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Term 1 Week 9 March 27th 2025 Newsletter

News from the School Leaders

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last Friday, we announced that Rebecca Harper has been appointed as the Substantive Principal at White Hills Primary School. We look forward to Bec officially stepping into her new role at the start of Term 2 and Bec has been overwhelmed with the messages of support from students and our community.

It has been a very busy week for our teachers this week, with all staff having a planning day to prepare for the teaching and learning in term 2. It's been great to see the teachers planning some fantastic learning experiences for a very busy term 2.

Our students have also been busy. Our student leaders have started another video to explain how we work as a school to keep all our students safe. Our wellbeing team has been gathering feedback from our students in years 4 to 6 about the data from their 2024 Attitudes to School Survey. This will allow the students to have some voice and agency in the changes we make to improve our school.

Easter Raffle and Tickets

The Parent Club has once again organised our annual Easter Egg Raffle this year. Raffle books were sent home recently, with both sides of the raffle tickets to be sold for $1 each (20 tickets in total). The raffle will be drawn at tomorrow's assembly, so make sure you hand in your tickets to the office by 2pm tomorrow.

School Council Annual General Meeting

On Monday 24th, the School Council Annual General meeting was held. At this meeting, the 2024 Annual Report to the school community was presented with a summary report for last year that covers literacy, maths and aspects of wellbeing and engagement.

The 2025 School Council Representatives are:

Parent Members	Department Members	Community Member
David Treloar (President)	Rebecca Harper (Principal)	Corey Ah-Dore
Natalie Reynolds (Vice President)	Kim Davies (Secretary)	
Aime Sacrez	Roger Byron (DET)	
Kim Newman	Sabina Riordan (Treasurer)	
Katrina McKenzie		
Amy Preece		
Justin Thacker		
Liwa Araos		
Stacy Boswood		
Leah Wilson		

Open Air Cinema Night (Term 2)

The Parents and Friends group have organised our annual open air cinema night, on Friday the 2nd of May (term 2). They are organising some tasty treats to be sold on the night so make sure you put this date in your diary and join us on the oval for a fun filled evening.

Student free days for Term 2 2025

The following curriculum days have been approved by the School Council

- Wednesday, 28th May – Reporting & Assessment
- Monday 9th June - King's Birthday (Public Holiday)
- Wednesday 2nd July - Parent Teacher Interviews (students come to the interview)

Please note these dates in your diaries. We will also provide reminders via Compass as we get closer to these dates.

Statewide timeline to manage Prep enrolments for the 2026 school year

The statewide enrolment timeline provides Victorian government primary schools with clear timeframes for enrolling students who will commence Prep in the 2026 school year.
The timeline seeks to support schools and families by making the Prep enrolment process simpler, clearer and fairer.

The timeline includes key dates, activity descriptions and an overview of responsibilities to help schools to plan for their Prep enrolments. Key dates and activities for schools in the 2025–26 timeline include the following:

- Schools can receive enrolment applications from parents and carers from the start of Term 2, 2025. This follows the release of 2026 zones on the department's Find my School website and the publication of Foundation enrolment information packs.
- Enrolment applications from parents and carers are to be submitted by Friday 25 July 2025.
- Schools notify parents and carers of the outcome of enrolment applications between Monday 28 July and Friday 8 August 2025.
- Written appeals from parents and carers are to be lodged with schools by Friday 22 August 2025.
- Schools notify parents and carers in writing of the outcome of appeals by Friday 5 September 2025.

Special Thank you

We would like to give a special thank you to Epsom Steel for supplying the new metal board for our new school notice board.

End of Term Dismissal

Students will be dismissed at 2.30pm on Friday, 4th April. We will have recess from 2:00 until 2.30pm, but due to Department of Education regulations, we are unable to dismiss students until 2.30pm. Parents may collect children earlier if they wish. Please make sure you sign out your child/children before taking them home if you leave early.

Regards Bec & Kim

The Wellbeing Team are holding a Mother's & Special Person Day breakfast to celebrate Mother's Day on Tuesday 6th of May.

8am-8:50am on the basketball court.

