



PEARCEDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER ISSUE 7

TERM THREE REFLECTION

As Term Three draws to a close it is an important time to reflect on the many individual and collective achievements within our school and there have been many!

We all took part in a wonderful Art Exhibition that showcased the creative talents of all students. Who knew that there were so many different creations that could be made using Alice In Wonderland as inspiration!

The Colour Run was so much fun for everyone and it put a smile on so many faces on the day, creating wonderful memories for our community. There are still some children sporting colour in their curls!

We have had Year 3 camp, High School visits, Cyber Safety Incursions, First Aid lessons, Paper Aeroplane competition, a Spelling Bee Championship and both swimming and athletic events.

There were a number of fabulous assemblies that highlighted our student leaders' presentation abilities along with many selfless acts of kindness which aimed to raise funds for charities that made all PPS community members proud.

There was the annual Book Parade with students and staff dressing up as their favourite book characters which is always fun to guess which person is under that wig! Harry Potter was again a costume favoured by many!

Today's Footy Day Dress Up and parade signals the end of Term Three events! However, there are many more special events planned for Term Four - so keep an eye on Compass and the school newsletter.

So for now, we wish all of our families a safe and relaxing holiday break. We can not wait to see you all in two weeks time and hear about all of the wonderful adventures that have been undertaken.

CARPARK CONCERN

It has been noted that over the past couple of weeks we have had an increasing amount of traffic in the driveway and in the parking bays out the front of the school office.

Whilst we understand that as a large school with limited parking, there is a temptation to drop students off at 9.05 in the admin carpark area to save the hassle of parking on the oval end of the school.

However as the safety of our students is of the utmost priority we aim to minimise the number of cars that enter and exit this admin area and we need your help with this. Please do not enter the office area carpark via the EXIT lane and please do not drop off or park in the limited parking bays unless this is a necessity.

We are seeking your assistance to keep all PPS students safe!

REMINDERS

Mon 7th Oct
Term 4 commences

Wed 9th Oct
Northern Peninsula
Divisional Athletics
-selected students

Mon 14th Oct
Curriculum Day
- No students

Wed 16th Oct
Foundation excursion
Moonlit Sanctuary

Wed 16th - Fri 18th Oct
2025 Foundation
transition sessions

Mon 21st Oct
Southern Metro
Divisional Athletics
-selected students

Wed 23rd - Fri 25th Oct
2025 Foundation
transition sessions

Fri 25th Oct
World Teachers Day

Wed 30th Oct- Fri 1st Nov
2025 Foundation
transition sessions

Fri 1st Nov
Casey 360 Bus

Tues 5th Nov
Melb Cup Day



PHYS ED NEWS

TERM 3
2024

We would like to sincerely thank every parent, guardian and volunteer that has helped throughout Term 3.

We have such a jam-packed PE calendar, and a lot of the activities would not be possible without your support.

Thank you!

District Athletics

We recently had 60 students represent Pearcedale at the Murdoch District Athletics.

We would like to congratulate all the students that participated, and represented our school.

We would like to extend a further congratulations to the students that have qualified for the Divisional Level - a wonderful achievement.

We'll all be cheering for you!

District Basketball

By Judd K & Taj S

On Wednesday the 28th of August, we went to Frankston Stadium to compete with other schools in Basketball. We represented Pearcedale in the All-Star division, meaning we had a chance to make it to the Divisional level.

We had three great wins going into the last game against the other undefeated team, Woodlands.

This game was amazing! We played a great team game but were unlucky and didn't come away with the win. Runners up was a great achievement and we recommend trying it out for yourself when you get to Year 6.



