



Jinga

a school and community newsletter

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The Jinga

The Jinga is a community newsletter produced by Cann River P-12 College, for the school and the wider community to enjoy. You can keep up to date with what has happened and what's on the horizon.

Jinga is published fortnightly on a Friday, throughout school terms. If you have any community information you would like published in the Jinga, please contact us at the school:

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**Cut off dates for Jinga,
will be every fortnight on
Wednesday**

5th August

19th August

2nd September

16th September (end of term)

14th October

28th October

Dates subject to change

It is free of charge to include any upcoming community events or news stories so please feel free to email anything of interest.

Advertising Rates for commercial businesses are as follows:

Full Page advertisement \$11.00

1/2 page advertisement \$5.50

1/4 page advertisement \$2.75

When submitting your advertisement, please let us know the duration.

Thank you.

Bank details for direct deposit

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Front Cover:

Year 10 students at Bogong camp

From the Principal's desk

Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

Semester 2 has had a fantastic start, and it has been wonderful to see our students return to school with such enthusiasm and positivity despite the cold winter weather. The energy around the school has been outstanding, with students embracing a range of learning opportunities both inside and outside the classroom.

Below is a snapshot of some of the highlights from the beginning of Term 3, along with some important upcoming events.

Recent Highlights

Bogong Camp (13–17 July)

Our Year 10 students enjoyed an incredible week at Bogong Camp, where they challenged themselves on the slopes, developed new skills and demonstrated resilience throughout the experience. We are extremely proud of the way they represented our school. A sincere thank you to **Jim Templar** for supporting our students during this excursion.

Gippsland Tech Incursion (21 July)

Students in Years 7–10 participated in the Gippsland Tech Incursion, exploring emerging technologies and digital art through engaging, hands-on workshops. Thank you to **Paul Smith** for organising this valuable learning opportunity.

Elephant Ed Program (23 July)

Students from Years 4–12 participated in age-appropriate workshops delivered by Elephant Ed, covering topics including Body Safety, Consent, Intimacy and Inclusivity. These sessions provided students with valuable knowledge and practical strategies to support their health and wellbeing. Thank you to **Gigi Doumani** from Elephant Ed for delivering these informative workshops.

Koorie Cultural Art Workshops (24 July)

Our Prep to Year 10 students travelled to Bairnsdale to participate in cultural art workshops presented by **Bradley Brown**, a proud Gunaikurnai, Bidwell and Gunditjmara artist living and working on Gunaikurnai Country. The workshops provided students with an opportunity to deepen their understanding of contemporary Aboriginal art, strengthen their creative thinking skills and appreciate the importance of storytelling through art. Thank you to **Nicole Shields** for organising this excursion, and to **Dawn Mongta, Kelly Millgate and Bonnie O'Neil** for supporting our students throughout the day.

Upcoming Events

- **27–31 July:** Year 10 and 11 Work Experience
- **27 July – 28 August:** Five-Week Pivot Student Survey Cycle
- **5 August:** Whole school Athletics Carnival

As always, I would like to thank our students, staff and families for their continued support and commitment to our school community. We look forward to another exciting term filled with learning, growth and opportunities for every student.

Warm regards,



Thomas Hubble
Acting Principal



Cann River P-12 College aims to establish a safe, positive and inclusive environment based on respect for self and fostering respectful relationships with others and the school.

School

Our values

Inside

Always

Respect Self

- We are positive.
- We keep trying.
- We are responsible for our own actions.
- We have positive expectations of ourselves.
- We are patient.
- We are responsible for bringing the correct equipment to class.
- We come to class ready to

Respect for each Other

- Respect is something we earn.
- We listen and pay attention to others.
- We respect the personal space of others.
- We are polite and use manners.
- We actively listen to others
- We respect the learning of others

Respect our School

- We use class equipment appropriately and safely.
- We return class equipment once used.
- We clean up after

- We are kind.
- We are safe.
- We are positive and active learners.
- We use appropriate language.
- We respect difference of opinion.
- We are positive role models.
- We are honest and own our actions.
- We encourage and support others.
- We respect personal space, privacy and property.

