



Melbourne Archdiocese  
Catholic Schools



# NEWSLETTER

22nd November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Today 3/4 R and 3/4 S ran assembly based around kindness. Using our kind hearts is a great sentiment to practice and remember as we get to the end of the year. Often we are extra busy leading up to Christmas and feel that there are a million things to do, a simple act of kindness can go a long way to make someone's day!

The 2025 Prep Orientation program is well underway, with our second session held Thursday morning. This is such a wonderful time as we get to welcome our new Prep students along with our current and new families. Next year we will be running two prep classes with Emily Toigo and Teagan Hemingway continuing as the Prep teachers.

We will be holding our 2025 orientation on Tuesday 10th December where all students will spend time with their 2025 class teachers and classmates. On this day class structures and staffing arrangements will be communicated to parents.

## Langwarrin Community Centre

The redevelopment of the Langwarrin Community Centre to expand and incorporate a Kindergarten and Maternal and Child Health Services has begun. The works are expected to take approximately 12 months. The contractors are staging the building program to ensure that the Community Centre can remain open during the construction period.

I have been assured by the Frankston City Kindergarten Reform Project Officer that every effort will be made to minimise impacts from the construction as much as possible. This includes provisions for construction vehicles and trade vehicles and equipment to park within the Community Centre site.

I have been asked to communicate that the Community Car Park not be used for school drop-offs and pick-ups during the construction period. Additionally, the council is asking parents to be mindful of legal parking around the area, as increased traffic patrols may occur to ensure safety and compliance. If you would like more information on the project, please visit:

[www.frankston.vic.gov.au/LangwarrinCommunityCentreEarlyYearsProject](http://www.frankston.vic.gov.au/LangwarrinCommunityCentreEarlyYearsProject)

## Parking

I am well aware that parking is of premium both onsite and in surrounding areas. I have noticed that there are often parks available in our school park, however parents prefer to join the pick up queue. While I understand that it may be easier for parents to sit in their car and wait, it would help with traffic flow in the car park as well as on Warrandyte Road if parents could **park if spots are available**. This will also be a quicker process in picking up children. Please do not park in the Church car spots.

St Jude's Primary School  
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Email: [admin@sjlangwarrin.catholic.edu.au](mailto:admin@sjlangwarrin.catholic.edu.au)  
[www.sjlangwarrin.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sjlangwarrin.catholic.edu.au)  
OFFICE HOURS: 8.30am – 4.00pm

### New Uniform

I am waiting to hear information from our new supplier regarding the timeline when uniforms will be available to order. This is more than likely going to be over the school holiday period. As soon as I know more I will communicate this to you all. A reminder that there is a two year transition period where the whole or parts of the current uniform can be worn.

We will be holding a flash sale of new stock of the current uniform for sizes 10 and above. All items will be sold at half price, more information to come next week.

### Book Club

All families wanting to order books from Scholastic please have your order in by next Wednesday 27th November to ensure delivery before the end of the school year.



Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Marita O'Sullivan'.

Marita O'Sullivan

## 2024 SCHOOL CLOSURE DATES & UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Reason
Thursday 28th November at 9.00am - 10.30am Thursday 5th December at 9.00am - 10.30am	Prep 2025 Orientation Days
5th December	Christmas Carols/Picnic 5.30-7.30pm
10th December	Whole School Transition Morning
Monday 16th December	Year 6 Graduation Night
Tuesday 17th December <b>1pm Finish</b>	Last day of Term 4
Wednesday 29th January	Year 1-6 students first day
Thursday 30th January	Prep students first day



If you are also a christian worship person I am sorry for putting this song in your head, if you're not this one is a great place to start! It's been in my head all day after singing it at choir last night. Some of my choir asked why so many of our songs at rehearsal last night were focussed on how great God is, or that Jesus was king. It opened up a great conversation about why and how we pick all of the music that will be sung during the Mass. I reminded them all that hymns are picked that connect to the theme of the readings of the day, not just personal preference for the week. We also discussed that weekend marks the 'Feast of Christ our King' and the last week of ordinary time in the Catholic liturgical season. It is a week to celebrate all that we have learned as we have journeyed with Jesus throughout the year.

