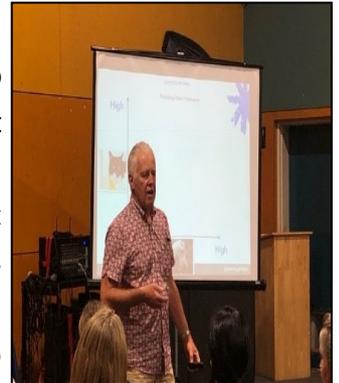


# NEWSLETTER

## Skye Primary School

### Principal's Report

Welcome to our first Newsletter of the year. It has been a great start to the year, culminating with our Parent Information Evening last night. It was wonderful to see so many families visiting classrooms and grabbing a sausage sandwich. I was so happy that so many of you were able to stay for our Parenting Session with Michael Grose. What a great presenter! The feedback at the end of the night was fantastic and I am glad that you all enjoyed it just as much as I did. I just wish I had been given some of those tips when my own 3 boys were little and wreaking havoc! My boys are all now wonderful adults but I am very keen to learn more about his tips for parenting adolescence so that I can deal with my teenage daughter's range of moods! After chatting to Michael at the end of the evening, he has very generously offered us a free subscription to his resources (normally \$800) that we will be able to share with you in our newsletters and via webinars.



I am meeting with our new SEIL (Senior Education Improvement Leader) today to finalise our school Annual Implementation Plan, which I will present at School Council next Tuesday night. If you are interested in this work, you are more than welcome to attend the meeting. All School Council meetings are generally open meetings, meaning that anyone in our school community can attend as a visitor. Notices will be sent out next week for the 2019 School Council Election in March. There are several parent positions that will be vacant so this is a great opportunity to get involved. We also have a Buildings & Grounds and a Finance Sub-Committees that you can join without being a member of School Council. Please contact the office if you would like more information.

As always, the parent carpark can be very busy at the beginning of year. Please see the attached map and regulations for use of the carpark and note that the rear gate (near the bike shed) is the only pedestrian access to the carpark. There is **NO PEDESTRIAN ACCESS** via the Kiss and Go / drive through pathway. Please note that the Staff carpark is not to be used by parents to drop off and pick up students of a morning and afternoon.

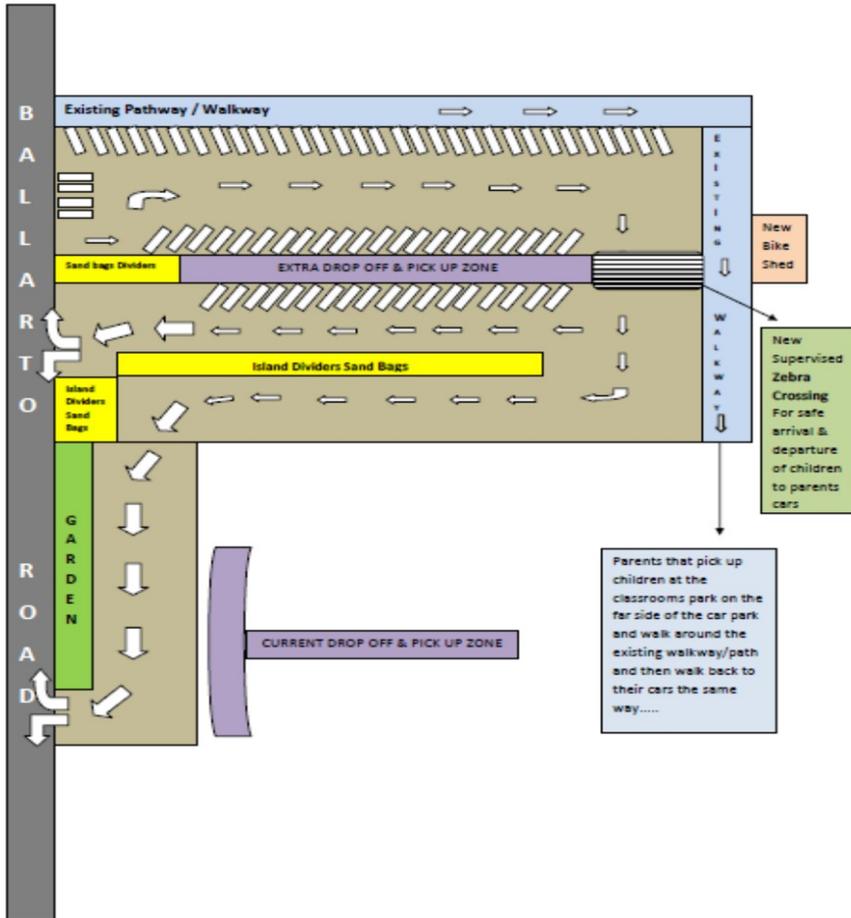
We expect that all adults in our school will cooperate with our management of student safety. We are all role models for our children. If a child sees parents taking a short cut then they will likely attempt to do the same. ***Please assist us in ensuring that all of our children stay safe.***

