



SPS Newsletter ~ No 4 Thursday 19th March 2020

Principal's Report

Looking After Each Other

Wow, what a term we have had! As this is the last newsletter for the term, I just wanted to take the opportunity to thank everyone for all their hard work, under some challenging circumstances, and to encourage everyone to look after themselves and their families over the holiday period.

I will continue to keep you updated, via Compass Newsfeeds, of any changes that may affect you and your precious family members over the next few weeks, so that you will be kept in the loop if any significant changes are put in place prior to the start of term.

Talking of supporting each other, one of our lovely parents sent me a story called 'Let's talk about Coronavirus', written by Shona Innes, which you might find useful in helping your children understand and share their thoughts about coronavirus in an open and calm way. I will attach a copy to Compass for your reference. Hope you find it useful :-)

Opportunity to Pay Forward

Another one of our caring parents alerted me to the fact that the Bendigo Foodshare are really struggling to keep up with food demands for vulnerable families at the moment. That got us wondering whether we could initiate a 'paying forward' opportunity that would allow our students and their families to display their generosity and support for those around them by donating food items to the FoodShare so that they, in turn, can help others!

I know that food is becoming hard to source at supermarkets, but even if your family were able to donate one food item, that would make a difference to someone in need. Please bring any donations to the school office before the end of next week, and we will pass it on to Bendigo Foodshare. Thank you so much, in anticipation for supporting this worthwhile cause.

School Council Meeting Update

On Tuesday night, we held our School Council Meeting Annual General Meeting for 2020 and we welcomed our newly elected members, Alex Leech and Ivan Crisp and our re-elected member Sarah Vanis. We also officially farewelled our retiring members, Verona Beasley, Anne Olsen, Brian King and Clare Thurman and took the opportunity to thank them for their dedicated service. The Annual Report to the School Community for the 2019 School Year was presented to the school council and elections took place to determine office bearers for this year.

Our elected office bearers are as follows:

- President - Daren Flett
- Vice President - Ivan Crisp
- Finance Committee Convenor - Tim Murphy
- Minute Secretary - Deb Burke and Christina Spence

Some of the other points discussed at the School Council meeting included the impacts of the Coronavirus on school events, 2020 School Review, Proposed Changes to Camp Dates, Natural Playspace Update. If you would like any further details about any of these points, please feel free to catch up with me or one of our councillors.

Athletics Update

Our dedicated PE teacher, Bryce Curnow, has been very creative and although we weren't able to run our Year 3-6 Athletics Carnival at the Flora Hill Athletics track, he has conducted an abridged version of the athletics program throughout the school day over the last three days. This has allowed our students the opportunity to participate in a range of events to earn points for their house. Once today's events are complete, Mr Curnow will let the students know the outcome and then send everyone an update on Compass.

New Canteen Menu

Throughout this term, Marcella and I worked with interested parents to improve our canteen menu, in line with recommendations from the [National Healthy Schools Canteen Guidelines](#). Thanks to some great cooperative efforts by Marcella, Michelle T and Melissa P, we will have our new menu items up on Compass and ready for sale at the start of Term 2. A copy of the new menu is included in this newsletter for your reference.

Class Awards

Despite our assemblies being cancelled until further notice, class awards will continue to be issued every fortnight. I will present the awards to students in their classrooms and take a photo to send on to parents as a keepsake of their special achievement.

School Banking

I have just received notification that the Commonwealth Bank and Bendigo Bank have put a temporary stop on their School Banking program at the moment, so families are encouraged to investigate online options to ensure continuity of banking for their child.

Kind Regards, Cindi Bruechert
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Cindi Bruechert

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Vice President
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Christina Spence

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Julie Ladd
Alex Leech
Kylie Morrison
Sarah Vanis

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Deminda McMaster

IMPORTANT DATES

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - TERM 1 & 2 2020

	Fri March 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Cross Country—POSTPONED Term 1 Concludes at 2:30pm
Week 1	Tue April 14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Term 2 Commences
Week 2	Fri April 24th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum Day - School Closed
Week 3	Mon April 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anzac Day Assembly 2:30pm
	Thu April 30th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> District Athletics
	Fri May 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly 2:35pm
Week 4	Wed May 6th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> District Cross Country
Week 5	Tue-Thu May 12-14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NAPLAN
	Fri May 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly 2:35pm
Week 6	Tue May 19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education Week - Open Classroom 9-11:30am Education Week - 2021 Foundation Information Session 6:30pm
	Fri May 23rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education Week - Grandparents and Special Friends Session 2:30-3:30pm

