



## Principal's Report

Dear Families and Friends,

### SCHOOL FAIR

This year our Annual Twilight Fair will be held on Friday March 24th from 4:30pm to 8.00 pm. Our amazing Fair Committee has been working hard since October with lots of exciting stalls and activities planned for the night. With activities for kids of all ages, plenty of food and drinks, entertainment and a great community atmosphere available, the night promises to be another fantastic community event. The Fair is always well supported and I encourage all families and friends to attend and to invite all other community members, families and friends along on the night. We are always looking for volunteers to assist on the night and in particular are keen to hear from anyone who would be prepared to coordinate a stall or event. We are looking for items for the ever popular Silent Auction and we look forward to hearing from those of you who are willing to contribute to our sought after Preserves stall. Stay tuned for more information regarding activities and stalls which will be a part of the Fair this year.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL ~

It is my pleasure to announce that our new School Councillors for 2017 are:

#### **Parent Members**

Deminda McMaster - mother of Isabelle 004  
Kylie Morrison - mother of Noah 005 and Harry 012  
John Fletcher - father of Holly 005  
Janelle Kelly - mother of Lila 003  
Ed Castle - father of Flynn 016  
Ivan Crisp - father of Evoleht 009 and Aurora 001

#### **DET Employee Members**

Jennifer Rogers  
Lisa Brown  
Julie Scully

Welcome to each of these members. I look forward to working closely with these school council members over the coming year. The first meeting our of new school council will be on Tuesday 21st March at our Annual General Meeting and March School Council meeting.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to our retiring members - Helen Rodda, Peter Lodewijks, Nikki Stephens, Sam Muscatello, Pam Keily and Julie Brady who have made a great contribution to our school over the past years, especially Pam who served on School Council for over 20 years and Nikki who has served 10 years, which is an amazing commitment from both these ladies.

### **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

**Principal**  
Cindi Bruechert

**President**  
Jennifer Hurrell

**Vice President**  
Ivan Crisp

**Treasurer**  
Peter Lodewijks

**Secretary**

**Minute Secretary**  
Jen Rogers

**Members**  
Nicole Stephens  
Helen Rodda  
Sharon Kemp  
Nic Hargreaves  
Sam Muscatello  
Ed Castle

**Community  
Members**

### STUDENT LEADERSHIP – 2017 SCHOOL CAPTAINS

It is also my pleasure to formally introduce and welcome April G, Veda H, Lindsey A and Tayla F as our School Captains and Vice Captains for 2017.

Here are some reflections from our 2017 School Leaders...

'I am happy to have the opportunity to make this fantastic school a better place for everyone.' *April G*

'I would like to create a mural, something that is really colourful and highlights our school values and what we stand for. It will show visitors to our school how creative we are and what we value.' *Veda H*

'I am overjoyed to have this amazing position as a leader at our awesome school!' *Lindsey A*

'I am so excited for 2017, and for our new learning opportunities, like Healthy Eating Habits.' *Tayla F*



### COMMUNITY SUPPORTERS

We are very honoured to have Bendigo Bank as one of our wonderful Community Supporters. Over the past 7 years the Bendigo Bank – Strathfieldsaye and Districts Community Enterprise (SDCE) and the Bendigo and Adelaide Bank have allocated an incredible \$36,000 to Strathfieldsaye PS for projects such as our Energy Breakthrough Team and Energy Breakthrough Trailer, a Community Recreation Area, our Childhood Development Library, the School Fair Animal Farm and our School Sports Uniforms. We are so very thankful for this generous support over the years and we look forward to partnering with them in the future.

Throughout March, the Strath Hill Branch of the Bendigo Bank are running a special CGU Insurance Competition and have invited our school to take part in this promotion. As part of the promotion any customers that make enquiries about insurance will be given the opportunity to place a token in a jar with our schools name on it. At the end of the promotion, the winning school will receive a monetary prize to go towards a certain project. We have nominated 'New Reader Books for Classrooms' as our fundraising project for this month. Please see the Compass attachment for further details.