It was great meeting many of you this week and I hope that we get to have many more opportunities in the coming months to chat and share in your children's education.

Have a great week!

Jane Briffa

# Parent Car Park



# School Wide Positive Behaviours

Skye Primary School has become a SWPB school.

SWPB is a framework designed to enable staff and students to approach behavioural and academic problems and challenges. It is designed to build the capacity of school staff and enhance staff and student relationships.

*In a SWPB school students know what is expected of them and they choose to do so because:*

- They know what to do*
- Have the skills to do it*
- See the natural benefits for acting responsibly*

*Adults and students have more time to:*

- Focus on relationships*
- Focus on classroom instructions*

*There is an instructional approach to behaviour.*

During Term 4 last year and starting off this year the staff and students have been involved in drafting whole school expectations for all the different areas of our school. This poster is included in this newsletter and the students will be familiarised with these expectations over the next week.

# Skye Primary School—Expected Behaviours

## Dream - Learn - Achieve

	<b>Respect</b> We show <b>respect</b> at all times and care about the rights and feelings of others	<b>Responsibility</b> We take <b>responsibility</b> for our learning, our behaviour and school environment	<b>Resilience</b> We are <b>resilient</b> and work through challenges effectively	<b>Relationships</b> We create and maintain positive <b>relationships</b>
All Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I use polite and appropriate language</li> <li>* I use manners</li> <li>* I keep my school neat and tidy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I wear the correct school uniform</li> <li>* I report ALL the facts</li> <li>* I use school property correctly</li> <li>* I only enter classrooms with permission</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I understand that accidents happen</li> <li>* I accept my mistakes</li> <li>* I 'move on' from issues and think positively</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I include others</li> <li>* I cooperate with others</li> </ul>
 Active Play Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I play safely and share the space</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I finish eating before playing in these areas</li> <li>* I use all equipment properly</li> <li>* I play in the correct areas</li> <li>* I tackle ONLY during Skye FL</li> <li>* I wear my hat when required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I use the 'Five Finger Plan'</li> <li>* I apologise for my mistakes</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I listen to others</li> <li>* I take turns and follow the rules</li> <li>* I keep my body parts to myself</li> </ul>
Quiet Play Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I eat my own food</li> <li>* I sit in designated areas while I'm eating</li> <li>* I only SIT on the seats</li> <li>* I respect other people's property</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I walk in these areas</li> <li>* I put my rubbish in the bin</li> <li>* I help clean up</li> <li>* I stay in the designated zones</li> <li>* I play quiet games</li> <li>* I wear my hat when required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I make positive comments to others</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I play safely</li> <li>* I appreciate other's work</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I can 'Show Five'</li> <li>* I listen to all staff, parents and helpers</li> <li>* I follow instructions</li> <li>* I stand still during the <b>National Anthem</b>; facing the front; hands by my side</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I use the appropriate voice level</li> <li>* I walk quietly into the hall</li> <li>* I sit with my class or group</li> <li>* I use equipment correctly and safely and put it away when finished</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I accept the group I am put in</li> <li>* I participate in all games and activities</li> <li>* I try new things and give everything 'a go'</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I greet everyone politely</li> <li>* I follow the rules and be a 'good sport'</li> </ul> 
Office Areas & Specialist Foyer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I move around in a quiet and safe manner</li> <li>* I knock and wait for a teacher</li> <li>* I only enter the office or foyer with approval from a teacher</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I line up in two lines</li> <li>* I wait for teacher instruction</li> <li>* I walk sensibly and quietly</li> <li>* I place my bags against the wall</li> <li>* I enter and exit the foyer quietly</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I only go to sick bay when urgent and with teacher permission</li> <li>* I sit quietly and patiently in the sick bay</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I keep my hands to myself and away from items in the office, foyer or sick bay</li> </ul>
Transitions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I respect other's property</li> <li>* I wait my turn</li> <li>* I use a quiet voice</li> <li>* I give the person in front space to walk</li> <li>* I move in a timely manner</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I walk in two lines, voice off</li> <li>* I return to class promptly after the bell</li> <li>* I walk my bike/ scooter in school grounds</li> <li>* I drop my bike/scooter off quickly and then move on</li> <li>* I use the marked pathways and crossings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I wait patiently and respectfully</li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I keep body parts to myself</li> <li>* I tell an adult if I feel unsafe</li> </ul>
Toilets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I let everyone have their own privacy</li> <li>* I talk quietly and appropriately</li> <li>* I flush the toilet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I use the correct toilet for my grade level</li> <li>* I keep the toilet clean and tidy</li> <li>* I use the toilet for its correct purpose</li> <li>* I wash my hands</li> <li>* I conserve water</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I tell an adult if I feel unsafe</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I stay with my buddy going to and from the toilet</li> </ul> 
Excursions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I listen to all staff and helpers on the bus</li> <li>* I follow all instructions given by adults on excursions</li> <li>* I show respectful behaviour during excursions in public areas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I keep my seatbelt on</li> <li>* I stay in my seat, sitting sensibly</li> <li>* I use a quiet voice</li> <li>* I obey all road, bus and pedestrian safety rules</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* I stay with my group</li> <li>* I ask permission to leave my group</li> </ul>

