# 2025

# **Bus Information Booklet**

Please complete a bus application form and submit to Georgina Dunlop, Bus Coordinator, at georgina.dunlop@education.vic.gov.au, or return to the Front Office. Both Parents/Carers and students must sign the application form.

Bus application form to be returned by December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024





Dear Parents & Carers,

Please note that in 2025 due to demand on the buses we will do our best to allocate Mount Erin College students a place on our school buses based on the closest available bus route and stop to their main place of residence.

However, as demand for the buses has increased recently and keeping in mind that 3 of our bus services (Pearcedale 420, Tyabb 1229 and Hastings 410) are shared with Somerville Secondary College we will assess each bus application as it is submitted and determine the student's eligibility in accordance with the Department of Education's School Bus Program Eligibility Guide (please refer to guide on the next page)

In addition to the 3 shared buses with Somerville Secondary College, MEC subsidises two additional Charter buses to Pearcedale and Botanic Ridge however these operate in the afternoons only.

Some Public Transport Victoria (PTV) School Special buses, as listed in this booklet, are also available with the use of a MYKI to transport students to and from MEC.

When submitting a bus application form for one of the school bus services we kindly ask that you apply based on genuine need, and please advise if travel is required in both the morning and afternoon and on which weekdays.

Arrangements for travel to and from parent/carers workplaces will only be granted subject to availability, and when living arrangements are split between two households, we will determine a seat based in the student's primary place of address.

As much as we would like to accommodate all requests for travel via the school bus services to and from school, we must prioritise applications based on eligibility first. If we cannot offer your child a place on their preferred bus initially, they will be waitlisted and granted a seat as soon as one becomes available.

Kind Regards,

Jenni Hodgins (Principal)

Georgina Dunlop (Bus Coordinator)

# **School Bus Program**

# **Eligibility guide for families**

#### This leaflet will help explain the School Bus Program and assist you in determining your child's eligibility to travel on a school bus.

While parents/guardians are primarily responsible for getting their children to and from school, the School Bus Program assists families in rural and regional Victoria by transporting students to school. The School Bus Program services both government and non-government schools.

Categories of eligibility determine whether a student travels at no cost or travels upon the payment of a fare. Students wishing to access a seat on a bus must complete an application form and parents/guardians must agree to the conditions of travel including, if applicable, the payment of a fare.

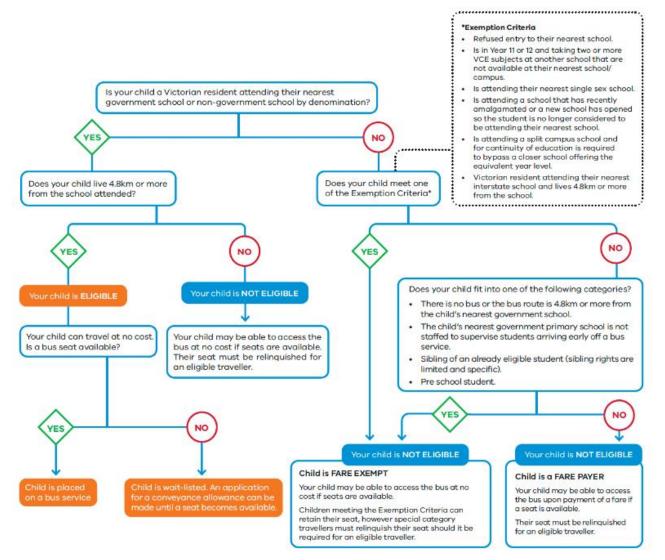
The Student Transport Unit of the Department of Education (DE) sets the policy and provides general transport advice to regional offices and schools. The Department of Transport and Planning (DTP) administers the School Bus Program as directed by the policy.

#### To be eligible for a seat on a bus at no cost a student must:

- 1. Attend their closest government school, according to year level, or closest appropriate non-government school, which is determined by the denomination of the school.
- 2. Reside 4.8 km or more from the school; measured by the shortest practicable route from the student's front gate to the school's main entrance.
- 3. Reside in Victoria.

Students with access to public transport within 1.6km of their home or closer than their nearest school bus service, cannot be approved for travel on the school bus. However, they may be eligible for transport assistance through the Conveyance Allowance Program. For more information visit: <u>www.vic.gov.au</u> (search 'travelling to school').

