



NOBLE PARK PS

May 2025

Noble Park Primary School - Vision

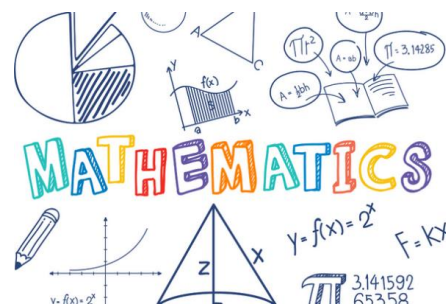
We aspire to create an inclusive school community that embraces opportunity, and inspires individuals to collaborate, learn and achieve.

Noble Park Primary School - Values

Be Responsible	We own our choices and our behaviour.
Be Safe	We look after each other through the choices we make.
Be Respectful	We accept each other for who we are.
Be Kind	We use our words and actions to show we care.

Family Mathematics Morning

Our Family Mathematics Morning will take place on Wednesday 14th May 2025. It will run from 9am – 10am in learning houses. Please come along and plan some mathematics games with your child/ren during this fun and engaging opportunity. Each student will take home a hand-out home, outlining simple mathematics activities that can be played at home! We hope to see you lots of parents and carers on Wednesday 14th May in learning houses!



The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you have a valid means-tested concession card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. Means-tested concession cards must be valid on the first day of Term 1, 2025 (Tuesday 28 January 2025) or Term 2, 2025 (Tuesday 22 April 2025). A student aged 16 years and over who is considered a mature minor and holds a valid concession card is also eligible to apply.

Eligible families will receive a payment of \$154 per year for primary school students. If granted, the funds will be paid directly to the school to be used towards camps, sports and excursion costs for the benefit of your child. If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on (03) 9846 8811 or email noble.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au and ask for an application form. Please return completed application forms to the school office as soon as possible.

School Council

We currently have 2 parent member positions and 1 community member position available on School Council. If you are interested in joining School Council or attending a School Council meeting as an observer, please contact the office on 9546 8811.



School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support Acknowledgements

Well done to the following students who have achieved BRONZE in our System of Acknowledgement this fortnight. It is also wonderful to walk through Learning Houses and see how many students have already received an affirmation for demonstrating our Term 2 Value 'Be Safe'. These students are being recognised for consistently demonstrating behaviours which are aligned to our four school values and outlined in our Matrix of Expectations. Keep up the fantastic work!



BRONZE:

Junior Learning House - Rico Po (12B)

Sharing our Love of Learning – Foundation

The Foundation students have shown much enthusiasm and enjoyment at being back at school with their friends. They have been revising letters through Little Learners Love Literacy over the past two weeks. It is great to see that students have been practicing these sounds over the holidays. With a teaching focus on reading behaviours and routines students are very excited to be taking home their book bags home on Friday and cannot wait to read with you.



The Foundation students have also been working hard to Be Safe, both inside the classroom and outside in the playground. They are getting to know all of the teachers at Noble Park Primary School so they are confident to ask for help outside to solve any problems that may arise. In the classroom the students have been looking at family structures and how we are all different and unique. It has been fun to listen and learn about our friends and families.



Sharing our Love of Learning – Performing Arts

The Performing Arts program has focused on ways to learn and demonstrate the safe use of equipment in the Music room. Students have identified different types of instruments and have had opportunities to learn and use electric pianos, drums and ukuleles during class activities. They have developed skills to handle and play musical equipment with care. Students have also engaged in learning to describe features of instruments, with a focus on the sounds they make.

The focus theme for Drama in Term 2 has started with improvisation. Students will have opportunities to develop their understanding and skills through themed games and role play. They will also provide feedback to their peers about their dramatic and improvisation skills. The School Choir program will continue this term. This extra-curricular activity is run as a weekly session on Monday from 1:45pm to 2:05pm. Students who participate in the Choir program learn the lyrics and dance actions to a repertoire of songs.

Primary School Attendance – Every Day Counts!

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind. School is better when your child is there.



Why it's important

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day. If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school. There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind and can affect their educational outcomes. Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Getting in early

Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It's vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

General Reminders for Parents and Carers

- Due to the possibility of unidentified students with allergies, and in response to the Department's Anaphylaxis Policy, students sharing food is not permitted in home groups. This is particularly relevant to birthday celebrations in home groups. As an alternative, sharing pens, pencils, stickers or any other 'non-food' related items is appropriate.
- Please ensure that your child/ren brings a plastic water bottle to school. Glass water bottles are breakable and if they shatter it can pose a safety risk to students, parents, carers and staff.
- Please ensure that your child/ren do not bring chewing gum to school. Chewing gum can pose health and safety risks. It can also damage school property because it is challenging to remove from surfaces. This can lead to maintenance and repair costs.
- With the wet weather coming, it is not uncommon for students to slip over in puddles. Therefore please ensure your child has a spare change of clothes in their bag so they can remain warm and dry throughout the day.



2025 Term Dates

Term 1: Tuesday, January 28 to Friday, April 4

Term 2: Tuesday, April 22 to Friday, July 4

Term 3: Monday, July 21 to Friday, September 19

Term 4: Monday, October 6 to Friday, December 19

2025 Student Free Days

Term 1: Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th January

Term 2: Friday 30th May

Term 3: Date to be confirmed

Term 4: Monday 3rd November