NOBLE PARK PS

October 2026

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.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,



I am pleased to be back at Noble Park Primary School and have been enjoying reconnecting with our students and school community.

I am continuing to undertake a graded return to work and will remain working on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8.00 am to 12.00 pm. These arrangements will be adjusted as needed to support my recovery from a recent surgery.

To ensure continuity of leadership, Erin Scott, Assistant Principal at Dandenong North Primary School, will undertake the Acting Principal role on Tuesdays and Thursdays during this period. I will be away from all work responsibilities on these days.

I would like to sincerely thank Carly Jamar for her leadership, professionalism and commitment to Noble Park Primary School over the past three months. I greatly appreciate the care and dedication she has shown in leading the school and supporting our staff, students and wider community during my absence.

Thank you for your understanding and support throughout my leave and return to work. I look forward to reconnecting with you all.

Kind regards,

Jodie Pyman
Principal

STUDENT FREE DAY

This is a friendly reminder that there is a student free day on Monday 2nd November 2026 and a public holiday on Tuesday 3rd November 2026. On both days there will be no school for students.

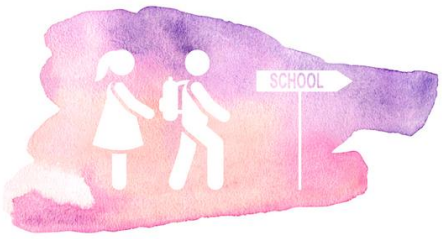


WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

World Teachers' Day is an opportunity to recognise and celebrate the dedication, passion and commitment of teachers who make a difference in the lives of children every day. At Noble Park Primary School, we are incredibly fortunate to have a team of dedicated educators who work tirelessly to inspire curiosity, nurture individual strengths and create meaningful learning opportunities for every student. We thank our teachers for the care, enthusiasm and professionalism they bring to our school community and for the important role they play in shaping our children's futures. **Happy World Teachers' Day!**

TIME TO PLAN AHEAD

We are continuing to review enrolment numbers and whole school structure for 2027. If you have any intentions to unfortunately leave Noble Park Primary School in the next 6 months, please let the office know as soon as possible. Your decision does not need to be confirmed and does not mean your child loses their spot if you change your mind but giving us this information in advance is very helpful.



This information is vital for the school to budget and plan for staffing in 2027. We do not want any children to be in classes that are too big or only have a few students, but this depends on us knowing who will be here. If you expect to be moving house, travelling overseas or you know your Visa is expiring, please communicate this to the office as soon as possible.

If you know anyone in the community who has child/ren commencing in Foundation in 2027 and have not enrolled, please encourage them to call or visit the office. We are always happy to help families with the enrolment process.

CHANGES TO WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS (WWCC)

The Victorian Government has introduced Working with Children Connect, a new online system designed to strengthen student safety by helping the Social Services Regulator track volunteer clearances across schools.

What this means for our community:

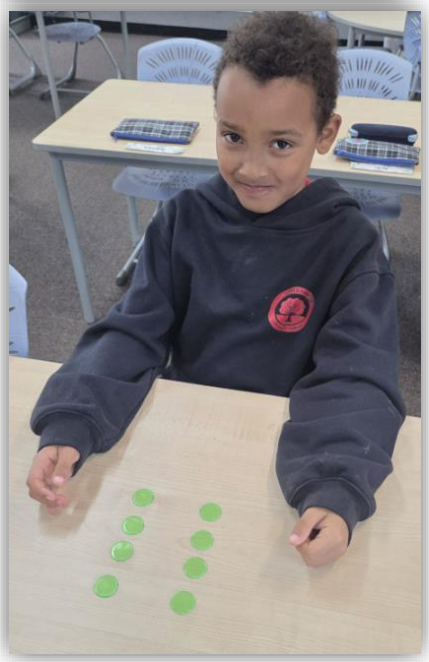
- WWC Connect Registration: At Noble Park Primary School, all volunteers must have a valid Working with Children Check. If you volunteer with us, we will enter your details into the new WWC Connect system. We will contact you before you start to collect the necessary information.
- New Mandatory Training: When your WWCC is next due for its 5-year renewal, you will be required to complete a new, mandatory 30-minute online child safety training module. You will be notified directly by the regulator when your renewal is due.

Thank you for partnering with us to keep our students safe. If you have any questions, please contact the school front office.

SHARING OUR LOVE OF LEARNING IN YEARS 1 & 2



In Term 4, our Year 1/2 students have been exploring location and fractions in Mathematics. They have practised reading maps, giving and following directions, navigating mazes and obstacle courses, and using ordinal numbers to describe positions. During our fractions unit, students have explored halves, quarters and eighths using shapes, collections and number lines. They have also developed their understanding of arrays and used concrete materials to represent their learning.



In Little Learners Love Literacy, students have continued to develop their knowledge of graphemes and morphemes, practising sound manipulation to read and spell words. Through regular decoding activities, including nonsense words, and partner reading, students are strengthening their phonics knowledge, fluency and confidence when reading aloud.