- I wonder what new insights from your own faith that you gained this year?
- I wonder where Jesus has been along the way?
- I wonder when we have stopped to talk to God about life?
- I wonder what signs of God's presence we have noticed this year?
- I wonder if we stopped to say thank you?

**Advent Liturgy**

Join us for for our Weekly Prayer service as we journey through Advent together. Our 1/2 students are very excited to help Prepare us for the festive season.

Tuesday 3rd December 8:45 1/2G  
 Monday 9th December 8:45 1/2P  
 Monday 16th December 8:45 1/2CP & 1/2K

In the School Hall

## Mini Vinnies Christmas Food Drive

**Tins and Jars**

- Ham
- Corned Beef
- Salmon
- Tuna
- Potatoes
- carrots
- beans
- fruit

**Christmas Joy**

- Christmas Cakes
- Christmas Puddings
- Tinned ham
- Christmas shortbread
- Christmas Bon Bons
- Packets of children's lollies

This Advent you can help others enjoy the Christmas spirit by donating something to those in need this year.

Donations can be brought into the classroom every day from the **4th-8th December**

# Calling out for **Christmas** Helpers!

If your family is looking for a way to celebrate the Christmas season why not consider coming to Christmas Eve Mass at St Judes at 7pm. The parish is trying to make it family focussed and would love as many kids to be involved as possible. Please reach out and see if there's a way you can be involved. There certainly is something special about celebrating the true meaning of Christmas with our community!

## Christmas Eve Mass

### Nativity Family Needed

24th Decemeber  
7pm

St Judes Parish  
Langwarrin



Please contact Jean from the parish via email if  
your family can be involved:

[langwarrin.conf.pres@svdp-vic.org.au](mailto:langwarrin.conf.pres@svdp-vic.org.au)



# LIBRARY NEWS

It has been fantastic to see so many students borrowing books from the Library and enjoying them at home throughout the year.

As we approach the end of the school year, I kindly ask that all Library books be returned so they can be ready to be enjoyed by others next year.

Home borrowing will conclude at the end of this week. Library notices will be sent home for any outstanding books listed under your child's name.

Please return them as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at [jsassos@sjlangwarrin.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jsassos@sjlangwarrin.catholic.edu.au).

Thank you for your support!

**MRS JESSICA SASSOS**

Library Teacher





# T4 SPECIALIST NEWS



It has been a very busy start to Term 4 in specialist classes. Sporting Exchanges, STEM and Italian Competitions, fairytale exploration and our amazing PRODUCTION! Check out what is happening in Specialist classes throughout the school!



## THE ARTS TEAM

Congratulations to all of our amazing St Jude's students on the success of production night. What a journey and what a truly spectacular celebration of work we had at the Frankston Arts Centre. We are beyond proud and privileged to have worked on the very first whole school production at St Jude's.

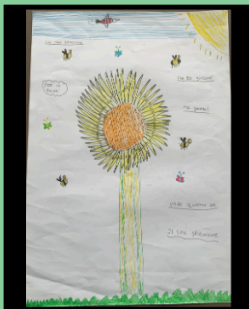
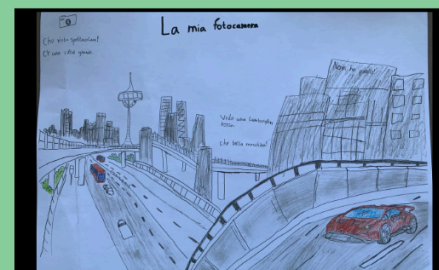
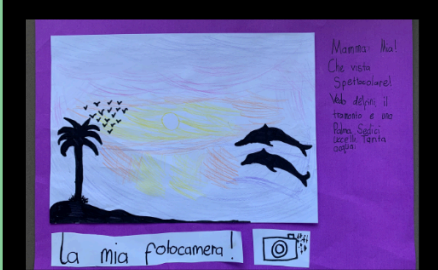
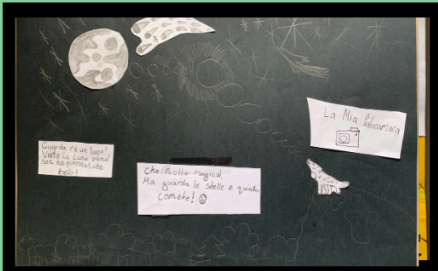




# ITALIAN



Ciao!  
Parli  
italiano?