Child safety and wellbeing at Cann River P-12 College: information for families and the school community

Cann River P-12 College is committed to providing an environment where students are safe and feel safe.

Our child safety framework <https://www.cannp-12.vic.edu.au/policies-and-procedures> explains how we support and maintain child safety and wellbeing at Cann River P-12 College.

It includes our:

- Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy
- Child abuse (including grooming) identification and response and
- Child Safety Code of Conduct, which outlines acceptable and unacceptable behaviours for all staff and volunteers at our school.

Our students and families are important partners in providing a child safe environment. These regular newsletter reminders are one of the ways we ensure our school community is aware of:

- our commitment to child safety, and
- how to provide feedback or raise child safety concerns.

If you have any concerns about child safety at any time, please contact Thomas Hubble Acting Principal on 5158 6245.

Any child safety complaints or concerns are treated seriously.

For more information about our school's complaints process, see our Complaints Policy <https://www.cannp-12.vic.edu.au/assets/Policies/complaints.pdf>.

We also welcome your ideas on ways we can improve our approach to child safety and wellbeing.

If you have any suggestions or comments, please contact Thomas Hubble Acting Principal on (03) 5158 6245 or Thomas.Hubble@education.vic.gov.au

AusAlert

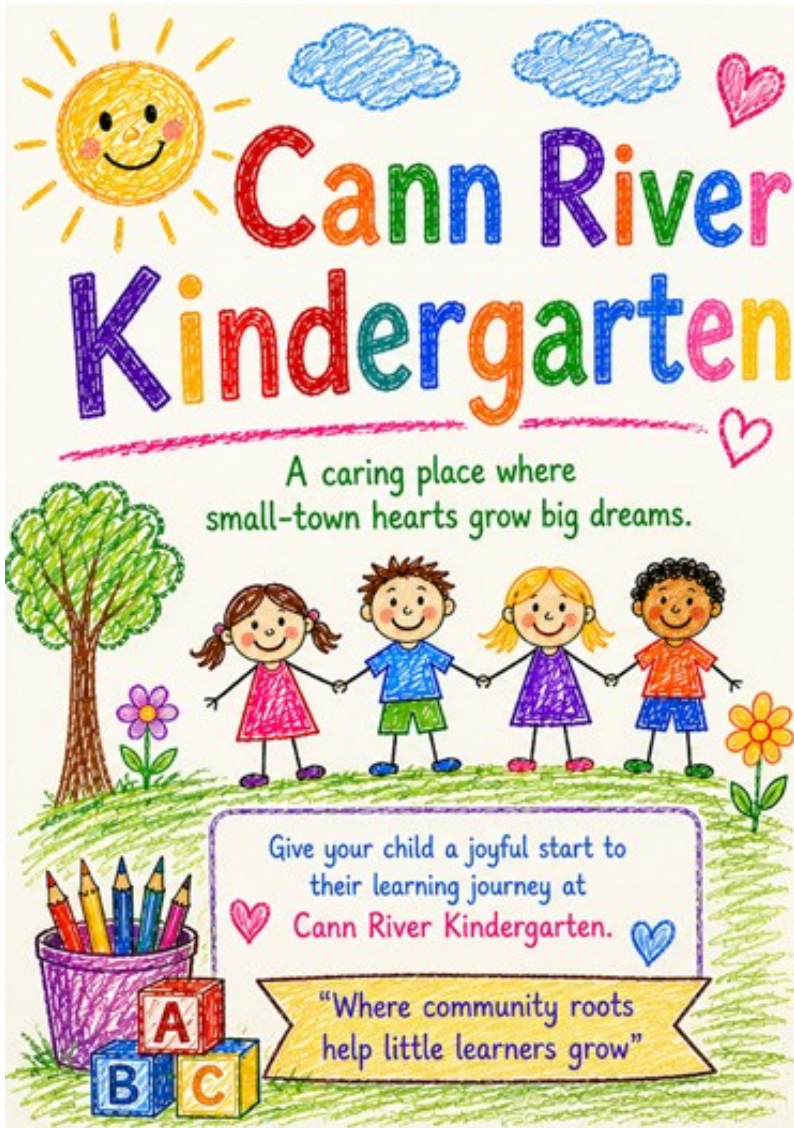
AusAlert is a new, national emergency warning system. It sends warning messages to compatible mobile devices during emergencies, to keep people informed so they can act quickly. The Australian Government plans to launch AusAlert in October 2026.