## Staff News



Congratulations to Amy Koslow and Nick who were married over the school holidays—Miss Koslow is now Mrs Jung.

Huge congratulations to Miss Welsh (Mrs Murphy) and Sam on the safe arrival of Lachlan—mum and bub are well and we are eagerly awaiting a visit.



## Students Absences

The Education Department requires all schools to contact parents / caregivers if their child is absent from school as soon as practicable on the day of an **UNEXPLAINED** student absence. It is your responsibility as a parent to ensure that the school is notified if your child is absent as early as possible on the day or earlier if possible.

You can notify the school the following ways –

- \* Phone the absence line – 9786 1555 press 1 – please leave your child’s name and grade and the **reason** they are absent
- \* Sentral – log on to Sentral. Click on Absences to record your child’s absence and the reason they are away.
- \* Reply to the SMS you receive immediately with the reason that your child is absent
- \* If you going on holidays or know that your child will be absent write a note to the teacher or notify the office prior to the absence.

***Please remember it is your responsibility to contact us to provide an explanation for your child’s absence from school, and where possible please inform us in advance of upcoming absences. Protecting the safety and well-being of children through the reporting and monitoring of absenteeism is the responsibility of both parent/carers and schools.***

## Sentral

Thank you to all our parents who have registered with Sentral. If you are having any issues getting Sentral to work please don’t hesitate to come into our school office .

Sentral is used for accessing your child’s school reports, book interviews for Parent Teacher meetings, communication from your child’s year levels, Newsletters and enables parents to notify the school of your child’s absence.

## Skye Facebook Page

This page will be making regular posts and share all of the wonderful things your child/ren are doing in their school time.

Please note that our school will delete any comments that are deemed inappropriate for public viewing from the Skye Primary School Face Book page.

We look forward to you visiting our page regularly.



## ★ Star of the Week ★



### CONGRATULATIONS TO KINDRA VELLA— STAR OF THE WEEK

*Consistently demonstrating exemplary classroom behaviour, manners and producing work of a high standard of which she can be proud*

## Subway—Starting Next Week

Order forms will go home tomorrow for Subway which will commence next week. Orders must be in Tuesday for delivery of lunches to the school on Thursday—sorry no late orders can be accepted.

There are a couple of changes to Subway this year the following meal deals are being offered and these will be the only options -

\$7.00 includes—6" sub, cookie or fruit cup, water or juice.

\$5.00 is a 6" sub no extras or drink.

The order forms will look different so please check them carefully.

## Volunteers wanted for Kitchen Garden Classes

There is nothing more satisfying than sharing a delicious meal created with fresh produce that you have grown from seed to harvest. Skye Primary School students from Years 3-6 will participate in the Kitchen Garden Program for two hours per fortnight and students from Foundation-Year 2 can elect to participate through the Inspire Program.