The Middles worked hard on posters, drawing a scenery and writing expressions to explain their drawing. A selected number of posters were submitted to the Dante Alighieri Society Poster Competition. Congratulations to Cohen Maher who placed Second with other students receiving Certificates of Merit and Honourable Mention. These are the entries. Congratulations on your wonderful work!



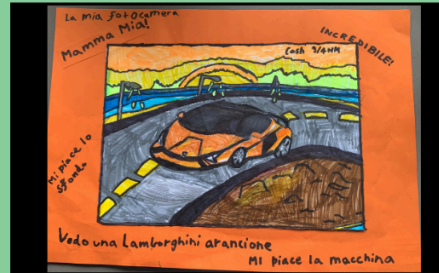
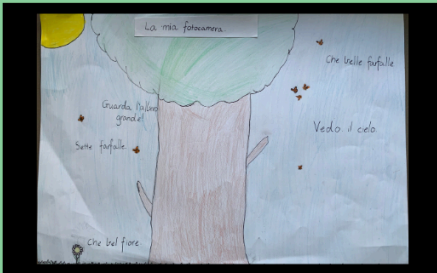




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## Preps

Through the story of *Mangia, Mangia* (Eat, eat) about "un gatto" (a cat) and all of the food that he eats, Preps have been learning Italian vocabulary and expressions. We have also been reinforcing numbers and started learning colours.





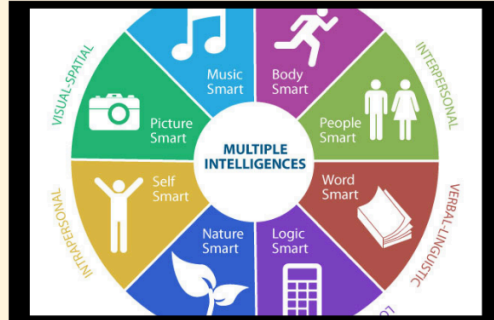


# SPECIALIST NEWS



This semester in Library, we've been diving into the world of Fairytales! The Year 1/2 students have been learning about the key elements of a story while exploring classic fairytales through our Fairytale Rotations. They've been busy creating imaginative projects, such as growing their own beanstalks, designing unique characters, and even putting on puppet recreations.

Meanwhile, the Year 5/6 students have been delving into fractured fairytales, analyzing how authors craft these creative retellings to captivate readers. They've also had the chance to showcase their many talents by using Gardner's Multiple Intelligences to choose personalized ways to present their learning.



## Physical Education

-This Term in P.E, our middle and senior students have learnt and participated in NRL based activities. It has been fantastic to see students try something new and flourish whilst playing a variety of NRL based games. -Our junior students have participated in a variety of collaborative and team based activities, with an emphasis on demonstrating positive sportsmanship and working together.





In STEM, our Prep students have been exploring Digital Systems in a 'offline' manner. First we looked at some technology from years gone by, including Slide Projectors, Record Players. Students learned about their purpose; to communicate or entertain. The Preps have also learned about pictures, symbols and diagrams used in digital systems. We created maps of our local area, including common symbols that keep us safe. In the coming weeks, we will take a dive into the digital world and get robotic!

The 3/4 students have been exploring how same data can be collected in different ways. We took part in the National Backyard Bird Count, spotting over 170 birds in one session! We also created Slime and measured the elasticity using a ruler. One piece stretched over 8 metres! Thinking about improving the appearance and usability of data, for example using colour, headings and labelling of images, we have been creating data displays in Minecraft and Canva! It has been a load of fun!







Learning at

# ST JUDE'S LANGWARRIN



Caroline Hume - English & Enrichment



Braden Hammond - Mathematics & STEM

## English



### Writing in 1/2

This term, the 1/2 students have been writing narratives. A narrative text tells a story with an orientation to introduce the characters and the setting, sequenced events, a problem that occurs in the story and how this problem is resolved. Examples are stories in picture books, fairy tales, folk tales, and short stories. Once their original drafts were edited, 1/2P typed their stories and created a front cover.



### Some ideas for writing at home

Write 5 words to describe yourself	Write a thank you note to somebody	Write a shopping list
Write a letter to someone in your family	Make a card for someone you love	Write a prayer of thanks
Write a letter to your teacher	Write a joke	Write rules for a game



You could also write a letter to Santa!