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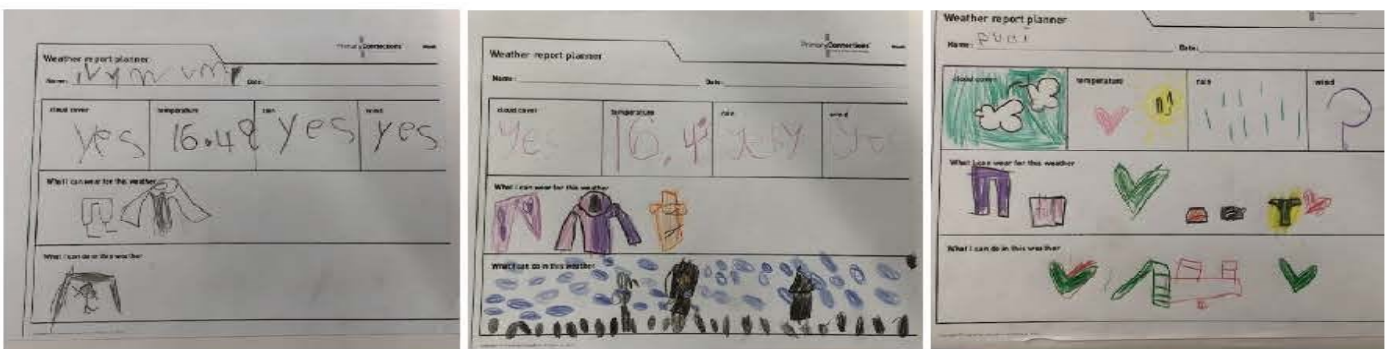




With Mr T. & Mrs French.

Foundation

Foundation students have been busy discovering all the natural changes that can occur in our weather. Developing their observational skills they took notes, drew pictures and described the weather using a wonderful new vocabulary. From their notes, students enhanced their technical skills and recorded each other presenting a weather report, just like on the TV. Students are now working on programming skills to hopefully be able to control and program a robot to solve problems in Term 4.



Gr 1/2

Term 3 was all about how changes can influence decisions made by humans; in particular weather. Students investigated the various seasons and the decisions that animals (not only humans) make during these changes. Students have also built on their programming skills to solve problems and avoid obstacles. Students were set programming tasks usually suited to older students and performed well beyond expectations. As with the Foundation students, Term 4 will bring these programming skills together as students master programming a robot to complete tasks and solve problems.



Grade 3 & 4

Grade 3&4 students have been working their way through their Earth project books. All their hard work, research and discovery has led them to the final task of researching a planet and creating an informative poster. These posters will teach their class about a planet (or dwarf planet) that exists in our solar system. The development in their research skills and being able to answer their own questions has been remarkable and Mrs French and Mr T could not be prouder of the improvements on display.

NEPTUNE

Planet facts:
 Discovered in - 23 September 1846
 Diameter (in kms) - 49,244 Km
 Axis/tilt (in degrees) - 28 degrees
 Day length - 16 Hours
 Year length - 165.8 earth years

Weird facts about Neptune:
 Neptune is the only planet that is the color of a blueberry.
 Neptune is the only planet that is a gas giant.
 Neptune has six rings.

What it is made out of?
 Neptune is made out of a hot dense fluid of "icy" materials - weather, methane and ammonia.

Neptune nickname is the blue giant.

Neptune is blue because the methane in neptunes upper atmosphere absorbs the red light from the sun but reflects the blue light back into space.

Average temperature (in degrees Centigrade):
 Day -330°F (-200°C) Night -353 Fahrenheit (-214 celsius)
 Current 4.4718 Billion Km

PLANET

Mars

Weird facts:
 Mars has two moons
 Mars is really cold
 Mars may look like a red planet

Planet facts:
 Discovered in - 1609
 Diameter (in kms) - 6,779km
 Axis/tilt (in degrees) - 25.2 degrees
 Day length - 24h 37m 22s
 Year length - 687 days

Average temperature (in degrees Centigrade):
 Day -63° Night -100°

It is made out of -
 Come into the center between 250 and 1,300 miles in radius to make out of hydrogen and oxygen

looks hot but is cold.
MARS look hot but is cold inside.

Mars

Rotation speed is... 870km

Rotation speed 870km per hour

Who was Mars discovered?
 Mars was discovered in 1868
 That's more than 400 years ago!

Fun facts:
 Mars is made out of rock
 There is 30 million of water on Mars
 Mars is the 4th planet from the sun
 Mars is cold and looks red

Day Temperature 70°F 20°C

Night temperature Minus 100°

Day length 37mins

Year length 687 Days!

5176km

Uranus!

