



Newsletter

St. Vincent de Paul Primary School

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Reflection

Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand



When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food."

Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat."

"We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered.

"Bring them here to me," he said. And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people.

They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

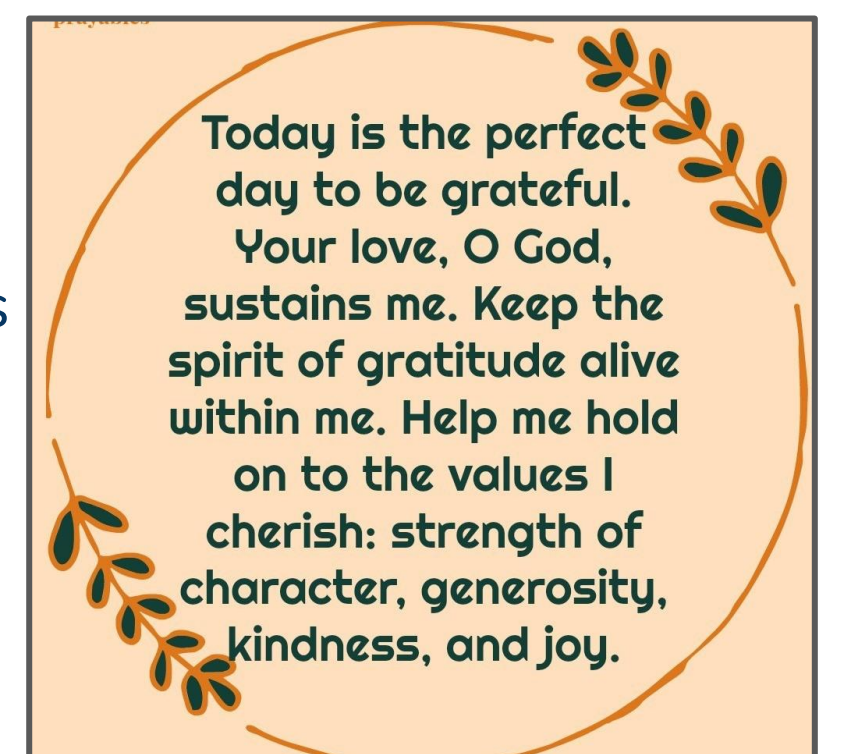


The story of Jesus feeding the five thousand is one of the most inspiring stories in the bible, as it helps us to learn more about who Jesus was and the compassion that he had for other people. Jesus showed compassion and love for the people who needed to be fed. He gave thanks for the bread that he had and broke it to be shared amongst all people.

Another lesson that we learn from this story is that Jesus calls us to bless one another and learn from His example. There are many times when we are asked by God to help others in need and this is similar to the very scenario that happened during the Feeding of the five thousand.

Let us pray:

In our day to day lives, may we look to the example of Jesus, who calls us to show compassion, gratitude and love for our fellow neighbour. We ask this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



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Principal's Message

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope you enjoyed the break from Home Learning and the children are ready for the final term of 2021.

As communicated during the holidays the staff are looking forward to the children returning over the coming weeks. For some children this will be an exciting time and for others this can be quite challenging. Our experience from previous returns, both this year and last year, is the sooner we can transition the children back into routines the better the outcomes.

The school will be guided by the roadmap released by the Victorian Government and the indicative dates they have outlined for the return to school.

Prep Students

Prep students will return to on-site learning from October 18. They will attend school Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Year 1 & 2 Students

Year 1 students will return to on-site learning from October 21. They will attend school on Thursday and Friday.

Year 3 & 4 Students

Year 3 & 4 students will return to on-site learning from October 26. They will attend school on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Year 5 & 6 Students

Year 5 & 6 students will return to on-site learning from October 28. They will attend school on Thursday and Friday.

All Students

All students will return to on-site learning full-time from November 5.

When the children are not attending onsite learning according to the schedule above, Home Learning will continue to operate.

Children of authorised workers can continue to attend CoronaCare for onsite supervision on the days their children are scheduled for Home Learning.

With the Prep children returning the Monday after next, the following protocols will again operate:

- The Senior yard will continue to be the entry and exit points for children.
- If parents do need to come into the yard to drop off/collect your child we ask that parents wear a mask and use the QR code located on the fences to register you have entered the yard.
- We ask parents not to come past the cyclone wire fence in the Senior Yard.
- We ask that parents also maintain social distancing and refrain from entering the school buildings unless absolutely necessary.

MASK WEARING

The Victorian Chief Health Officer has made the following recommendations with regard the wearing of face masks at primary school:

Children under 12 years of age and students at primary school wear face masks when at school, attending an OSHC program, or when travelling to and from school on public transport, taxis or ride share vehicles.

This is a recommendation and not a requirement.

LITERACY TESTING

During Week 3 & 4 of this term teachers will be completing assessments on the children's literacy to identify their progress in this curriculum area. This information will be used to guide the learning for the remainder of 2021. This will be completed online for Years 1-6 with the Prep children being tested at school. To allow this to happen and to continue with the Home Learning there will be changes to the program. Google meets will continue with the same timetable operating however, on days where the classroom teacher is testing students, one of the other teachers from the year level will facilitate the Google meet. Further details will be communicated via See-Saw/Google classroom.

PREP INFORMATION EVENING

The Prep Information Evening, which is scheduled for November 9, will still go ahead. However, due to the current restrictions this will be facilitated remotely. The school will be providing more information about this in the coming weeks. At this stage we are waiting on confirmation that we will be able to conduct the Orientation Days, scheduled for November 16, 22 and December 2, onsite.

ART SHOW

Due to the current circumstances the Art Show will be presented in a different format this year. When the children begin to return in Week 3 the art work which they have created will be on show in hallways throughout the school. As the different year levels return, the children will be able to view the amazing work the children have created. Unfortunately we are unable to have parents onsite but the school will create a short video showing an overview of the art pieces throughout the school with different sections featuring in the newsletter over the coming weeks. Despite the fact that children have had limited time to work on their masterpieces at school, we look forward to this being an opportunity for the children to showcase their creative talents and share these with the student community.