## Mathematics

### Year Level Spotlight - 1/2s

Check out what our 1/2 students have been up to in Mathematics!



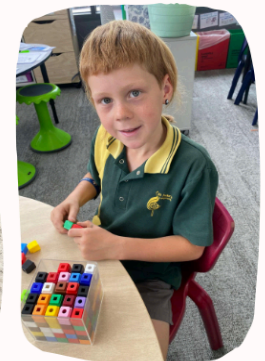
The students have been exploring Measurement



In particular, the 1/2s have been learning about capacity.



Working with hands on materials is an important facet of learning in Mathematics.



Want to continue the learning at home? Cooking is a wonderful way to make this Mathematical area real for our students

# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



We had some very special visitors to the boys under 8s green team on Saturday!

The boys (and parents) were so excited and grateful that Miss Toigo and Miss Hemingway took time out of their weekends to cheer for the boys -  
T. Elliot



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The Hedgehog 3



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# Holiday Program Important Information!

## What to bring

- A healthy morning tea and lunch
- A labelled drink bottle for water
- Suitable clothing for an active day – closed toe shoes and jacket if wet/cold
- SunSmart hat for Spring and Summer holidays
- Medical Management Plan & Medication if applicable – see below for details



## Don't forget!

- Keep your lunchbox nut-free to keep everyone safe
- Do not include food items that need to be reheated
- Label all items with child's name!
- Bus departure and arrival times are indicative only. For an accurate estimated time of arrival and departure please contact your service directly.



## Personal belongings

Electronic devices, money and other valuables should be left at home.

If brought to the service, these items remain the responsibility of the family. TheirCare does not accept responsibility for loss or damage.



## TheirCare provides

- Breakfast and afternoon tea snack
- Sunscreen
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## Child Care Subsidy

Please note that subsidised hours are calculated and allocated by Centrelink on a fortnightly basis. Check Centrelink for eligibility. Each session is calculated using the full service operational hours, not the hours attended by the child.



## Unexpected changes to activities

In the unlikely event that an activity is unable to run, an alternative activity will be provided.

Activities and times are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances such as severe weather or provider availability. If an alternative cannot be sourced we will update your invoice to reflect this.



## Serious stuff!

### Medical Management Plan & Medication

All children who have been diagnosed with a medical condition including allergies, food/chemical intolerances, anaphylaxis, asthma, epilepsy will need to provide:

- a completed Medical Management Plan with a colour photo
- necessary medication

Please note it is a legal requirement under the Education & Care National Regulations and the Terms and Conditions for booking that these are provided.

In the interests of child safety, care may be refused on the day should the appropriate documentation or medication or medication not be supplied.



## Changes to your booking

Simply log into your account anytime to make the relevant changes or call us between 6:30am - 9:00pm weekdays on 1300 072 410.



## Fees for changes to your booking

More than 5 days	Less than 5 days *	On the day
No Charge	\$10.00	Full Fee

\*Less than 5 days from the start of the booking (120 hours from the start of the session).

When making additional bookings, the \$10.00 fee is eligible for the Child Care Subsidy, which means you may only need to pay the gap, depending on your families' circumstances.







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## St Jude's CPS Langwarrin TheirCare

Times 6:45am - 6:30pm

Location 30 Warrandyte Rd, LANGWARRIN VIC 3910

Call 0482 826 723

**\*With** the maximum CHILD CARE SUBSIDY. **\*\*Without** the CHILD CARE SUBSIDY.

MONDAY



6 JAN



### Ultimate Game Shows

Step into the spotlight for our ultimate Game Show Day! Compete in exciting games like Family Feud, Celebrity Heads, and Who Wants to be a Millionaire. Test your improvisation skills in Whose Line is it Anyway?, then work as a team in the Blind Folded Obstacle Course!

**From as low as \$7.00**  
**Full fee \$70.00\*\***

TUESDAY



7 JAN



### Ocean Odyssey

Join us for an adventure with Ocean Odyssey! Children will meet and learn about fascinating marine wildlife up close and personal. After this amazing interaction, the excitement continues with a Cereal Box Aquarium Craft, a thrilling round of Ship, Shark, Shore, and a splashy Under the Sea Group Game!

