



NEWSLETTER No. 13

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Office Hours 8.30am—4.00pm

Friday 12th September 2025

754 Values: Respect, Responsibility and Resilience.

Our whole school approach of School Wide Positive Behaviour Support, is the Framework to support these values.

September

Mon 15th: Student Free Day

Thur 18th: Student Led Conferences
9.00 - 10.30am

Fri 19th: Last Day Term 3
Early Finish Time 2.10pm

October

Mon 6th: First day Term 4



Salvo Breakfast Club
Monday & Thursday Morning

Canteen
Monday to Friday

School Run Breakfast Club
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

Principals Comments

As we come to the end of Term 3, it is a good time to pause and reflect on the learning journey we have shared this term. Our students have continued to show growth, resilience and curiosity in their learning. Staff have worked with great dedication to create engaging programs and opportunities that have supported both academic progress and personal development.

This term we have seen strong improvements in learning outcomes across the school. The hard work of both students and teachers is evident, and it has been pleasing to see students taking pride in their achievements. Our focus on building consistent learning routines and strengthening classroom practice has made a real difference.



Looking ahead to Term 4, we are excited by the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead. It will be a busy term, filled with celebrations of learning, transitions, and preparations for the year ahead. Together, we will continue to set high expectations and provide the support our students need to succeed.

Thank you to our staff, families and community for your ongoing commitment and partnership. I wish everyone a safe and restful break and look forward to seeing you in Term 4, ready for the next stage of our learning journey.

Simon Blake
Principal



Lost Property:

Our lost property bin is currently overflowing with unclaimed items, including jumpers, lunch boxes and drink bottles. If your child is missing anything, please take a moment to check the lost property area outside the office. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity at the end of the term.



Student Free Day:

Monday 15th September will be a **Student Free Day**. Our teachers will be using this time for planning and preparation for Term 4.

Last Day Term 3:

Friday 19th September is the last day of Term. Please remember that school finishes at the earlier time of **2.10pm**

Permission Notes etc.

We kindly remind parents and carers to regularly check your child's school bag for important notes, excursion consent forms and other information sent home by their teacher. This is one of the best ways to stay up to date with what's happening at school and to ensure you don't miss any important messages or upcoming events.

Returning Forms on Time

If your child brings home a permission slip, order form, or any other document requiring your attention, please complete and return it by the due date. Timely returns help us plan activities efficiently and ensure your child is able to participate without any last-minute rush. Thank you.



Parent/Carer/Guardian Opinion Survey:

Families are reminded to please check your emails regarding the Parent/Carer/Guardian Opinion Survey. Each year, a random group of families is automatically selected to participate.

The survey is optional, but we strongly encourage and value your input. Your feedback helps our school identify areas for improvement, professional development needs, and future planning priorities.

Please note that all responses are **anonymous**. The survey will close on **Friday 19th September**. Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts if you have been selected.

Student Led Conferences:

Student-Led Conferences will be held on Thursday 18th September from **9.00am to 10.30am**. These conferences provide students with the opportunity to share their learning, achievements, and goals with their families in a supportive setting. Further information will be sent home in the coming weeks.



FOOTY COLOURS DAY



Footy Colours Day

To celebrate the end of Term 3, we are inviting all students to wear their favourite footy team colours on **Friday 19th September**. There will also be a sausage sizzle on the day. Order forms have been sent home in addition orders can also be placed through the canteen menu in Compass. Another fun day for everyone to enjoy as we close out Term 3!

First Day Term 4

The first day of Term 4 is **Monday 6th October**. Class starts at 8.50am and school finishes at 3.10pm Just a reminder to families that there is **no** supervision before 8.30am or after 3.10pm.

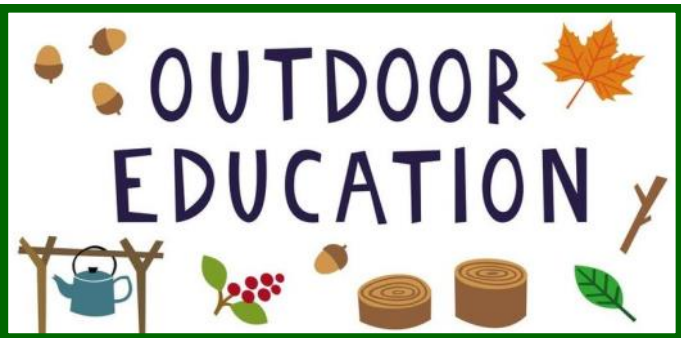
STAR STUDENT



Shyla from 12E, for your beautiful tile creation of a bird for your mum as part of Special Person's Day. Your attention to detail with the beak and feathers truly showcased your artistic abilities.