Weird facts:
 Uranus is the seventh planet from the sun
 Uranus has 13 rings
 Uranus is an "ice giant"

Planet facts:
 Discovered in - 13th March 1781
 Diameter (in kms) - 51,118 KMS
 Axis/tilt (in degrees) - 62.23°
 Day length - 17 hrs
 Year length - 84 earth years 30,687 earth days

Average temperature (in degrees Centigrade):
 Day -320°F (-195°C) Night -320°F (-195°C)

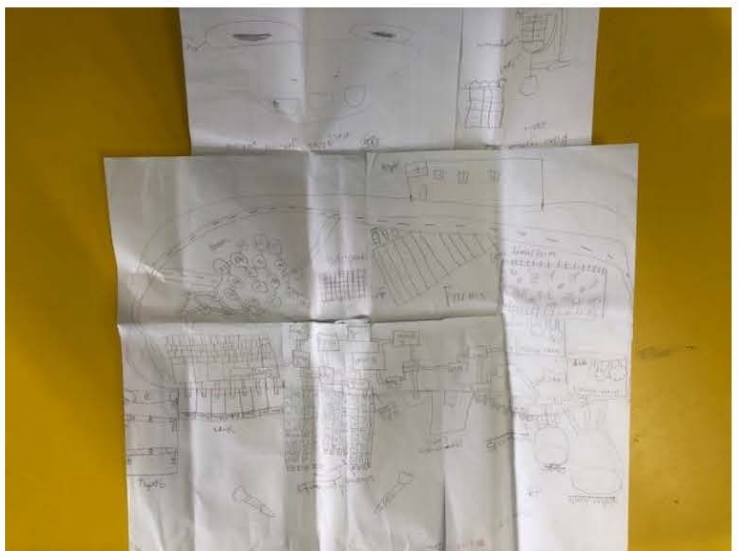
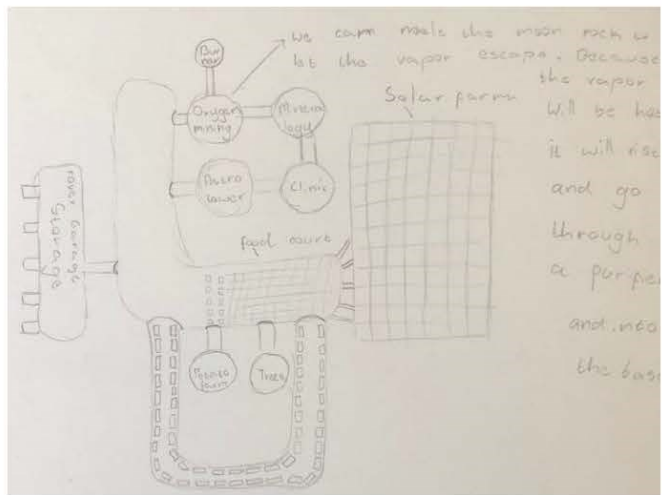
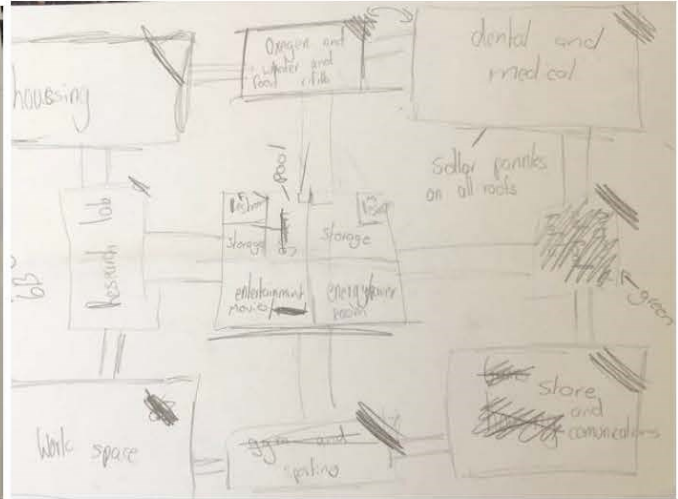
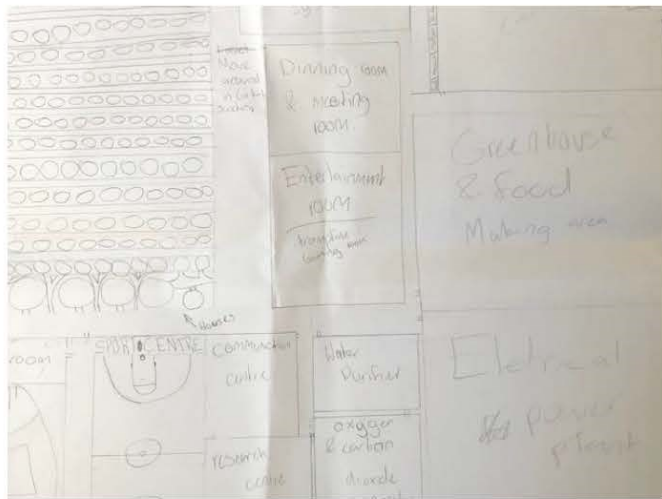
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SOLAR SYSTEM