More details to come

Calendar of Events **Term 1 2025**
Wednesday 29th Jan – Friday 4th April

Term 1
1st April – Whole School Cross Country
3rd April - Grade 5 Excursion - Sovereign Hill
3rd April – Grade 6 Excursion – Soldiers Memorial
4th Apr - Last Day Term Early Finish 2.30pm
School Holidays 5th April – 21st April

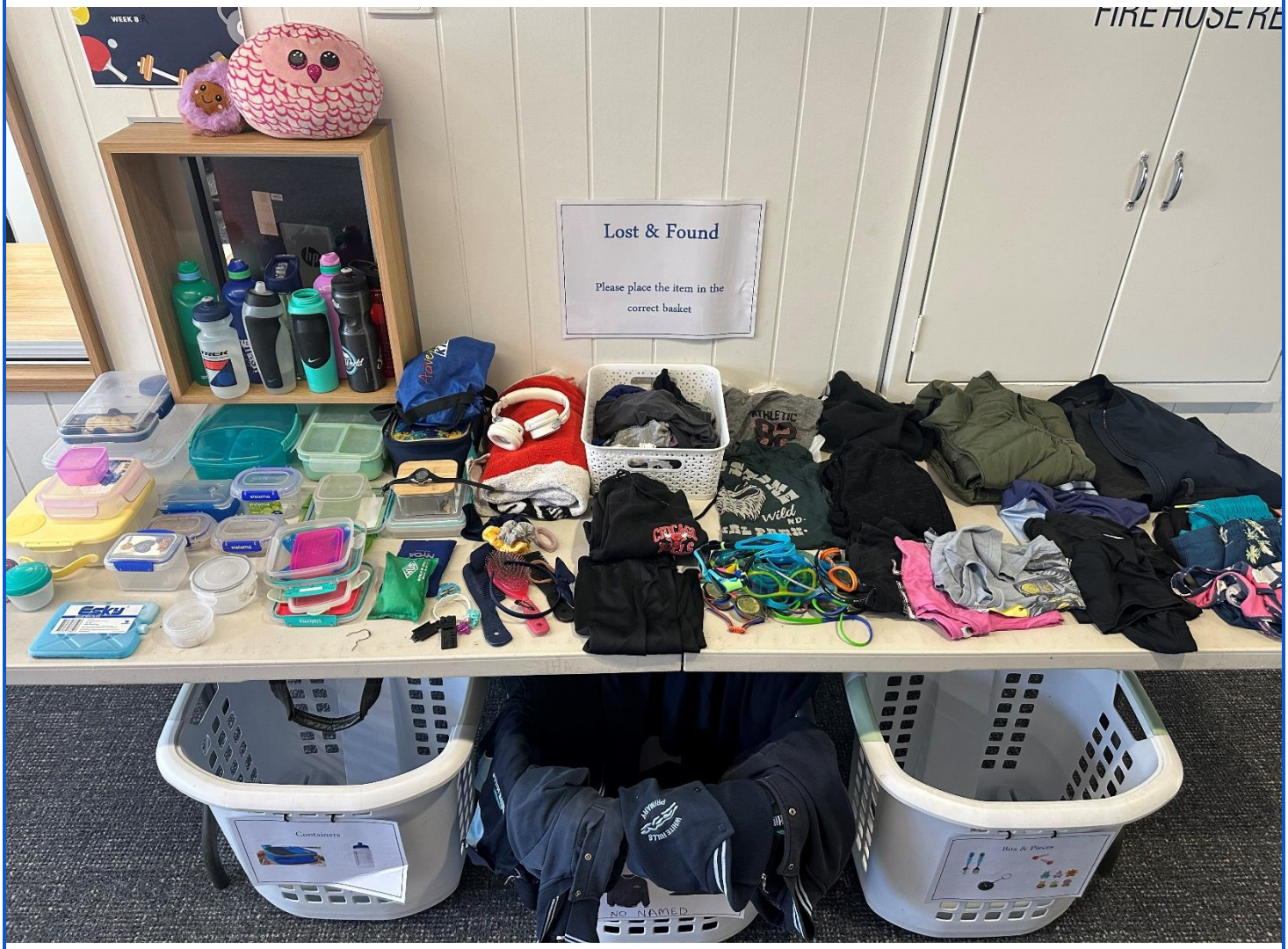
Term 2
22nd April Term 2 Starts

23rd April Whole School Athletics at Flora Hill Athletics Track
6th May – Mothers & Special Persons Breakfast
7th-9th May- Grade 6 Camp- Burnside Anglesea
16th May – Division Cross Country
30th May – Division Hockey – Ironbark Hockey Centre

Wellbeing

The Wellbeing Team is seeking volunteers to support our Breakfast Club program, currently running on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:30am – 9:00am. With your help, we aim to expand this program to provide breakfast to students every weekday. If you're interested in joining our team, please reach out to Ricky at 03 5443 0799 for more information. Your contribution can make a meaningful difference in the lives of our students. Regards Ricky & Brioney

Please come and check lost property for any missing items.
If not collected by Friday, the 4th of April these items will be taken to good will.



