



St Peter's Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Issue No. 8
20 April 2020

Good afternoon,

Term 2

Welcome to Term 2! Everything is so different to what we were expecting, it takes a bit of thinking to get your head around what is going on. It is really important that we do what we can to help slow the spread of this horrible virus so we can protect our loved ones and community members. We know it is hard to change so much of your normal routine - Thank you so much to those who are staying at home and following the rules set out by the Premier, Daniel Andrews.

Running of St Peter's

As you would be aware, schools in Victoria are asked to run this term allowing for two different types of learning to take place. We have "remote learning" for all those who are able to have their children at home with them and we have "supervised learning" for those whose children need to attend school - this is either due to essential work being done by family members, or for students who are considered 'vulnerable'. Students are expected to stay and work at home if they can.

We currently have approximately 24 children attending school. These students are in two groups that are a mixture of Prep - Yr 6. One group is in the Library and the other in the Knuldoorong. All students are simply completing exactly the same Learning Packs that have been sent home. We are required to have only a skeleton staff at school, so teachers and ESOs have been rostered on so there are only a few here each day. Those not at school are working from home and can be contacted via email. If you need to have a conversation with your child's teacher just email them to let them know and when they are at school they will give you a call.

We have also introduced much more stringent rules and expectations about hygiene - so there is much more cleaning and washing hands and distancing across the whole school.

The students who are at school are all working really well together to look after each other. We thank them for the way they are working hard and following all the rules.

Just a reminder that students can wear their winter uniforms if it is cold this week and that they will all need to be in winter uniform next week.

Easter Raffle

We held the Easter Raffle last Friday and put the video up on the Community Circle Facebook Page. If you are not a member of this page, we recommend you request to join. It is a private group for the families of St Peter's only.

Congratulations to the following winners:

Miss Beames, James Ford, Lillian Jones-Jack, Riley Penny, Ella Bompat, Maria Boncaldo, Paul Roberts, Imy Jones-Jack, Elle Pusa, Natasha Patterson, Fabian Gray, Emily Wybar, Ella Bompat, Riley Penny, Jesse Rohan, Levi Doran, Imy Jones-Jack.

3rd - Tanya Rees

2nd - Jesse Rohan

1st - Belinda Atkins.

Learning Packs

Firstly we would like to thank you all for coming and picking up the first Learning Pack. Thank you!! Feedback from the first Packs has also been really positive - the teachers will make any adjustments needed for the second Pack.

Learning Pack #2 can be picked up on Friday of this week between 9.15am and 10.45am, or between 1.30pm and 2.30pm. We ask that you return the first packs when you come up to collect the next one. Anyone who can not make it up on Friday to collect the new pack is asked to call the school to make alternate arrangements.

Co-Principals: Mrs Jennifer Roberts & Mr Michael Chalkley

23-45 FENTON STREET, NORTH BENDIGO 3550
Email: admin@spbendigo.catholic.edu.au

Phone 03 5443 9319 Fax 03 5443 9722
Web: www.spbendigo.catholic.edu.au

In the Learning Pack you pick up this week you will also find a Confidential Medical Form that needs to be completed and returned to school. We need to update our information on all students so we ask that you return the completed form when you pick up the next Learning Pack (or as soon as possible if your child is attending).

Thank you

We would publicly like to thank our staff for everything they have accomplished over the last few weeks. Our teachers have had to change the way they teach our students, they have spent hours and hours preparing Individual Learning Packs, adapting those packs after receiving feedback from families, communicating with other staff via email and digital meetings, following distancing rules themselves, and looking after their own families and children throughout it all. We also thank all our ESOs who have changed their hours, changed their duties and changed the work they are doing. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. St Peter's Staff are Champions!!

2021 Enrolments

We are now taking enrolment applications for Prep students for 2021. If you have a child you would like to enrol for Prep next year, please make contact with the office. Also if you could let friends and family know that we are taking names that would be very helpful. Please ask anyone you know who has a kinder-aged child to get in touch.

What we are praying for....

