

Gembrook Primary School



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Vision: *To provide every student with every opportunity to be the best they can be.*

Mission Statement A view to the future

Gembrook Primary School is a vibrant and aspirational education community, providing a safe and supportive learning environment that enables a personalised, engaging and challenging learning program.

Our objective is for students to achieve the academic, social, emotional and physical growth to thrive in a global society



DIARY DATES

8 September 2022

<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	
Friday 9th	<i>Trivia Night 6.30pm at The Gembrook RSL</i>
Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th	<i>Matilda Production EPAC 6pm</i>
Wednesday 14th	<i>Division Athletics—Select Students</i>
Wednesday 14th	<i>PBL Reward afternoon</i>
Thursday 15th	<i>Footy Colours and Hot Dog Day</i>
Friday 16th	<i>Last Day of Term 3 - Early Finish 2:30pm</i>
<u>OCTOBER</u>	
Monday 3rd	<i>First Day Term 4</i>
Wednesday 5th	<i>Prep Swimming 1-2pm</i>
Friday 7th	<i>Prep Swimming 1-2pm</i>
Monday 10th-14th	<i>Rescheduled bike education week</i>
Monday 10th	<i>Prep Swimming 1-2pm</i>
Wednesday 12th	<i>Prep Swimming 1-2pm</i>
Friday 14th	<i>Prep Swimming 1-2pm</i>
Wednesday 19th	<i>School Council Meeting</i>
Friday 21st	<i>School Disco</i>

A VIEW TO THE FUTURE

Bren's Banter

Dear Families and Friends,

Well, what a fantastic (and busy!) term three we've had together. Highlights have included GemBook Week, Special Friends Day, Book Fair, Grade 3/4 Camp at Alexandra, Smile Dental Van, Grade 1/2 Mount Burnett Observatory excursion, PFA Pie Lunch, Electives, Rotary Club Speech Contest, Playhouse Theatre Incursion, Gratitude Week, EDEC Basketball and 2023 Prep Information Evening. Of course, additional highlights planned for the remainder of term include Trivia Night, Footy Colours Day and our Matilda Production. Add to this our coaching days with education consultant Danny Hyndman and it's easy to see why we are such a dynamic, aspirational and busy school! As always, teachers and staff have worked hard this term, often planning and running these extra programs in addition to their normal workload of teaching, learning, planning, and assessing. No wonder we are all looking forward to the holidays!

With Gratitude!

Many of the programs and activities listed above, as well as classroom support and extra help around the school, happen with the assistance of mums, dads, carers, our awesome Parents and Friends Association ((PFA), lead so superbly by Michelle Van Der Vlugt and community volunteers as well as our magnificent Mr. Watson. As a school, we really value and appreciate the commitment that you make to help make our school the vibrant, welcoming, progressive and innovative 'place of learning' of which we are all so proud.

Gratitude Week was celebrated superbly last week, and it was beautiful seeing so many RAKs (Random Acts of Kindness!) taking place around the school.

Matilda Production

Our 'Matilda' whole school production performances are now approaching quickly and will take place on Monday 12th September and Tuesday 13th September at Emerald Secondary College Performing Arts Centre (EPAC).

The performances will commence at 6:00pm and conclude at approximately 7:30pm

All students will need to arrive by 5:30pm and have a small named bag containing a water bottle and substantial snack.

Assemblies for Term 4

Just a reminder that next Monday will be our final assembly for term three, and with the end of production this term, whole school assemblies will revert to Friday afternoons at 2:30pm for term four.

Hats on in September!

Gembrook Primary School is proud to be a SunSmart school. As such, students and staff are required to wear hats when outside from September to the end of April. Starting on Monday 5th September, please make sure your child has a wide brimmed hat that is clearly labelled on the inside. Hats are available from the main office and cost \$10.00

Bren on Long Service Leave

This coming Friday I will be commencing three weeks long service leave. I'm looking forward to an adventurous drive up into outback New South Wales, exploring some parts of our beautiful country I've never seen before. Of course, our school will be in superb hands as Kerri takes on the role of Acting Principal. I look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 17th October.