April from P/1S for the artistic way you designed your cup for Father's Day. Your detailed drawing of your family and the outdoors was amazing. You managed to cover the entire outside and even the inside of the white cup, creating a magical experience for your special person to enjoy each time they drink from it

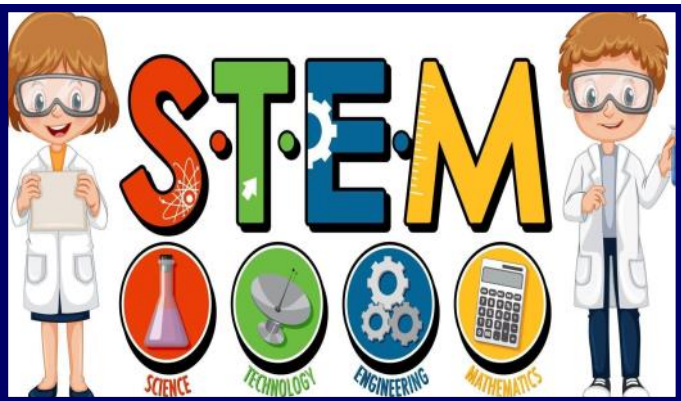
Mrs Moore



Jack C.H from P1S

Jack always does his best in Outdoor Ed class and is willing to help both the teacher and his classmates. He is thoughtful and consistently demonstrates the 3 R's in class. Well done, Jack!

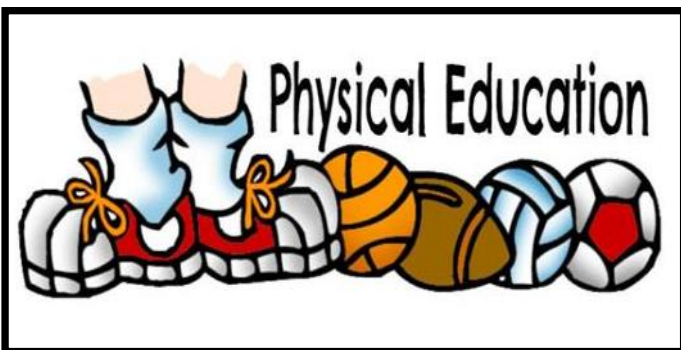
Mr Bazley



Karla M from 5JV

Karla, you are a fantastic S.T.E.M. student. You show positivity towards all our S.T.E.M. lessons and when things get difficult you are brave and ask for help from classmates Education Support Staff and teachers. You do this with excellent manners. Well done and keep up the great work Karla (with a K!).

