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# Kalinda Primary School Newsletter



Newsletter No. 14 - Term 2- Week 5

Thursday 19 May 2016

# From the Principal......

### **BIG DIGGERS AND LOTS OF WORK!**

### STAFF CAR PARK

ering the Challens

One of the works around the school has involved a reconstruction of the overflow car park at the rear of the bitumen car park. This space will formalise the boundaries of the car park, however, the space will not hold any more cars than it does now. The area will be for Kalinda Staff only, unless organised with the office beforehand.

As always, we are very concerned about the safety of our students, therefore, the car park has been altered so it is pushed against the fence as much as possible. This will inhibit traffic through the area and I do ask that parents respect that by not driving into the car park to drop off or pick up your child. Please let your extended family members know of this arrangement.

Over the next few weeks we are planning to plant out the bank leading up to the car park and installing a fence and stairs down to the school building.

If you have visited the school you will notice our dry creek bed near the Foundation playground. The children love exploring this area and it is a very practical area for us as it has become part of our drainage system. Hopefully we will not have a Kalinda "lake" near the Foundation area again!

During this weekend, the roof is going to be restored over the red pergola, so there will be covered seating for parents waiting for their young children. We will still be working on this area at a later date to terrace further the bank leading up to the Foundation playground.

In front of the school we have taken out all the cracked concrete in the area near the Canteen door and improving this area by adding large rocks and seating. This will be a really lovely area for people to sit when they visit the school and for children to spend some quiet time.



The students are finding all this work very exciting, especially when we do have big diggers around the school.

### **NEW BUILDING!!**

Next week we are taking delivery of another new double portable classroom. This has come as a very nice surprise and we will certainly be appreciative of the extra space. The classroom will be delivered in five pieces next Tuesday so there will be very large cranes and trucks in the area. We will be relocating some grades into the main building for the day, if necessary. We are using the same contractors who delivered the new building at the end of last year and we were very pleased with their work. The building will be located along the back path on the lower side. We will be building a ramp from the building leading onto the pathway for access.

I do request that parents deliver their children via other pathways on that day.

**GAIL POLLARD PRINCIPAL** 

# 5/6JDK Strike Gold

Monday, a day of excitement for pumped students from Grades 5/6K, J and D . 83 students boarded the two buses for our school camp to Log Cabin Camp.

Soon after arrival we split up into four groups. Each group did an activity. The activities were a 16 metre Giant Swing where you could go forwards, backwards or even UPSIDE DOWN! The other activities were archery, frisbee golf and the flying fox. Time flew by and very soon dinner was served. For dinner there was a range of meats such as: chicken, sausages and meat patties. They also had a potato salad and a green salad. After a long day of fun everyone settled into their cabins well.

The next day we travelled to the past. We took a short bus ride to Sovereign Hill. It really was like we travelled back in time. People were walking around the streets all dressed in big, full dresses and formal suits. We wandered around and went to a range of activities. We went into Red Hill Mine and walked through dimly lit underground tunnels. We listened to the story of the Welcome Nugget's discovery. We also learnt about the Chinese who stayed in Ballarat during the gold rush. Olden day bowling and panning for gold was another two of our favourite activities. Many students actually found gold flakes while panning for gold and they put them into a special little bottle that enabled you to see the flakes clearly because one side was black.

At 8:00pm on Tuesday night, we travelled back to Sovereign Hill for 'Blood On The Southern Cross' light and sound show. We were all dazzled by the shining lights, sounds and fog that rose from the scenery. There were no actors in the show, which surprised many of us. They used sound effects and a recorded script to tell the miner's stories. We rode a glowing, long bus to a new destination. We sat in a seemingly normal theatre. We all were amazed when the wall opened up to an outdoor scene filled with tents, buildings and an eerie fog. The loud sounds from the show startled many of us. The story it told was of the lead up to the Eureka Stockade battle. When the show finished we all crashed on the bus. We all dragged our feet into our cabins.