As this will be our final newsletter for term three, I'd like to take this opportunity to say thank you to everyone for a great term. It really has been an incredibly busy term with all the teaching, learning, events and activities that already make Gembrook Primary School such a vibrant learning community.

I wish everyone a very happy and safe holiday and after a very well deserved holiday, let's get back together on Monday 3rd October for another fantastic term of learning.

Just a reminder that school finishes on Friday 16th September at 2:30pm

Please check out the 'Diary Dates' at the front of the newsletter for the many excellent events and activities that are coming up at Gembrook Primary School.

All the best, Bren

Academic Awards

Term 3 Week 8

Reader of the Week: **Chelsea 12W**

Writer of the Week: **Summah 34B**

Speller of the Week: **Tayla 56J**

Mathlete of the Week: **Rowan PrepG**

Book Character Dress Ups - Book Week



Grade 3/4's

STARS OF THE WEEK TERM 3 WEEK 7



Jaxon Prep L

You have been working so hard to complete your narrative. You consistently think about your audience, and the amazing tools we have learnt from studying Pamela Allen. I can't wait for your Dad to see the amazing book you wrote for him. You really are a superstar!

Josie Prep G

What an outstanding week of learning you have had! Your determination during writing is nothing short of amazing. You have continuously worked to edit and revise, in order to improve your narrative, and have been dedicated in publishing your story as well. Excellent work Josie!

Katie 1/2H

Katie, you have worked with such a positive and enthusiastic attitude this week. You have engaged to the best of your ability and demonstrated a respectful attitude towards those around you. Keep it up Katie!

Sean 1/2W

Sean I am so proud of the writer you are transforming into; you have come such a long way since the start of the year! You have worked so hard throughout our author narrative study to create a story with careful and deliberate word choices, to paint a picture in the reader's mind. I can't wait to see the published result! Keep shooting for the stars!

Walker 12F

Well done Walker on the focus you have displayed towards your writing. It has been great to see you continue to revise your story to make it sound amazing. I can't wait to read it when it's published!

Callen 1/2M

Callen it has been so wonderful to witness you creating your narrative. You have thought so carefully about the different elements your story needs to engage your audience and worked hard to control the plot. Your moral is a powerful message that shows maturity beyond your years. I look forward to seeing the published copy.

Aidan 3/4S

Aidan, it has been fabulous to watch the effort you have put into your picture storybook this week. You have considered every piece of feedback carefully and produced a book that you are proud of. I can't wait for you to share it with others. What a dedicated learner you are, Aidan!

Evita 3/4B

Evita, your passion for making improvements in your narrative, has been truly inspiring. You have strengthened your ability to expertly revise your sentence fluency and reflect upon your word choice. Thank you for showing a constant commitment to your learning. Well done!

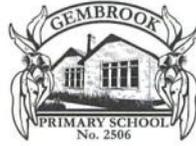
Phoenix 5/6O

It was amazing to see your passion and efforts in our science lesson. I was impressed with how you stepped up as a leader, and taught your peers new skills with electrical circuits. Keep it up Phoenix!

Sarah 1/2F –Italian

Sarah, what an amazing student you are! Your positivity towards learning, and your focus when listening and working independently is outstanding. Your work this week around 'Il corpo' - the body was excellent. Ottimo!!!

Limited
tickets still
available



Gembrook Primary School

Presents

Roald
Dahl's
Matilda
THE MUSICAL *JR.*



Monday September 12th and Tuesday September 13th
6:00pm

Emerald Secondary College Performing Arts Centre (EPAC)

All students are participating.

Tickets on sale at <https://www.trybooking.com/CBUEG>

Book by
DENNIS KELLY

Music & Lyrics by
TIM MINCHIN

Production team:

Wendy Samantha Productions <https://wendysamantha.com/>

Roald Dahl's *Matilda The Musical JR.* is presented through special arrangement with
and all authorized materials are supplied by
Music Theatre International, New York, NY
(212) 541-4684 mtishows.com

Footy

Colours

Day

Wear your footy colours and join in the parade in the Gembrook Primary School Circle of Harmony followed by a yummy hot dog lunch.