Kind Regards, Cindi Bruechert.  
[bruecherrt.cindi.l@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:bruecherrt.cindi.l@edumail.vic.gov.au)



## Chocolate Donation

**The Specialist Teachers are conducting the chocolate trailer at the school fair again this year.**

**To assist us we are asking each family to donate a block of chocolate, which will be used as prizes.**

**Please leave a block of chocolate at the front office in the labelled box.**

### GARDENING

From next week the Grade 3/4 students will be planting in our garden for the year. Students will be learning about gardening and will hopefully get to consume some yummy vegetables as the year goes on! Our goal is to grow enough vegetables for our garden to become self-sufficient through the sale of the extra produce.

We would love donations of good vegetable soil, small spades, worms or seedlings (in particular beans, beetroots, carrots, broccoli, cabbages, leeks, lettuce, or spring onion). If you have any of these to spare please drop them off to Jess Edgar in 011 - they will be much appreciated!

### PARENT CLUB NEWS

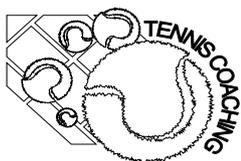
I would like to take the opportunity to let you know a few details about our Parent Club. We are a small group of committed parents who work together to make our school a better place for all our children. Some of the activities we are involved in are organising Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls, the cake stall at our annual Fair in March and fundraising for various projects, e.g., purchasing new readers for the Junior Department and contributing towards the cost of new turf laid in the front and back of the school.

Our meetings are held monthly on a Monday afternoon and we welcome all newcomers. Meeting times and dates are advertised in the school newsletter. Our next meeting will be Monday 6th March at 2.30 pm in the staff room. Younger children are very welcome (we have toys to help entertain them).

CAROLYN WHITFIELD, PRESIDENT

TENNIS LESSONS in Strathfieldsaye  
**Hot Shots** program for 5 years and older  
Wednesdays at Turners Road and  
Fridays at Strathfieldsaye Tennis Club  
from 3.45pm - 8 week term  
\$80

WEDNESDAY at Turner Road and  
and FRIDAY at Strathfieldsaye TC  
8 weeks 30 minute lessons  
2 per group \$130  
4 per group \$90  
Commences this week  
Bookings to Kieran on 0411958152



KIERAN FITZGERALD

### From the Artroom

Welcome back everyone.

A reminder for returning and new parents about the importance of a PROTECTIVE art smock for all children. We do lots of messy, but fun activities in art using a variety of materials such as paint, glue, clay etc. Generally the children are given the 2 weeks of Start Up to get organised with an art smock and then the rule after that is NO ART SMOCK- NO MESSY ART.

A very good art smock is available from the uniform shop. Sizes small, medium and large—\$15.00.

If for any reason children get paint on their clothing, then I suggest you keep these washing instructions handy.

Wet paint should be washed out immediately where possible. If paint has dried, soak garment overnight in cold soapy water, then hand wash in lukewarm water using ordinary soap. DO NOT use hot water, laundry detergents or spray on stain removers. DO NOT machine wash. Some fabrics may retain some staining.

### RECYCLED MATERIALS:

Outside the art room is a trolley where needed recycled materials such as clean plastic lids from yoghurt margarine and small clean polystyrene trays that fruit and meat often come on.

Any other items that we need for specific projects we collect by sending home a letter with your child at the time or placing a note in the newsletter.

Joy Montgomery & Brooke Boswell

Art teachers



### Out of School Hours Care



The children have been discussing the importance of leadership roles within Out Of School Hours Care. Some of the children have been given the opportunity to display their Leadership skills with particular tasks and also assisting with new children within the service to make them feel welcome and comfortable. Children have also been creating an Out Of School Hours Care family tree to display in the service.