Dear God,
We ask that you keep us all safe at this time.
We ask you to look after our families and community members, our teachers and ESOs.
We ask that you shine your loving light on us all, so we remember you are with us.
Help us all to be kind and gentle with those around us, to smile and be patient and caring.
We ask this through Jesus our friend.
Amen

Stay safe,
God Bless,
Jen & Mick



We're all in this together



**DATES
TO
REMEMBER**



> **FRIDAY 24 APRIL**—Collect student Learning Packs from School
9.15am -10.45am OR 1.30pm - 2.30pm
> **2021 Enrolments**—NOW OPEN

Catholic Identity

Mr P, Catholic Identity Coordinator

Second Sunday of Easter - Year A

“After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.”

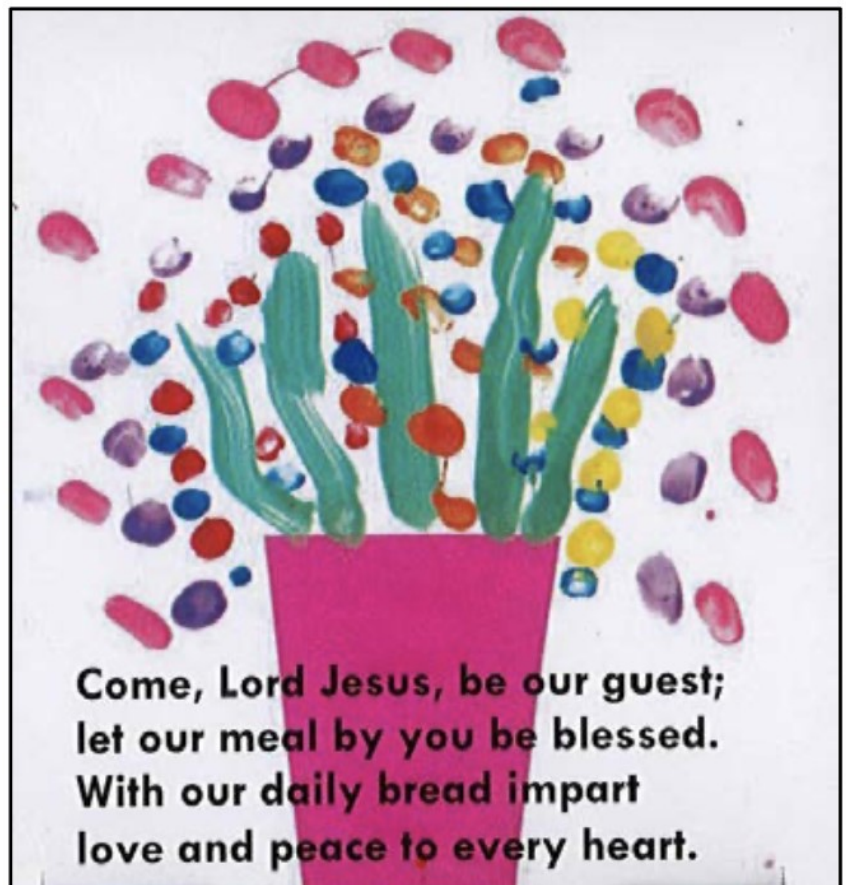
Something to Think About

Closed doors and locked-in fears are no barriers for Jesus. He enters our homes and hearts to bring us peace. Just as he did for the disciples, Jesus sends us out to build communities of love and forgiveness.

The Story

It was evening on the first day of the week and the disciples were together in a locked room – they were scared of what the leaders would do to them. Then Jesus appeared among them, but Thomas was missing. When the other disciples told Thomas that Jesus has been with them, he did not believe them and became known as ‘doubting Thomas’. Thomas refused to believe unless he saw Jesus for himself. A week later when the disciples, including Thomas, were together, Jesus appeared among them. Thomas saw Jesus and believed that he had risen.

A Prayer you could say before your meals



ST. PETER'S
Gratitude Prompt

This year our school theme is 'Seek and you will find' from Matthew 7:7. Here is a weekly prompt to help you find all those great things in your life! You can reflect on each of weekly prompts once a day!

WEEK 01
What's something that you're looking forward to?

WEEK 02
What's something that you grateful to have today that you didn't have a year ago?

WEEK 03
Write about someplace you've been that you're grateful for.