# Is your child eligible for the school bus?



### Notes

#### Non-government school students

- Eligible government students have priority over eligible non-government students when being accommodated on services.
- Non-government students may be accommodated where capacity exists.
- Non-government students on their own do not form a case for the establishment of a new school bus service or an extension to a route.

#### Ineligible students

- Government and non-government students not attending their closest appropriate school are required to pay a per term fare, regardless of the frequency of travel unless they meet one of the exemption criteria.
- A fare paying student may be required to relinquish their seat if the service is at capacity and an eligible non-fare paying student (government or non-government) wishes to access the service. The status of fare paying students is assessed each term.
- Parents/guardians must agree in writing that their child will travel as long as they pay a fare and seating capacity exists.
- Parents/guardians agree to make alternative travel arrangements should their child be required to relinquish their seat.
- Fare paying students do not form a case for the establishment of a new school bus service, service retention or an extension to the route.

#### Conditions of travel and parental responsibilities

- Students and parents/guardians must agree to comply with the conditions of bus travel as stated on the School Bus Program travel application forms.
- Parents/guardians are responsible for transporting their child to and from authorised bus stops and their safety while at the bus stop.
- Parents/guardians understand that school bus travel is a privilege and not a right.

#### Bus stops

- Bus stops are determined by the coordinating school and are based on appropriate locations that benefit as many travellers as possible to reduce travel time
- If a bus that stops near your home travels to a school other than your nearest, your child may be able to travel on it subject to seating capacity and upon payment of a fare
- Bus drivers are not permitted to carry students on the way to or from the start and end of a school run. For safety reasons, students must be picked up and dropped off at designated bus stops.

#### **Special cases**

 Families may apply for special consideration in complex and challenging transport circumstances. An application for special case consideration can be made through the school. Documentation that supports the case should be provided together with DE regional endorsement if a government school.  Speak to your school's bus coordinator for further information on special case consideration.

#### **Emergency management**

- In a forecast emergency school bus services will be cancelled if any part of the route is deemed at risk.
- A rapid onset emergency may result in service cancellations and buses being held at the school or if in transit, the buses returning to the school.
- Parents/guardians should familiarise themselves with the school's school bus emergency management plans.

#### How to apply

- Please contact the bus coordinator at your child's school for the appropriate school bus application form to complete and sign.
- Alternatively, you can download an application form online at: <u>www.vic.gov.au</u> (search 'travelling to school').
- If your school is in the School Bus Management System, you can apply online at: <u>https://schoolbus.educationapps.vic.gov.au/</u>
- You must complete a new application if your circumstances change (e.g. you move house or school)

#### **Further information**

Please visit: <u>www.vic.gov.au</u> (search 'travelling to school') or contact the bus coordinator at the school your child will be attending.

#### MOUNT ERIN COLLEGE COORDINATES THE FOLLOWING 5 BUS SERVICES...

#### TYABB 1229 – Morning & Afternoon

#### PEARCEDALE 420 – Morning & Afternoon

#### HASTINGS 410 – Morning & Afternoon

#### CHARTER BUS 1 PEARCEDALE - Afternoon only

#### CHARTER BUS 2 BOTANIC RIDGE - Afternoon only

Each of these bus services along with additional PTV School Special bus routes servicing MEC can be tracked via <u>www.venturabus.com.au</u> (select 'Live Tracking Get Started' and enter the school's name as 'Mt Erin Secondary College'. Please refer to the description below the bus timetables on the following pages to determine the relevant bus routes to track.)

Pick up		
stop No.	Time	Pick Up Point
1	7:50am	Delepan Dr/Frankston-Flinders Rd
2	7:51am	Tyabb Central Reserve/Mornington-Tyabb Rd
3	7:53am	Stuart Rd/Mornington-Tyabb Rd
4	7:57am	McLaurin Dr/Jones Rd
5	7:58am	Bungower Rd/Jones Rd
6	7:59am	Radnor Rise/Bungower Rd
7	8:00am	Chesterfield Rd/Franskton-Flinders Rd
8	8:01am	Franskton-Flinders Rd/Park Ln
9	8:05am	Somerville Secondary College
10	8:08am	Somerville Plaza Shopping Centre/Eramosa Rd
11	8:09am	Eramosa Rd West/Frankston-Flinders Rd
12	8:20am	Arrive Mount Erin College