**From as low as \$8.80**  
**Full fee \$88.00\*\***

WEDNESDAY



8 JAN



### Farmyard Fun

Today we are taking a journey to a delightful farm visit! Get up close and personal with friendly animals and learn about farm life. Then the fun continues with Leap Frog Tag and Sardines, where teamwork and fun come together! Unleash your creativity as you craft your own Slinky Pets and Swirling Snail!

**From as low as \$11.00**  
**Full fee \$110.00\*\***

THURSDAY



9 JAN



### Double Dare

Get ready for Double Dare! Take on exciting dare challenges and laugh through a day of fun games like The Silly Laughing Statue and Feather Table Hockey! Test your speed with the Tail Catch Game and British Bulldogs, then get creative with Nature's Stamps. It's a fun-filled day of challenges, laughter, and teamwork!

**From as low as \$7.00**  
**Full fee \$70.00\*\***

FRIDAY



10 JAN



### Pins n Pixels

Get ready for a super striking excursion with a combination of Bowling and Arcade! Roll for glory on the bowling lanes and aim for the highest score with a range of arcade games! After the adventure, get creative with fun activities like making Popsicle Stick Butterfly Mazes, crafting Paper Cup Flowers, and playing Ultimate Frisbee Baseball.

**From as low as \$12.00**  
**Full fee \$120.00\*\***





Excursion



Super Excursion



Special Activities



In-house Fun



Public Holiday

**Excursion & Super Excursions days:** Arrive at the service by 9:00 am. Pick-up after 2:30 pm. Wear runners & socks.

MONDAY



13 JAN



### Craftopia Showdown

Step into Craftopia Showdown, where creativity meets competition! Create works of art using only recycled materials with The Block, take on the Egg Drop Challenge, and test your artistic skills with the Draw on My Back Challenge. Get crafty with Salt Dough Creations and make beautiful Flower Paper Fans!

From as low as \$7.00  
Full fee \$70.00\*\*

TUESDAY



14 JAN



### Sonic the Hedgehog 3

Sonic the Hedgehog returns to the big screen this holiday season in his most thrilling adventure yet. Sonic, Knuckles, and Tails reunite against a powerful new adversary, Shadow. Team Sonic must seek out an unlikely alliance in hopes of stopping Shadow and protecting the planet.

From as low as \$11.00  
Full fee \$110.00\*\*

WEDNESDAY



15 JAN



### Octopus Art Attack!

Dive into a sea of fun with our reversible emotion Octopus! Create your own vibrant octopus using blow spray and stencils for a colourful, under-the-sea craft. Afterward, the fun continues with DIY Pufferfish STEM experiments, an Octopus Group Game, and some creative Paper Craft Octopus designs!

From as low as \$8.00  
Full fee \$80.00\*\*

THURSDAY



16 JAN



### A-Mazing Hole in One!

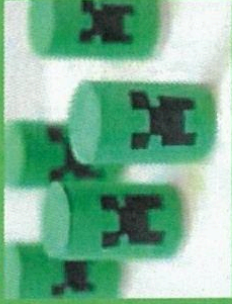
Get ready for a double dose of fun with Mini Golf AND Mazes! Navigate the wonders of the Mazes and aim for a hole in one with a game of Mini Golf! Back at service, join us for a whole bunch of fun activities like Frisbee Golf, Hula Hoop Simon Says and Outdoor Minute to Win It!

From as low as \$11.00  
Full fee \$110.00\*\*

FRIDAY



17 JAN



### Gamers Galaxy

Step into a world of modern gaming adventures! Get ready to blast off with Exploding Minecraft Creeper Rockets, unleash your creativity with Block Adventurer Mosaics, and fold your very own Pokemon Kaleidocycle. Then, race through the thrilling Mario Carts and play an exciting round of Playground Among Us.

From as low as \$7.00  
Full fee \$70.00\*\*



MONDAY

20 JAN



### Camp TheirCare

Today is going to be an action-packed day with Camp TheirCare! With high-energy activities like Ultimate Tag, you'll be on the move, dodging and weaving. Take on the Ninja Warrior challenge, balance your way through The Floor is Lava, and cool down with fun Water-Based Relays!

From as low as \$7.00  
Full fee \$70.00\*\*

TUESDAY

21 JAN



### Chocolicious Creations

Dive into a world of sweetness with a culinary session as you craft something delicious to eat! After the chocolate fun, keep the fun going with the Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Cones Group Game, test your skills in the Ninja Group Game, and create beautiful Paper Straw Tulips!