MACSSIS

In 2021, our school is participating in Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools – School Improvement Surveys (MACSSIS). MACSSIS is an annual process whereby schools listen to the thoughts and feelings students, families and staff have about how their school can improve. These surveys help inform the ongoing improvement of schools across the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

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Principal's Message (Cont.)

One of the main goals of the survey is to identify the strengths and areas for improvement in our school. MACSSIS data benefits everyone within our school and provides valuable community insights on areas that each school can focus on.

As part of the process all staff, children in Years 4-6 and 80 families will be asked to complete the survey. Families who have been randomly selected will be receiving emails this week inviting them to attend and participation is completely voluntary.

SUMMER UNIFORM

A reminder that when the children do return to school this term, that they are expected to wear summer uniforms. Because it has been a while since many of the children have been in uniform, it would be timely to check how those uniforms from first term now fit. This year the girls have the option of wearing shorts and a short sleeve shirt as part of the regular school uniform. These were introduced as options by the School Advisory Council. Children will need to also wear a school hat as part of the school's Sunsmart policy.

SUMMER UNIFORM

BOYS

- Grey Shorts
- Short Sleeve Shirt (Sky)
- Wool School Jumper
- Grey Stripe Anklet Socks
- Black School Shoes
- Floppy Brim Hat

GIRLS

- School Summer Dress
- Navy Tailored Shorts
- Peter Pan Collar Short Sleeve Shirt (Sky)
- Wool School Jumper
- Navy Anklet Socks
- Black School Shoes
- Floppy Brim Hat

SPORTS UNIFORM

BOYS

- Rugby Top
- Short Sleeve Polo Top
- Navy Sport Shorts
- White Anklet Socks
- Runners

GIRLS

- Rugby Top
- Short Sleeve Polo Top
- Navy Netball Skirt
- Navy Skort
- Navy Sport Shorts
- White Anklet Socks
- Runners

Shane Byrne
Principal

School Fees

Term 3 school fees (and any outstanding amount from previous terms) were due on Friday 6th August.

Statements were sent home by email on Tuesday 20th July. This statement shows your outstanding balance. If you have not received your statement please contact the school office (Ph: 9379 5723 or Email: info@svstrathmore.catholic.edu.au).

If you have any concerns about your financial situation and are experiencing hardship, please contact Mr Shane Byrne (principal@svstrathmore.catholic.edu.au), so that a confidential financial arrangement can be discussed.

2022 School Booklists

Please find below information about ordering your child/children's book lists for next year.

The 2022 Booklists can be ordered online at www.campion.com.au with code **CHK4**.

Your order must be submitted online between **Monday 27th September** and **Saturday 6th November 2021**.

Online orders and home delivery only. All orders placed by Saturday 6th November will be home delivered at the flat rate of \$10 and will be delivered in the week ending Friday 3rd December. Orders can still be placed after the due date by visiting the Campion website. Home delivery orders placed after Friday 3rd December will be charged at the standard rate of \$21.95.

Campion Books is our preferred school supplier.
Address: 48 Latitude Boulevard
Thomastown VIC 3074
Telephone No: 1300 433 982



Bread Tag Collection

A BIG thank you to everyone who contributed bread tags to our collection earlier this year. It is a great way to help with recycling of these small items to be repurposed and used again.

In the collection through RHSports & Wonder Recycling Rewards we collected over 5 kg of bread ties and were rewarded with some equipment for the students to use during lunch times (when we get back to school this term!).

Please keep collecting these tags and pass onto to the classroom teachers and I will begin our collection for next year.

Ms. Graham



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End of Term 3 Footy Colours Day Competition



In the final week of Term 3 the students were invited to enter a Footy Colours Day Competition. They were asked to share a photo demonstrating just how much they love football.

We had over 50 entries with children baking AFL cakes, getting messages from their favourite players, demonstrating their football skills and making team banners and posters.

Here are just some of the amazing entries. Congratulations to everyone who entered!



eSafety News

Resources to support parents and carers:

Spending time online can help young people learn, connect socially and relax. However, the use of digital technologies may also present challenges to young people's wellbeing.

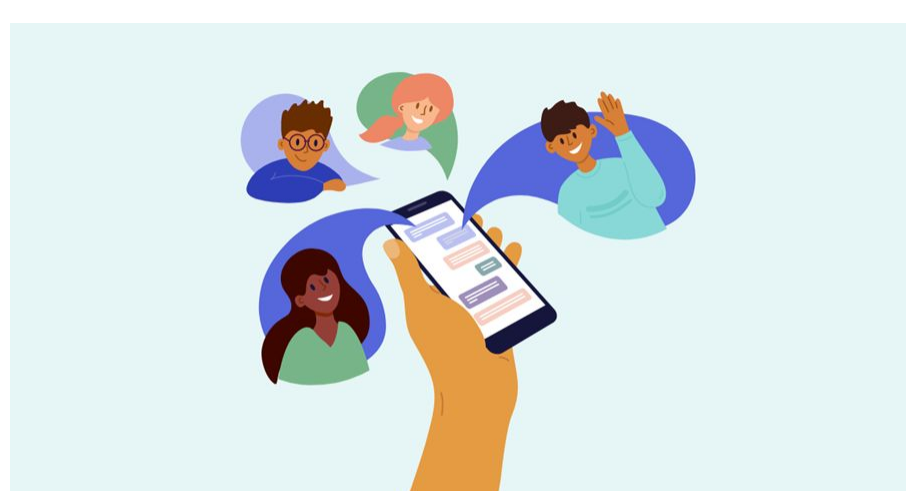
Register now for [eSafety's parent guide to digital technologies and mental health](#) webinar.

The webinar will explore:

- dealing with harmful online content such as suicide, self-harm and eating disorders
- using games, apps and social media to support mental wellbeing
- the pros and cons of online mental health platform
- helping young people support their friends online.

Find more parent and carer resources at esafety.gov.au including booklets, info sheets, videos activities, COVID-19 advice and Family tech agreements.