### Class Awards

These class awards are to recognise students who are demonstrating skills based on our school's Learner Profile and will be presented at the school assembly on Friday 24 February at 2.35 pm

| H/G           | Student Name  | Reason for Award  |
|---------------|---|---|
| 001<br>Prep   | Aurora C<br>Angus Mc                                | For coming to school with a happy smile and showing confidence in learning her letters and sounds. Well done Aurora<br>For showing confidence in Maths with counting forwards, backwards and even having a go at skip counting. Well done Angus   |
| 002<br>Prep   | Bailee K<br>Charlie G                               | For having a wonderful start to school by coming in everyday with a smile, trying her best to do her work and helping others. Wonderful Bailee!<br>For having a great start to school, being confident in giving things a go and being able to make numbers up to 20 using 10's frames! |
| 003           | Noah N<br>Sienna O                                  | For working hard on his sound investigations.<br>For making a positive start to school.   |
| 004           | Alice B<br>Zac L                                    | For a great start to school and already writing letters for the sounds she hears in words.<br>For being a super friendly classmate and great help to his teacher.   |
| 005<br>Gr 1   | Charlie C<br>Ethan F                                | For having a very positive start to the school year! Well done.<br>For starting a new school with a positive attitude and smile on his dial!  |
| 006           | Eliza I<br>Fenton P                                 | For consistently demonstrating learning behaviours during Daily 5 sessions.<br>For consistently demonstrating learning behaviours during Daily 5 sessions.  |
| 06A<br>Gr 1   | Izzy H<br>Solomon T                                 | Beginning school with a big smile and enthusiastically trying her best in all Start-up activities.<br>Beginning school with a big smile and enthusiastically trying his best in all Start-up activities.  |
| 007           | Grace L<br>Isabelle L                               | <div style="border: 2px solid #008080; padding: 20px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> <p>All Grade 2, 3 &amp; 4 students receiving awards this week have been chosen for their award winning classroom design.</p> </div>   |
| 008           | Roland M<br>Zarah P                                 |   |
| 009           | Maeve L<br>Brodie S                                 |   |
| 011<br>Gr 3/4 | Charlize C. Ella L<br>Llogan M. Jakira I<br>Tilly W |   |
| 012<br>Gr 3/4 | Daisy H. Kobey H<br>Chloe R                         |   |
| 013<br>Gr 3/4 | Taylah H<br>Abbey F                                 |   |
| 014<br>Gr 3/4 | Mary H<br>Dakota M                                  |   |
| 015<br>Gr 3/4 | Jorja B<br>Cara S                                   |   |
| 016<br>Gr 3/4 | Jin T<br>Elle D                                     |   |
| 019<br>Gr 5/6 | Bodie B   |   |
| 020<br>Gr 5/6 | Jett N  | For demonstrating an excellent attitude towards caring for others and the environment   |
| 021<br>Gr 5/6 | Riley B   | For having a great start to the year and showing a fantastic attitude toward beginning grade 5  |
| 022<br>Gr 5/6 | Stephanie D<br>Bella S                              | For her excellent effort and contribution towards group discussions during Maths Our Way.<br>For her excellent independence when working towards goals in Daily 5.  |
| 023<br>Gr 5/6 | James O   | For his willingness to always lend a hand and support other students in their learning  |
| 024<br>Gr 5/6 | Jacob O<br>Damaris T                                | For demonstrating our CORE Values throughout the Start Up program.<br>For demonstrating our CORE Values throughout the Start Up program.  |
| ART           | Maurice B   | For working really hard to complete his Picasso art piece   |
| LIBRARY       | Zarah P   | For listening in library and completing all tasks at a high standard  |
| MUSIC         | Ellie S   | For her enthusiastic participation in music and her great work on Bucket Drumming.  |
| LOTE          | Molly Mc  | For creating a fantastic Values poster  |
| PE            | Ethan C   | For working hard to improve his shot-put and discus skills  |

# Calendar of Events

## Term Dates :

[www.education.vic.gov.au/about/keydates/termdates.html](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/keydates/termdates.html)

## Public Holidays:

[www.vic.gov.au/Victorian-Public-Holiday-Dates.html](http://www.vic.gov.au/Victorian-Public-Holiday-Dates.html)