WEEK 04
Open the door or window and look outside. What's something you're grateful for outside?

WEEK 05
What's an accomplishment you're proud of?

WEEK 06
Open your phone or photo album and find a photo that you like. Why are you grateful for this photo? What are you grateful for in the photo?

WEEK 07
What have you been given that you're grateful for?

WEEK 08
Write about a friend that you're grateful for.

WEEK 09
What's one of your personality traits that you're grateful for?

WEEK 10
Write about a teacher or mentor that you're grateful for.

WEEK 11
Write about a family member that you're grateful for.

Thank you, God, for all your blessings to me and my family; for the strength you give me each day and for all the people around me who make life more meaningful. Amen.

ECOLOGICAL STEWARDSHIP PROJECT

By Mrs Lauren White, Eco-Stewardship Coordinator

"Go outside...amidst the simple beauty of nature...and know that as long as places like this exist, there will be comfort for every sorrow, whatever the circumstances may be."
(Anne Frank)

WHAT IS SORROW?

Sorrow is a deep feeling of sadness or distress.

HOW CAN THE BEAUTY OF NATURE HELP WITH SORROW/SADNESS?

Several studies show that spending time outside in nature can help relieve stress and anxiety, improve your mood, and boost feelings of happiness and wellbeing. Humans evolved in the great outdoors, and your brain benefits from a journey back to nature. We still have a deep connection with nature, and research shows that nourishing that bond helps us to feel better.

(American Heart Association, www.health.org, 2020)



HOW CAN WE SPEND TIME IN NATURE?

You can go for a walk/jog/run, sit outside and relax, look out the window, read a book outside, go for a bike ride, scoot/skate, exercise/stretch/yoga/meditate outside, do some gardening, play outside, sleep under the stars/stargaze, watch the sunrise/sunset, birdwatch, stand/walk in bare feet outside, have a picnic outside, swim in a pool/dam, explore/investigate small wonders like bugs/insects/flowers/leaves/seeds, paint/draw/create outside or something using nature, take photos of nature, go on a nature treasure hunt, jump in puddles and many more...



TIP - Be prepared to experience nature in different weather conditions by having sunscreen, hats, umbrellas, raincoats and



WELCOME BACK TO TERM 2 - ISOLATION STYLE!

I have missed seeing you all and hope that you enjoyed the break and are enjoying working through your work packs. The chooks have really missed you too. I know they love the scraps from the compost, but I think they love your attention more!

Remember to keep enjoying nature and getting outside at home. Be eco-warriors and reduce, reuse, recycle, compost, look after your garden, pick up rubbish and be kind to nature. Use your cooking skills that you have learned at Djak Tjarra to help cook a meal and cater for your family.

Keep up the great work everyone!

Lauren White, Eco-Stewardship Coordinator

BOOK CLUB IS HERE—Virtual Catalogue while Students Learn from Home

<http://scholastic.com.au/book-club/virtual-catalogue-1/>

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008 NEW! *Slime* by David Wilmore. Will Ned be able to use his Slime Power to stop the horrible green-ups? 272 pp. AGES 8+ \$19.99 **CLUB PRICE \$18.00**

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023 NEW! *Apocalyptic Collection* by Thirteen Zacks. Thirteen Zacks' apocalyptic stories in one boxed set! 10 books, 96 pp. AGES 8+ \$99.99 **CLUB PRICE \$59.99**

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030 NEW! *Kids' Cookbook* by Bluey. A perfect introduction to cooking with simple and delicious recipes. 240 pp. AGES 8+ \$24.99 **CLUB PRICE \$27.00**

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Are you looking for information or assistance during COVID-19?

There is a range of services and information available from agencies and government organisations to help answer any questions you may have, or to provide assistance to you during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The City of Greater Bendigo has compiled the following information to ensure you are contacting the correct agency or government organisation to provide you with the information and assistance you need.

For services provided by the City of Greater Bendigo

City of Greater Bendigo

COVID-19 updates are available at www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/About/Media-Releases/Greater-Bendigo-COVID-19-updates

☎ 5434 6000

💻 www.bendigo.vic.gov.au

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For information on financial support

Centrelink

Delivers government payments and services.