[Register](#)



LEGO Competition

This week's competition was a LEGO competition. The children were asked to create their own LEGO masterpiece and send in a photo. We had some extremely creative entries. Here are just some of the models sent in.



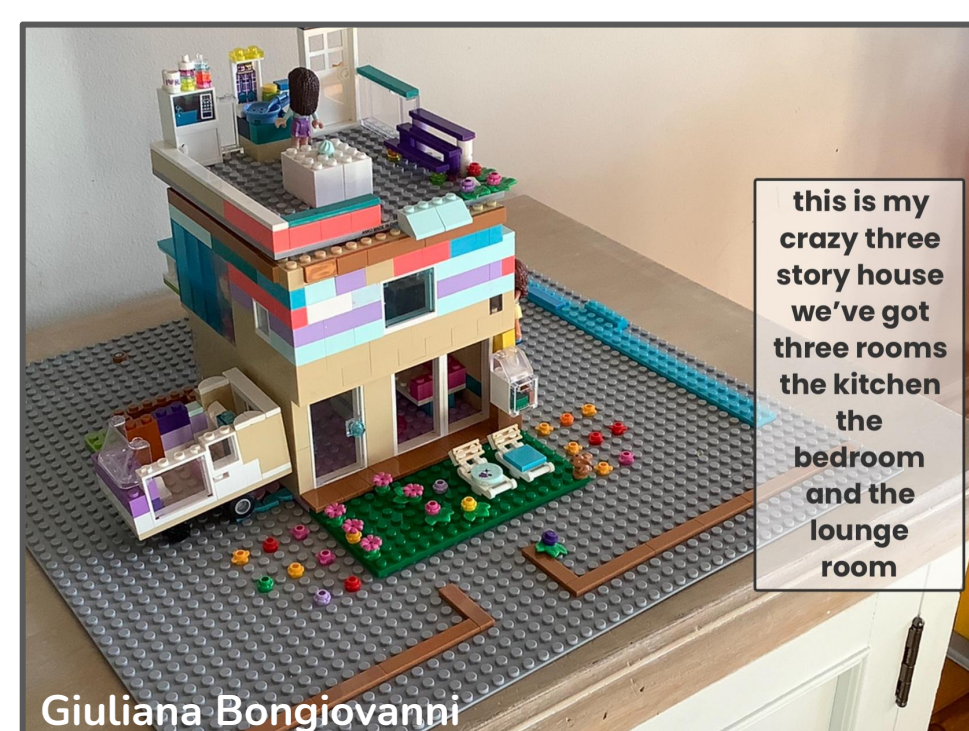
Tobias Campbell



Maevae McIldowney



Mitchell Connelly



this is my crazy three story house we've got three rooms the kitchen the bedroom and the lounge room