From as low as \$11.00  
Full fee \$110.00\*\*

WEDNESDAY

22 JAN



### Bear-y Cool!

Today, we are getting into some creative goodness with Drip Bear Money Box Kit! Watch as the paint satisfyingly drips down in layers to design your very own bear-shaped money box! Afterward, the fun continues with DIY Spirograph Creations, the Sleeping Bear Group Game, and some colourful Summer Symmetry Painting!

From as low as \$8.00  
Full fee \$80.00\*\*

THURSDAY

23 JAN



### LEGO Shark Tank

Today we are in for a day of building and creativity! Design and construct your own Lego masterpiece, then show off your invention in a Shark Tank-style challenge! Dive into fun with the DIY Carnival Shark Tank Toss, launch your DIY Cup Rocket, and test your skills with Paper Airplane Launchers!

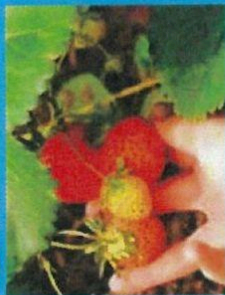
From as low as \$7.00  
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FRIDAY



24 JAN



### Berry Sweet Adventures

Get ready for a day full of berry sweet fun! We will head out on a strawberry picking adventure, where you can pick fresh, juicy strawberries straight from the farm. Afterward, back at service, craft your own 3D Paper Strawberry, enjoy a DELICIOUS group game of Fruit Salad, and The Animal Group Game for even more excitement!

**From as low as \$11.00**  
**Full fee \$110.00\*\***

MONDAY



27 JAN

## Service closed!



TUESDAY



28 JAN



### Back to School Party

Celebrate the start of summer with an epic back-to-school party! Get ready for hilarious fun with Pin the Cherry on the Ice-Cream, bounce into Balloon Games, and test your flexibility with Crabwalk Limbo. Plus, unleash your creativity with a back-to-school collaborative art piece, and get messy with some edible Fake Snot slime!

**From as low as \$7.00**  
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### 1. Child Care Subsidy

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### 2. Additional Child Care Subsidy

Claim these subsidies via **myGov**

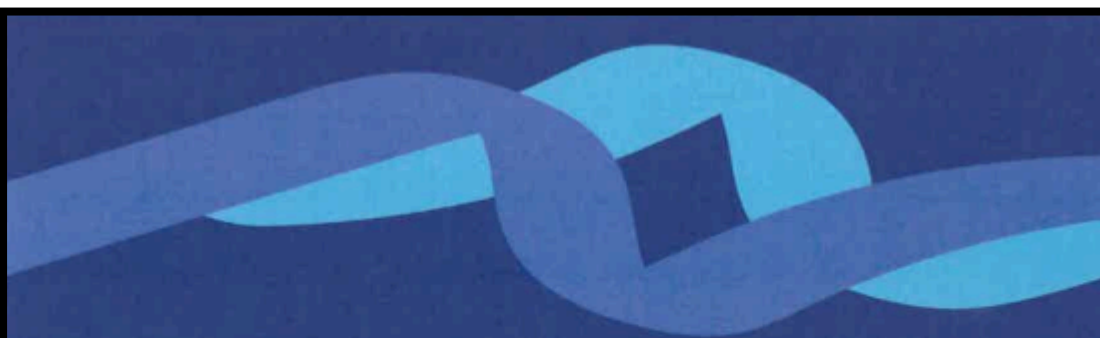
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# DO YOU QUALIFY FOR FREE HOME INTERNET?



If there is a school age student at your home and you don't have an nbn connection, you could qualify for free home internet until the end of 2025.



## FREE HOME INTERNET FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

This is an Australian Government program that offers free home internet to families and carers who look after school age children and are struggling to pay the bills.

To apply, follow the four steps below:

- 1 Contact the National Referral Centre on **1800 954 610** Monday - Friday, 10am - 6pm (AEDT) or visit [anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet](http://anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet)
- 2 They'll ask you some questions to see if this offer is right for you.
- 3 If you qualify, you'll get a voucher.
- 4 Use the voucher to connect through your chosen participating internet provider before 31 December 2024.



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