Our last day of camp! Our first activity was hut building. Everyone was challenged by trying to build a hut with whatever was lying around, tin, sticks, tyres and crates. Everyone had a great time building a hut just like the gold miners would. We also made damper and drank billy tea. To make the damper we used plain flour and water and we cooked it on top of an open fire.

Afterwards we went to M.A.D.E. (Museum of Australian Democracy at Eureka). It is an amazing museum, which is situated on the actual site of the Eureka Stockade battle site. We all got to see the Eureka flag itself! It was torn and tattered but it was gigantic! We all saw glittering gold and got to design our own flag.

Unfortunately, we then had to board the bus to go home after lunch. Sadly our trip has ended, but we can bring home great memories to share.







# Events Calendar

May

24<sup>th</sup> - District Cross Country

26<sup>th</sup> - Free Dress Day for World Vision 30<sup>th</sup> - School Council Mtg. – 7:30pm

<u>June</u>

7<sup>th</sup> - World's Biggest "Afternoon" Tea – 2:30pm

18<sup>th</sup> - Working Bee – 10am -12noon + BBQ

- P&F Disco

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<u>July</u>

11<sup>th</sup> - Start Term 3

17<sup>th</sup> - Working Bee (Sunday) 10am-12noon 18<sup>th</sup> - P&F Meeting – Stadium 9.30am 25<sup>th</sup> - House Athletics (Gr. 3-6)

**August** 

8-9<sup>th</sup> Robin & The Sherwood Hoodies -

12<sup>th</sup> Literacy/Book Week Celebration Day

13<sup>th</sup> Working Bee (Saturday)

15<sup>th</sup> P&F Meeting – Stadium 9.30am

26<sup>th</sup> Trivia Night

### **FORWARD DATES:**

11<sup>th</sup> November – Twilight Night Market

### **TERM DATES 2016**

Term 1 – 27 January – 24 March (Easter – Good Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March) Term 2 – 11 April – 24 June

Term 3 – 11 July to 16 September

Term 4 – 3 October to Tuesday, 20 December

### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

25th - Jo H.

26th - Natalie T. & Amanda C. 27th - Mandy K. & Leanne R.



# Notices sent home to Families - 12-19 May 2016

Notice	Distributed to:	Return by:
Trivia Night Notice – Helpers request	Families	Asap
Writer's Notebook Program	Gr. 3&4	Asap
Letter re Disco	Foundation Families	n/a



From the Junior School Council...

Did you know that each year Kalinda Primary School fundraises in order to sponsor our Indonesian World Vision sponsor child?

Our sponsor child is called Timous Koba. He is 11 years old.

In order to be able to keep supporting Timous. We do need to raise funds, so this year we are holding a **World Vision Free Dress Day**. For a gold coin donation, on **Thursday 26th May**, you may wear your favourite outfit to school.



# PUPIL OF THE WEEK

F/D	Meredith H. Ruby M.	-	For her bravery in giving Monty, the Python, a pat. For her bravery in giving Monty, the Python, a pat.
F/H	Chloe A.	-	For always being a good friend and filling our grade with giggles.
	Dakota Mac.	-	For your wonderful handwriting when learning the word bus!
F/L	Matthew McN.	-	For telling the difference between big problems and small ones and overcoming them!
	Alexis W.	-	For working hard to improve her reading by using multiple strategies.
F/T	Billie J.	-	For doing a great job using her reading strategies to read tricky words.
	Emin S.	-	For a fantastic effort with your handwriting. Great work!
12B	Benjamin E.	-	For your incredible work ethic during Zoned Maths groups. Fabulous listening and wonderful work!
12N	Jett P.	-	For being a thoughtful, caring and generous friend to many.
	Logan E.	-	For mature choices during class discussions this week. Great job!
12R	Tenulie S.	-	For doing a great job of your helping hand during CBL.
	Sinéad K.	-	For challenging yourself during our CBL sessions.
12S	Abigail B.	-	For showing improvement and persistence in her handwriting and story writing.
	Cara M.	-	For terrific work using subtraction in Zone Maths.
12T	Isla C.	-	For showing courage in everything you are achieving in our classroom. Fabulous effort!
	Billie McD.	-	For being a kind and cooperative member of 12B & 12T. You are always inclusive with all your classmates. What a star!
34C	Sean O'L.	_	For working really hard on his sentence fluency when writing and for slowing down
			in his reading.
	Emily W.	-	For demonstrating in Zone Maths, improved knowledge when using her addition and subtraction strategies.
34D	Zahlia C.	-	For showing persistence when writing and editing your piece for 'The Next
			Chapter'.
34P	Marilan In D	_	For being able to draw and name a variety of 3D shapes. Great work, Mackenzie.
J-11	Mackenzie B		
	Mackenzie B. Ben B	-	
	Mackenzie в. Ben B.	-	For consistently demonstrating a focused attitude towards his learning. Keep up
34R	Ben B.	-	For consistently demonstrating a focused attitude towards his learning. Keep up the great effort, Ben.
34R		-	For consistently demonstrating a focused attitude towards his learning. Keep up