Giuliana Bongiovanni



Arabella De Maria

Footy Colours Day



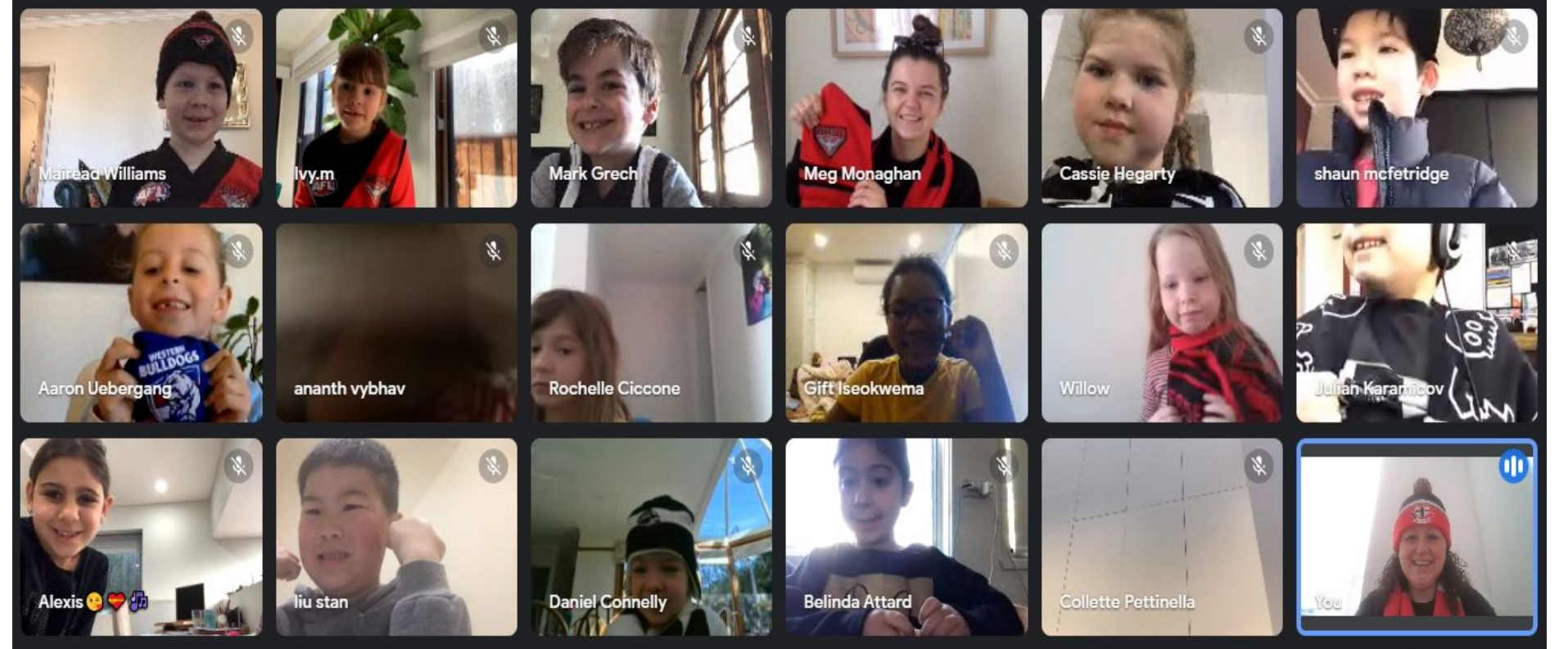
FOOTY Colours Day



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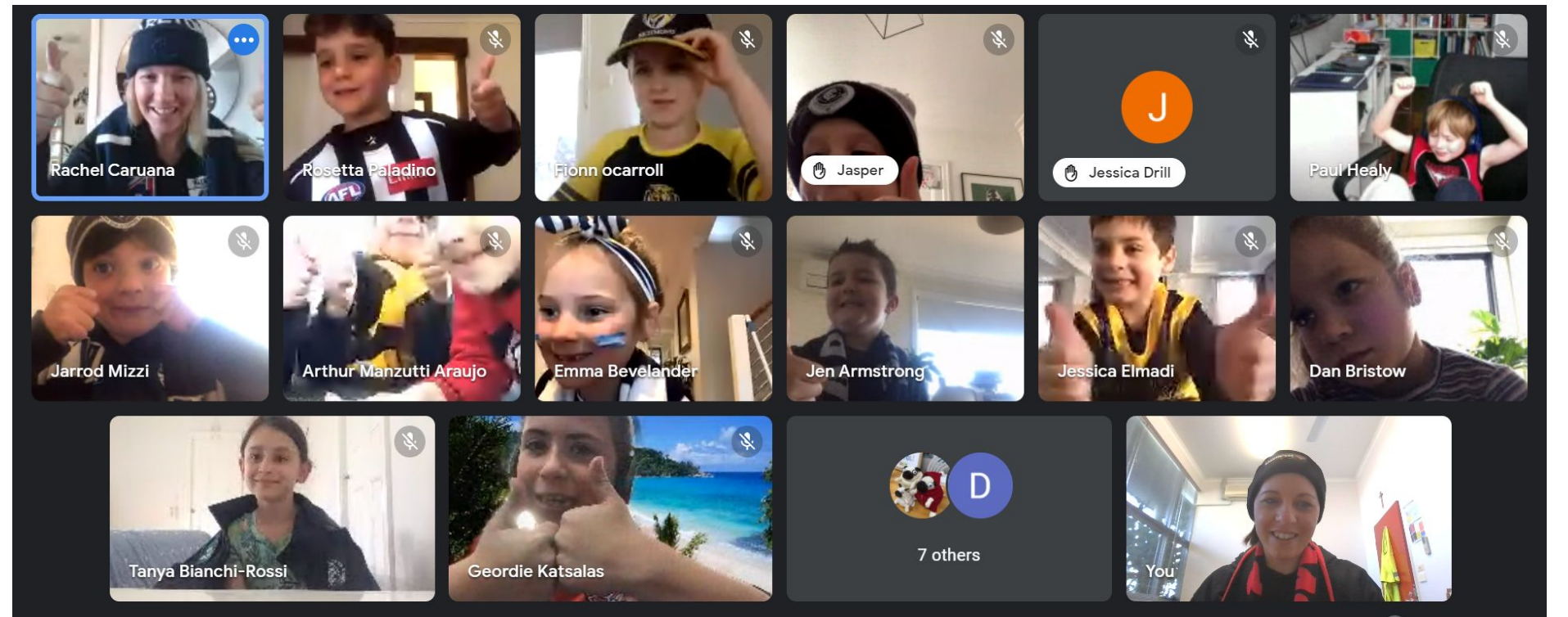
Prep Gold