Please feel free to drop in or contact the admin team if you need any help.

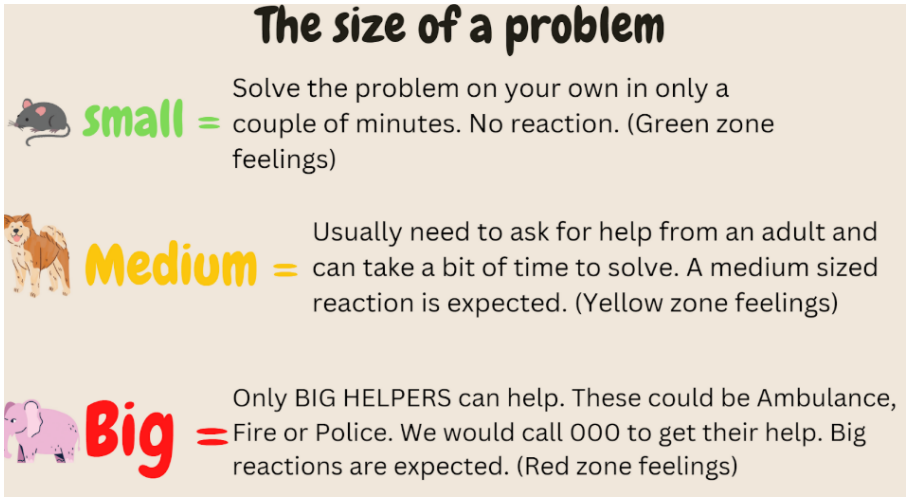
Regards Sabina, Danni, Fleur and Alannah

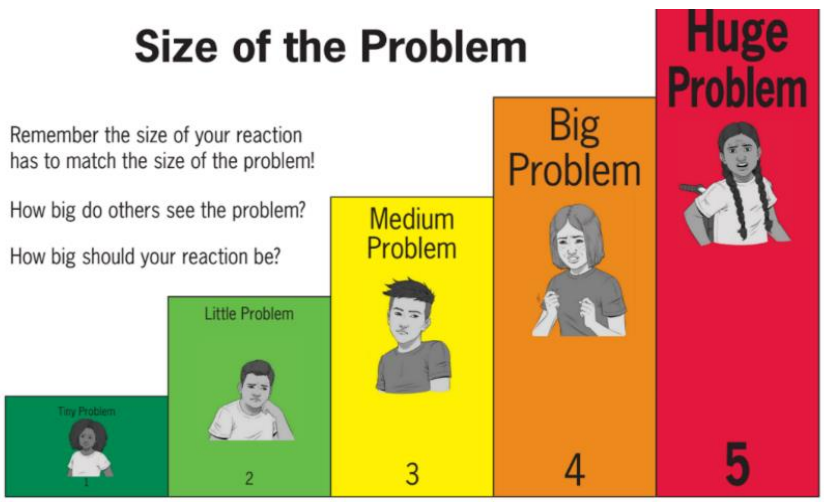
Wellbeing @ White Hills PS

THE ZONES OF REGULATION

This year, as a part of our curriculum, students at White Hills Primary School will be learning about the Zones of Regulation. Our goal is to teach students more about their emotions and to further develop their self-regulation skills. Self-regulation is an essential skill in life, and in all learning environments. Students will participate in activities and discussions designed to help them recognise when they are in each of the different Zones as well as learn how to use strategies to change or stay in the Zone they are in. Students will learn new vocabulary, skills in reading other people's facial expressions, gain perspective about how others see and react to their behaviour, insight into events that trigger their behaviour, calming and alerting strategies, and problem-solving skills.

Below is another resource you might like to use with your children at home, to help reinforce the 'size of a problem'. We like to use the terms 'small/little', 'medium' and 'big/huge'. This may be a good visual to use alongside a conversation with your child when discussing the size of the problem they are facing at home. It is always helpful to acknowledge how they are feeling first.