THE SEVENTH PLANET FROM THE SUN!

Grade 5 & 6

The grade 5 & 6 students completed the Earth science part of their Moon base project, by completing their research and coming up with some fantastic designs. It is not over for them yet though as we will look at how we can incorporate the carbon cycle, recycling and a closed economy into our moon bases. It has been a pleasure to witness the creativity and inclusion of personal knowledge into their research and design. Students inserting their own knowledge of house building, human psychology, architecture and personal experiences into what humans would need on a moon base.



Term 4 will be focused on Chemical science. Students will investigate materials and elements and discover how they can be used for various purposes. Investigating how they can be reused, transformed and mixed with other materials to create useful materials for an ever expanding, creative list of purposes.

Here are some of the websites and online programs we have used in class this term that are easily accessible with any device, if student wish to continue developing their STEM knowledge and skills at home:

Typing practise - <https://www.typing.com/student/lessons> (Google 'typing practise for kids')

Tinkerball - <https://invention.si.edu/tinker-ball> (Google 'Tinkerball' NOT Tinkerbell)

And our favourite simulator online sites:

pHet website (general science simulators Yr2-12 -

<https://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulations/filter?type=html> (Google 'phet simulations')

Stop Disaster Game - <https://www.stopdisastersgame.org/> (Google 'Stop disasters game')

Stay curious.

Year 5 Term 3



BIZZARE BAZAAR

The Bizarre Bazaar was an unbelievable day! The students creative and original ideas had the classrooms buzzing and their enthusiasm, dedication and effort shown throughout the term was on full display! A whopping **\$3,251.40** was raised and students selected one of the following charities to donate their earnings to: MND Australia, RSPCA, Ronald McDonald House, National Breast Cancer Foundation and MSFIN (Mums Supporting Families in Need). Congratulations to all students on all their hard work!

COLOUR RUN

The Colour Run was a huge success in Term 4 and raised a massive amount of money for the school community. Students enjoyed all the activities on the day and especially the run which had them covered with colourful powder. It was amazing to see so many smiles and hear the laughter throughout the day! A big thank you and well done to all who participated.

FOOTY MATHS

Students have relished the opportunity to engage in the Footy Maths competition this term. All students gave their best efforts during their matches and displayed teamwork, leadership and problem-solving skills and were an asset to their teams. Great job Year Five!

TERM 4: IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- 11th October – Leadership position applications due
- Up day- 10th of December
- 14th of October & 27th of November - Curriculum days
- Hats must be worn throughout all of Term 4.

Have a happy and safe School Holidays and we look forward to seeing all students back for a sensational Term 4!

Grade 5 Team



We are SunSmart

- a note for families

Too much of the sun's ultraviolet (UV) radiation can cause sunburn, skin and eye damage and skin cancer.

UV damage accumulated during childhood and adolescence is associated with an increased risk of skin cancer later in life. Skin cancer is the most common cancer in Australia. It is also one of the most preventable cancers.

You can't see or feel the sun's UV. Whatever the weather, if the UV levels are three or more, it's important to *Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide!*

Sun protection times

Don't just wait for hot and sunny days to use sun protection. Check the sun protection times each day so your family can be protected when they need to be.