The Kitchen Garden Program relies on many people for it to work to its full potential and the volunteer body is one of the most important facets of the program. I envisage there to be at least four adults assisting in each cooking class. We can not run this wonderful program without volunteers. You don't have to be a green thumb or a great cook, you just have to love growing food, eating food and being with children.

If you would like to volunteer in the kitchen or garden I would love to hear from you.

The classes will run on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

To find out more about the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation please visit [www.kitchengardenfoundation.org.au](http://www.kitchengardenfoundation.org.au)

Please contact the office or send in the slip previously provided if you are able to volunteer your time. If you know of anyone in our local community that might like to volunteer please let them know to contact the school.

Kind regards,

Inger Furlong

*Kitchen Garden Specialist*



## Breakfast Club

Days and times are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from **8.30am - 8.50am**

- Breakfast club is **free** however, **if** your child suffers with any food allergies please send a note with them
- Breakfast club will be held in the kitchen area of the Grade 3 building below the bottom basketball court.
- Students can attend once or twice a week there is no need to book they just need to turn up
- *Breakfast club is intended to be a fun and social time for children to enjoy each other's company.*

### What's on the menu?

Muesli, Vitabrits and Cheerios with Milk

Tinned fruit.

Baked Beans

Toast and a variety of spreads

Water

A selection of fresh fruit (seasonal)

Breakfast club encourages students to start the day with a nice healthy breakfast in a lovely social setting



## Library News

Welcome to the Library this year Mrs Tarnia Mathieson and Mrs Karen Lewis will be looking after the library while Ms Clarke is away.

There will be some new and exciting things happening in the library this year and we are starting it all off with a 'Little Library'. This will be a portable bookcase that will be set up outside the library for recess and lunchtime. The children are encouraged to come and get a book and read under the sails area. This may be something that they share with a friend or have some quiet time alone. We already have a selection of books but are always interested in having more especially books that are easy to flick through and comic books. If you are having a clean out and would like to donate any – they would be most appreciated and can be dropped off to the office.

Scholastic book catalogues will be coming home with your child very soon. This is a really easy way to find age appropriate books for your child or for gifts. The school will receive a bonus from your orders allowing us to keep on ordering new books for the library.

You can order your books directly through Scholastic. All you will need to do is create an account. This is very easy to do but if you are having difficulty then please phone Scholastic and they will help you through the process.

Payment is made directly to Scholastic and when the books are delivered to school they will be sent to your child's classroom.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with us if you need some help.

**Happy Reading**





Skye Primary School offers Private and Dual Instrumental Music lessons during school hours.

Lessons are conducted by local music school Poco Music. Instrumental lessons are offered in Piano, Ukelele, Guitar, Bass, Brass, Woodwind, Strings and Singing. Lessons are taught by fully qualified teachers in a fun environment.

At Poco Music we believe every child deserves the right to start out life with a quality music education.

Lessons offered are private 30 min classes catering to the students' individual needs.

Group lessons of 2 students is offered for all instruments except drums.

Lessons are taught in a fun environment focusing on learning how to read music notation, working through method books and learning fun contemporary songs that engage students.

We also prepare students for AMEB and ANZCA music exam grading.

Once Students are competent with playing a few chords and notes Rock Bands will commence and rehearse weekly at lunchtimes.

***COST of lessons: \$38.00 Private 30 min lesson***

***\$25.00 per child for a dual 30 min lesson***

If you would like to enrol your child for lessons please fill out our enrolment form online at [www.pocomusic.com.au](http://www.pocomusic.com.au)

For more enquiries please email us at: [admin@pocomusic.com.au](mailto:admin@pocomusic.com.au) or call our office on [9584 7341](tel:95847341)

Please be sure to like our Facebook page for more information on Lessons and Bands -

<https://www.facebook.com/PocoMusicTuition/>

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

### CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

### MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit  
[www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

**If you have any questions or need an application form please come to the school office.**

### HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply in 2018.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