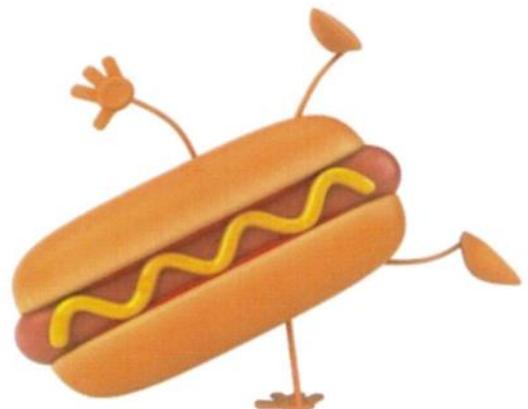
Each club will take a turn at parading around the Circle with their fellow supporters while the club songs play.

Date: Thursday 15th September 2022

Parade Time: 12:30pm

Hot Dog Lunch time : from 1pm

**Sorry
Hot Dogs Orders Closed
Thursday 8th September**



OSH Club Holiday Program

OSHClub

Gembrook

Monday, 19th September to Friday, 30th September 2022

NOTICE - ALLERGY - Please ensure all food is nut free

EX CURSION

IN CURSION

Monday 19 September

CUTE CRAFTS AND CRAZY KITES

IN-SERVICE

Today's your chance to get crafty as we make some amazing kites and all kinds of colourful creations!

Who can paint the most colourful stone? Who can make the best pom pom? Get ready to make some crazy kites!



Monday 26 September

MARVELLOUS MAGNETISM

IN-SERVICE

Let's all stick together as we enter the world of marvellous magnets. You won't want to leave or maybe you won't be able to!

Create your own magnetic slime, have fun in a game of magnetic tiggy and bake some clay fridge magnets.



Tuesday 20 September

OOEY GOOEY

IN-SERVICE

Who doesn't enjoy some messy play? No need to worry about making a mess today! We are going to be up to our elbows in sticky fun!

Come in and join us as we make different slimes, edible cookie dough, oobleck and do a outdoor scavenger hunt.



Tuesday 27 September

TO INFINITY

IN-SERVICE

Stars, meteorites, and planets galore. Blast off like an astronaut, exploring space and more!

Look through the lens of a scientist as we explore gravity, fizzy moon rocks, and create our own galaxy jars.



Wednesday 21 September

EX + \$40.00

GYM-TASTIC!

EXCURSION - FUNTASTIC GYMNASTICS

Today we are going to be tumbling around and having some gymnastic fun with a professional gymnastics coach! Be sure you wear comfortable clothing. Are you ready to learn some new moves?



Wednesday 28 September

IN + \$19.00

MONSTER MASH

INCURSION - CRAFTPOWER: BUILD A VINTAGE MONSTER

Get creative while learning to use woodwork tools safely and turn back time by building Vintage monsters.



Please arrive by 8:30am

Thursday 22 September

IN + \$15.00

IT'S A SPORTS CARNIVAL

INCURSION - SOCCER

Wear your favourite team's colours as you show your skills and participate in a fun-filled soccer skills and friendly game session.



Thursday 29 September

EX + \$37.00

AUSSIE FARMERS

EXCURSION - CHESTERFIELD FARM

Get up close and personal with some cuddly animals at Chesterfield Farm! You could see some cow milking and try your hand at milking a cow! There is also a sheepdog show, a feed trail walk, a super cute baby animal nursery and much more.



Please arrive by 8:30am

Friday 23 September

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

SERVICE CLOSED



Friday 30 September

SLUMBER PARTY

IN-SERVICE

Let's celebrate our friendships today as we relax, get to know each other and have lots of fun!

Today we are going to make epic friendship bracelets, have a dance competition and a teddy bear picnic.



Mon - Fri 7:00am - 6:00pm
Gembrook - 0439 014 489
48-50 Main St Gembrook VIC 3783

Daily price: \$72.40 | Excursions and incurSIONs are an additional cost to the daily fee and are charged for each child that attends whether they choose to participate or not.

Book now at oshclub.com.au | be quick as places are limited

Customer Service 1300 395 735

Junior Adventures Group continues to pioneer the OSHC sector, building stronger communities and brighter futures for more than 70,000 children, 50,000 families and more than 450 schools across Australia.



