PUPILS at St Louis de Montfort’s Primary School in Aspendale keen to embrace the concept of supporting those in need have turned to the St Vincent de Paul Society for inspiration.

Lunch has been served by students once a month to visitors to the school after school leaders set up a ‘mini Vinnies’ project.

The Mini Vinnies initiative is part of the school’s Take Action, Make a Difference leadership program.

Students participate in a six-day leadership program to help them develop an understanding of good leadership and how anyone can make a difference.

Soup and toasties are on the menu and visitors are also given tours of the school’s sustainability garden.

“We use ingredients from our garden to make the soup and we’ve been fortunate to develop a partnership with our local Safeway who have been providing fruit,” St Louis de Montfort’s wellbeing leader Julie Wynne said.

The fruit is also used for a student initiated ‘Fresh Fruit Fridays’ project aimed at promoting healthy eating to pupils. “The members of the community are really enjoying the lunches and it is a great way for student to make a difference in our local area,” Ms Wynne said.