2020 Victorian School Term Dates

Terms	From	To
Term 1	Wednesday January 29th	Friday March 27th
School Holiday	Saturday March 28	Monday April 13th
Term 2	Tuesday April 14th	Friday June 26th
School Holiday	Saturday June 27th	Sunday July 12th
Term 3	Monday July 13th	Friday September 18th
School Holiday	Saturday September 19th	Sunday October 4th
Term 4	Monday October 5th	Friday December 18th
School Holiday	Saturday December 19th	Tuesday January 26th

WEEKLY REMINDERS

ACTIVITY	DAY
School Banking  	Tuesday 9am
Fresh Fruit Days	Thursday or Friday
Breakfast Club	Friday 8:30am Commencing Fri 14th Feb
Special Religious Instruction Lunch Time Club - permission form required	Friday 11:15am Commencing Fri 14th Feb

SPECIALIST NEWS

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Thank you to all the parents who offered to help out with our Athletics and the Cross Country events, and sorry these events were unable to proceed in their regular format.

To ensure students have the opportunity to earn points for their house teams and to enable them to qualify for divisional and regional events, Mr Curnow set aside time over the last three days to run a modified Athletics Carnival on the school grounds, much to the students delight. Teachers have been working overtime to make sure that the students still had the opportunity to represent and earn points for their sporting houses. Thank you to Damon, Belinda and the following Grade 6 House Captains for all their help: Tilly, Erin, Ashlyn, Mack, Lexi, Harrison, Tilly, Deklan, Cooper, Layla, Macey, Lincoln, Charli, Archie, Zoe and Willow.

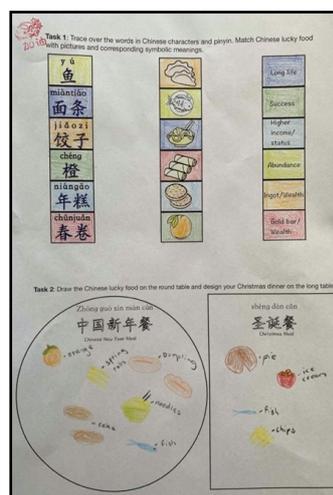
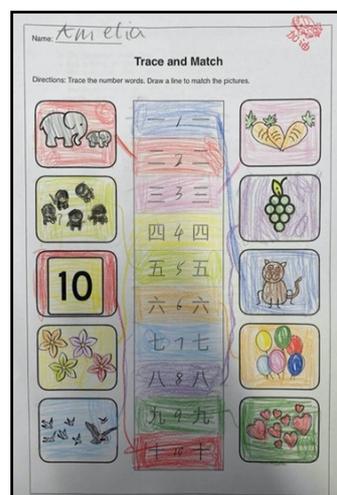


We also had several students represent the school for the Division Swimming Carnival two weeks ago. Well done to all the following students who participated on the day, the students should be proud of their efforts.

Ciara, Molly, James, Isabelle, Mieke, Jye, Stephanie, Will, Lannah, Charli, Tily, Lucas, Ayden and Jonty

LOTE

Recently, the Grade 1s and 2s have been working on numbers, with Grade 3 and 4 making excellent progress on colours. The senior levels have also been learning about Chinese New Year culture in particular the God of Wealth (Cái Shén) and the traditional food exclusively eaten, including the dumplings.



SPECIALIST NEWS

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Harmony Day

Strathfieldsaye Primary School held Harmony Day activities on Thursday 19th March. Our students celebrated diversity and acceptance of other cultures, learning about heritage, culture and community.

Students were encouraged to **wear orange**. Orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Day. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect.

Here are few pictures of students participating in a range of activities to celebrate Harmony Day.



ART

Last week students completed a mural in recognition of National Day of Action against Bullying No Way, while this week all classes have been working on the "We Belong Together" art project to celebrate Harmony Day



STUDENT WELLBEING

To help promote student wellbeing across our school we have decided to include the article titled "Leading the way for children during the Coronavirus pandemic"

This is attached as a PDF to the newsletter. For further information please visit

<https://www.parentingideas.com.au/schools/>

CANTEEN NEWS



- The school Canteen operates from Wednesday to Friday between 11.00-12.00pm and 2.00-2:30pm.
- Lunch wallets are available from the school office for \$8.00.
- Volunteers are always welcome to help collate the orders and prepare the lunches.
- If you are willing to assist between 9.00am -11:30am on either Wednesday, Thursday or Friday please contact **Marcella, our Canteen Manager, on 0409795170.**