Mrs Padula



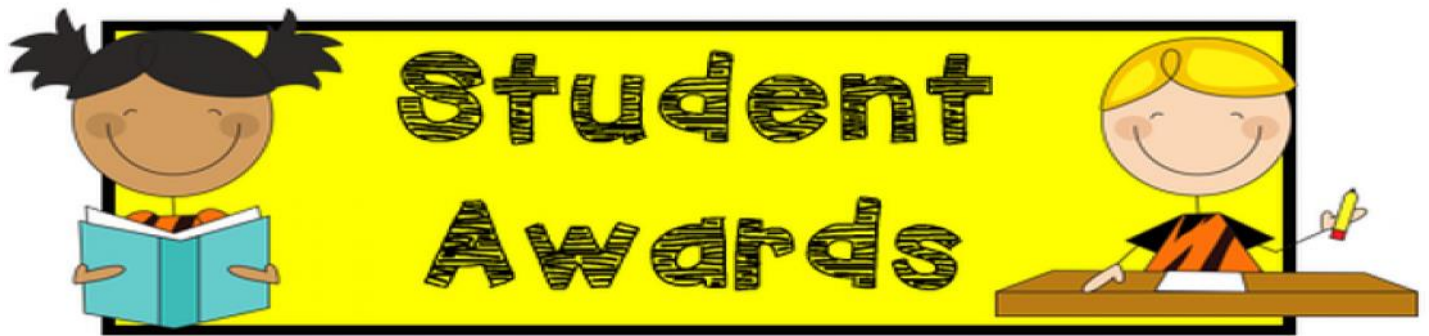
Teacher Absent



Roczen R, Cherish W, Xander BW, Ella C, June Y, Owen C, Cambridge W, Elsie H, Cleaver B, Grace I, Zharamiah W, Oliver K, Oliver C, Marion W, Charlotte G, Mahalia W, Caleb B and Finnley N

for their fabulous performance at the Bunnings Father's Day event. You all sounded amazing, well done. We are so proud of you!

Miss De Bona



P1E: **Nevaeh H** Congratulations to Nevaeh for working hard to build her resilience and stamina this term. We are very proud of you and your progress! Keep up the awesome effort!

P1L:

P1S: **Malakai C** for showing great responsibility by helping to clean up sticks outside the prep space. Keep up the good work!

12B: **Addelyn G** for your great efforts in reading and your responsible learning in maths. You are a kind and caring member of our class and we are so proud of you!

12E: **Oliver K** For being a responsible and encouraging leader in Reader's Theatre!

12N: **Ruby M** has been working very hard this term. She is a fantastic helper who takes initiative and is always willing to assist both children and adults. Ruby puts in great effort, especially in her writing. She enjoys creating long stories to entertain the reader. Keep up the great work, Ruby!

12R:

34M: **Abby S** for the amazing effort that you have put into your writing this term. Your work is outstanding, and you should be super proud of everything you have achieved during our writing lessons. Keep up the great work.

34N: **Lexi M** for making wonderful progress in reading. Your growing confidence and effort are helping you become a stronger reader every day – keep it up!

34R:

5CW: **Violet L** for always demonstrating respectful listening and being a positive role model in the class!

5JV: **Ashari H** for bringing continual positive vibes to school! Ashari has a way of making those around her smile – including her teachers. Thank you for bringing joy even when times are hard.

6AB:

6MC:

754 SPECIALIST SHOWCASE

Specialist Teachers at Bairnsdale Primary School put on an amazing Showcase for students, and their families, last Wednesday evening attracting an estimated 450 members of the school community.

The Specialist Showcase was a first for the school, and an opportunity to celebrate the five Specialist Subjects of Art, P.E., S.T.E.M., Music and Outdoor Education and students' work in these learning areas.



The Art Show installation was called The River and featured students' flora and fauna artworks. Students' art works were inspired by a range of Australian artists introduced by Art Teacher, Ms Jenny Backman.

It featured Grade 5 and 6 students' Australian clay animals, as well as patterned paper art which formed the water in The River. Grade 3 and 4 students displayed beautiful 3D Australian animal armatures made with recycled materials. Prep, Grade 1 and 2 students had their paper bugs or birds.



**Specialist Teachers: (L-R) Anita Padula (S.T.E.M.), Nikaela Hubbard (P.E.), Chelsea DeBona (Music), Michael Bazley (Outdoor Education).
Not pictured: Jenny Backman (Art) and Nick O'Brien (P.E.)**

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Outdoor Education recycled arts and renewable energy houses.



Outdoor Education teacher, Mr Michael Bazley, showcased the very well-designed Grade 5 and 6 students' 3D model houses, which demonstrated their learning about sustainability and renewable energies.

Meanwhile Grade Preps, 1, 2, 3 and 4 students presented a wonderful and wide range of paper and cardboard works made with recycled materials, kindly donated by the school community. Mr Bazley also ran a recycling game.



Music Teacher, Miss Chelsea DeBona presented an impressive student concert. This was shown in the form of a pre-recorded video of four different songs, one for each cohort of students, beautifully performed by each of the school's 14 classes.

P.E. Teacher Nikaela Hubbard, supported by P.E. Teacher Nick O'Brien, prepared a fun range of activities outside, which was hugely popular with students and families who had lots of laughs while being active together.

S.T.E.M. Teacher Mrs Anita Padula organized some popular Science and Technology displays including: a Touch-Typing Contest, Prep Hanging Gardens, Grades 1 & 2 students' Earth and Space display, Grades 3 and 4 students' Book Reports and Grades 5 and 6 Cool Inventions.