Daily local sun protection times and weather details are available from the SunSmart widget on our school website, in the weather section of the newspaper, on the SunSmart website at sunsmart.com.au and as a free SunSmart app. Sun protection times can also be found at the Bureau of Meteorology website and live UV levels are available from ARPANSA.

SunSmart membership

Our school is a registered member of Cancer Council Victoria's SunSmart Schools Program. We aim to protect children and staff from too much UV.

Sun protection and skin cancer prevention is a shared responsibility. Please help support our SunSmart membership and sun protection efforts by ensuring your child follows the SunSmart measures included in our policy at school and at home.

During the daily local sun protection times (usually from mid-August to the end of April), **use these 5 SunSmart steps – even if it's cool and cloudy.**

1. **SLIP** on covering clothing

For free dress days, ensure your child wears clothing that covers as much skin as possible (e.g. elbow length tops with a higher neckline or collar and longer style shorts or skirts). Densely woven fabrics are best.



2. **SLOP** on SPF30 (or higher) broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen

Apply a generous amount of sunscreen at the start of the day and make sure children have sunscreen in their bag ready to reapply throughout the day. Sunscreen should be reapplied every two hours. Please ensure children get plenty of sunscreen application practice at home so they'll be all set when they are at school. Under supervision, ask children to put a dot of sunscreen on each cheek, nose and chin and rub it in (avoiding the eye area) and sunscreen squiggles or dots on the back of the neck, arms and legs to cover these areas.

3. **SLAP** on a hat that protects the face, neck and ears

Choose a wide-brimmed, legionnaire or bucket hat. Peak caps and visors do not offer enough UV protection so please leave them at home. Please help your child remember to bring and wear their approved **school hat**. Please keep this at school so they will always be ready for outdoor activities, outdoor learning and play during school days. For the walk to and from school and weekends, please have an extra **home hat** to help keep children protected at home.

4. **SEEK** shade

Choose shady spots for learning and play whenever possible.

5. **SLIDE** on wrap-around AS1067 sunglasses

When appropriate and practical, help protect the eyes with sunglasses.

Need information in another language? Call 13 14 50 and ask to be connected to Cancer Council Victoria in your language

Outside School Hours Care Newsletter



10/09/2024

PEARCEDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Your
OSHC.



A message from your Coordinator

Dear Parents and Families.

Hello Everyone.

We are fast approaching, the end of Term 3. And we have been amazed, and so proud the way our children keep on showing, expressing, their creativity skills, ideas, imaginations through Art & Craft Activities. Hama Beads, Dramatic Imaginative Play, are some of our highlight experiences, which helps to promote, children's development, provide opportunities for social and language skills, boost problem solving and self-regulation skills.

Paper Plate Ocean, Paper Cup Frog, Elephants Creation are some of our Art Works, children were participating and engaging last two weeks. This week, is all about celebrating Camp Australia 30th Birthday, and we baked two chocolates cakes, and enjoyed some group games outside, such as Skipping with Ropes and Music Dancing.

We are already in Week 9, this means Holidays are just around the corner, so be sure to book in for our Rocketeers School Holiday Program. We will be doing some Exciting Excursions and Activities like, Adventure: Jungle of Fun at SuperZu Indoor Play Centre, Adventure: Sandsational Fun at Boneo Discovery Park, Big Art: Ultimate Craft Off, Special Event: Disco Fest 2024.

Do not miss out. We are here for you.

Thank you so much for your support this Term.

Kind Regards

Your OSHC Team

Susana Tapuvae and Wendy Taig.

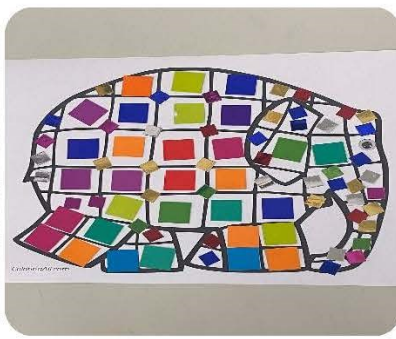
Activities coming up

- Crepe Paper
- Painting Bonanza
- Mandala Sand Art

Make a booking

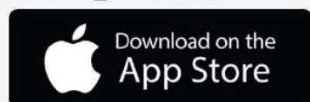
Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

[Book now](#)



Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campastralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.

