

SPRINGHURST PRIMARY SCHOOL INFORMATION BOOK





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CONTACT INFORMATION

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In 2025 our school is staffed by teachers as well as a student support staff member. We also have specialist art and library teachers who are based at our school.

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Springhurst Primary School believes that learning is a partnership between teachers, students, parents and the local community. We have a focus on developing the 'whole student', whereby the physical, social, emotional and academic growth of the child are all of vital importance.

School Terms 2025		School Terms 2026	
Term 1:	29 th January – 4 th April	Term 1:	28 th January – 2 nd April
Term 2:	22 nd April – 4 th July	Term 2:	20 th April – 26 th June
Term 3:	21 st July – 19 th September	Term 3:	13 th July – 18 th September
Term 4:	6 th October – 19 th December	Term 4:	5 th October – 18 th December

School Hours				
9:00 – 11:00 am	Learning time (2 hours) – a fruit break takes place during this			
	learning time.			
11:00 – 11:15am	Supervised eating time (15 minutes)			
11:15 – 11:45am	Lunch Break (30 minutes)			
11:45am – 1:45pm	Learning time (2 hours)			
1:45-1:55pm	Supervised eating time (10 minutes)			
1:55 – 2:15pm	Recess Break (20 minutes)			
2:15 – 3:15pm	Learning time (1 hour)			

Please Note: These times may vary due to special programs. Parents will be notified through the newsletter if this is to be the case.

LEARNING & CURRICULUM

At Springhurst Primary School, we are committed to delivering effective quality teaching and learning and provide positive learning opportunities for all. The Victorian Curriculum sets out what students should learn during their first eleven years of schooling. It outlines the common set of knowledge and skills required to be life-long learners, assist with social development and to become active and informed citizens.

It is expected that the skills and knowledge defined in the capabilities will be developed, practised, deployed and demonstrated by students in and through their learning across the curriculum.

The design of the Victorian Curriculum F–10 is set out below:

Learning Areas

- The Arts
 - o Music
 - Visual Arts
- English
- Health and Physical Education
- The Humanities
 - Civics and Citizenship
 - o Geography
 - o History
 - Sustainability
- Languages (French)
- Mathematics
- Science
- Technologies

 Digital Technologies
- MACC and MARC Van these are mobile facilities that visit Springhurst Primary School to deliver an Art and Library program.

ENGAGEMENT & WELLBEING

SCHOOL VALUES

Springhurst Primary School's vision is to develop a culture that embeds "Learning for Life."

- ✓ Safe
- ✓ Нарру
- ✓ Learn

SCHOOL PRINCIPLES

Springhurst Primary School is committed to providing a safe, supportive and inclusive environment for all students, staff and members of our community. Our school seeks to actively partner with our families and external community and recognises the importance of this partnership between our school and parents and carers to support student learning, engagement and wellbeing. We share a commitment to, and a responsibility for, creating an inclusive and safe school environment for our students.

WELLBEING PROGRAMS AND SUPPORT

Weekly lessons focusing on student's social-emotional growth and needs is timetabled across the school. Student wellbeing is supported by incorporating the Resilience Project and the Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships (RRRR) learning materials. Topics covered include Emotional Literacy; Personal Strengths; Positive Coping; Problem Solving; Stress Management; Help Seeking; Gender and Identity; and Positive Gender Relationships.

Students are also supported through integrating other programs to support their ability to feel happy, safe and supported which include:

- Sustainability lessons
- Breakfast Club
- Ride to School
- Lunchtime activities (Book Club)
- Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader



GENERAL INFORMATION

ENROLMENT PROCEDURES

The Department of Education and Training (DET) age criteria must be met prior to a student enrolling in their first year of primary education, <u>a child must turn 5 on or</u> <u>before April 30</u> of the year of enrolment. Please visit our website for further information, as well as an enrolment form.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Springhurst Primary School encourages the wearing of a school uniform. As we are a SunSmart school a broad brimmed hat, preferably navy blue, forms a compulsory part of our uniform. Uniforms may be purchased from Steers Co. Wangaratta, our local clothing store in Wangaratta. An order form can be found on our website. Clothing can be purchased from K Mart or Big W and embroidery (new logo) and name on hat can be done at Steers Co. Second hand uniforms are also available here at school.