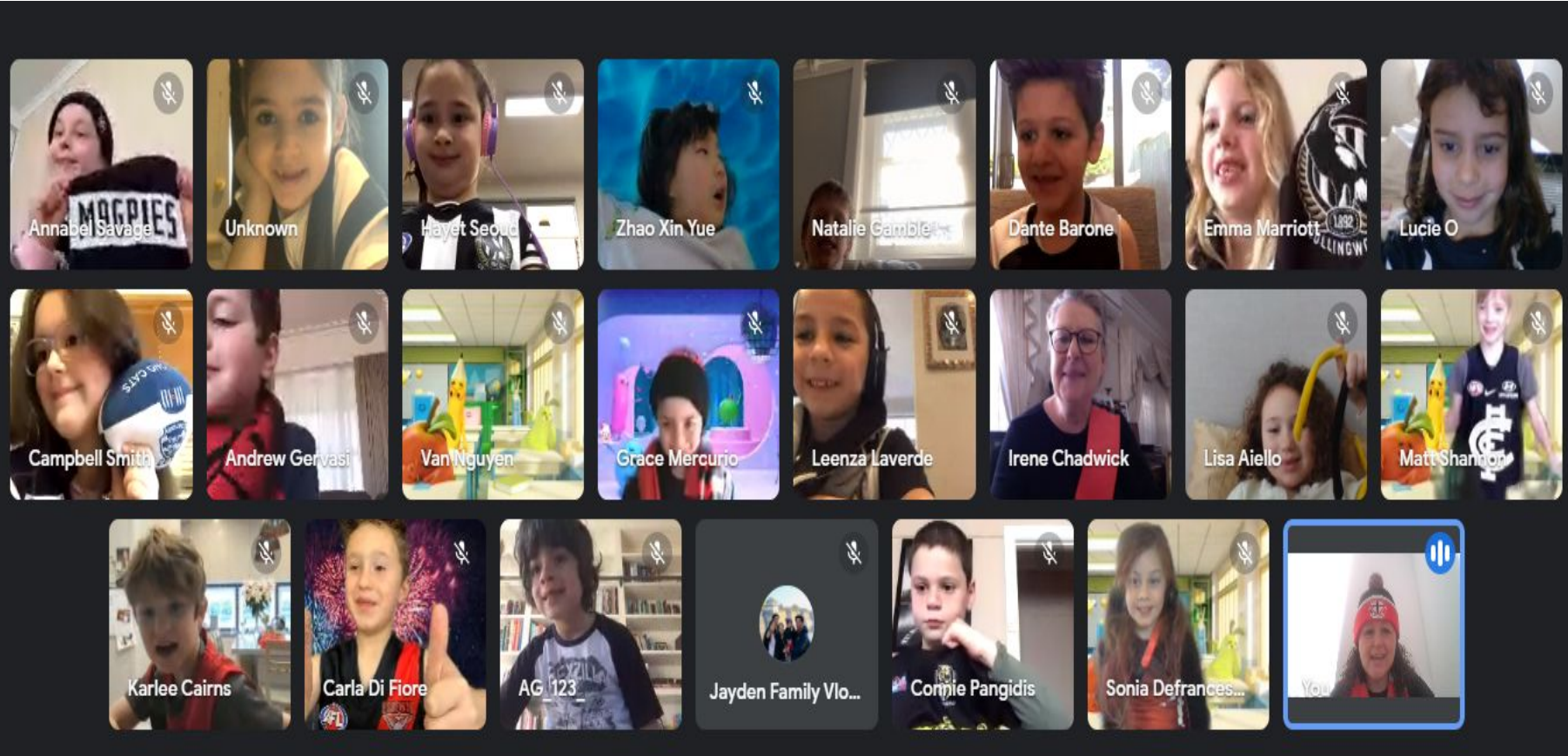
Prep Green



One Blue



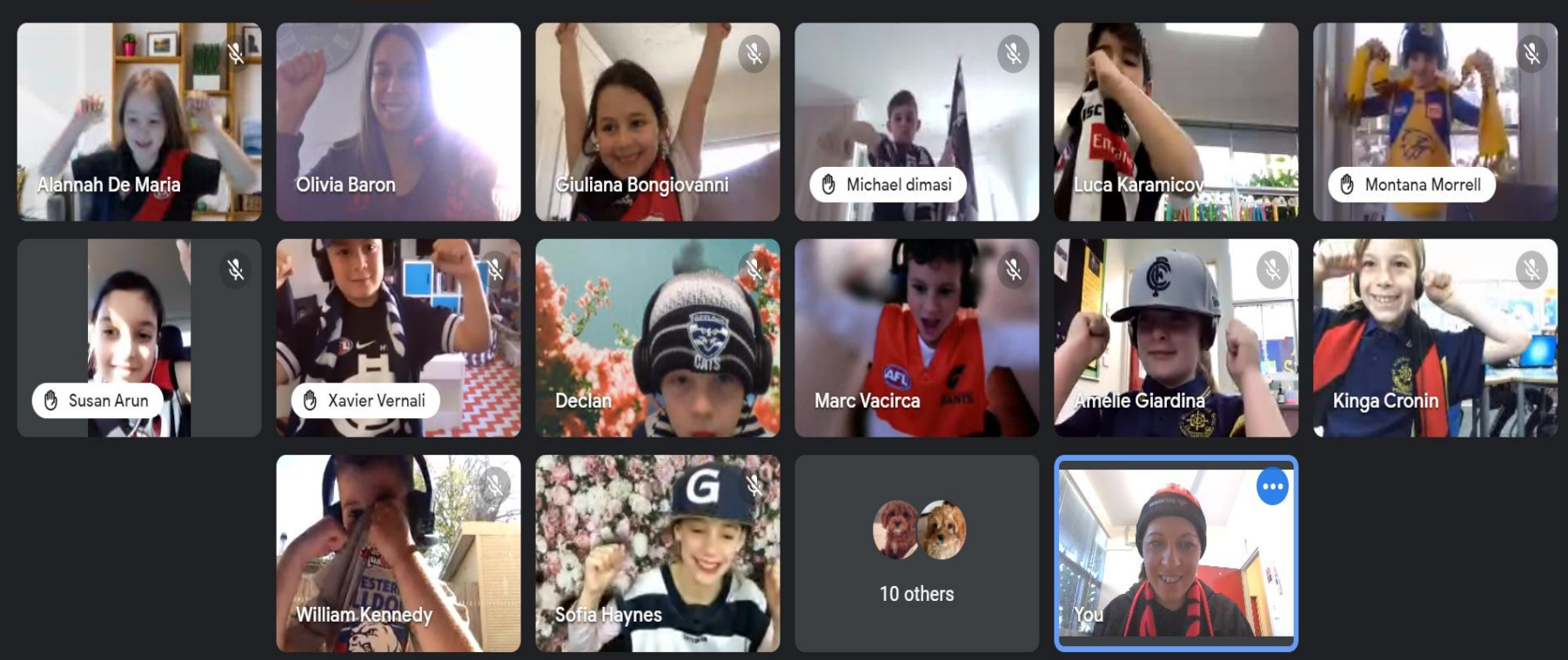
One Gold



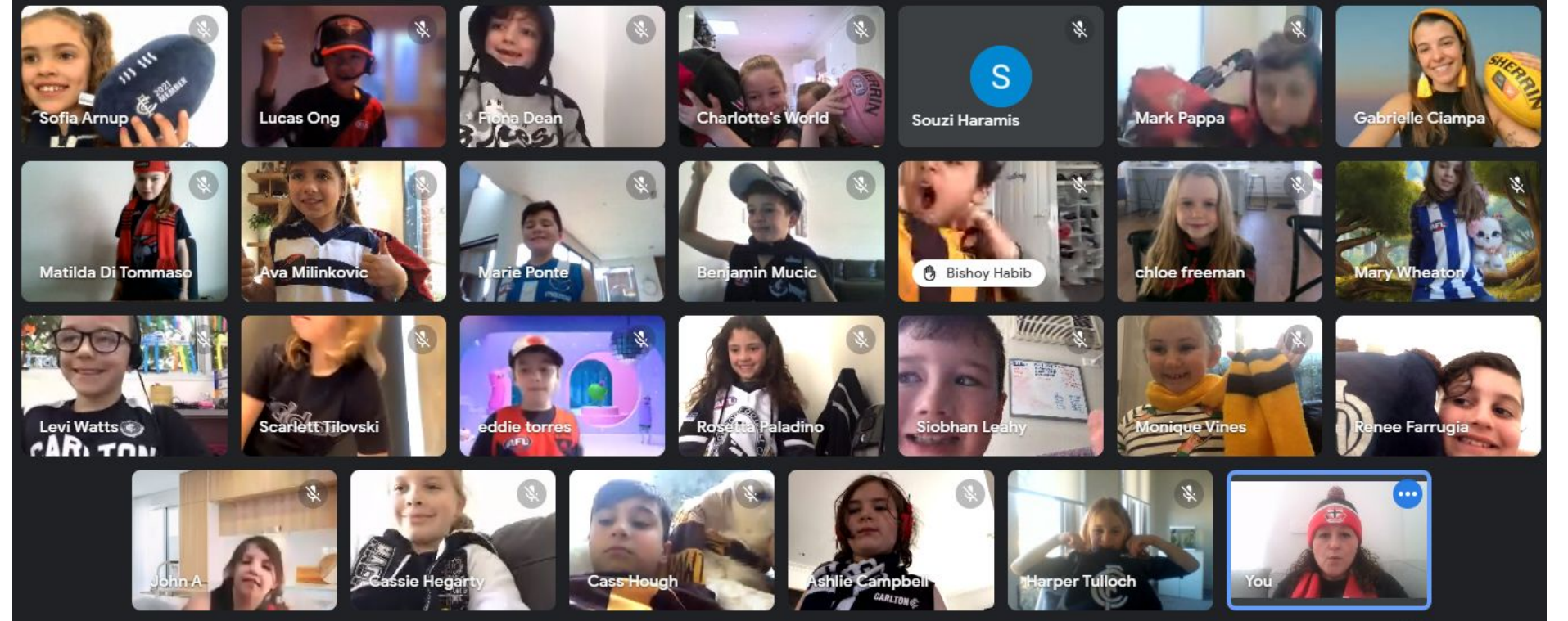
One Green



Two Blue



Two Gold