Students of the week - Term 1 Week 9 – ASSEMBLY

Please come along to our assembly this Friday to celebrate the achievements of these amazing students!

Junior School Awards

Prep M	Patrick H	For his enthusiasm and dedication to learning to read books!
Prep C	Dallas	For showing resilience and trying his best with all work tasks.
Prep D	Nevaeh	For being a respectful and responsible member of Prep D. She listens well and completes her work no matter what.
Prep H	Kibet	For always trying his best with learning tasks.
1F	Levi R	For doing great work in writing and counting and following class routines.
1G	Adriel	For consistently showing beautiful manners and respect to his teachers and classmates.
1AK	Zane	For being a hard worker and bringing lots of fun and energy to 1AK.
1M	Jameson	For always trying his best during class and completing his work to a high standard.
1A	Levi B	Levi consistently tries his best and pushes himself to complete all of his classwork! He is respectful and responsible.
2F	Willow	For striving to do her best and always being respectful of her classmates and teachers.
2E	Tyla	For being a kind and caring friend to her classmates!
2TD	William C	For striving to be his best across all areas and bouncing back when needed.
2K	Sienna	For always being respectful in class and continuing to use her manners.

Senior School Awards

3R	Milla H	For putting 100% effort into learning tasks and being a polite and friendly class member of 3R.
3V	Arthur	For applying himself to all tasks and being a positive role model for his classmates. Awesome Job!
3C	Tyler	For following instructions and applying himself to tasks with enthusiasm. Well Done TJ!
3L	Taleah	For always demonstrating our school values and setting a great example to other students.
4O	Layla	For putting in a massive effort to improve her home reading routine!
4HW	Hunter	For persisting in Maths and asking relative questions to improve his understanding.
4CL	Kisha	For always demonstrating the school values and using a growth mindset to complete all tasks.
4G	Jake	For showing his best efforts in the classroom and being a great friend to all classmates.
5D	James	For his positive attitude towards all learning and outstanding cross-country practice.

5PB	Hamish	For always trying his best and completing work to a high standard. Hamish is a great role model in our classroom!
5W	Indi H	For consistently seeking feedback to improve and achieve her personal best.
5B	Thomas	For making positive choices in the classroom and listening respectfully during our novel study.
6B	Lexie A	Lexie is always the student who sets the example for her peers. She gives her all in all activities and looks for ways to support her peers.
6K	Harry L	For being a role model of respect through his thoughtful actions and positive attitude!
6F	Nicolo R	For doing his best in class and having a great sense of humour.

Specialists

Art Mrs Watchman	Mia 1F	For being a helpful assistant in the art room.
Art Mrs White	Bellamy H Prep M	For being a great role model in Art, attentively listening and giving his best effort in each art project so far.
Music Mr Marsh	Peyton R 5D	For impressive persistence and effort to improve her guitar skills playing a difficult song - keep up that great work ethic Peyton!
STEM Mrs Treloar	Jankis 4G	For his amazing construction skills when working on his model playground.
STEM Mrs Hauxwell	Freya 1A	For designing an incredible Easter Bunny trap complete with cameras and sensors!
Sports Mr Scoble	Calais 1AK	For respecting the teacher and participating in all activities.

Student of the Week!

Principal Award!

Student Leaders 2025

Meet some of our Student Leaders

I am happy to be selected as a student leader. Only 12 students were selected. I am proud of myself. I am looking forward to all the opportunities that are available to grow my leadership. I would like to see a fun inclusive community with no rubbish in the yard. The best thing about WHPS ire the teacher. They teach you lots of fun things at school.

Lexie

II am really happy about being selected as a student leader because I have been wanting to do it since Prep. I am looking forward to running assemble and going to the Melbourne Shrine. I would like to see less rubbish and acknowledging charities such as breast cancer. The best thing about WHPS is everything! It is a really cool school.

Sophia

I wanted to become a student leader so that I could speak at our school assembly and also take part in our school activities. I am looking forward to our upcoming Grip Leadership Day. I would like to see way less rubbish in our school yard. The best thing about WHPS is all the students who attend. They are the best!

Madison

I am excited about being selected as a Student Leader so that I can go to events such as the Melbourne Shrine to represent the school. I am looking forward to getting my confidence up ready for high school. I would like to see Less rubbish around the school. The best thing about WHPS is the students and staff. The staff are really friendly and there are lots of nice people.