☎ 13 24 68

💻 www.servicesaustralia.gov.au

Victorian Government Financial Assistance Information

💻 www.premier.vic.gov.au

💻 www.sro.vic.gov.au/news/new-tax-measures-support-businesses

Commonwealth Government Financial Assistance Information

💻 www.australia.gov.au

Bendigo Family and Financial Services

Financial counselling and advocacy to negotiate with providers regarding overdue utility or phone bills.

☎ 5441 5277

💻 www.bendigofamilyandfinancialservices.org

For health and family support

Department of Health & Human Services

Information on COVID-19.

💻 www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/victorian-public-coronavirus-disease-covid-19

Bendigo Health

Information on COVID-19 and screening clinic.

💻 www.bendigohealth.org.au/coronavirus

Bendigo Community Health Services

A range of primary and community health services that are mostly free or minimal cost.

☎ Bendigo: 5406 1200

☎ Elmore: 5406 1200

✉ bchs@bchs.com.au

💻 www.bchs.com.au

Gianna Centre

A caring family support, education, and referral service for men, women and young people dealing predominantly with pregnancy, parenting, fertility, relationships, loss, grief, and other related issues.

☎ Client inquiries: 0419 496 443 or 0428 400 159

☎ General inquiries: 0417 392 255

For information on schools and education

Department of Education Victoria

Education and training - Information, updates and advice as of March 28 about the outbreak of COVID-19.

💻 www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx

La Trobe University

La Trobe University COVID-19 Financial Assistance Program.

💻 www.latrobe.edu.au/students/admin/fees-and-money/assistance/covid-19-assistance-program

💻 www.latrobe.edu.au/scholarships/forms/covid-19-financial-assistance-application

For information on housing and accommodation assistance

Haven; Home, Safe

Integrated affordable rental housing and homelessness services.

☎ 5444 9000

💻 www.havenhomesafe.org.au

Anglicare

Crisis accommodation service assisting homeless young people aged 16–22 years. Child and family services.

☎ 5440 1100 (Contact by phone to arrange assistance)

💻 www.anglicarevic.org.au

For assistance with mental health issues

Bendigo Health

Range of inpatient and community-based services provided to people who are experiencing mental health problems.

- ☎ Mental Health Regional Triage Service 1300 363 788.
(24 hours a day, seven days week)
- 💻 www.bendigohealth.org.au/MentalHealthServices

Mind Australia

Mental health information, advice and support coordination.

- ☎ 9938 1960 (Contact by phone to arrange assistance)
- 💻 www.mindaustralia.org.au/services/victoria/centre-mental-health-and-wellbeing-bendigo

Bendigo Community Health Services Inc.

General counselling and referral.

- ☎ 5406 1200
- 💻 www.bchs.com.au

Headspace Bendigo

Tailored and holistic mental health support to people aged 12-25 years.

- ☎ 5406 1400 (Contact by phone to arrange assistance)
- ✉ headspace@bchs.com.au

Mental Health Triage Services

This service offers crisis care 24 hours a day, seven days week.

- ☎ 1300 363 788
- 💻 www.bendigohealth.org.au/mentalhealthTriageServices

For people needing crisis support

Telephone/online support services

Beyond Blue

- 💻 www.beyondblue.org.au

Kid's Helpline

- ☎ 1800 55 1800
- 💻 www.kidshelpline.com.au

Men's Line

- ☎ 1300 78 99 78
- 💻 www.mensline.org.au

Lifeline

- ☎ 13 11 14
- ☎ 0477 131 114 text messaging service (6pm to midnight)
- 💻 www.lifeline.org.au/get-help/online-services/crisis-chat
(7pm to midnight)

Victorian Council of Churches

- ☎ 9412 8481
- ✉ emergencies@vcc.org.au
- 💻 <https://vccem.org.au>

For family violence services

Domestic Violence Resource Centre Victoria

A state-wide specialist family violence organisation.

- 💻 www.dvrcv.org.au

Annie North

A crisis and transitional supported accommodation/refuge services for women and children who are escaping domestic and family violence, or who are homeless due to domestic and family violence.