**NO CANTEEN ON MONDAYS & TUESDAYS**

**SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP OPEN WEDNESDAY  
MORNINGS ONLY 8.45 AM—9.15 AM**

**\*\* HATS AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE \$8.00  
EFTPOS MINIMUM \$30.00 \*\***

| FEBRUARY     |                                      |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| Tuesday 28   | Let's Get Moving Performance 5.45 pm |
| MARCH        |                                      |
| Monday 6     | Parent Club Meeting 2.30 pm          |
| Wednesday 8  | Music Performance—Bongo Brothers     |
| Monday 13    | PUBLIC HOLIDAY—LABOUR DAY            |
| Wednesday 15 | School photos                        |
| Friday 24    | School Fair                          |
| Thursday 30  | Grade 3—6 Athletics                  |
| Friday 31    | End Term 1. Early dismissal 2.30 pm  |
| APRIL        |                                      |
| Tuesday 18   | Term 2 commences                     |
| Wednesday 19 | Parent Club AGM—all positions vacant |

Get to know your teachers at Strathfieldsaye Primary School

**This week's teacher is  
Miss Hocking (023—Grade 5/6)  
interviewed by Veda Haines**

**Q1. What's your favourite food?**

Thai.

**Q2. Where's your favourite place?**

Up in the mountains and hills.

**Q3. What's your favourite sport?**

Athletics.

**Q4. What's your favourite part about teaching?**

Meeting and getting to know new students and seeing them achieve their "Aha" moments.

**Q5. If you had the chance to get a wild animal as a pet what would it be (it would be tame)**

Monkey.

**Q6. What's your favourite colour and why?**

Purple, I like the different colour tones of nail polish

**Q7. What's your favourite country and have you been there or not?**

Ireland, and no I have not been there.

**Q8. What are some of your nick names?**

Dee, DB, Diesel, Deeza and Deebut.

**Q9. What's something no one really knows about you?**

I was the smallest in my school for my prep and grade 1 year.

**Q10. When you were little what did you want to be when you grew up?**

Famous singer and performer.

**Q11. What's your favourite quote or motto?**

Love the life you live and live the life you love.



Current promotions/offers to assist the school

*Building a healthier community*

**MEMBER REWARDS** Join as a Member for just \$12 per year, then you and your family receive:

**UFS PHARMACIES** Up to 20% off\* most shop lines everyday

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| <b>View Street Pharmacy</b><br>Cor View & Bernard St,<br>T: 03 5443 4610 | <b>Hargroves Street Pharmacy</b><br>379 Hargroves St,<br>T: 03 5443 8430 | <b>Madden Gully Pharmacy</b><br>Shop 2, 715 Calder Hwy,<br>T: 03 5449 7149 | <b>Strathfieldsaye Pharmacy</b><br>32 Blucher St,<br>Phone: 03 5439 3513 |
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|--|---|---|
| <b>UFS wellness CLINIC</b><br>Natural therapies and naturopathy services<br><b>10% off* professional products &amp; services</b><br>Cor View & Bernard St, T: 03 5443 4610 | <b>UFS optical</b><br>Eye testing bulk billed<br><b>20% off* frames, prescriptions, sunglasses and accessories.</b><br>Suite 1, 379 Hargroves St, T: 03 5441 8877 | <b>eden</b><br>BODY & SOUL ESSENTIALS<br>Spa, skin and beauty<br><b>10% off* products and services</b><br>Suite 3, 379 Hargroves St, T: 035443 6997 |
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\*NBS prescriptions excluded. Discounts only given when UFS Membership Card is shown, conditions and some exclusions apply - see in store for details. [www.bendigoufs.com.au](http://www.bendigoufs.com.au)

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|  | Parents and friends are encouraged to become a member of the IGA Community Rewards Program. Families simply nominate the school and 1% of their purchase is donated back to the school. Application forms are available from the school office, as well as a key tag. |
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## Strathfieldsaye Junior Netball Club

Registrations for the 2017 season are to be made via **MyNetball** Depending on the age of your child, copy and paste the below link into your browser and follow the instructions

Born between - **01/01/00 and 31/12/06**

<https://netball.resultsvault.com/common/pages/noauth/olregstart.aspx?type=1&entityid=45901&fl=1&id=28901>