Our Values

- Considerate - Be there for others
- Passionate - Bring energy and determination
- Courageous - Challenge ourselves

The values we share guide our behaviour as we work towards our vision to **build brighter futures together.**

What we offer

- A healthy, safe, respectful and engaging environment
- Caring, enthusiastic, fun and friendly team
- New and popular excursions, incursions and theme days
- Stimulating experiences tailored to children's interests, abilities and current trends
- OSHClub endeavour to link each fun experience to key learning outcomes



We are a child safe organisation



What Does My Child Bring?

Please bring breakfast, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and a refillable drink bottle. If bringing food please make sure it's nutritious and doesn't require heating or cooking.

Please be mindful of the planned incursion/excursion and ensure your children are dressed appropriately. Don't forget your sun smart hat, comfortable clothes, closed shoes and a drink bottle.

To avoid loss or disappointment, please leave your valuables, money and electronic toys (including tablets and smartphones) at home.



Healthy Eating

OSHClub follows the Australian dietary guidelines which can be found at <https://www.eatforhealth.gov.au>

Activity Changes

If an excursion or incursion (due to unforeseen circumstances) is cancelled, the activity will either be postponed or an alternative activity of equal value will be provided where possible.



Before making your booking & cancellations

All children must be enrolled with OSHClub prior to booking via oshclub.com.au. Bookings made within 5 days for a Holiday Program session will incur an extra charge of \$4.00 per day per child. 7 days notice from before the session commences is required for cancellation of a Holiday Program booking to ensure you will not incur out of pocket costs. Please note that bookings cannot be made online within 5 days of the session commencing. In order to book within this period, you will need to contact the service directly, the Customer Service and Billing Team on 1300 395 735 or by emailing oshaccounts@junioradventuresgroup.com.au

Child care subsidy

Our services are registered with Centrelink, so you will be able to claim Child Care Subsidy on your fees. For further information please visit www.education.gov.au/childcare-FAQ

Children with additional needs

We support all children including children with additional needs. If you would like to provide additional information about your child and his/her needs or require inclusion support funding, please contact us 6 weeks prior to program commencement on 0439 014 489 for staffing purposes.

Spencer's Store

New Ordering Online

Spencer's Store Friday Lunch orders online!

Have you tried the online ordering system?

From term 4 this will be the ONLY WAY to order.

ORDER ONLINE VIA THE SPENCER'S STORE WEBSITE

<https://www.spencersstoregembrook.com/>

1. Order between Wednesday 4:00pm and Friday 9:00am in the current week for the Friday lunch order day.
2. Create an account to make the process quicker for future orders
3. Select the 'order mode' as 'collection' though the lunch order will be delivered to your child's classroom for Friday lunchtime.
4. Select your order from the 'Gembrook PS School Lunches' section only.
5. Choose from the weekly special, treat and juice

The screenshot shows the Spencer's Store Gembrook website interface. On the left, there is a sidebar menu with categories: COFFEE, CHAI, TEA, COLD DRINKS, BREAKY, LUNCH, KIDS, CAKES, RETAIL, RETAIL + COFFEE, FLOWER POWER FLORISTRY, SNACKS, CONFECTIONERY, and Gembrook PS School Lunches. A red arrow labeled '1' points to the 'Gembrook PS School Lunches' category. The main content area shows a search bar and a list of items. The 'Gembrook PS School Lunches' section is highlighted, and a red arrow labeled '2' points to the 'Weekly Special' section. The 'Weekly Special' section includes a 'Please write name and description in comments section' field and a 'This week the special is Pizza...' text. The 'Treat' section includes a 'Please write name and description in comments section' field and a 'This week the treat is a Mint Slice' text. The 'Juice' section is also visible. The footer of the page reads: © 2022 Spencer's Store Gembrook | Powered by MobPOS | Terms and Conditions | Privacy Policies.

6. Enter a comment – include your child's name and class every time.
If there are flavour options eg 2 types of pizza make sure you indicate your child's choice.
7. Go to your cart and pay securely.
8. There is an option for parents to place an order at Spencer's Store by **9:00am** on the Friday morning for delivery that day.