(<https://www.ausalert.gov.au/alerts-explained/national-test>) will happen across Australia on Monday 27 July at 2 pm.

On Monday 27 July at 2 pm, all compatible mobile devices (www.ausalert.gov.au/receiving-alert/compatible-mobile-devices) will receive a Critical Alert. Compatible mobile devices include phones, tablets, smart watches, safety watches and some vehicle devices. These will vibrate and make a loud, siren-like warning sound for about 10 seconds. This will happen even if they are on silent or do not disturb. The message will clearly state that it is a test. No action is required from the test.

To minimise disruption, student phones and smart devices should always be switched off and stored securely in lockers or bags during the school day. Students who use their mobile phone as part of a documented exception can continue to do so. If appropriate, they can turn their phone off during the test.

You may also wish to let your child know that if they see or hear the alert, school staff will support them. You can learn more at AusAlert: children and teens. Information is also available in other languages



Fun

Discoveries

Joy

Fair

Smile

Laugh

Creative

Kind

Positive



My School Holidays

Today we are back at school.

The holidays were wonderful because I went to the snow. We left our house at 6:00am. It took two hours to get to Perisher. I put on my snow gear, we walked to the tobogganing spot, I came down the icy hill quickly on my toboggan. It was fantastic. I loved the snow so much. I went up and down the hill a lot. I came down in ten seconds. There were lots of people there,

It was just past Smiggins hole. It is called We drove to Perisher in the first week of the holidays and stayed for the day. When we got to Perisher it was super cold. The snow was hard because the snow machine had made the snow.

I came down the icy hill quickly on my toboggan. It was fantastic. I loved the snow so much. I went up and down the hill a lot. There were lots of people there,

By Georgia Petterson. 15.7.26



Today we are back at school. The holidays were the best.



I went to Flip Out in Canberra.

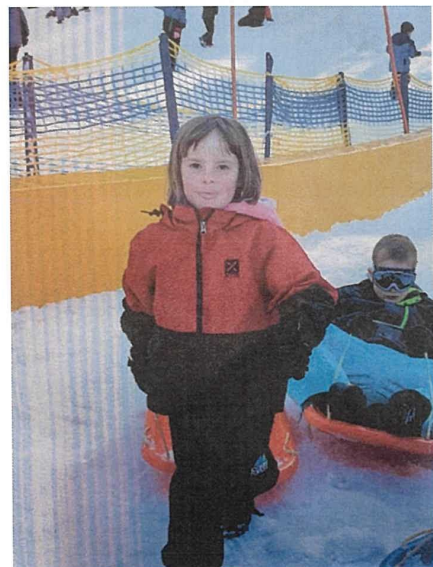
At Flip Out, there were two trampolines. One was big and one was little. I climbed up the big volcano and I went down the slide.



I went to the snow too. The snow was amazing. I went tobogganing. The snow was hard and made by a machine.



By Camille 17.7.26



Today we are back at school.

On the holidays I rode my push bike.

I rode it up and down the driveway.

I got a Pokemon card from Wyatt.

I have five Pokemon cards.