# **TYABB 1229 - AM**

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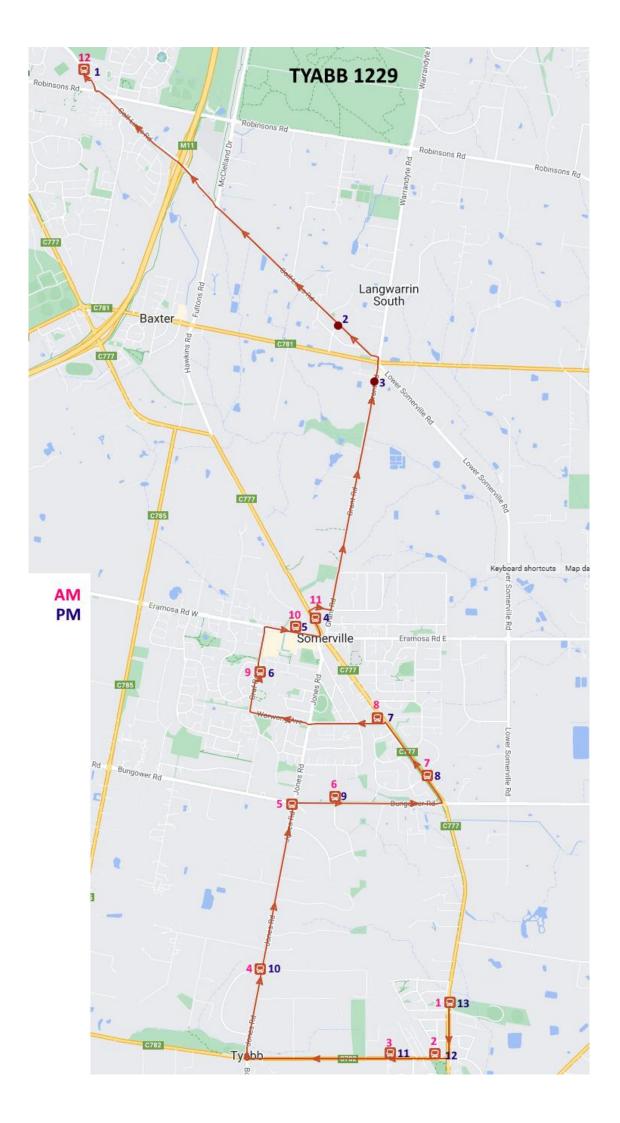
5205: Tyabb North Oval to Somerville Sec Col & Mt Erin Sec Col - AM

# **TYABB 1229 - PM**

Pick up stop No.	Time	Pick Up Point
1	2:55pm	Depart Mount Erin College
2	3:01pm	St Kilda St/Golf Links Rd
3	3:01pm	Baxter Primary/Grant Rd
4	3:06pm	Coles Express/Frankston-Flinders Rd
5	3:07pm	Somerville Plaza SC/Eramosa Rd West
6	3:10pm	Somerville Secondary College
7	3:11pm	Park Ln/ Franskton-Flinders Rd
8	3:12pm	Chesterfield Rd/Franskton-Flinders Rd
9	3:14pm	Radnor Rise/Bungower Rd
10	3:17pm	McLaurin Dr/Jones Rd
11	3:21pm	Stuart Rd/Mornington-Tyabb Rd
12	3:22pm	Gerald St/Mornington-Tyabb Rd
13	3:23pm	Delepan Dr/Frankston-Flinders Rd

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5205: Mt Erin Sec Col & Somerville Sec Col to Tyabb North Oval - PM



# **PEARCEDALE 420 - AM**

Pick up	Times	Disk Un Deint
stop No.	Time	Pick Up Point
1	7:35am	Bungower Rd/Tyabb-Tooradin Rd
2	7:45am	Pearcedale Village SC/Baxter-Tooradin Rd
3	7:50am	Western Port Hwy/Baxter-Tooradin Rd
4	7:53am	Westernport Hwy/Eramosa Rd East
5	7:55am	Somerville Cres/Eramosa Rd East
6	7:56am	Jordan St/Eramosa Rd East
7	7:58am	Somerville Plaza Shopping Centre/Eramosa Rd West
8	8:00am	Pembroke Dr/Eramosa Rd West
9	8:02am	Woodlands Dr/Eramosa Rd West
10	8:05am	Somerville Secondary College
11	8:09am	Somerville Recreation Reserve/Park Ln
12	8:10am	Frankston Flinders Rd/Park Ln
13	8:12am	Scott Gr/Grant Rd
14	8:16am	Baxter Primary/Grant Rd
15	8:25am	Arrive Mount Erin College