VOLUNTEER CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 1 / 2

DAY & DATE	9.00am - 11:30am
Wed Mar 25th	• Machaela McGillivary
Thu Mar 6th	• Michelle Hicks
Fri Mar 27th	• Michelle McAuley, Lee & Louise, Alyse Pippard
Wed Apr 15th	• Kate Hietbrink
Thu Apr 16th	• Lean Schilling
Fri Apr 17th	• Jacqui Flett, Donna Forte
Wed Apr 22nd	• Kim Kolbe
Thu Apr 23rd	• Machaela McGillivary
Fri Apr 24th	• Jodi McCooke, Jacqui Flett, Alysse Pippard
Wed Apr 29th	• Kylie Morrison, Kate Hietbrink
Thu Apr 30th	• Michelle Hicks
Fri May 1st	• Kim Kolbe, Bri Giddings, Alex Leech, Kylie Morrison - SPECIAL LUNCH DAY - PIZZA
Wed May 6th	• Kate Heitbrink
Thu May 7th	• Kelly Ingram
Fri May 8th	• Bri Giddings, Rebecca Phillips - HELP NEEDED
Wed May 13th	• Michelle Hicks
Thu May 14th	• Leah Schilling
Fri May 15th	• Kim Kolbe , Alex Leech - HELP NEEDED
Wed May 20th	• Kate Heitbrink
Thu May 21st	• Sarah Thompson
Fri May 22nd	• Jacqui Flett - HELP NEEDED

Introducing our new Canteen Menu

Throughout this term, Marcella and Cindi worked with interested parents to improve our canteen menu, in line with recommendations from the [National Healthy Schools Canteen Guidelines](#). Please see below the new Canteen menu which will commence Term 2.

Strathfieldsaye Primary School

Canteen Menu - 2020

Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays



Sandwiches** or Wraps (Orders Only)

Vegemite/Strawberry Jam Cheese *	\$2.00
Cheese & Vegemite *	\$2.50
Ham or Tomato & Cheese *	\$3.00
Ham, Cheese & Tomato *	\$3.50
Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$4.00
Salad (Tomato, Carrot, Cucumber, Lettuce, Cheese & Mayo)	\$4.00
Ham & Salad	\$4.50
Chicken & Salad	\$4.50

*Toasted available

Sandwiches are made using Wholemeal Bread

Salad Tub (Cheese/Ham/Chicken)	\$4.50
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Hot Food (Orders Only)

Steamed Dim Sim with Soy Sauce	\$1.00
Pizza Moon Rocks (Bread dough filled with Tomato, Cheese & Bacon)	\$4.00
Meatball Sub (with Cheese & BBQ or Tomato Sauce)	\$4.50
Baked Potato (with Cheese, Bacon & Sour Cream)	\$4.50
Pasta** & Veggie Sauce	\$4.00
Pasta & Cheese Sauce	\$4.00
Pasta** & Bolognese Sauce	\$4.50
Nachos (Corn Chips with Cheese, Salsa & Sour Cream)	\$4.50
Chicken Burger with Lettuce, Cheese & Mayo	\$5.00

**Gluten Free option available on request

Snacks

Frozen Fruit (Pineapple/ Mango/ Watermelon)	.50c
Apple Slinky	\$1.00
Homemade Muffins (Apple & Cinnamon/Banana)	\$2.00
Sea Salt Chips	\$1.00
Warm Cheesy Rolls	\$1.00
Fresh Popcorn	\$1.00
Carrot & Cucumber with Dip (Tzatziki /Salsa)	\$2.00
Greek Yoghurt & Berries	\$2.00
Frozen Juicies (Sugar Free) (Orange/Wildberry/Tropical)	\$2.00
Frozen Yoghurt (Strawberry/Fruit Salad)	\$2.00
Seasonal Fresh Fruit Salad	\$2.50

Drinks

100% Fruit Juice (Apple/Orange/Apple & Blackcurrant)	\$2.00
Milk (Chocolate/Honeycomb/Plain)	\$2.00
Berry/Banana Smoothie (Berry/Banana, Greek Yoghurt & Milk)	\$2.00

Canteen Noticeboard

Please include an extra 10c if you require a paper bag

Reusable bags can be purchased from the office

Helpers Needed

We need as many helpers as possible to successfully run our Canteen. Please enquire at the office or with Marcella Carr at the Canteen or on 0409 795 170 if you're interested.



PARENTS & FRIENDS



Strathfieldsaye
Primary School

Hot Cross Bun Fundraising Drive



This year we have partnered with Bakers Delight in Strathdale to bring you delicious Hot Cross Buns. For every 6 pack purchased the School will receive \$1.50 with all funds raised being used to purchase early Intervention Literacy books for our junior students. Please return this form with **CASH ONLY to the office by Wednesday March 25th**

Hot Cross Buns will be distributed to student classrooms or can be collected from the office by specific request on Friday 27th March, the last day of Term 1.