By Corby 17.7.26



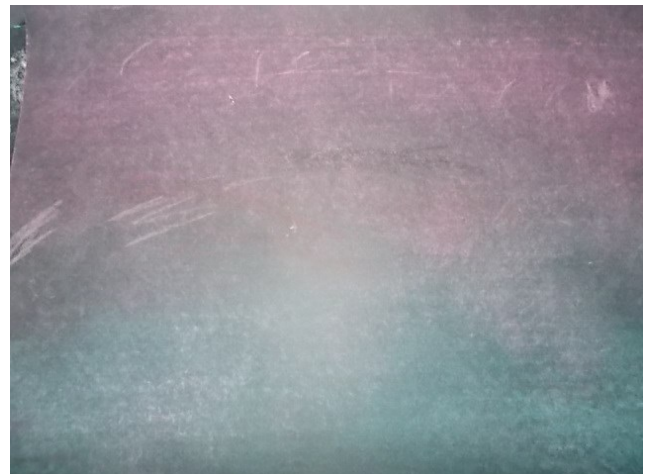
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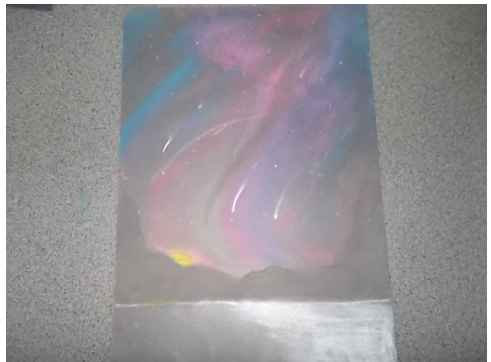
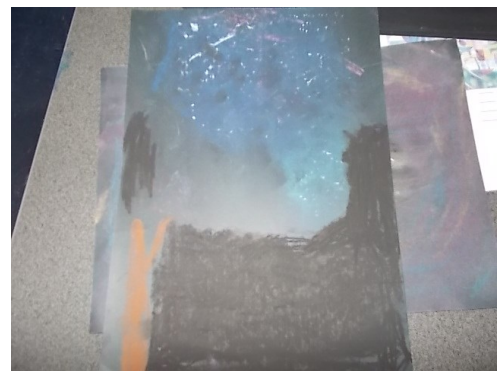
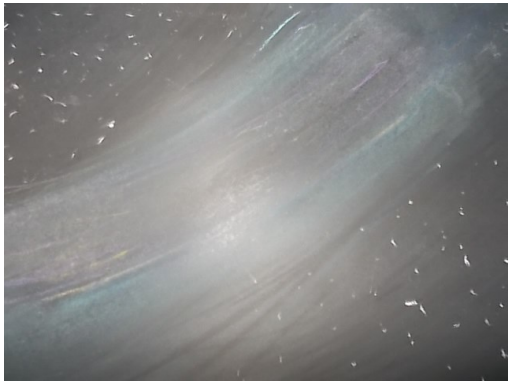
Star Dreaming Art – Years P-10

Students in P-10 recently explored the beauty of Australia's night skies through a mixed-media art project inspired by the cultural knowledge of Australian First Nations Peoples.

As part of the project, students were introduced to the important role the stars have played for First Nations communities, including how they have been used for navigation, seasonal knowledge and the sharing of Dreaming stories. Students discussed how the night sky has long been a source of learning, connection and storytelling.

Using soft pastels and acrylic paints, students created vibrant artworks inspired by photographs taken by local stargazers. They carefully blended colour, texture and light to capture the brilliance of the night sky while developing their artistic techniques. The finished artworks showcase both the students' creativity and their appreciation for the cultural significance of the stars in Australia.





Today we are back at school.

The holidays were okay but three animals died.

I played with OB yesterday and my sister bought me a toy duck. I brought my duck to school for Show and Tell.

I brought my duck back to school today and I forgot her name but now I remember her name. It is Garry. She is white and fluffy.



On the holidays Charlie came to my house and we played on the trampoline and we caught two guinea pigs.

My sheep had a lamb yesterday and now it's in my house. My sister slept with the lamb on her lap.

By Kyra 17.7.26

LEGO® Therapy – Years 4, 5 & 6

This week, students in Years 4, 5 and 6 have participated in **LEGO® Therapy**, a fun and engaging program that supports the development of important social and communication skills.