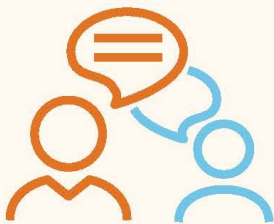


Find out more and book now at www.campastralia.com.au

Respectful school communities start with respectful behaviour

Parents, carers, staff and students can help keep our school community safe, supportive and respectful.

Good relationships are based on:



Open and honest communication



Trust and respect



Working together



Fair and reasonable expectations by all

These behaviours are **not** okay in our school community:

- ⊗ Threats
- ⊗ Violence
- ⊗ Rudeness

- ⊗ Harassment
- ⊗ Discriminatory and derogatory comments

- ⊗ Aggression
- ⊗ Intimidation
- ⊗ Threatening gestures

This includes in-person, over-the-phone, email, text message, social media and online.

For more information ask your school about the **Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy**.

INVITATION

Casey Youth Services invite parents/carers of grade 6 students transitioning to secondary school in 2025

Please join us for an information forum with esteemed psychologist, author, speaker and mental health advocate, Dr Michael Carr-Gregg, who will provide important tips & strategies about 'Grade 6 Transition' for young people and families.

- **Date:** Wednesday 23 October
- **Venue:** Bunjil Place Function Centre
2 Patrick Northeast Drive, Narre Warren
- **Time:** 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm Light refreshments will be provided.
- **RSVP:** Please RSVP via <https://tickets.bunjilplace.com.au/9954> by **Wednesday 16 October**

Michael is one of Australia's highest profile psychologists working in all forms of media. A successful author, speaker, broadcaster and mental health advocate, Michael works in private practice in Melbourne.



This is a FREE event but registrations are essential. Please contact Kim Hynes – Youth & Middle Years Development Officer for further information: khynes@casey.vic.gov.au

This is a Council run event or this is a Council sponsored event. The promotion of or active campaigning for any election at the event is not permitted. If you publicly declare at an event of your intention to stand, you will be informed that you cannot use this opportunity to platform your election campaign. Should you continue to platform your campaign at the event, Council or the event organiser, reserves the right to ask you to leave the event.

Contact the City of Casey:

Web: casey.vic.gov.au
Email: caseycc@casey.vic.gov.au
Phone: 03 9705 5200
Post: PO Box 1000, Narre Warren VIC 3805
NRS: 133 677 (for the deaf, hearing or speech impaired)

Customer Service Centres:

Narre Warren: Bunjil Place, Patrick Northeast Drive, Narre Warren
Cranbourne: Cranbourne Park Shopping Centre, Cranbourne
ABN: 43 320 295 742





BASKETBALL CLINIC

MEET & GREET

21 SEPTEMBER
1:30 - 3PM

Led by

Geckos & Goannas

Australian Womens and Mens Deaf Basketball Team

Deaf Led and Auslan Interpreted event

Age: 5yr - 16yr old

Deaf, Hard of Hearing & CODAS

- Learn New Basketball Skills
- Meet & Greet the Australian Deaf Basketball Teams
- Watch the Geckos & Goannas Train
- Parents Q&A

 REGISTRATION LINK

intix.com.au/event/deafbasketballkidsclinic

Knox Basketball Stadium
7 Park Cres, Boronia VIC 3155

More Information
Email: basketball@deafsports.org.au



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RUN, JUMP, THROW

Be Your Best!



ATHLETES OF ALL ABILITIES WELCOME
AGES 5 TO 16

SEASON STARTS 12TH OCTOBER

COME DOWN & ENJOY A FREE TRIAL



SATURDAY MORNINGS FROM 8.30AM

Ballam Park Athletics Track
Benanee Drive, Frankston



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Chris and Belinda would like to invite you to enjoy viewing our creations

SAT 12 OCT | 10AM - 5PM
SUN 13 OCT | 10AM - 5PM

Pearcedale Community Hall
Cnr Baxter-Tooradin Rd & Queens Rd

Christo&Bel
exhibition