# Production News

Planning for our fabulous whole school production of Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies on the 8th and 9th of August has well and truly begun. The cast has been announced and excitement is building. We are still looking for volunteers who can help in the planning, preparation and performance. If you are interested in helping with sets/props, hair, makeup, costumes, sound, lighting or anything else, please put your name down at the office.



Paul Todd Performing Arts Teacher



# Skoolbo - Go! Aussie Kids Go!

This is a great new site to help children with Reading and Maths. Children are immersed in an incredible learning world and become highly motivated by the inbuilt rewards mechanisms designed to encourage healthy use and to maximise learning.

Your child has been provided by their teacher with an account that grants full free use of the program both at home and school. As a parent you are able to view your child's results via the Parent Dashboard by visiting <a href="http://dashboard.skoolbo.com.au/">http://dashboard.skoolbo.com.au/</a>.

There is no advertising on Skoolbo and there are no in-app purchases. Children are not able to communicate on Skoolbo and there is no possibility of unsafe interactions.

### How to get going at home:

### Option 1 (Download):

Visit <a href="www.skoolbo.com.au/downloads">www.skoolbo.com.au/downloads</a> and download the software. Skoolbo is available on tablets (iPads and Androids), computers (PCs and Macs) and through the Internet browser.

- Open the software and select Parents.
- Insert your child's username (given to them by their classroom teacher)
- The password (colour BLACK and the animal BEE.

### Option 2 (Play on the internet):

- Go straight to the site: <a href="http://dashboard.skoolbo.com.au/">http://dashboard.skoolbo.com.au/</a> and click on sign in
- Insert your child's username (given to them by their classroom teacher)
- The password (colour BLACK and the animal BEE).
- Our school number for Skoolbo is 28305TY (you may need this when downloading the site)

### **Tips for Maximum Benefit:**

- Don't let other children (or adults) play on your child's account. Skoolbo uses a smart algorithm that determines the most appropriate learning activities specifically for your child based on his or her recent performance. Other users could affect the level of activity presented to your child.
- Celebrate your child's successes. Examples include 1,000 Correct Answer milestones and other improvement awards.
- You can refer to the Parent Guide available at <a href="www.skoolbo.com.au/downloads">www.skoolbo.com.au/downloads</a> for additional tips and instructions.





# **OSHClub News**

# Before School / After School Care Program Term 2 – Week 5



Welcome to OSHClub News. We have been very busy this week; we are starting to get very close to our capacity, so please make sure you are booking online to secure your children's places within the program.

We've had lots on this week with the children busy with some of our craft activities such as making hanging paper plate octopus, making dinosaurs and even having a go at making their own game. We've also had a comeback with chess this week with the children enjoying playing each other and even teaching some of the staff to play. Group games are still happening at OSH with games from octopus, fruit salad, marco polo and even dead fish to finish off our morning sessions.

This week we've been talking about food revolution day, an annual global day of action that celebrates good, fresh, real food happening on Friday May 20<sup>th</sup>. We are celebrating a day early and cooking club will be making healthy sweet potato and cheese muffins as well as making their own oat and fruit cereal from the recipes on the food revolution website.