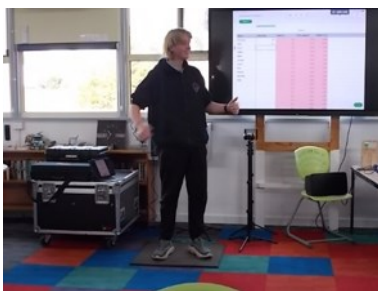
Working together in small groups, students take on different roles to build LEGO® models while practicing skills such as turn-taking, sharing, listening, conversation, teamwork, shared attention and problem-solving. Through collaborative play, students learn to communicate effectively, work towards a shared goal and build confidence in their interactions with others.

LEGO® Therapy provides a supportive and enjoyable environment where students can strengthen friendships, develop resilience and celebrate success together—one brick at a time! The feedback from every student was that they LOVE IT!



Gippsland Tech Visit Term 3, 2026.

On Tuesday the 21st of July 2026, Gippsland Technical School visited Cann River P-12 College. Students in years 7-8 participated in activities related to Cyber Safety. Students in years 9-10 participated in activities related to Everyday Maths. Thanks to Gippsland Tech for demonstrating these activities.



Media Release

2 July 2026 | Media contact: media@deeca.vic.gov.au

Forest firefighters help protect Victorian communities

Applications are now open for seasonal and ongoing forest firefighter roles across Victoria.

Forest Fire Management Victoria (FFMVic) is recruiting entry-level forest firefighter positions across Victoria for the upcoming bushfire season. Both ongoing and seasonal roles are available.

FFMVic Chief Fire Officer, Chris Hardman, said seasonal firefighters boost Victoria's firefighting capacity in the lead-up to summer and during the peak fire season.

"New recruits train and work alongside our permanent firefighters, responding to bushfires to keep communities safer this summer," Mr Hardman said.

"They will be part of a team of close to 1800 frontline personnel and 1200 accredited incident management staff this bushfire season."

"These are fantastic jobs doing practical work, right at the frontline of protecting communities and the environment."

FFMVic firefighters responded to more than 900 bushfires across the state last summer and delivered priority planned burns which will help reduce the impact of future bushfires.

Mr Hardman said seasonal firefighter roles provide rewarding career opportunities for those with a passion for the outdoors, learning new skills and making a difference.

"In addition to responding to bushfires and helping to deliver planned burns, seasonal firefighters also undertake pest and weed control works, and maintain recreational reserves, fuel breaks and forest roads," he said.

"We want a diverse pool of people applying for our jobs. We want our crews to reflect the communities they serve and to have a range of skills and experiences."

"Most importantly, we're looking for recruits with a 'can do' attitude who can work as part of a team."

Some roles are designated for First Nations employment.

Applications close 26 July. Seasonal employment occurs between October and May, with some variations on start and end dates depending on seasonal requirements.

For information and to apply, visit jobs.careers.vic.gov.au/sffoo or call 136 186.

Media Release

5 June 2026 | Media Contact: media@deeca.vic.gov.au

Remote water dip-tanks boost aerial firefighting in Victoria's forests

Victoria's firefighting helicopters had improved access to secure water supplies in remote forest areas this summer, reducing turnaround times and assisting efforts to slow the spread of fires.

Forest Fire Management Victoria (FFMVic) used four of its new heli-dip tank sites to support firefighting at Wonnangatta, Mt Selwyn and Woods Point.

The sites allow fire-bombing helicopters to refill faster during bushfire response, saving critical turnaround times.

FFMVic Chief Fire Officer, Chris Hardman, said every minute counts when responding to remote bushfires.

"Having these remote water storages in high elevations of the landscape enables aircraft to access water faster and provides time for our rappel and on-ground firefighters to respond."

Mr Hardman said 15 more heli-dip tank sites are being built across remote forest areas as part of a new three-year project.

"Victoria is one of the most fire-prone places in the world," he said.