Grade ¾ Born **on or after 01/01/2007**

<https://netball.resultsvault.com/common/pages/noauth/olregstart.aspx?type=6&entityid=45901&fl=1&id=27727>

- Login using your User ID **OR** email and password
  - Girls who have never registered with **MyNetball** before will have to log in as **FIRST TIME PARTICIPANT**
  - Select your Product (Junior Member - **Born between 01/01/00 and 31/12/06 = \$171** OR Grade 3/4 **Born on or after 01/01/2007 = \$166**) plus **Club Membership of \$40**
  - Then select - Next - Ensure all your details are correct
  - Then select - Next - Tick the box where it says **I have read and I accept the terms and conditions**
  - Select your payment type. (Full payment must be received by 28th February 2017)
  - Then select - **Submit**
- Make offline payment by EFT or post cheque  
Email - [sjnc3551@gmail.com](mailto:sjnc3551@gmail.com) to confirm payment or for any other queries

**UNIFORMS – Need to be ordered by 28th February**

Contact Marcella Carr on 0409 792 170 to organise a dress size



## CALLING ALL LITTLE YOGIS

Allow your child to gain all the benefits of yoga:

- ★ Manage stress through breath awareness & healthy movement
- ★ Build focus & concentration
- ★ Build greater flexibility, strength, balance & coordination
- ★ Increase emotional intelligence & learn how to regulate emotions
- ★ Increase their confidence & positive self image
- ★ Be part of a healthy, non competitive group



| 5 Classes for Term 1 2017 |                               |  |               |               |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---------------|---------------|
| Week 4 (23/2)             | Week 5 (2/3)                  | Week 6 (9/3)   | Week 7 (16/3) | Week 8 (23/3) |
| Thursday<br>3:45 - 4:30   | Kids Yoga<br>7 - 10 year olds | \$12.50 per casual session<br>(\$55 for a 5 week introductory block) |               |               |
| Thursday<br>4:45 - 5:30   | Kids Yoga<br>9 - 12 year olds | \$12.50 per casual session<br>(\$55 for a 5 week introductory block) |               |               |

### About the teacher:

Raelene has been a primary school teacher for over 15 years & has a passion for children's well being. She has a Masters in Education & has gained her yoga teaching qualifications here in Bendigo. Registered with Yoga Alliance America

Classes held Thursday's at  
Be Well Natural Therapies  
925 Wellington St  
Strathfieldsaye (next to IGA)



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### RAILTRAIL FUN-RUN-WALK-ROLL 23 April 2017

# O'Keefe MILE

## Primary Schools Challenge

### Come along and join in the fun

### 1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$200 & perpetual trophy

O'Keefe Rail Trail  
Herriot St Heathcote  
\$80 (10 students per team)  
Start 9.25am  
Pre-race briefing 9.15am  
Distance: 1 Mile = 1609m

**23 April 2017**

To register or for further details:  
Email [okeferailtrail@gmail.com](mailto:okeferailtrail@gmail.com)  
Website [www.theokeefe.org.au](http://www.theokeefe.org.au)  
Phone Karyn Aumont 0447 674 810  
Forward entries to Amber Tavinor  
**3523 Fitness**  
240 High St  
Heathcote 3523

## STRATHFIELDSAYE COLTS UNITED FC

Soccer registrations are now open!  
Go to  
[www.myfootballclub.com.au](http://www.myfootballclub.com.au) to register  
for more info like our Facebook page

Colts United FC - Facebook  
Or email  
[Info.coltsunitedfc@gmail.com.au](mailto:Info.coltsunitedfc@gmail.com.au)  
Season - Apr-Sep 2017  
Ages 5-18 years



## A big brother or sister

Give your children an opportunity to learn about a new culture and develop an interest in other parts of the world, by becoming a volunteer host family. Talk to us about flexible volunteering options.

For more information, contact us:

☎ 1800 500 501  
✉ [scceaust@scce.com.au](mailto:scceaust@scce.com.au)  
🌐 [www.scce.com.au](http://www.scce.com.au)

Students  
arriving from  
France, Italy,  
Germany and  
Scandinavia.