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P.E. activities.



Students' P.E. reflections.

Other S.T.E.M. activities and displays were Microscopes, Blue Bot and LEGO WeDo Coding, making Binary Code bracelets and a Scientist Signpost.

Students were asked for their feedback about the Showcase and here are some of their comments...

Grade 1 student Demi said, "I liked seeing the photos on the Earth and Space display and seeing all the creations in the Art Show and the Outdoor Education area."

Brianna Tice from Grade 1 said "I liked the Binary Bracelets because I like making things".

Grade 5 student Mahalia said, "I enjoyed the Spheros because they're fun to play with even though it was hard at first."

Grade 4 student Pax said, "I liked the VR headsets because I saw astronauts and rockets launching."



Music Concert



G 5 & 6 students' Cool Inventions

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G1/2 student astronauts



East Gippsland Shire Library staff members Emily and Atina also attended to promote our wonderful local library resources and services to students and families.

Their display included Osmo Tangram play and exploration, Soark Discovery Boxes Solar System and circuit exploration using computer

programs. Please visit your local library to see these resources.

Also available at the Showcase were V.R. headsets and Spheros presented by Bairnsdale's The Hub Digi-Tech Library staff members Cadence, Amelie and Erin. These exciting technologies were very popular with students and guests.

School Principal Simon Blake said, "The Showcase was a fantastic night for our school community to come together and celebrate Specialist Teachers' role at our school."

Thank you to our wonderful school community for supporting our Specialist Showcase.



For my rotary award, I decided for my community service to help Animal aid.

These cats are from animal aid and need a forever home.

Animal aid also need blankets, towels, cat/dog food, beds and accessories.

If you can bring these things from your home to school by Friday, September 19, I can bring them to Animal aid when I volunteer on the Saturdays.

If you want to donate money to Animal aid, they take donations big or small.

[Make a Donation - Animal Aid](#)

Thank you,

Hunter Jaensch

Jake (male, 4 months)



Mish (female, 2 years)



Willow (female, 2 years)



Penny (female, 5 years)



Dominic (male, 7 years)



Freya (female, 2 years)



Jake (male, 4 months)



Mish (female, 2 years)



Willow (female, 2 years)



Tic Tac (male, 8 months)



Oreo (female, 10 months)



Evelyn (female, 4 years)



IMAGINE THE FUN



JUNIOR PATHWAY



From Woolworths Cricket Blast through the Junior Cricket stage, all kids can advance their skills and discover how awesome it is to be part of a team through fun game-based activities. The stages have been developed based on academic research, testing and community feedback.

This includes consideration for physical, mental and emotional development. Participation and progression through the stage is based on ability level, therefore the ages are indicative only. Players are encouraged to participate at a stage appropriate for them.

Join Woolworths Cricket Blast

Designed for kids to learn skills, exercise, and make friends.

Meerlieu Cricket Club
 Woolies Junior Blasters - Cricket for 5-8 year olds
 In Bairnsdale at West Bairnsdale Reserve
 Tuesdays 4-5pm
 Contact Leah for more details 0417554009
 Starting OCT 7th til Dec 9th
 Join the Tussocks TODAY!!



SIGN UP TODAY!

Play Cricket

PROUDLY PRESENTED BY



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SKILLS BASED FIRST CHOICE CAPACITIES LEARN THE SKILLS THROUGH FUN, PRACTICE DRILLS PROVIDE FEEDBACK AND ENCOURAGEMENT 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MINIMUM AGE - 5 YEARS 	<p>LEARN THE SKILLS THROUGH DRILLS</p> <p>UP TO 10 YEARS</p> <p>Age 6-10 (inclusive only)</p>
<p>JUNIOR CRICKET 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 PLAYERS 10 MINUTES NO OVERS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NOVEMBER DECEMBER 	<p>LEARN THROUGH PLAY</p> <p>UNDER 11</p> <p>Age 6-10 (inclusive only)</p>
<p>JUNIOR CRICKET 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8 PLAYERS 10 MINUTES 10 OVERS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NOVEMBER DECEMBER 	<p>PLAYING THE GAME</p> <p>UNDER 12</p> <p>Age 6-10 (inclusive only)</p>
<p>JUNIOR CRICKET 3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 PLAYERS 15 MINUTES 20 OVERS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NOVEMBER DECEMBER 	<p>PLAYING AND COMPETING</p> <p>UNDER 14-18</p> <p>Age 6-10 (inclusive only)</p>

Walk to School! Friday 24th October

This October we're joining VicHealth's Walk to School with a local twist: "Park and Walk"

Walking helps kids feel energised, healthy, and ready to learn, while keeping school zones safer

Families can park at the Woolworths carpark, and enjoy a short walk to school. Because Part Way is OK!