Footy Colours Day



FOOTY Colours Day



Three Blue



Three Gold



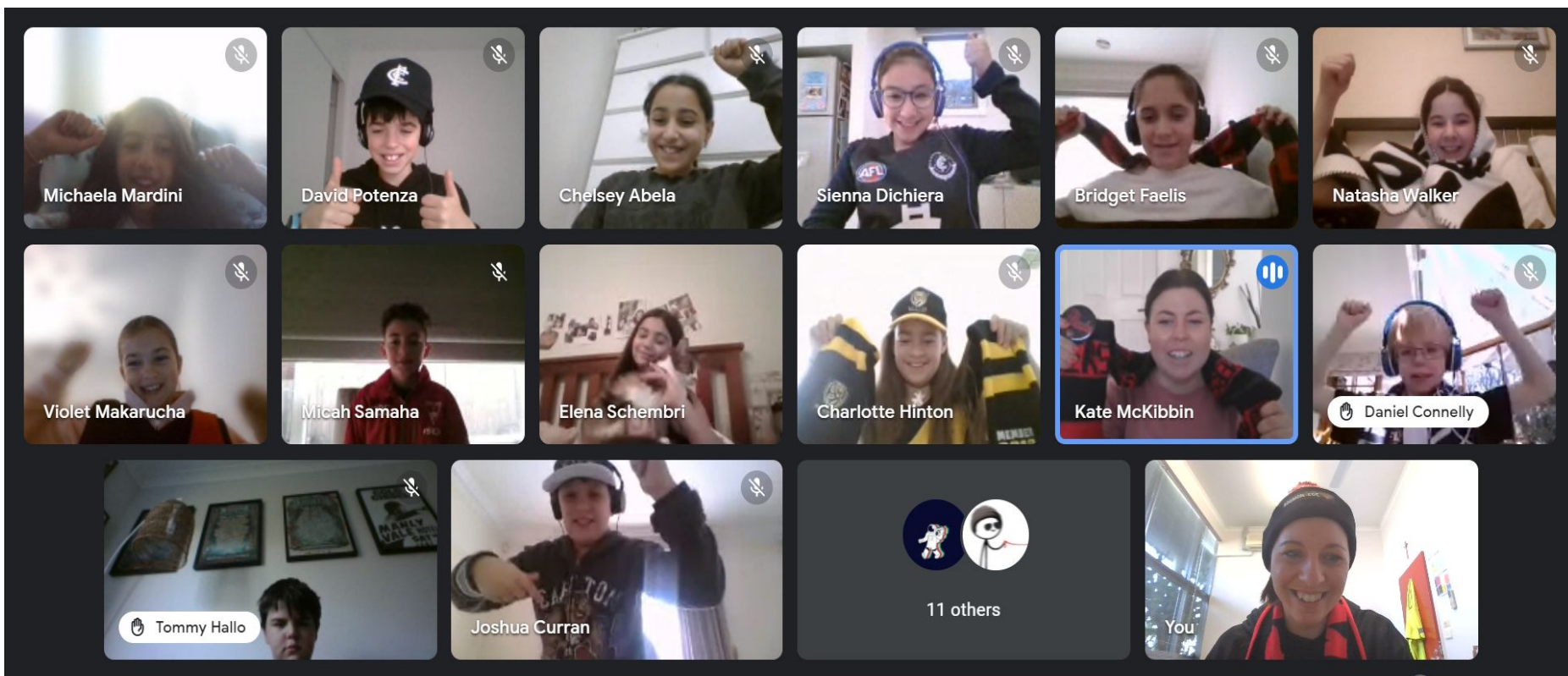
Four Blue



Four Gold



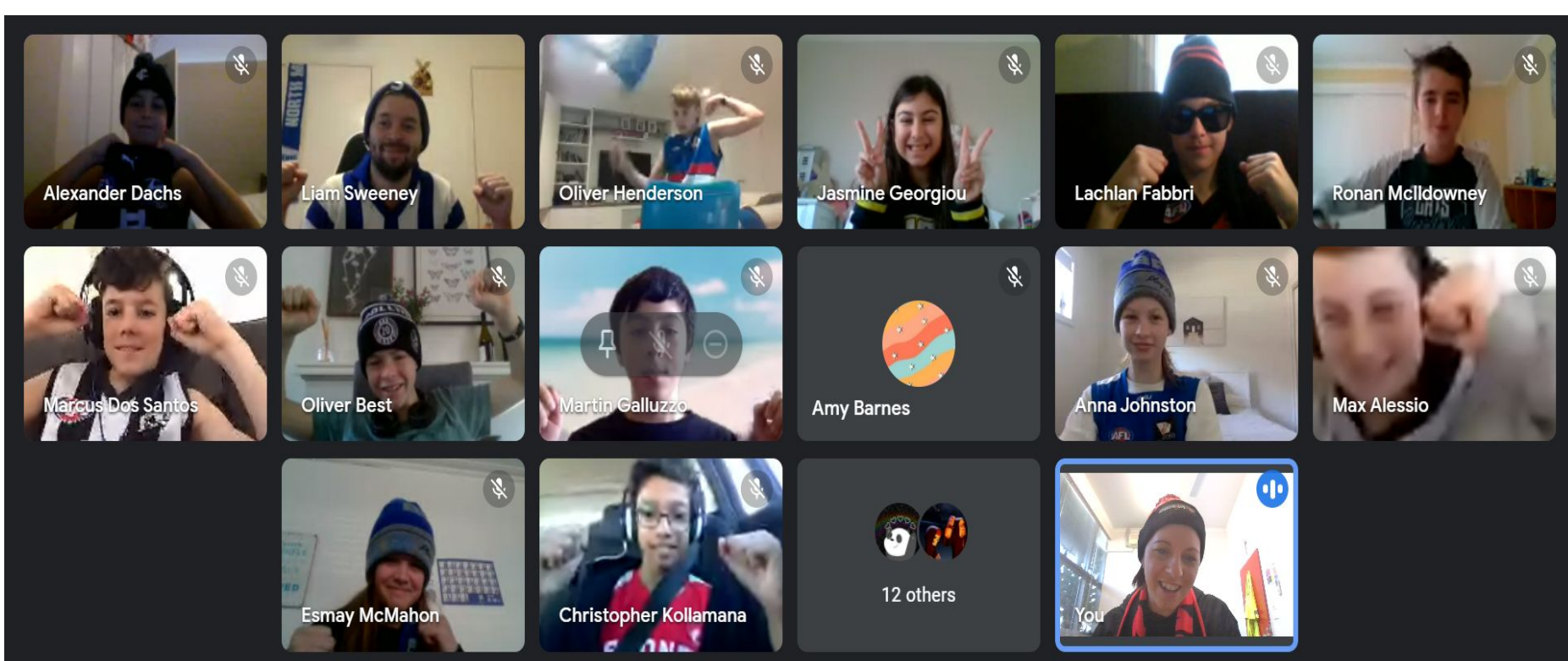
Five Blue