- 💻 www.annienorth.org.au

Family Violence Response Centre

- ☎ 1800 015 188

Centre for Non Violence

Providing a range of services and programs that respond to and work to prevent family violence and homelessness across the Loddon region.

- ☎ 1800 884 292
- ☎ 5430 3050
- ✉ reception@cnv.org.au
- 💻 www.cnv.org.au

Women's Health Loddon Mallee

Regional women's health service for communities across regional North-West Victoria with a strategic focus on sexual and reproductive health, prevention of violence against women, and gender equity.

- ☎ 1800 350 233
- ☎ 5443 0233
- ✉ whlm@whlm.org.au
- 💻 www.whlm.org.au

For food relief

A Reasonable Christianity

- ☎ 0417 895 166

Bendigo Baptist Community Care

- ☎ 5441 4747

Eaglehawk Community House

- ☎ 5446 8322

Eaglehawk Foodcare 3556

- ☎ 0403 698 715

Eaglehawk Uniting Food and Care

- ☎ 5446 9177

Heathcote Foodshare

- ☎ 0411 158 071

Salvation Army

- ☎ 5440 8410

Uniting

- ☎ 5443 4972

Vinnies Bendigo

- ☎ 5443 0583

Vinnies Kangaroo Flat

- ☎ 5447 9800

Woolworths Basic Box

Available to the elderly, people with disabilities and anyone in mandatory isolation

- ☎ 1800 000 610
- 💻 www.woolworths.com.au/shop/discover/priorityassistance

For business support

Business Victoria

Advice, updates and support to help workplaces plan and respond to COVID-19.

- ☎ 13 22 15
- 💻 www.business.vic.gov.au
- 💻 www.business.vic.gov.au/disputes-disasters-and-succession-planning/illness-and-business-management-plan/coronavirus-business-support

Be Bendigo

Business support information.

- ☎ 5442 7816
- 💻 www.bebendigo.com.au

Victorian Chamber of Commerce

- 💻 www.victorianchamber.com.au

Food Relief Information in Greater Bendigo

If you are requiring food assistance during these challenging times you can contact any of the following agencies for help.

Please note in order to comply with the current COVID-19 guidelines and restrictions and because this information is constantly changing please phone the agencies direct regarding your needs and they will let you know how to access food supplies.