"By strategically locating secure water supplies where aircraft need them, we can hit fires faster, harder and improve our chances of limiting their spread before they impact communities," Mr Hardman said.

"Reliable water supplies strengthen the efforts of our on-ground firefighters, machine operators and skilled contractors who respond rapidly to fires on public land."

The sites can reduce flight turnaround times by up to 15 minutes, making air operations significantly more efficient. Each location includes a 25,000 or 50,000-litre tank built specifically for helicopter refilling.

Planned sites include Straight Running Creek, Mt Wills and Selwyn Five Way in north-east Victoria, and Dargo High Plains and Mt Hope in Gippsland.

The project is jointly funded by the Australian and Victorian governments through the Disaster Ready Fund.



What's happening at the

Cann River Community Centre! JULY EDITION



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manager@cannrivercommunitycentre.org
admin@cannrivercommunitycentre.org

Cann River Merch – Cann River Community Centre is selling some merch with our logo on them. Pop into the Centre and grab yours! Pens & Magnets \$2, Stickers \$3, Stubby Holders \$10, Hat pins \$5 and Iron on Patches \$5.00



Cann Valley Drop In & Connect – happening every fortnight on a Thursday, next session is on Thursday 2nd July, from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Come along for a friendly yarn, enjoy a free cuppa, and connect with others in the community. Everyone is welcome – just pop in, no bookings needed!

Smartphone Help - Starting Thursday, 25th June, from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. If you need basic help with your smartphone, pop down to the Community Centre and we'll be happy to help you out!



Food Bank Available daily from 10am-3:30pm for All Cann Valley residents. Donations are appreciated to keep this vital resource operational. **1 Bag per household per week**, as sourcing stock is getting extremely hard. Foodbank the company are currently low on stock themselves as the need for food security has significantly increased!



Wednesday Lunches
Community Lunch is held every **Wednesday at 12pm, \$5 per person** & consists of a main, desert & cordial. Everyone is welcome! Come have a chat with old friends and new. We are always on the lookout for extra hands to help prepare & or clean up afterwards!



Library services
Every **Wednesday 11am-12pm**
For all your borrowing and return needs!

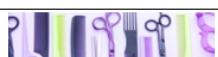
OUTREACH SERVICES

Play Group

Parent led playgroup runs every **Friday from 10am-12pm**
Ages 0-5years
Everyone is welcome!
Cann Valley playgroup is registered with Playgroup Victoria



With **EMMA**
0405066918
Walk-In or Phone to book your appointment!
Every **Wednesday from 10am** at the Cann River Community Centre



With **RHONDA**
With visits once a month. Call 0408124112 To book your appointment! at the Cann River Community Centre

Do you need to:

- *Use **FREE** Internet/wifi?
- *Do you need to Photocopy, Print or Scan something?
- *Maybe you need to type something up?



We have these and many more services available for use!
Come down and see our friendly staff
Monday-Friday 10:am-3:30pm



OP SHOP

Our community Op-Shop is open **Monday-Friday 10am-3:30pm**
Plenty of bargains to be found!
New donations accepted!
Lots of new items arriving weekly!

We provide support to connect & solve you're Centrelink & Medicare queries, on **Wednesdays & Thursdays 10:00am-3:30pm**



Postponed
Term 2 (2026)



Crafternoon
Every **Thursday from 1-3pm**, Bring a project or start a new one here!

Youth Group – Held every Friday at the community centre, 4pm-8pm
12-25yr olds welcome



**Cann Valley Emergency Services
Community Raffle**

**Join Us For The
Community Raffle !**

**AT
Cann River
Hotel**

6:00PM

**Start from
6th Feb
Fortnightly raffle**

**Prizes include meat
trays, meat & vege
boxes, vouchers and
much more...**

**Great prizes, fun atmosphere,
everyone welcome!**



**CANN VALLEY
DROP IN &
CONNECT!**

**EVERY SECOND
THURSDAY**

1-2PM

**JUST POP IN!
NO BOOKING NEEDED**

**EVERYONE
IS WELCOME**

**LOCATION:
CANN RIVER COMMUNITY CENTRE**

2nd July

*Join us for a
friendly yarn,
a free cuppa
and a great
conversation!*




Bendigo Bank

COMMUNITY BANKING – TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER

I am pleased to advise that I will be working from the Community Centre in Cann River on the first Monday of every month.