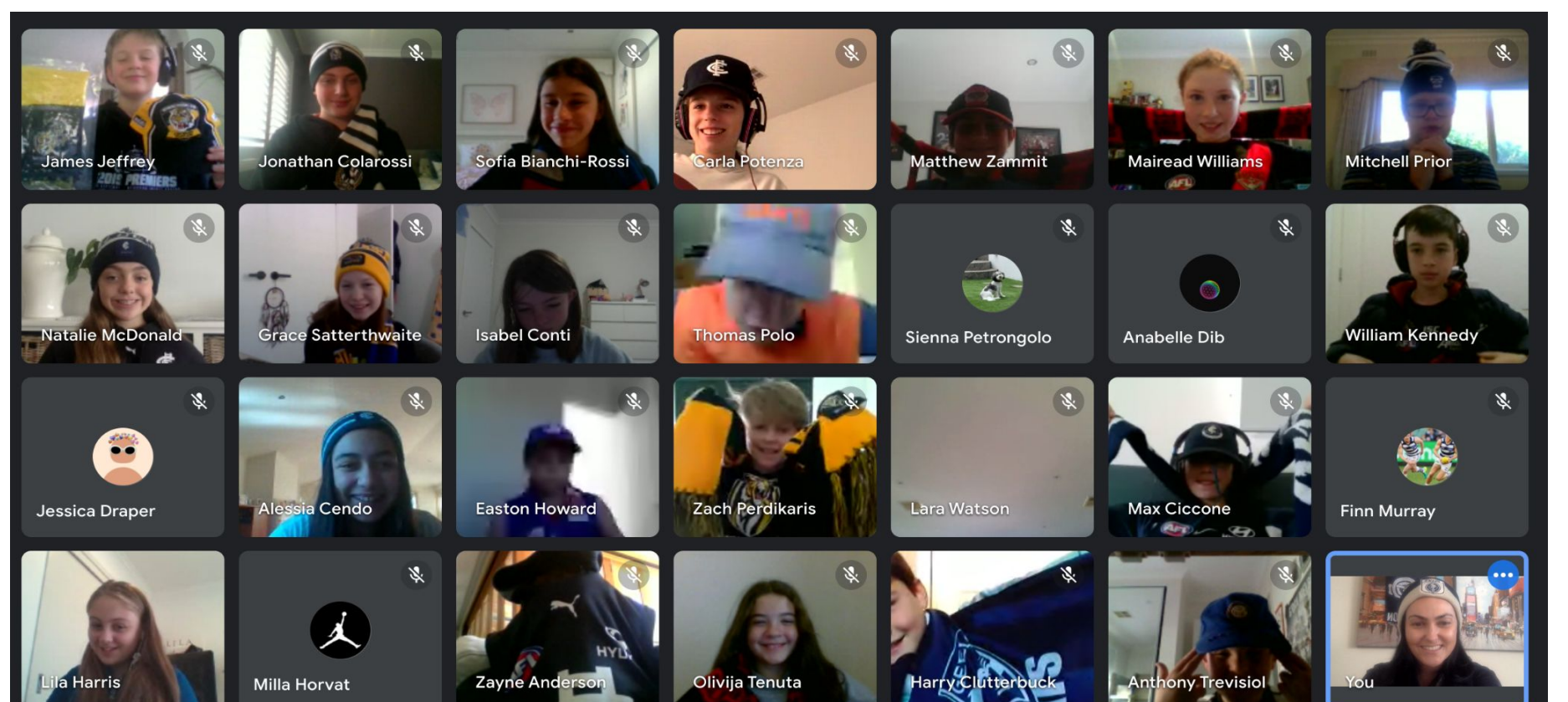
Five Gold



Six Blue



Six Gold




Awards

Please find listed below the names of those students receiving awards at the online assembly on **FRIDAY, 15th October.**