Keep an eye out for your child's fun "Park and Walk" activity booklet coming soon! **More info to follow after the School Holidays.**

#WalktoSchool #ParkandWalk #PartWayIsOK





FREE EVENT!

BOOK AN *Adventure*



Children's Book Party

Local Children's Authors

James Hart Illustrator

Storytime

Competitions

Birthday cake

Treat bags

Calligraphy with Danny!

Raffle & more!



James Hart Illustrator



CBCA Gippsland Region



THE CHILDREN'S
BOOK COUNCIL
OF AUSTRALIA

SINCE 1945 — YOUR CONNECTION TO STORY

Dress up as your
favourite book
character
and join our dress
up parade!

Tuesday 23rd September
10-12.30pm

Scan QR code for bookings

SCHOOLWORKS
SUPPLIES

147 Macleod St, Bairnsdale VIC (Next to EG Water)





GIPPSLAND WATER SPORTS

0449 021 270



**LOOKING TO GET ON THE WATER THIS SUMMER?
LEARN NEW SKILLS OR TAKE THEM TO THE NEXT LEVEL.
ALL AGES AND SKILL LEVELS WELCOME.
CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR ALL BOOKINGS.**

**WAKEBOARDING
WATERSKIING
KNEE BOARDING
TUBING
FAMILY FUN PACKAGES**



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MOUNTAIN BIKING COME & TRY DAY

Join us for a beginner's mountain biking experience!

MTB East Gippsland is excited to host a Come and Try Day for beginners, led by our PMBIA-accredited coaches.

FREE EVENT

Where: Mt Taylor MTB Park

When: Saturday 20 September

Time: 9.00am - 11.00am

If you've always been intrigued by mountain biking but aren't sure how to begin, this is the perfect opportunity to explore the excitement!

What You Need to Participate:

- Basic bike skills
- A functioning mountain bike
- A helmet
- Closed-toe shoes

**SEPT SCHOOL
HOLIDAYS!**

**REGISTER
HERE**



www.mtbeg.com.au

Sunday 5th October @ 6.30 pm

FUTURE COUNCIL

Be inspired by these amazing children fighting for our climate and our future.



Sun Cinema Bairnsdale

**Tickets: Adults \$25 Students Free
Light Refreshments, Door Prizes**

Bookings at: <https://www.trybooking.com/DFGSV>

East Gippsland Climate Action Network (EGCAN) Email: egcactionnow@gmail.com

SCHOOL HOLIDAY SHOWS

The Velveteen Rabbit

Tuesday 30 Sept
11.00am and 6.00pm

A playful and poetic reimagining of the classic tale



Polite Mammals

Friday 3 Oct 11.00am
and Saturday 4 Oct 6.00pm

A wacky and delightful variety show about animals



The Forge Theatre, 80 McKean Street, Bairnsdale

www.eastgippsland.vic.gov.au/leisure/whats-on-and-buy-tickets

AFL PLAY



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SORTED

LUCKNOW REC RESERVE
THURSDAY OCTOBER 2ND
9AM - 3PM
AGES 5-12



the saltwater creative co
ART & CERAMICS STUDIO

SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2025

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For your little tribe we have tailored NEW range of our best Saltwater creative workshops to young requirements to keep them busy over the holiday break. Ages 5-15. 1.5 hour art classes with skilled tutors. All art supplies included.