Our menu over the next week will include lots of fresh fruit and veg paired with, yoghurt, wholemeal sandwiches, crunchy veggies and dips, cheese and salad wraps which the kids have enjoyed making themselves.

As always if you have any toys, books, dress-ups that you would like to donate to our program we would be extremely grateful.

Michelle will be back at the program next Thursday after a great holiday in Hawaii. While Michelle is away Sam will be here for both before and after school care along with Kaitlyn and Wendy with the help of some other great staff.

We appreciate your feedback for our program and our team. We are available during program hours on 0439 992 434. Feel free to leave a voicemail message if we are unavailable. We are also contactable at <a href="mailto:oshclub.kalinda@gmail.com">oshclub.kalinda@gmail.com</a>. Alternatively, you are always welcome to contact our Area Manager (Kathi Rowan) on 0432 212 817 or Kathi@oshclub.com.au.

We have a GOLD suggestion box on the "sign in" table and we invite everyone to leave suggestions whenever they wish! These can be anonymous ©

We welcome everyone in OSHClub; our children are very considerate of new students and we take pride in our ability to make every child feel special.

Kind Regards, Sam Lawrence

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Coordinator: Michelle Dark & Sam Lawrence

Assistants: Kaitlyn Robertson, Wendy Reid, Lorressa Mancuso, Dilek Cermik.

OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at <a href="www.oshclub.com.au">www.oshclub.com.au</a> all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

### COMMUNITY NEWS

### **OFFICE NEWS**

Credit Card & BPay payments – Please remember that we cannot accept payments of less than \$10 for credit card and less than \$30 for BPay. If you are paying by BPay, please also send in a short email or note letting us know the amount, what the payment was for and the BPay Receipt number, to <a href="kalinda.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au">kalinda.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au</a>
If payments of less than \$10 are received, we will be returning them home and asking for cash payment.

COMPASS – If your child is away due to illness, medical appointments, family holidays, or other reasons, please remember to log in to Compass and register their non-attendance through the "Add / Approve Absence" tab on your child's Home Page in Compass.

THERESA JARVIS BUSINESS MANAGER

### **UNIFORM SHOP**

**Opening Times:** The Uniform Shop is open every Monday from 3:00 – 3:45pm.

SHANNON & JO UNIFORM SHOP VOLUNTEERS

### STUDENT BANKING - EVERY FRIDAY



As notified in previous newsletters, the Student Banking is now being done through Bendigo Bank. If you have not opened an account as yet, spare account opening kits are available through the office.

For those students with Dollarmite accounts, you are still able to deposit through your local Commonwealth Bank branch, or you can also open a Bendigo Bank account.

# APPLES - STRAIGHT FROM THE ORCHARD......

Chris, our apple man will next be delivering apples on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May.** If you would like to order apples, please see Gill or Annie at the office with your order and payment by **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May.** Bags are approximately 5-6kg.

Available at the moment are:

Pink Ladies, Fujis, Royal Galas & Granny Smiths at \$10 per bag (approx. 5-6kg). Green and Brown pears are now available at \$8 per bag.





# **Parents & Friends Update**

### **P&F Meeting Summary:**

The May P&F meeting was held on Monday 16th May. We discussed, planned and debriefed the following items:

Mother's Day Stall
Kalinda Cookbook
Movie Night
Local Business Directory
World's Biggest 'Afternoon' Tea
School Disco

If you would like a full copy of the minutes please email kalindapandf@gmail.com Next P&F meeting is Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 9:30am in the Stadium

### Recipe deadline extended until Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

The deadline for recipe submissions has been extended for one more week, as we don't want any families to miss out on being part of this gorgeous book. Have we mentioned, it's not going to be 'just a cookbook'?

The book will showcase our school, school life, our gorgeous kids and will be a professionally printed and bound hardcover keepsake.

Submit your recipe online (www.createacookbook.com.au), drop it in at the office (don't forget to put your name on it), or email it to kalindapandf@gmail.com



Get your dancing pants on because the school disco date is set! Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June. Look out for the notice/permission form going home tomorrow.