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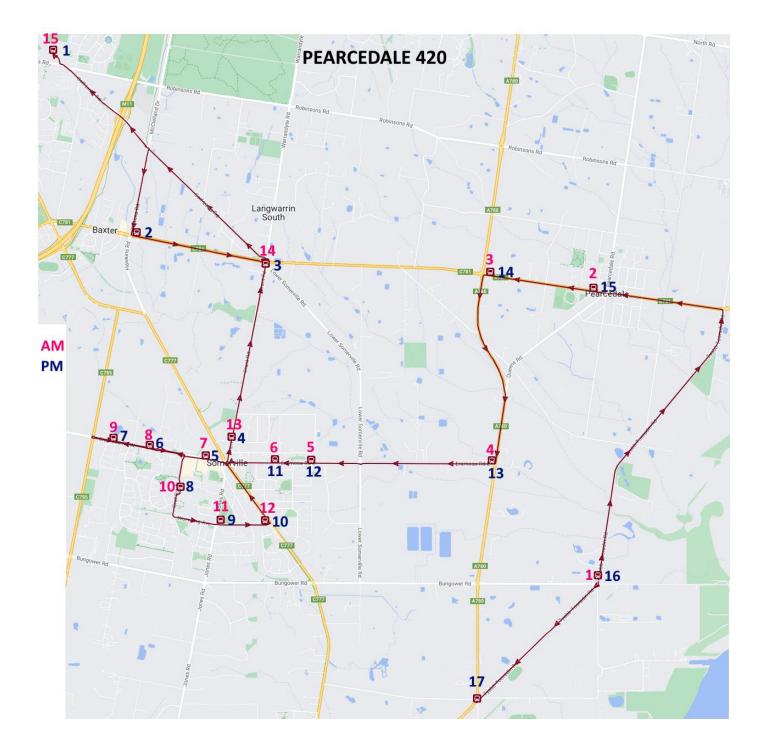
5206: Pearcedale to Somerville Sec Col & Mt Erin Sec Col - AM

# PEARCEDALE 420 - PM

Pick up		
stop No.	Time	Pick Up Point
1	2:52pm	Depart Mount Erin College
2	2:53pm	Baxter Tavern/Baxter -Tooradin Rd
3	2:55pm	Baxter Primary/Grant Rd
4	2:56pm	Simcock St/Scott Gr
5	2:58pm	Somerville Plaza/Eramosa Rd West
6	3:00pm	Pembroke Dr/Eramosa Rd West
7	3:05pm	Woodlands Dr/Eramosa Rd West
8	3:15pm	Somerville Secondary College
9	3:16pm	Somerville Recreation Reserve/Park Lane
10	3:17pm	Franskton-Flinders Rd/Park Ln
11	3:19pm	Jordan St/Eramosa Rd East
12	3:21pm	Somerville Cres/Eramosa Rd East
13	3:23pm	Westernport Hwy/Eramosa Rd East
14	3:25pm	Middle Rd/Baxter Tooradin Rd
15	3:30pm	Pearcedale Village SC/Baxter-Tooradin Rd
16	3:35pm	Bungower Rd/Tyabb-Tooradin Rd
17	3:40pm	Tyabb-Tooradin Rd/Western Port Hwy

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5206: Mt Erin Sec Col & Somerville Sec Col to Pearcedale - PM



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Pick up stop		
No.	Time	Pick Up Point
1	7:42am	Wallis Drive/Hodgins Road
2	7:45am	Lyall St/Marine Drive
3	7:49am	Robertson St/Marine Pde
4	7:52am	Graydens Rd/Boes Rd
5	7:54am	Clifford Dr/Boes Rd
6	7:57am	Valencia Rise/Boes Rd
7	7:58am	McLaurin Dr/Jones Rd
8	8:02am	Somerville Secondary College
9	8:03am	Somerville Recreation Reserve/Park Ln
10	8:05am	Frankston-Flinders Rd/Park Ln
11	8:06am	Scotts Gr/Grant Rd
12	8:11am	St Kilda St/Golf Links Rd
13	8:25am	Arrive Mount Erin College