Students can pick from the below items:

Summer:

- Yellow polo shirt and navy/black shorts.
- Checked blue and white summer dress.

Winter:

• Yellow polo shirt, navy blue windcheater with logo and black/navy track pants.

We do suggest that students wear sensible footwear (no thongs) and clothing to school, and we stress that all items need to be clearly marked. As Physical Education can be a daily activity, boots are not preferrable as footwear. We encourage students to tie their hair back to prevent outbreaks of head lice.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS AND SCHOOL ENTRY ASSESSMENT

Semesterly reports will be distributed at the end of Terms 2 and 4. Parents are welcome to seek a parent/teacher meeting at other times, if required, by appointment.

During the month of February, each Wednesday is set aside for English and Mathematics assessment for enrolled Foundation students. For the month of February, Foundation students will not be required at school on Wednesdays.

TRANSITION PROGRAMS

To prepare students for the best possible learning when they start Foundation and transition to Year 7, our students actively engage in transition programs. Students in the transition period benefit when pre-schools and schools work together to provide supports for the unique strengths and needs of all students and families. For beginning Foundation, please contact Springhurst Primary School office for upcoming transition dates.

Students in Year 6 transition to Rutherglen High School. Please contact the office for more information.

NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters are prepared on a fortnightly basis (Monday) with other important notes being sent home as required. The newsletter has a "Dates to Remember" section with activities up to a term ahead. These are available by email.

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MOBILE AREA RESOURCE CENTRE (MARC) MOBILE ART CRAFT CENTRE (MACC)

We are very lucky to have the services of the MACC and MARC vans who visit us once a fortnight. These services provide the students with specialised instruction in both Art and Craft and Library. The MARC van has an updated selection of books which the students can borrow and return the following fortnight.



DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

To support our digital technologies curriculum, our students participate in learning on iPads with a 1:1 ratio. We integrate ICT into students' daily learning activities using Google Classroom, where learning tasks can be distributed and completed online. Digital STEM Materials are also provided to enhance learning outcomes, such as BeeBots.



ENHANCED LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Our veggie garden and cooking program are a highlight of how our students engage in authentic learning experiences. Our cooking program enables students to try new foods, learn about the benefits of recyclable containers and compost as well as hygiene and safety in the kitchen, knife handling and chopping skills, and food and nutrition.

This takes place in our multipurpose building which is also used for a range of different programs such as drama, music, indoor sport and games, perceptual motor programs, science, and Girl Guides.



SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council is integral to the direction of our school. The School Council is open to all parents of children attending the school. The role of the School Council is to enhance our school's wellbeing and to involve the community with the school. It supports the school in activities both in and out of the school with physical and financial support. Fundraising activities are organised throughout the year and your support is much appreciated.

The School Council meets twice per term. The Annual General Meeting is held in February. If you would like an item to be included on the agenda, please bring it to school or to the attention of a councillor. Input from the entire community is welcome, not just those directly involved with the school.

CAMPS, SPORTS and EXCURSIONS

Camps, sport events and excursions compliment educational programs offered at the school and provides social skills development outside of the classroom. Advanced notice informing parents and carers of each excursion will be sent home with your child/ren beforehand detailing the venue, time and cost. The school and fundraising committee work to subsidise excursions/camps, bussing and extra curricula activities, at times, excursions are paid for by the parents.

Beginning in 2015, the state government initiative Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) was introduced and provides \$125 per child to contribute towards the cost of camps, sports and excursions. This money is paid directly to the school. To be eligible, parents or carers must hold a current Commonwealth Health Care Card or Pension Card. For more information, please contact the school.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Throughout the year many exciting events occur at Springhurst Primary School, these include working bees, fundraising activities, Athletics carnival, Cross Country, tree planting day and open days. Parents are welcome to come along at any time we have an "open door" policy so please discuss with us how you might like to be involved in your child's learning.

We encourage parents to assist at school with a variety of activities, as well as supporting your child/ren with their learning at home.