PREP BLUE	Tobias Campbell Adriana Randello	THREE BLUE	Alexander Zacchei Bianca Dichiera
PREP GOLD	Jordan Liu Michelle Iseokwema	THREE GOLD	Chloe Forbes Zigmas Skimbirauskas
PREP GREEN	Adrian Caruso Amelia Polo	FOUR BLUE	Hannah Jimmy Luke Zammit
ONE BLUE	Chiara Franze John Paul Healy	FOUR GOLD	Maeve McIlldowney Lily Brumley
ONE GOLD	Valerie Smith Dylan Di Fiore	FIVE BLUE	Chelsey Abela Daniel Connelly
ONE GREEN	Tahlia Piccolo Levi Vitali	FIVE GOLD	Eva Rametta Michael D'Alberto Jed Vacirca
TWO BLUE	Montana Morrell Marc Vacirca	SIX BLUE	Emma Bernardo Ronan McIlldowney
TWO GOLD	Mila Atkinson Henry Hough	SIX GOLD	Lila Harris Mairead Williams

Vic Soccer Clinics



**Vic
SOCCER**

**BOUNCE INTO
SPRING CLINICS**

**2021
FREE
SOCCER BALL FOR
EACH PARTICIPANT!**

Saturday morning clinics run during the school term for 8 sessions* and involve 55 minutes of personalized tuition. There is an age and skill appropriate curriculum focus on the fundamentals of Soccer as well as an encouragement of social interaction to build skill levels and grow self esteem. We ensure an approximate rate of 1 coach to 10 players to allow each participant individual skills development.

Clinics begin on Saturday the 30th of October 2021*

SESSION TIME & LOCATION:
9:00AM to 10:00AM at
Strathmore Secondary College,
Pascoe Vale Rd, Strathmore.

TERM 4 CLINICS BEGIN SAT. 30th OCT 2021*

METHOD OF PAYMENT:
Payment on first day of clinic 30/10/2021
Cheque or Cash \$120
Please register by Friday 29/10
to secure your child's place in the clinic.

*** ALL START DATES AND SESSION LENGTHS
ARE SUBJECT TO COVID RESTRICTIONS ***

For more information, call Mike on 0418303432 or email us at: viccric.northwest@gmail.com
Family discounts apply. Ask VIC CRIC team for more information. Disclaimer: Children play at their own risk. Vic Cric Pty Ltd accepts no liability.

TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____

Please make all cheques payable to Vic Cric and fill out participant/s information:

Name(s) : _____ DOB: _____

Clinics previously completed: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Name/s: _____

Email: _____

Current Primary School: _____

YOUR FREE GIFT IS A SOCCER BALL!

I do do not give permission for my child to be photographed
and for photos to appear on Vic Cric Social Media.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Important Dates

OCTOBER 2021

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 Parents' Trivia Night - Postponed	9	10
11 PA Meeting 7:30pm	12	13 Yr 2 Mass - Postponed School Advisory Council	14	15 Virtual St Vincent de Paul Day Colour Run Day - Postponed Assembly	16	17
18 Prep students return to school (Mon-Wed only)	19	20 Yr 1 Mass - Postponed	21 Yr 1 & 2 students return to school (Thurs-Fri only) Yr 6 Wonders of Living Evening (Online)	22 Nominations for School Advisory Council Open	23	24
25	26 Yr 3 & 4 students return to school (Tues-Wed only)	27 Prep Mass - Postponed	28 Yr 5 & 6 students return to school (Thurs-Fri only)	29 Assembly	30	31

NOVEMBER 2021

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 School Closure Day	2 Melbourne Cup Day Holiday	3	4 Whole School Athletics - Postponed	5 All students return to school Nominations for School Advisory Council Close	6 Online 2022 Booklist Orders Close	7
8	9 Prep 2022 Information Evening 7:30pm	10	11	12 Assembly	13	14
15	16 Prep Orientation	17	18	19	20	21 First Communion - 12:30pm & 2:30pm
22 Prep Orientation	23	24 PA & School Advisory Council AGM	25	26 Assembly	27	28 First Communion - 12:30pm & 2:30pm
29	30					

DECEMBER 2021

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
		1	2 Prep Orientation	3	4	5
6	7 Carols Night	8 School Closure Day	9 Year 6 Graduation	10 Assembly	11	12
13	14	15	16 Last Day of Term 4 1:30pm Finish	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day
27	28	29	30	31 New Years Eve		



TheirCare
where kids love to be!

WELCOME TO TERM 4!

We are looking forward to the return of the children and we will be focusing on continuing to create a safe and fun environment for the children. We will also continue to ensure that the program is child led by providing the children with the opportunity to plan their activities for the term. No doubt as the weather improves the children will be spending a great deal of time outside participating in a variety of group games and free play.

Sun smart period has commenced for this term so therefore we ask if you can please provide your child with a spare hat that they can keep in their bag at all times for outdoor play. It does not have to be a school hat, any hat is fine as long as it is a wide brim hat.

A friendly reminder to parents/carers, so we ensure our safe practices continue, we ask that when you are dropping or picking up your child from care that you wait in the foyer and try to avoid entering the hall.

No doubt there will be an increase of numbers attending the service, therefore we ask that you book your child as soon as practical to avoid a late booking fee. Bookings can be made online or alternatively by calling 1300 072 410. If you would like to speak to us directly at the service please feel free to call on the service phone M 0474 007 664 (7.00am-9.00am or 2.30pm-6.00pm)

Lisa - Coordinator