Using the online ordering system has been very successful for the school and Spencer's Store in avoiding our regular lunch order problems such as orders not making it to Spencer's as they are forgotten and stay in the student's bag or lunchbox until after the delivery has arrived, student confusion and upset about what was ordered, payment being left out of the order, and providing change securely. We hope that families find the new system quick and convenient too!

School Lunch Orders

GEMBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

LUNCH ORDERS

TERM 3 2022

	Weekly Lunch Special \$5.50	Weekly Treat Special \$3.00	Juice \$3.00
15TH JULY	Nachos With sour cream, salsa and cheese.	Blueberry Muffin (DF)	Apple
22ND JULY	NO LUNCHES		Pineapple
29TH JULY	Sausage Roll With tomato sauce	Chocolate Muffin (DF)	Orange
5TH AUGUST	Savoury Scroll 1 - Cheese and Vegemite. 2 - Cheese and Ham.	Gingerbread Cookie	
12TH AUGUST	Baked Potato (GF) Cheese, coleslaw, sour cream.	Apple Muffin (DF)	
19TH AUGUST	Quiche 1 - Mushroom and Spinach. 2 - Bacon and Capsicum.	Choc Chip Cookie	
26TH AUGUST	Pasta Bake (GF) Penne pasta, spinach, napoli sauce and cheese.	Cookies & Cream Slice	
2ND SEPTEMBER	Pizza 1 - Hawaiian. 2 - Margherita.	Mint Slice	
9TH SEPTEMBER	Vegetarian Fried Rice	Shortbread Cookie	
16TH SEPTEMBER	NO LUNCHES		

HOW IT WORKS

WRITE ORDER ON ENVELOPE WITH

Full Name
Grade
Sub Total of Order

PLACE CORRECT CHANGE IN ENVELOPE
PLACE ENVELOPE IN CLASS TUB BY 9.05AM

ORDER ONLINE VIA OUR WEBSITE

Select your order from
the School Lunch Section Only.
Add Student's name and class in comments.

PLACE AND CHECK-OUT ORDER BETWEEN
4PM THURSDAY AND 8.30AM FRIDAY

Junior Rockers

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Junior Rockers
primary music
education specialists



**APPLY FOR MUSIC
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1300 GO ROCK info@juniorrockers.com www.juniorrockers.com

MORE INFORMATION AND ONLINE APPLICATION

To find out all about Junior Rockers and our music lessons, head to our website

From there you can check which instruments are available at your school and get up to date pricing.

www.juniorrockers.com



Rather chat in person?
We'd love to speak with you!

Call us on 1300 GO ROCK
(1300 46 7625)

COMMUNITY NOTICES

LAKERS BASKETBALL

WWW.EMERALDLAKERS.COM.AU

TERM 4 PROGRAMS

Register to Play Summer Basketball
Girls Teams Available - all ages & U10's

Coach Call Out!

Lakers has teams at all levels, if you want to begin coaching or want to give back and share your knowledge and teach great skills contact Lakers!
join@emerald Lakers.com.au

Monday Morning Intensive - 6.30am *rep & advanced players

Tuesday Club Nights @ Lakers

Little Lakers 4-8 years - 4.15pm
Laker Ready 6-12years *beginner - 5.15pm
TheProject.Academy - 6.15pm *young players
TheProject.Academy - 7.15pm *advanced email TheProject

School Holiday Programs

Wednesday 21st September & Thursday 22nd September
Both Days 9am to 3pm
Young Hoopers *6 to 11 years
Elite Camp for Advanced Players *11 to 17 years



WWW.EMERALDLAKERS.COM.AU
JOIN@EMERALDLAKERS.COM.AU

THEPROJECT.ACADEMY
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Hairy Dog Cafe presents....



DRAG QUEEN bingo

Hosted by professional drag queens,
you'll be in for a night of laughs,
yummy drinks and sparkle!
Go glam with your brightest
lipstick, dramatic eyelashes
and big hair!



Tickets \$ 75

24th September 6pm

Hairy Dog Cafe 68 Main Street, Gembrook 3783

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Nils loans increase

Interest free loans increase to \$2000

No interest loans (nils) loans provides individuals and families on low incomes with access to safe, fair and affordable credit and can now loan up to \$2000. We offer loans to people across Melbourne's south-east and can also offer up to \$3000 loans for rates, rent advances and bond.