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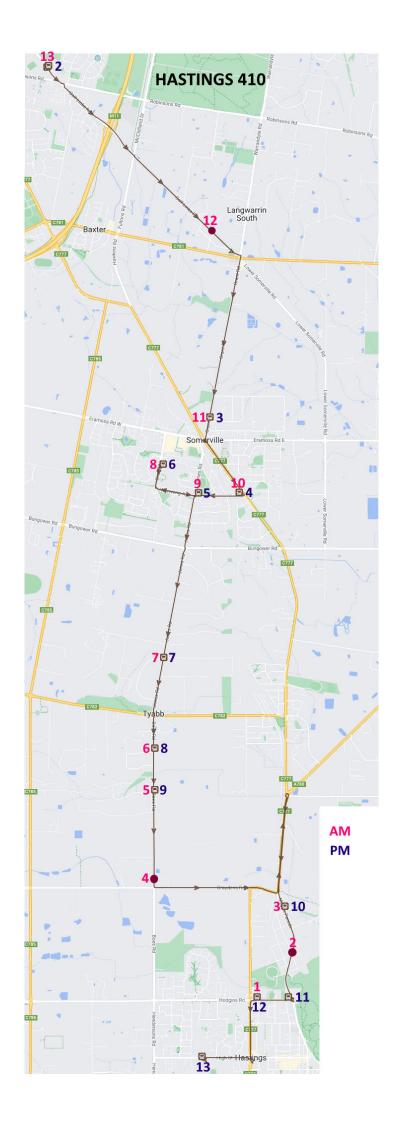
5207: Hastings to Somerville Sec Col, Mt Erin Sec Col & Franskton HS - AM

Pick up stop No.	Time	Pick Up Point
2	2:52pm	Depart Mount Erin
3	3:06pm	Grant Rd/Scotts Gr
4	3:07pm	Frankston-Flinders Rd/Park Ln
5	3:08pm	Jones Rd/Park Ln
6	3:10pm	Somerville Secondary College
7	3:11pm	McLaurin Dr/Jones Rd
8	3:13pm	Valencia Rise/Boes Rd
9	3:14pm	Clifford Dr/Boes Rd
10	3:16pm	Robertson St/Marine Pde
11	3:18pm	Victoria St/Hodgins Rd
12	3:20pm	Frankston-Flinders Rd/Hodgins Rd
13	3:30pm	Westernport Secondary College

## HASTINGS 410 - PM

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5211: Mt Erin Sec Col & Somerville Sec Col to Hastings - PM



# **CHARTER 1 PEARCEDALE - PM**

Pick up stop No.	Time	Pick Up Point
1	2:50pm	Depart Mount Erin College
2	3:06pm	West Rd/Baxter Tooradin Rd
3	3:10pm	Pearcedale Shops

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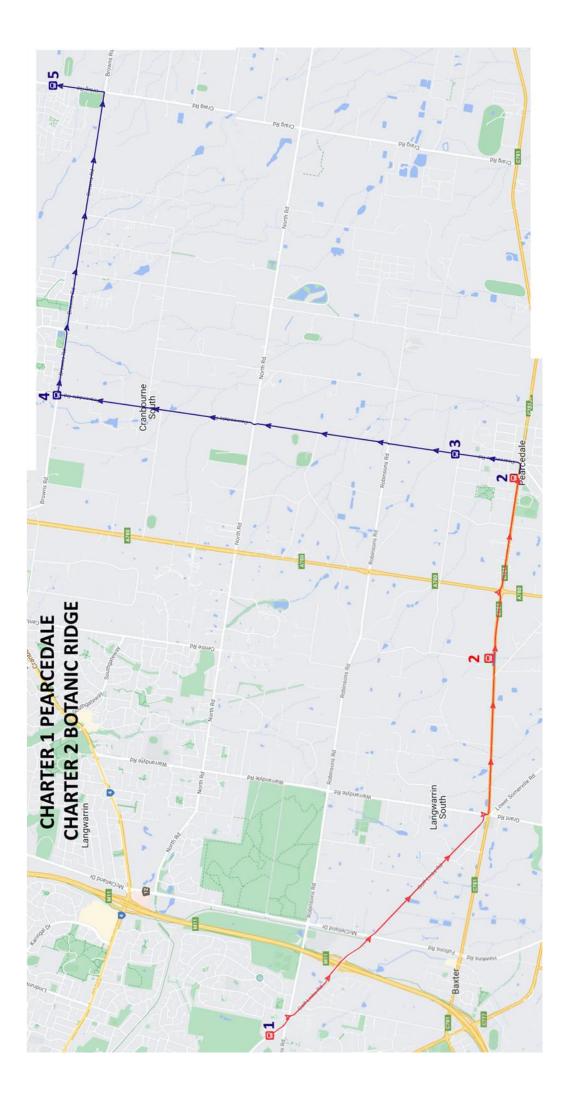
Mt Erin Shuttle 1 Red Pearcedale Shops PM

