to create a commemorative school mural for the 150 celebrations.

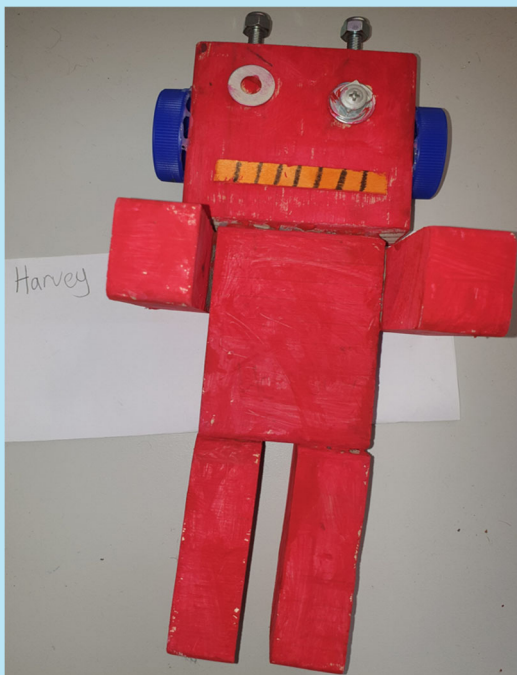
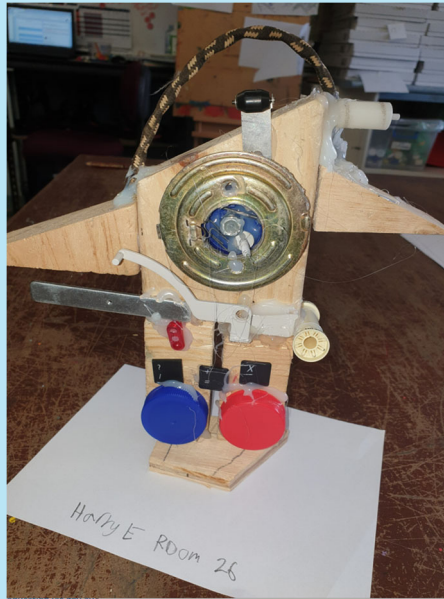
A number of classes worked to create a rag woven rug “Fabric of our School” This rug was created by students using materials that have been donated over many years to the art room. It represents the generations of families that contributed to the development of our school community. We are woven together, students, community and form the fabric of our school community. This textured, tactile rug represents the value we place on community and family who become part of the fabric of our school life at Strathfieldsaye Primary.

Grades 1,2,3,4 Painted watercolours of the Abbot room inspired from the water colour painted by Terry Jarvis. I think they have done a wonderful job. Grade 4 have also made some fantastic dioramas called “Box Worlds” Grade 5 has been busy making Paper Mache character sculptures. They look fantastic. Grade 6 have made some recycled wooden Robots that are very creative. Foundation have been painting spring flowers and drawing our school dog Monty. From, Mrs West, Visual Arts Teacher.

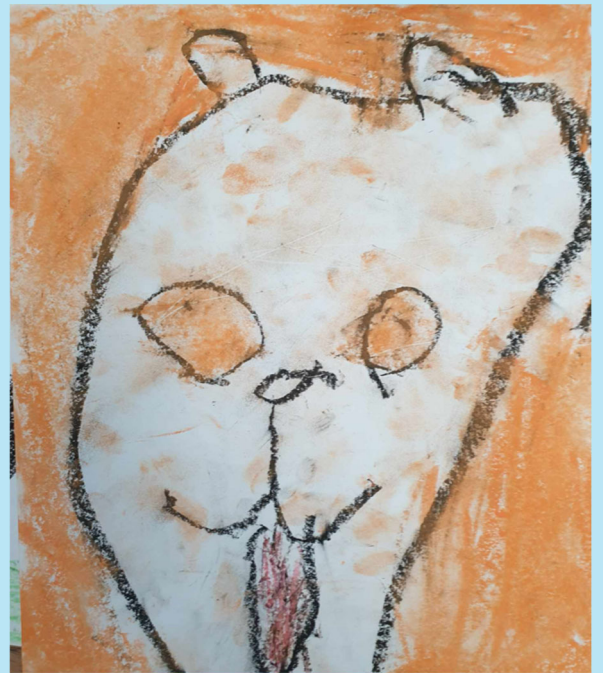




# Visual Arts



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# Thank You!

A huge thank you to the Strathfieldsaye Bakery for their donation of bread each week; to Strathfieldsaye Champions IGA for the cheese they donate; and also to the McKern Foundation for donating fresh fruit.

**We really appreciate your support!**

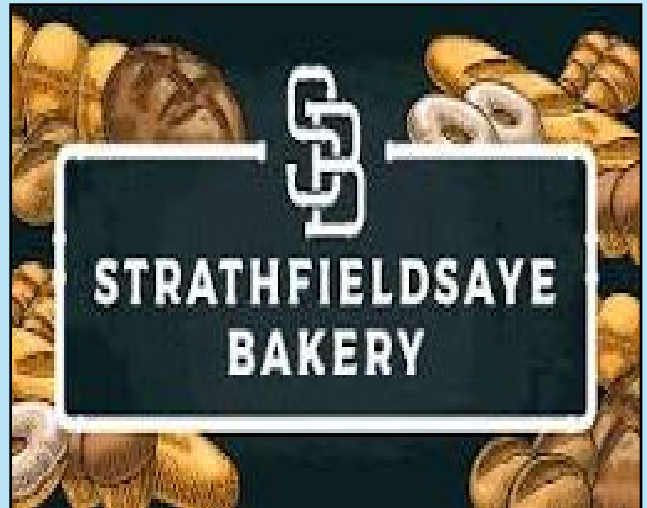


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 Strathfieldsaye  
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# Community fair

Friday October 20th  
4pm-8pm

150  
YEARS  
1873 - 2023

Anniversary  
Celebrations

## *5 weeks until the Community Fair!*

We are excited to be holding our 2023 Community Fair on Friday October 20th

Each year level is responsible for a stall.