I will be available to discuss your banking requirements, lending enquiries, future plans, and help connect you with the appropriate Bendigo Bank services where required. Please note that day-to-day transactional services will not be available during these visits. Appointments are available, or you are welcome to call in and see me on the day.

The Community Bank model is unique. A share of profits generated through local banking activity is returned to communities through grants, sponsorships and community initiatives. By choosing to bank with Community Bank Mallacoota, you are helping support a model that delivers benefits across our region.

Warm regards,

Anne Spackman | Branch Manager



03 5158 0111 anne.spackman@bendigoadelaide.com.au
1/57 Maurie Ave, Mallacoota VIC 3892

CANN VALLEY BUSH NURSE

AUGUST 2026

MONDAY- FRIDAY 9.00AM-4.30PM ☎ 5158 6210

BEMM RIVER CLINIC	19th August
BUS TO BAIRNSDALE	4 th August- 8:00am depart 18 th August- 8:00am depart
COUNSELLOR	13 th August
DENTIST	6 th August
G.P	6 th & 19 th August
PAG	13 th August- Outing 27th August- In house
PHYSIOTHERAPY	7 th August
PODIATRY	3rd September
PSYCHOLOGIST	19th August- Referral required
THE CAVE	3rd August- 11:00am 17th August- 11:00am 31 st August- 11:00am



PSYCHOLOGIST AT CVBNC

CVBNC are pleased to announce as of July 2026 we will have a qualified Psychologist visit CVBNC on a monthly basis.

For more information please phone 5158 6210 and speak to one of the Nurses.

Orbost Regional Health Community Survey

COMMUNITY HEALTH SURVEY

Your feedback shapes our services.

Help shape the future of healthcare in our community. It only takes a couple of minutes.

Scan the QR code to start



SCAN TO START

Orbost Regional Health
All responses are anonymous

Cann River Hall Hire Fees

Hire fees **per hour**: - bookings are made through the office at the Cann River P-12 college

- Hire of Main Hall only – \$10 per hour
- Hire of the hall and kitchen \$15 hour

Hire fees **PER DAY**: (includes setup time & pack up time)

- Private Hire of Hall and Kitchen - \$100 (bond required of \$100)
- Community group or not for profit - \$100 (no bond required)

Key pickup & drop-off: at Cann River P-12 College (5158 6245).

If you cannot arrange this, let us know, and we can organise for the key to be left elsewhere, or one of our committee members to meet you at the hall.

We ask that the hall hirers keep the hall clean and tidy. If the committee has to employ a cleaner, there may be a surcharge on future bookings.



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Princes Highway, Cann River

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- Heavy machinery, tractor & forklift tilt tray service
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- Tilt tray service

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July/August 2026

CVBNC = Cann Valley Bush Nursing Centre

PAG = Planned Activity Group

CRCC = Cann River Community Centre

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27	28	29 - Library services at CRCC - Lunch at CRCC - Hairdresser Emma at CRCC - Centrelink at CRCC - PAG at CVBNC	30 - Crafternoon at CRCC - Centrelink at CRCC - Counsellor at CVBNC	31 - Playgroup at CRCC - Youth group at CRCC - Podiatrist at CVBNC - Raffles at the hotel
3 - Hairdresser Rhonda at CRCC - The cave at CVBNC	4 CVBNC bus to Bairnsdale	5 - Library services at CRCC - Lunch at CRCC - Hairdresser Emma at CRCC - Centrelink at CRCC	6 - Crafternoon at CRCC - Centrelink at CRCC - Dentist at CVBNC - Doctor at CVBNC	7 - Playgroup at CRCC - Youth group at CRCC - Physio at CVBNC - Raffles at the hotel