# Dates to remember - Term 1

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
February 11	February 12	February 13	February 14	February 15
PTF—AGM 9.15AM All Welcome  ASSEMBLY IN GYM	Breakfast club 8.30am  Subway order forms due	NO PREPS Breakfast club 8.30am	Breakfast club 8.30am  Subway Lunches	SWIMMING TRAILS 
February 18	February 19	February 20	February 21	February 22
ASSEMBLY IN GYM	Breakfast club 8.30am  Subway order forms due	NO PREPS Breakfast club 8.30am  TRIBES	Breakfast club 8.30am  Subway Lunches	
February 25	February 26	February 27	February 28	March 1
ASSEMBLY IN GYM	DISTRICT SWIMMING Breakfast club 8.30am  Subway order forms due	NO PREPS Breakfast club 8.30am	Breakfast club 8.30am  Subway Lunches	DISTRICT SWIMMING 
March 4	March 5	March 6	March 7	March 8
GRADE 6 CAMP 	GRADE 6 CAMP   Subway order forms due	GRADE 6 CAMP   TRIBES	Subway Lunches	
March 11	March 12	March 13	March 14	March 15
Labour Day NO SCHOOL	Subway order forms due		Subway Lunches	NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST BULLYING
March 18	March 19	March 20	March 21	March 22
LIFE ED VAN ASSEMBLY IN GYM	Subway order forms due  LIFE ED VAN	LIFE ED VAN  TRIBES	Subway Lunches   SCHOOL PHOTOS	LIFE ED VAN

## SKYE PRIMARY SCHOOL BINGO

### Tuesday Night – Eyes Down at 7.00pm

7.30pm - \$4 – 15 x Double Roulette – minimum \$80 houses

Flyer - \$1 – minimum \$200 Jackpot

8.30pm - \$7 – 29 x Roulette – minimum \$50, 1 x \$999 Jackpot

Plus Rolling Jackpot if bingo called under 52 calls

*\$12.00 FOR ONE BOOK FOR THE NIGHT*

### Wednesday Day—Eyes Down at 11.00am

11.00am—14 x \$50, 1 x \$500

12 noon—\$50 plus your number (\$51 to \$140)

12.40pm—14 x \$50 plus your number, 1 x \$700

Plus a \$2 Mr Jackpot Flyer

*\$13.00 FOR ONE BOOK FOR THE DAY*

### Wednesday Night—Eyes Down at 7.30pm

7.30pm—15 x Double Roulette (\$80-\$180)

8.30pm—15 x \$50 plus your number (\$51—\$140), 14 x Roulette (\$50-\$90), 1 x \$1200

Plus \$1.00 flyer \$200 Jackpot plus Rolling is called in 50 calls or less

*\$13.00 FOR ONE BOOK FOR THE NIGHT*

### Friday Day – Eyes Down at 11.00am – session finishes at 2.10pm

11.00am - \$3 – 14 x \$50 houses, 1 x \$500 Jackpot

12.00pm - \$3 – 10 x Double Roulette minimum \$80 houses

\$2 Flyer – 10 times Roulette minimum \$400

12.40pm - \$3 – 10 x \$70 houses

- \$4 – 14 x Roulette

- 1 x \$1,500 Jackpot

plus Rolling Jackpot if bingo called under 52 calls

*\$15.00 A SET FOR ONE BOOK FOR THE DAY*

# Calling all Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders



## Active Lifestyle Project for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People

Are you interested in playing sport? Do you want to be part of a team? Have strong friendships? Be healthy? Have fun? The Frankston City Council is offering funding up to \$500 for any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person living within the Frankston region to support participation in any Sport and Recreational activity.

Funding support offered include costs for:

- Club Registration fees
- Uniforms
- Sporting equipment
- Transport

Please note: If you have been previously supported by this program, you are ineligible to be supported this year. **This project has been extended to March 2019**

For more information, phone Council's Aboriginal Health Project Officer, Irene Fisher on 9784 1787 or email: [irene.fisher@frankston.vic.gov.au](mailto:irene.fisher@frankston.vic.gov.au)



# Could \$500 help you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for school costs.

-  laptops & tablets
-  lessons & activities
-  uniforms & shoes
-  books & supplies
-  sports fees & gear
-  camps & excursions

To join Saver Plus, you must be at least 18 years or over, have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself, have regular income from paid employment (you or your partner), have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card and be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment\*



Contact your local Saver Plus Coordinator  
 Phone or SMS your name and postcode to 1300 610 355  
 Email [FrankstonSP@bsl.org.au](mailto:FrankstonSP@bsl.org.au)  
 Online [saverplus.org.au](http://saverplus.org.au)  
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\* many Carerlink payments are eligible, please contact your local Coordinator for more information.

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