In Reading and Writing, students have explored a range of texts. Year 1 students have been reading *Mirror* by Jeannie Baker, comparing the lives of children in Australia and Morocco and reflecting on similarities and differences to their own experiences. Year 2 students have been reading *Definitely No Ducks*, exploring emotions, friendships, perspectives, fairness and character actions. During weekly grammar sessions, students have also been developing their sentence-writing skills by using conjunctions, pronouns and adjectives.

UPCOMING RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS LEARNING IN YEARS 1 & 2

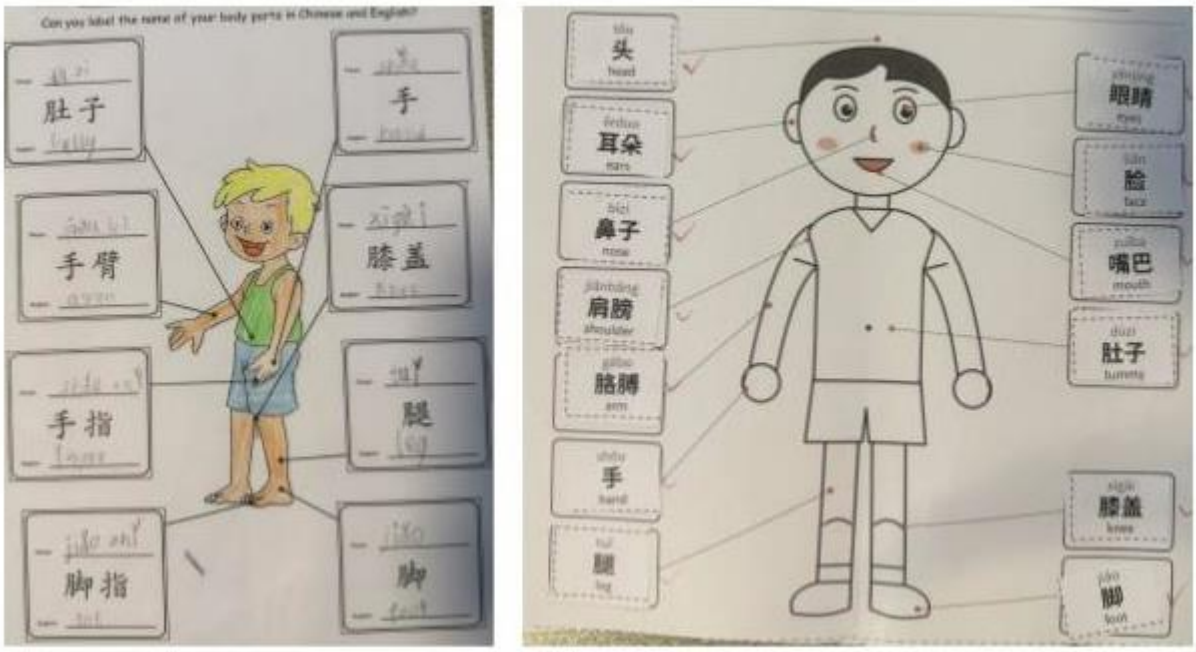
In Term 4, the 1/2 students will be learning about the difference between fair and friendly play and play that is violent or too rough. The key message for our students is that violence is never acceptable or an appropriate way to resolve a friendship problem. We have discussed how to keep our bodies safe, personal space and how to seek help if we feel unsafe by using the 'No, Go, Tell' method.

Throughout our Respectful Relationships lessons, we ensure that privacy is preserved for all and we use scripted scenarios to support understanding. We encourage our students to label the behaviours and not label the person and promote safety and respectful interactions in how students share their ideas. Students participate in one Respectful Relationships lesson each week alongside Circle Time and Values lessons, which for Term 4 are linked to 'Be Kind'.

SHARING OUR LOVE OF LEARNING IN LANGUAGES

Over the past two weeks, our Year 1/2 students have been learning the parts of the body in Mandarin. They have learned 21 new vocabulary words and completed writing practice to reinforce their learning. Most students can now read the majority of the words

independently using pinyin. It has been wonderful to see their confidence in Chinese grow, and we are very proud of their efforts. Well done, Year 1/2!



Year 1/2 students labelling and matching body parts in Chinese

Term 4 Dates:

Week 5
Monday November 2nd – Student Free Day (No School for Students)
Tuesday November 3rd – Public Holiday (No School for Students)
Friday November 6th – Foundation – Grade 2 Athletics Carnival

Week 6
Monday November 9th – Grade 3/4 Immigration Museum excursion
Wednesday November 11th – 2027 Foundation Transition session #1
Thursday November 19th – School Council Meeting #7 Updated

Week 7
Wednesday November 18th – 2027 Foundation Transition session #2

Week 8
Monday 23rd, Tuesday 24th, Wednesday 25th November – Year 5/6 Camp
Wednesday November 25th – 2027 Foundation Transition session #3

Week 9
Wednesday December 2nd – 2027 Foundation Transition session #4
Wednesday December 2nd – Grade 1/2 Cranbourne Botanical Gardens Excursion

Week 10
Thursday December 10th – School Council Meeting #8

Week 11
Wednesday December 16th – Grade 6 Graduation
Friday December 18th – Last day of School (1.30pm dismissal)