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From our Community

HOLIDAY HQ GAME ZONE

White Hills Primary School
16 Plumridge Street, White Hills, VIC, 3550
Monday 7 April to Thursday 17 April 2025

7AM TIL 6PM

Ph: 0491 806 466

Don't forget to pack sunscreen, a hat, and a water bottle to stay sun-safe! Please ensure all food complies with allergy guidelines. Contact your service for detailed information.

Scan to book online!

MON 7 APR

RETRO REVIVAL
Travel back in time with pixel art and epic retro games. Compete in sardines, marbles, and more at our Retro Games Gala!

BASE FEE	$65.46
DAILY TOTAL	$65.46
FROM AS LOW AS*	$6.55

TUE 8 APR (EXCURSION)

PLAY YOUR WAY
EXCURSION: MAZE HOUSE
Join us for an exciting excursion to Maze House! Get lost in the traditional hedge maze, hunt for clues to win a prize, and enjoy classic carnival games.

BASE FEE	$65.46
EXPERIENCE FEE	$54.00
DAILY TOTAL	$119.46
FROM AS LOW AS*	$11.95

WED 9 APR (SPECIAL EVENT)

POWER UP PLAY
SPECIAL EVENT: WIZARD QUADBALL
Unleash your inner wizard in an exciting Quadball event! Don't forget to bring your wizard hat if you have one. Plus, whip up tasty power-up bars to keep your energy soaring!

BASE FEE	$65.46
EXPERIENCE FEE	$20.00
DAILY TOTAL	$85.46
FROM AS LOW AS*	$8.55

THU 10 APR (MAKE & TAKE)

STEM QUEST
MAKE & TAKE: ROBO ROVER EXPERIMENT
Gear up for a tech adventure! Dive into cool experiments as you build and code your very own Robo Rover that zooms through a fun challenge!

BASE FEE	$65.46
EXPERIENCE FEE	$18.50
DAILY TOTAL	$83.96
FROM AS LOW AS*	$8.40

FRI 11 APR (MAKE & TAKE)

LIVE ACTION PLAY
MAKE & TAKE: JUNGLE RUMBLE MARBLE WALL
Get moving with giant chalk games! Then, test your engineering and problem-solving skills as you build your own Jungle Marble Game to take home!

BASE FEE	$65.46
EXPERIENCE FEE	$20.00
DAILY TOTAL	$85.46
FROM AS LOW AS*	$8.55

MON 14 APR (MAKE & TAKE)

LEVEL UP
MAKE & TAKE: TOTE BAG & CONNECT 4
Ready to level up? Take on the drainpipe team challenge in a hands-on adventure! Plus, you'll get to decorate your own bag and Connect 4 game to take home!

BASE FEE	$65.46
EXPERIENCE FEE	$15.00
DAILY TOTAL	$80.46
FROM AS LOW AS*	$8.05

TUE 15 APR

GAME SHOW STARS
Step into the spotlight these holidays! Show off your cooking skills in The Great Snack Off, then spin the Wheel of Fun for awesome challenges and prizes!

BASE FEE	$65.46
DAILY TOTAL	$65.46
FROM AS LOW AS*	$6.55

WED 16 APR (MAKE & TAKE)

FINAL SHOWDOWN
MAKE & TAKE: PICA-PAIR & CLAY CREATION
Join in thrilling games and face off against your educators in the ultimate Boss Battle! You'll also design your own Pica-Pair card game and foam clay masterpiece to take home.

BASE FEE	$65.46
EXPERIENCE FEE	$15.50
DAILY TOTAL	$80.96
FROM AS LOW AS*	$8.10

THU 17 APR

BATTLE OF THE BRAINS
Get ready for brain-busting challenges, popsicle puzzles, and tasty treats! Solve riddles, crack codes, and test your skills in a fun-filled day of surprises.

BASE FEE	$65.46
DAILY TOTAL	$65.46
FROM AS LOW AS*	$6.55

FRI 18 APR

Service Closed – Good Friday

*Childcare subsidy (CCS) may apply. Please refer to Services Australia Childcare Subsidy for eligibility and entitlement. Please note that programs and surcharges may be subject to change. Visit our website for the most up-to-date information.

Ladies and Juniors

Come and Try Day

Bendigo & District Table Tennis Association
140 Victoria St Eaglehawk Vic 3556

Bats and Balls provided.

Appropriate sportswear for the day.

It is a great way to get some exercise without going to extremes and have fun.