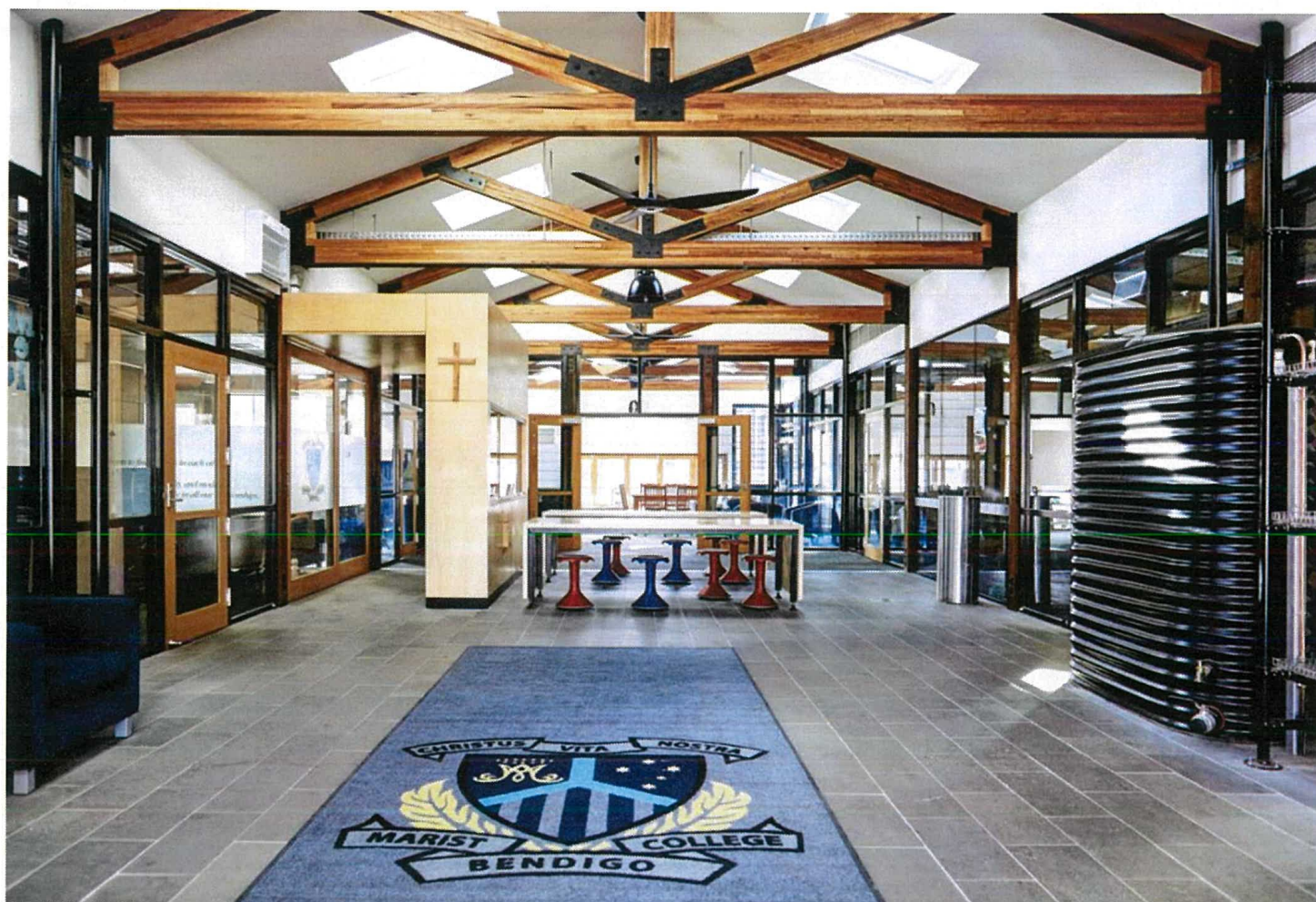
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Groceries

Location	Organisation	Address	Times	Access info
CBD	Bendigo Baptist Community Care	Life Essentials 214 Hargreaves St Bendigo	Mon-Fri 10am-12.30pm 1.30pm-4pm	5441 4747
CBD	Bendigo Family and Financial Services	8 Myers St Bendigo	Mon-Fri 9am-5pm	5441 5277
CBD	Salvation Army	65-71 Mundy St Bendigo	Mon-Fri 9am-3pm	Appointment only 5440 8410
CBD	Vinnies	16 Hopetoun St Bendigo	Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri 10.00am to 1.00pm	Appointment only 5443 5688
CBD	Uniting	25 Forest St Bendigo	Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri 10am-12.15pm 1.30pm- 3.45pm	Appointment only 5443 4972
Eaglehawk	Community House	19 Bright St Eaglehawk	Mon/Wed/Fri 10am-noon Tues 6.30-7.30pm	Appointment only 5446 8322 0417 895 166
Eaglehawk	Food & Care (Uniting church)	Cnr Peg Leg & Kirwood Rds Eaglehawk	Tues 1pm-3pm	Appointment Only 0400 543 372
Eaglehawk	Foodcare 3556 (Presbyterian church)	75 Victoria St Eaglehawk		Appointment only 0403 698 715
Golden Square	Kingdom Generation	6 Elwood St Golden Square		Appointment only 0402 915 960
Heathcote	Heathcote Foodshare	76 High St Heathcote	Mon - Sat 10am to 1pm	0411 158 071
Heathcote	Vinnies	169 High St Heathcote	Wed & Fri 10am-2pm	Appointments only 5433 2549
Kangaroo Flat	Vinnies	155 High St Kangaroo Flat	Mon, Wed, Fri 11am-1pm	Appointment only 0474235761

Meals

Location	Organisation	Address	Times	Access Info
Eaglehawk	Community House	19 Bright St Eaglehawk	Mon/Wed/Fri 10am-noon Tues 6.30-7.30pm	Appointments only 5446 8322
Golden Square	A Reasonable Christianity Church	237 High Street Golden Square	Sun 3.30pm-4.40pm Thur 5pm-6pm	0404 599 769



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