### **Movie Day - Postponed**

The 'Finding Dory' movie day has been postponed as there is a wonderful fundraiser movie event happening, which we encourage Kalinda families to get behind.

The "Wheels for George" movie fundraiser will on Saturday 4th June at the Croydon Cinemas and the movie is Angry Birds. More details about this special event at: https://www.facebook.com/wheelsforgeorge/

### World's Biggest 'Afternoon' Tea

Join us for afternoon tea on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2:30 – 4:00pm and help support cancer research. Pop up to school a bit early for pick-up and enjoy some homemade treats and a refreshment. A notice and RSVP form is going home very soon but put the date in your diary now.



www.facebook.com/kalindaparentsandfriends ~ kalindapandf@gmail.com





# **RECIPE OF THE WEEK!**

♦ Makes 12

Cooking Time: 20 minutes

# **Choc Chip Banana Muffins**

What you need: 60g butter

½ cup castor sugar 2 cups self-raising flour

½ cup milk 2 eggs 2 rine banar

2 ripe bananas 1 cup Choc Bits



- Preheat oven to 200°C. Either grease a medium muffin tray (12 sections) or line muffin tray with paper cases.
- Melt butter in a small saucepan or heat-proof bowl in the microwave. Set aside to cool slightly.
- Sift flour into a mixing bowl. Stir in sugar. Make a well in the centre of dry ingredients.
- Using a whisk lightly beat milk, eggs and butter in a jug. Add to dry ingredients, along with mashed banana. Using a wooden spoon, gently mix ingredients until just combined. Stir in choc bits.
- Don't beat the mixture or the muffins will be tough.
- Spoon the mixture evenly into the muffin cases. Bake for 20 minutes or until firm on top when lightly touched. Leave in the tray for 3 minutes. Transfer the muffins to a rack to cool.

WENDY McLAUGHLAN KALINDA CHEF



The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and Kalinda Primary School is excited to be participating.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 9 September 2016.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and can choose to have their name included on the online Honour Roll. If you would like your child's name to appear on the Honour Roll, please collect a Challenge sign form from the office, sign and return it to your school.

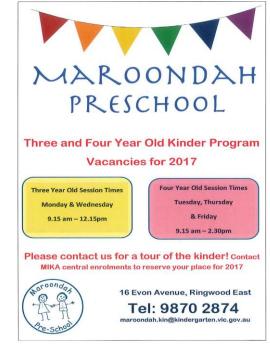
To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklists and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: <a href="https://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc">www.education.vic.gov.au/prc</a>

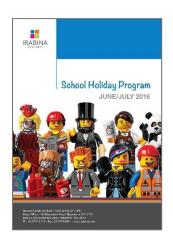
SANDY DOYLE VPRC Coordinator

## KALINDA COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD









# **School Holiday Program**

Irabina is offering a variety of School Holiday Programs this June/July including: Intensive School Readiness Programs, Primary School Lego Club, Sports & Games Club, Teamwork & Technology club as well as a 3 Day Intensive Aquatic Program.

To find out more about each program or to register, please click here!

# See the Community Board in the Foyer for more events.

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# SATURDAY 4 JUNE ANGRY BIRDS MOVIE

Come along and bring your friends to help support our friend George.

George needs a new car to help carry him in his new wheelchair. To help him get on his way, we have booked out the Angry Birds movie at the Croydon Cinema and all proceeds will be going to help George buy a new car.

If you can't make it on the day but still wish to help, we will kindly accept all donations, but please make sure you let us know if you don't require tickets.





# Help George get some new wheels

Saturday 4 June 4pm at Croydon Cinemas follow us on Facebook for any updates: "Wheels for George"

Bring your friends! BUT HURRY! Tickets are limited. Lucky door prize and raffle on the day

\$20 p/ticket includes lolly bag and drink. Donations are also kindly accepted if you can't make it on the day

CROYDON CINEMAS Level 1, 3 – 5 Hewish Rd Croydon

Please make payments to George Gibb Westpac Bank BSB:033112 Acc:258488

Please include your family

MAROONDAH VACATION CARE PROGRAM

Maroondah City Council offers two fantastic school holiday programs for children in Prep to Grade 6 that are jam packed full of FUN! The programs are located at

Belmont Park in Croydon South and Springfield Pavilion in Croydon. For further information please contact the Vacation Care team on 9294 5734.