Limited Places

Please Book:
Phone Gary on
0425 792 933

Our resident Junior's Coach and A Grade player Deb Wright (along with some friendly assistants) will be on hand to:
Explain the many Benefits of playing Table Tennis.
Teach you how to play the game.
Help you improve your current skill level.
Make sure you have fun. Please wear non-marking rubber shoes.
All Ladies and children U/16 welcome.

https://www.bendigotabletennis.org.au

Mon APR 7

10am-12noon

2025

TYPE 1 DIABETES FAMILY CENTRE

Little Ninja Warriors Excursion

Let your little type 1 warrior swap numbers for nunchucks (figuratively, of course!) and unleash their inner ninja for a day of action-packed fun.

Kids with type 1 are invited to take on the ultimate play centre challenge—bouncing across the biggest jumping castle in central Victoria, diving into slides and tunnels, and exploring a multi-level playground built for adventure. Feeling extra daring? Test your skills on the thrilling climbing walls!

DATE: Tuesday 8 April 2025
TIME: 10am—1pm
WHERE: Little Ninja Warriors, Epsom
WHO: Type 1 kids and their siblings!
COST: $21 each
REGISTER: https://bit.ly/LittleNinjaWarriorsExcursion2025
BRING: Comfy clothes, hypo kit and a water bottle!
*grip socks provided, and there's a café on site for food and drink

If you have any queries, please contact Bec at becritchie@type1familycentre.org.au

TYPE 1 DIABETES FAMILY CENTRE

Little Ninja WARRIORS

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- Rotary Club of Eaglehawk
- 8 School Street, California Gully VIC 3556

★ ALL ABILITIES CHEER & TUMBLING ★

COMPETITIVE LEVEL 1 CHEER

Our **LEVEL 1 CHEER PROGRAM** is designed for beginners that are either new to the sport or are in their first few years. In these sessions, we will cover the basic skills of cheer including Novice and Level 1 stunts.

COMPETITIVE LEVEL 1 DANCE

Our **LEVEL 1 DANCE PROGRAM** is designed for those that have little to no experience in cheer, dance or gymnastics. All basic skills will be covered in this class. The style for this program will be **HIP HOP**!

TUMBLING & PERFORM ABILITY

Dynamic Cheer Co. offers an exciting non-compete **TUMBLING PROGRAM** and **PERFORM ABILITY PROGRAM** for athletes of all ages.
These programs focus on developing strength, agility, and coordination, which make tumbling and movement a dynamic and exhilarating activity.

ELIGIBLE IMPAIRMENTS

AS PER PARALYMPICS DISABILITY CLASSIFICATIONS

- IMPAIRED PASSIVE RANGE OF MOVEMENT
- VISUAL IMPAIRMENT
- INTELLECTUAL IMPAIRMENT
- HEARING IMPAIRMENT
- IMPAIRED MUSCLE POWER
- LEG LENGTH DIFFERENCE
- LIMB DEFICIENCY
- SHORT STATURE
- HYPERTONIA
- ATHETOSIS
- ATAXIA

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PROGRAMS STARTING FEB 2025!

PROGRAM	AGE RANGE	SCHEDULE	FEES
COYOTES *Non-Competitive* Perform Ability Music & Movement Program	5yo - 18yo	SATURDAY 9.00AM - 10.00AM	$20 PER WEEK *(billed $40 per fortnight)* $100 annual registration
SWEET PEAS *Competitive* Level 1 Cheer Program	5yo - 18yo *(Athletes need to be 5yo before 30/6/25 to compete)*	SATURDAY 10.00AM - 11.00AM	$20 PER WEEK *(billed $40 per fortnight)* $100 annual registration
TUMBLERS *Non-Competitive* Tumbling Program	8yo - 18yo	SATURDAY 11.00AM - 12.00PM	$20 PER WEEK *(billed $40 per fortnight)* $100 annual registration
TUMBLERS *Non-Competitive* Tumbling Program	3yo - 8yo	SATURDAY 12.30PM - 1.30PM	$20 PER WEEK *(billed $40 per fortnight)* $100 annual registration
MINNOWS *Competitive* Level 1 Hip-Hop Program	5yo - 18yo *(Athletes need to be 5yo before 30/6/25 to compete)*	SATURDAY 1.30PM - 3.00PM	$30 PER WEEK *(billed $60 per fortnight)* $100 annual registration