# **CHARTER 2 BOTANIC RIDGE - PM**

Pick up		
stop No.	Time	Pick Up Point
1	2:50pm	Depart Mount Erin College
2	3:10pm	Pearcedale Shops
3	3:12pm	Pearcedale Rd & Victoria Rd
4	3:16pm	Pearcedale Rd & Cranbourne South Primary School
5	3:20pm	Craig Rd PTV stop opposite Ken Keys Racing

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Mt Erin Shuttle 2 Dark Blue Devon Meadows PM



# ADDITIONAL PTV BUS SERVICES TO AND FROM MEC

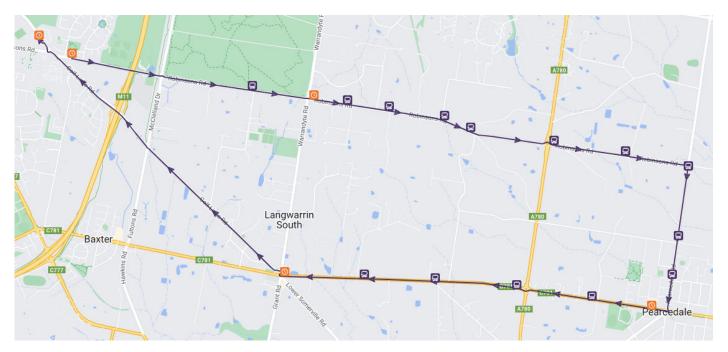
\*\*\*Bus application form not required\*\*\*

\*\*\*Students must have a MYKI to pay\*\*\*

Pick up		
stop No.	Time	Pick Up Point
1		Haetherhill Rd/Robinsons Rd (Frankston South)
2		Barretts Rd/Robinsons Rd (Langwarrin South)
3		Warrandyte Rd/Robinsons Rd (Langwarrin South)
4		Gardeners Rd/Robinsons Rd (Langwarrin South)
5		Nirvana Cl/Robinsons Rd (Langwarrin South)
6		Donald Rd/Robinsons Rd (Langwarrin)
7		Victory Rd/Robinsons Rd (Langwarrin)
8		Western Port Hwy/Robinsons Rd (Langwarrin)
9	7:33am	Middle Rd/Robinsons Rd (Pearcedale)
10		Robinsons Rd/Pearcedale Rd (Pearcedale)
11		Victoria Rd/Pearcedale Rd (Pearcedale)
12		Evans St/Pearcedale Rd (Pearcedale)
13	7:39am	Pearcedale Village SC/Baxter-Tooradin Rd
14	7:41am	Middle Rd/Baxter-Tooradin Rd
15		Western Port Hwy/Baxter-Tooradin Rd
16	7:42am	South Boundary Rd/Baxter-Tooradin Rd
17	7:43am	Highfield Dr/Baxter-Tooradin Rd (Langwarrin South)
18	7:44am	Baxter PS/Baxter-Tooradin Rd (Baxter)
19	7:51am	Arrive Mount Erin Secondary College

# PTV- Mount Erin School Bus - AM

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Pick up stop No.	Time	Pick Up Point
1	3:20pm	Mount Erin Secondary College
2		Mt Erin Secondary College/Golf Links Rd
3		Heatherhill Rd/Robinsons Rd (Franskton South)
4	3:23pm	Barretts Rd/Robinsons Rd (Langwarrin South)
5		Norwarran Way/Warrandyte Rd (Langwarrin)
6		Tyrone St/Warrandyte Rd (Langwarrin)
7		Elisabeth Murdoch College/Warrandyte Rd
8	3:27pm	Elisabeth Murdoch College

# PTV - Mt Erin Sec Col to Elisabeth Murdoch Col - PM

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1319: Mt Erin Secondary College to Elisabath Murdoch College - PM