Kids Klay - Monster making

Tuesday 23rd @ 10:30am-12:00pm

Make your very own monster this spring holidays! Were going to learn simple hand building clay techniques to create something totally out of the ordinary!
\$60.00pp

Textured art workshop for all ages

Wednesday @ 10:30am - 12pm

&
Tuesday 1pm @ 1pm-2:30pm
We LOVE getting artsy and this workshop is exactly about that! We take you or/and your little artist through shapes and techniques to create their unique masterpiece of textured art.
\$60.00pp

Kids Pottery Wheel Throwing - Intro to the basics

Wednesday 24th @ 10:30am-12pm

Thursday 2nd @ 10:30pm-12:00pm

Kids get to step up to the potters wheel and learn all the basics.
\$85.00pp

Kids Acrylic Smash Balloon Painting Session

Thursday 25th @ 1pm - 2:30pm

Using fluid art technique and balloon smashing to create up to three beautiful & bright artworks!
\$50.00pp

Mask decoration

Tuesday 30th @ 10:30am-12:00pm

We are bringing this unique activity back from the dead. Be as creative and out there as you possibly can! \$60.00pp

Please note depending on the weather you might need to leave the pieces in the studio to dry for 24h.

Please note clay pieces will take 3-4 weeks to be ready.

visit our website for more details or contact us via the details below.

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Canteen Menu - 2025

Hot Food

- **Beef Lasagne** \$6.00
Bolognese sauce with cheese and béchamel sauce
- **Mac and Cheese** \$5.50
- **Pasta Bake** \$5.50
with Tomato & Cheese
- **Fried Rice** \$5.50
Rice with mixed vegetables fried with soy sauce
- **Pizza** \$5.00
Wholemeal base with ham, cheese and pineapple
- **Chicken Burger** \$5.50
Chicken burger, cheese, lettuce and mayonnaise
- **Nachos** \$4.50
Corn chips with tomato salsa and cheese
- **Steamed Dim Sims (each)** \$1.50
(Please ask for soy sauce)
- **Large Sausage Rolls** \$4.50
- **Large Meat Pie** \$4.50
- **Hot Dog** \$4.50
- **Chicken Nuggets (4)** (Gluten Free available) \$3.00
- **Party Pies** (Gluten Free available) \$1.50
- **Party Sausage Roll** (Gluten Free available) \$1.50
(Please ask for tomato sauce)

Sandwiches

- **Vegemite/Jam Sandwich** \$2.50
- **Salad Sandwich** \$4.50
Lettuce, tomato, cheese, beetroot and cucumber
- **Cheese Toastie** \$3.50

Snacks

- **Pop Corn** 50c
- **Cheese Snacks** 50c
- **Fresh Fruit** \$1.00
Apple or orange
- **Fruit Cup (two fruits)** \$1.00
- **Cookies** 50c

- **Frozen Fruit Bag** (Terms 1 & 4) \$2.00
(Pineapple, orange, grapes)
- **Zooper Dooper** \$1.00
- **Ice Cream in a Cone** \$2.50
Chocolate or Vanilla - single serve only

**Canteen is now open
Monday - Friday**

Orders can be made online via



Drinks

- **Flavoured Milk** \$2.50
Chocolate or Strawberry
- **Plain Milk** \$1.00
- **Juice Box** \$2.00
Apple, Orange or Tropical

[Paper Bags \(if not provided\) - Please add 20c](#)

Foods marked green are healthy food choices. This is guilt-free canteen food, which is low in sugar, salt and fat.

Foods marked red are foods that should only be eaten in moderation as part of a healthier diet. These foods contain significant levels of salt, sugar and/or fat.

The canteen is endeavouring to improve the quality of food available to students. We are reducing the number of unhealthy manufactured goods. This inevitably increases the labour and time involved in making healthier options.

Volunteer help would be greatly appreciated if parents/caregivers have some time to spare. Even an hour a week would be of help. Please see the School Office or Devon in the Canteen for more details. Write the lunch order on a clean brown paper bag and remember to include your Child's name and Class.

Lunch orders are placed in the basket in the classroom before [9.00am](#). Late orders may not be accepted.

**We Come To 754 Primary School
To Learn!**



I Can Be Respectful

I can treat others the way that they like to be treated

I can listen to others!



I can have a positive attitude!

I Can Be Responsible

I can make positive choices!

I can be ready to learn



I can own my own behaviour!

I Can Be Resilient

I can have a go and try my best!

I can try to solve my own problems



I can be brave and persevere!