### INCURSION TODAY

Monday 27th June

MINI OLYMPICS
Catch the excitement of the Olympic Games by attending the Maroondah Mini Olympics! This is a great opportunity to gain a better understanding of different sports, experience the Olympic values and get ready to cheer on Australia's Olympic Team as they prepare for the Olympic Games. Every child participating today will be presented with a show bag!

We will also have a very special visit from an
Australian Olympian – how
cool is that?!

### EXCURSION TODAY!



### Monday 4th July RUSH HQ

Come and have lots of fun as ve climb, balance and bounce the day away at RUSH HQ! Challenge yourself in the 5 different activity zones which include Mt Madness, The Gauntlet, Dodge It, Jump Factory and Jump and Slam If the weather permits we will stop to explore Rowville Adventure Playground.

RUSH

Depart: 9:30am Return: 5:15pm

**EXCURSION TODAY** Tuesday 28th June

### DISCO PARTY

Put on your dancing shoes and get ready to dance the day away! We will be visiting EV's Youth Centre in Croydon for an awesome disco! There will be party games, dancing, singing, party food and lots more!



Depart: 10am Return: 4:15pm

Tuesday 5th July PYJAMA DAY

Don't worry about getting dressed today, wear your Pyjamas to Vacation Care. We have lots of fun, games, prizes and laughter planned for you!

Cuddle up with your very own bear that you get to create in our Build A Bear Workshop! Choose from a Lion, Turtle, Monkey, Rabbit, or Bear – just to name a few! Then create a t-shirt for your new bear to wear. How cool &

is that?! 8 **INCURSION TODAY!** Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June

# HEALTHY HABITS

Today is all about staying active, healthy eating and exercise. There will be lots of cooking and experimenting with food, sport, and plenty of activities to keep you active!

We also have a very exciting incursion where you will get to create your own smoothie whilst riding a bike!



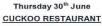
Bike n' Blend **EXCURSION TODAY!** 4

# Wednesday 6th July

THE BIG FREEZE FESTIVAL
The Big Freeze is an
AWESOME undercover winter
festival jam packed full of fun! Build a snowman and have a snowball fight in the icy snow, participate in workshops such as Hip Hop and magic tricks, get creative with art, have fun in the training academy where you will gain new skills that you can use to become a

superhero and so much more!

Depart: 9am



# You are in for a real treat today! No need for lunch just pack some fruit, as we are visiting the Cuckoo Restaurant

**EXCURSION TODAY** 

in Olinda where you will be treated to a delicious smorgasbord lunch as well as

dessert and soft drink - how cool is that!

There will also be lots of entertainment including

singing, dancing, yodelling, stories and lots more!

Depart: 10am



Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July

### P DAY

Pancakes, Pizza, Pirates, Princesses, Purple, Play, Peculiar, Pink, Prizes, – yo guessed it, today is all about the letter P!

There will be games, cooking, sport, science, art & craft and most of all lots of FUN!

### EXCURSION TODAY BIG DAY OUT

BIG DAY OUT
Please see the attached flyer for information on the Big Day Out Excursion for our 2016 Grade 5 and 6 children!

### Car Friday 1st July STAR WARS & SPACE

Come on an adventure as we visit a galaxy far, far away where we will participate in activities relating to Star wars

and Space! Use the force and become a Jedi as we create our own Lightsabers, build your own rocket ship, design your own star or create some yummy Chockie Moon Rocks.



### **EXCURSION TODAY!**

Friday 8th July

### LETS GO TO THE MOVIES

Today we are off to see the latest kid's movie at Village Cinemas Knox. Please note PG. If the weather permits we will also stop to explore the Bayswater Train Park.





Depart: 10:30am Return: 5pm