Mothers & Special Persons Day Stall

In addition to the usual range of manufactured goodies available for students to purchase at our Mothers Day and Special Persons stall, we are seeking donations from any one willing to donate items that have been lovingly hand crafted.

All donations can be left at the school office.

The stall will operate from Wed May 6th—Fri May 8th



CLASS AWARDS

These class awards are to recognise students who are demonstrating skills based on our School Values or our Learner Profile

Class	Student	Reason
1	Tyler H Thomas F	For staying focussed and engaged in maths sessions For working on writing letters and words in a sentence
2	Amelia R	For working hard to improve her cutting skills.
3	Taylah M Lou S	For consistently showing our CORE value of excellence and completing tasks to the best of her ability For consistently showing our CORE value of excellence and completing tasks to the best of his ability
4	Lola P Oliver G	For trying hard in writing. Lola is stretching out the sounds she's hearing in words to complete her writing. Fantastic work Lola, keep up the great work For recognising words that rhyme and coming up with new words. Great rhyming work Oliver.
6	Adelyn O Finn L	For confidently displaying learning behaviours and routines in Grade 1 For confidently displaying learning behaviours and routines in Grade 1
7	Avah B Reuben V	For being a caring, helpful student in the classroom. For doing amazing work in his mini-lit sessions.
8	Sammy G Amber P	For carefully sounding out words in his readers. F or always showing confidence and trying her best.
9	Harper B Lacey O	For showing great resilience after breaking his arm For consistently demonstrating all four school values
10	Lucas S Scarlett W	For completing a retell of 'The story of Ivine and pillow'. For completing a retell of 'The story of Ivine and pillow'.
11	Amelia W Alex M	For having a positive attitude to all her school work For his excellent response on our 'Strathfieldsaye Then and Now' task.
13	Eleanor B Sophie B	For demonstrating great improvement in her Place Value post-test. For demonstrating great improvement in her Place Value post-test.
14	Bethany R Jake I	For having great input in classroom discussion. For always offering his assistance and helping other classmates.
15	Eden P Daragh Mc	For being a diligent worker across all curriculum areas. For always trying his best.
16	Joshua S Amelie P Broden R	For producing an engaging narrative during his cold write. For producing an engaging narrative during her cold write. For approaching difficult tasks with a positive 'can do' attitude.
17	Ruby R Lochlan P	For displaying enthusiasm in all that she does at school, and encouraging and supporting her classmates For displaying leadership within the classroom and for his confident approach to all learning activities
18	Eliza I Liam L	For displaying a positive attitude and excellent work ethic in all subject areas. For displaying a positive attitude and excellent work ethic in all subject areas
21	Rhylii H Alex T	F consistently using and displaying the CORE values towards her peers and teachers. Keep up the great work Rhylii! For always showing an optimistic attitude towards tasks in the classroom and taking ownership over his learning by asking for help if he needs it.
22	Myah H Scott F	For working hard to improve her knowledge of factors and multiples in maths For working hard to increase his understanding of factors and multiples in maths
23	Baylee P Jett B	For working independently to complete tasks to a high standard. For working independently to complete tasks to a high standard.
25	Zoe D Nic B	For her willingness to take risks and immerse herself in all classroom activities For using his optimistic outlook to create a positive climate within the classroom
26	Olivia P Dale E	For consistently pushing herself in all learning areas For pushing himself in all subject areas
27	Annabelle W Darnel M	For persevering when things were tough and trying her absolute best For being a positive role model for others around him by making great choices and trying his best
28		No class awards
Art	Sarah P	For always trying her best in Art.
Music	Dale E	For his fantastic attitude towards ukulele playing.
Physical Education	Damon R	For assisting Mr. Curnow with running of the 2020 Athletics Program
Library	Eddie S	For listening attentively in library and completing all tasks
LOTE	Nic B	For consistently striving for excellence in learning Chinese

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Come and join us for a game of footy!!

We are looking for more players in U9 & U10 teams, and our U12Girls for our 2020 season.

U9's – born in 2011, 2012 or before 30/4/13.
U10's – born in 2010

U12Girls – born in 2008, or younger

The registration fee for these teams is \$140 per player

For enquiries please contact SFNC Junior Football Registrar
Jo Bell via email sjfcregistrar@bigpond.com
or phone **0438 890 270**

Strathfieldsaye Auskick

Will commence April 19th
Register at
<https://play.afl/auskick/2020-registration>



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