We are currently seeking donations for stall prizes as follows:

Foundation:	Fun size chocolates packs and large chocolate blocks
Grade 1:	Chip Multipacks and or drink packs
Grade 2:	Grade 2 will receive their lucky cups to be filled with goodies. Please refer to the memo which was sent out prior.
Grade 3:	Large chocolate blocks
Grade 4:	Small lucky dip items
Grade 5:	Lolly Packets
Grade 6:	Small lucky dip items

You are also more than welcome to contribute any items for the other stalls as mentioned above, PLUS we are also after items for our silent auction and raffle.

Donations can be left at the office.

Thankyou for your support

# Calling all budding primary school potters!

Join ceramic artist and mum Shelley Matheson with fellow mum, local cookbook author and teacher Anna Deacon for an exciting school holidays Create and Learn ceramics workshop.

Children will choose their own bisque-fired mug, vase, cup or bowl to decorate. They will learn about various ceramic surface decoration techniques before planning, practising, and creating their masterpiece.



The fee for the two-hour workshop is just \$40, which includes:

- All materials and firing costs (see below for collection details)
- Deliciously healthy homemade snacks\*
- The inspiration to ignite a passion for pottery!

Date: Tuesday 19th September  
Morning workshop: 10.00am - 12.00pm  
Afternoon workshop: 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Location: Strathdale Community Hall  
191 Crook Street, Strathdale 3550.

**Collection of pottery:** Please note that the vessel will be glazed and fired after the workshop in order to make it usable i.e. food- and dishwasher-safe. You will be advised when your child's final piece is available for pickup in Kangaroo Flat, approximately 2-3 weeks after firing.

\*Snacks: Anna will make these, please advise on booking if there are any dietary requirements.

*Scan the QR code or go to the website to book*



<https://shelleymathesonceramics.com/collections/workshops>



ANZ HOT SHOTS tennis

# GIANT *Tennis*

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## **Bendigo Touch Football presents:**

Come and Try nights on Wednesday 20th and 27th of September and 4th October at Latrobe University.

From 6pm we will be running drills for you to try the sport and learn the rules while getting in a great cardio workout in a fun and social environment!

We can help you join a team or you're welcome to start your own. This is a mixed competition for all ages and abilities, this includes a junior program for young children. Everyone is welcome!



**JOIN THE FUN!**

**NAB AFL AUSKICK IN TERM 4!**

Epsom Huntly Recreation Reserve  
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Commencing 17th October  
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# BENDIGO

# FUTSAL

## 2023/24 SUMMER FUTSAL COMPETITION

### JUNIOR COMPETITION INFORMATION

WE ARE GEARING UP FOR A MASSIVE SUMMER FUTSAL COMPETITION.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE EACH CHILD'S BOOKING THROUGH THE REGISTRATION PORTAL AT [WWW.KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU/BE NDIGO](http://WWW.KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU/BE NDIGO)

TEAM BOOKINGS ARE AVAILABLE BY FILLING OUT THE TEAM REGISTRATION FORM AND THEN EMAILING [BEAU@KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU](mailto:BEAU@KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU) INDIVIDUAL ENROLMENTS WILL BE FILTERED INTO A TEAM.

### AGE GROUPS

UNDER 6'S, 8'S, 10'S, 12'S, 14'S, 16'S, 18'S

### SUMMER FUTSAL COMPETITION DETAILS

REGISTRATION COST: \$280

MATCH DAY: WEDNESDAY (UNDER 6, 8, 10, 12)  
THURSDAY (UNDER 14, 16, 18)

TIME: 4:30PM - ONWARDS

PROGRAM DATES:  
18TH OCTOBER - 13TH MARCH  
(WEDNESDAY'S) & 19TH OCTOBER  
- 14TH MARCH (THURSDAY'S)

VENUE: VICTORY CHRISTIAN  
COLLEGE

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- REGISTER YOUR OWN TEAM
- REGISTER THROUGH OUR ACADEMY PROGRAMS



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# PLAY FOR KICKS

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**EPSOM HUNTLY REC RESERVE**

**TUESDAYS 4:15PM FOR 5 WEEKS  
COMMENCING 17TH OCTOBER**



PLAY

**Superkick**



## LADIES COME & TRY LAWN BOWLS

**Strathfieldsaye Bowls Club wants more lady bowlers.**

Why not come and try it with our Club Coach, Lynne, and helpers?

This is an easy way to try something new and see how you like it.

Strathfieldsaye is a friendly Bowls Club, good at making newcomers feel welcome.



**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept.  
and  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept.**

**1.30 – 2.30 pm**

**Good fun for  
Mums and  
Grandmothers**

**Make new friends  
and learn some  
new skills!**

**Age is no barrier.**

**Bring a friend!**

**Contact Vicki  
0437 908 309**

**For more  
information & to  
register your  
interest**

Mandurang  
Valley  
Events

# MANDURANG VALLEY FESTIVAL



SAVE  
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Pearce Reserve, Mandurang

**OCT**

**SUNDAY 8TH**

**2023**

10.00am to 2.00pm



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