This is fantastic news for past, current and future clients as it offers them a greater choice between them and safer, more affordable credit.

Loans are available for up to \$2000 for essential goods and services such as fridges, washing machines and medical procedures.

Repayments are set up at an affordable amount over 12 months. No form of security over the nils loan is necessary. We do not run credit checks and all applications are welcome.



Call 0427 895 596

COCKATOO

NILS

Interest free loans for essential items and services including:

- **Car repairs & Registration**
- **Computers**
- **Fridges & Whitegoods**
- **Medical & Dental**

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SPRING HAS SPRUNG – AND CHRISTMAS IS ON THE WAY

Time to make a little money and get rid of all those things that have been gathering dust over the last few years....since the pandemic began - and even before that.

EMERALD & DISTRICT ROTARY
IS HAVING A MASSIVE *SPRING MARKET & CAR BOOT SALE!*

WHEN: Saturday 10th of September 2022 TIME: 8.00 AM – 1.00 PM
(And continuing the second Saturday of each month after that, except January)

WHERE: Emerald Primary School Oval- Heroes Ave, Emerald

COST: \$25.00 – All proceeds go to the Local Community, through Rotary

Fill the boot of your car; get the kids to empty out their cupboards, bring a table if you like to set things up - or just a blanket! Bring a chair to sit on, although you'll be so busy selling you won't have time to sit!

It's a great day out and what a wonderful opportunity to clear up some space in the cupboards or the garage and of course make some extra cash.

SO YOU WILL NEED TO:

Fill in the online application form <https://forms.gle/N7Q3zG3ZtZuvm83X6>

You can also like & follow Emerald Rotary Market on Facebook & Instagram!

For further information on what your local Rotary Club does, go to our website: <https://www.emeraldrotary.org.au>

See you on the 10th of September...



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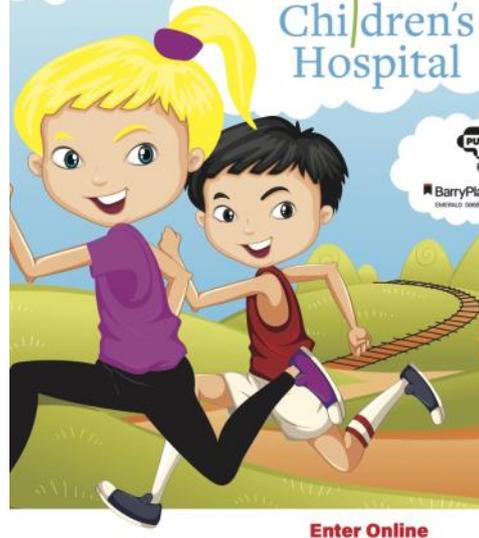
Rotary 
Club of Emerald & District

KIDS FUN RUN

with **THOMAS** 

4th December 2022 at Puffing Billy Station Gembrook
Children 3-12 years running with Thomas The Tank Engine
Proudly supporting

Monash
Children's
Hospital



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Trophies to 1st Girl & Boy in each run!

Train rides with Thomas the Tank Engine

Show Bags & Certificates for runners

Enter Online
www.kidsfunrunwiththomas.org.au
Information Line 0408 769 491




Splash's

learn to swim

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACCELERATE PROGRAM

4-7 Jan.
12-14 April
5-8 July
26-29 Sept.
2022

It is a well researched fact that a short burst of intensive learning accelerates motor skill development



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📞 0480 316 906
✉️ hello@cbwaccounting.com.au

Mention this ad and 5% of your fee for your 2022 tax return will go back to Gembrook Primary School

JUNIOR X

Fun modified games!
No previous AFL experience required to join.
Bring your friends along and come and play!

📅 Wednesdays October 19th - 7th December
4pm- 6pm
Monbulk Ranges Soccer Club

📍 Ages - 8-14 years old
8 week competition
Social Football - Modified Rules

📞 Contact: Luke Rowe
Phone: 0409 035 103
Email: luke.rowe@afl.com.au

<https://www.playhq.com/afl/org/junior-x-yarra-ranges/268e15f3/register>

