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Optimism



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Friday 18th August

“Our school vision is to empower everyone to learn and grow in an inclusive environment.”

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Principal's Report

Staffing

As many of you may have already heard, Bryce Curnow, our current PE teacher will be taking 12 months leave to take on a new Sports Leadership role at Catherine McAuley College. Today, Friday 18 August, is Bryce's last day with us this year, and possibly forever if his new position becomes ongoing. **It will be very hard for us to farewell Bryce, as he is a much loved member of the community at Strath PS, but we wish him all the very best in his new leadership role.** One of our regular relief teachers, Luke Dunstone, will take on our PE teacher role for the re-remainder of this term and then from Term 4 onwards, Lachie Ratcliffe will move across from his classroom role to our PE Teacher and Sports Coordinator role. We have advertised a Gr 5 teacher position and we will be able to let you know in a couple of weeks who the new teacher will be for Room 27 during Term 4.

Another one of our long standing teachers, Bec Lancaster, will also be taking leave, for 6 months starting in Term 4, to trial a career change as a prison officer with Corrections Victoria, working at Tarrengower Women's Prison. Bec has been a part of the Strath PS community since 2005 and has taught about 450 student during that time, and touched the lives of so many more. We will all miss Bec incredibly, but we also wish her all the very best in her new adventure. We have advertised Bec's position and we will be able to let you know in a couple of weeks who the new teacher will be for Room 1 during Term 4.

Sharing Your Thoughts - Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents / caregivers / guardians think of our school. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. A random sample of approximately 30 per cent of parents / caregivers / guardians has been selected to participate in this year's survey. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from **Monday 14 August to Friday 8 September 2023**. The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on a range of devices or platforms.

150th Anniversary Celebration and School Reunion

As you know, our school has the honour of celebrating our 150th anniversary this year, and on **Saturday 9 Sept from 11.00am – 3.00pm**, we will be holding our **150th Anniversary Celebrations and School Reunion** and we would love you to join us. You can register your attendance at www.trybooking.com/CJDEP or by phoning our School Office on 5439 5207.

2023 Community Fair - Organising Committee Expression of Interest

Each year our school conducts Community Fair which is the major fundraiser for the school. This year, our community fair will be held on **Friday October 20th from 4-8pm**. We are seeking expressions of interest from parents or carers who would like assist in varying capacities to organise the fair. The role of the organising committee will include: organising stalls and activities, coordinating rosters, seeking donations, selling of foods and much more. If you're interested in helping, please contact the school office on 5439 5207 or email rebecca.soulsby@education.vic.gov.au.

2024 Foundation Enrolments

We are currently taking enrolments for next year's Foundation students. If you haven't already received an Enrolment pack, please collect one from the school office. The Department of Education set a due date of 31 July 2023 for all 2024 Foundation enrolments this year, and although this due date has already past, we are still happy to accept additional enrolments. So if you know of any families with little ones starting school next year, please remind them to submit their forms as soon as possible.

2023 Curriculum Days and Student Learning Interview Days

Term 3 Week 7: Monday 21st August - Teacher Professional Learning Session (pupil free day)

Term 4 Week 8: Friday 24th November - Report Writing Day for Teachers (pupil free day)

Term 4 Week 9: Monday 27th November - Combined Professional Practice Day for Teachers (pupil free day)

Kind Regards, Cindi Bruechert Cindi.Bruechert@education.vic.gov.au



Important Dates

Aug 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum Day—Pupil Free Day
Aug 22nd-25th Aug 23rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Book Week and Scholastic Book Fair Special Book Week Performance by the Blurbs
Aug 25th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Happy Healthy Active Hour
Aug 27th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strathfieldsaye Community Market
Aug 31st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Division Basketball
Aug 30th—Sept 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fathers Day / Special Persons Stall
Sept 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly 2.35pm
Sept 6th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Melbourne Zoo Excursion—Grade 2
Sept 7th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> JSC Footy Colours Day raising funds for Cancer
Sept 8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canteen Special Lunch
Sept 8th—9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 150th Celebration & Events Friday 2-3.30pm & Sat 11-3pm
Sept 11th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Division Athletics
Sept 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly 9.15am Straths Got Talent Final Term 3 Concludes at 2.30pm
Sept 16th—Oct 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Holidays
Sept 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strathfieldsaye Community Market
Oct 2nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Term 4 Commences



Class Awards Aug 18th

1	Buster R Lucas C	For working hard to improve his reading and writing. Well done! For writing an excellent recount of our class story and being a positive role model.
2	Heath B	For entertaining the class and making everyone laugh during share.
3	Hudson H McKenzie K	For very neat accurate handwriting using the dotted thirds lines and extending his sentences. For very neat accurate handwriting using the dotted thirds lines and writing descriptive sentences.
4	Hazel F Riley K	For building confidence during writing time, stretching out sounds hearing in words and using known tricky words to form her sentence. For using her knowledge of tricky words and letter sound knowledge to successfully write in detail, producing lots of sentences in writing time.
5	Edie L Grace K	For settling in beautifully, showing a great approach to learning and for always trying her best For demonstrating a great work ethic while researching and writing her information report on dogs
6	Charlotte M Isla S	For participating in class discussions and always trying her best. For challenging herself with her reading and having a go.
8	Eoin C Connor W	For reading beautifully and showing that he has been practicing whilst he's been away on holidays For doing some great maths thinking during our fluency questions
9	Charlie W Ruby H	For being a kind and caring classmate For working hard on her writing and producing an excellent information report on Sloths
10	Henry H Mia G	For creating an interesting Information Report on Cassowaries! For working hard to complete her Information Report on penguins!
11	Mikayla K Chad M	For being a wonderful caring class member, who puts her very best into all areas of her learning For being very enthusiastic in completing his work and taking on board changes he can do to make it even better
13	Xander J Lou S	For always demonstrating a positive mindset and contributing his thoughts and opinions during focus lessons. Unreal Xander For putting in an outstanding effort in Round 1 of the Prime Minister's Spelling Bee! You should be proud Lou
14	Ryker A-W Roger S	For showing a high level of care and effort with his letter formation For displaying excellent manners and always making an effort to get along with his peers
15	Vivienne P Luke W	For working hard to independently complete maths tasks. For working hard to independently complete maths tasks.
16	Bentley F Ethan S	For demonstrating resilience and bouncing back from a challenging situation For showing kindness and understanding to others
17	Jacob A Seth W	For working super hard on his persuasive writing piece to convince his reader. For working super hard on his persuasive writing piece to convince his reader.
18	Sharliya Z Hunter B-D	For always having a happy positive attitude in the classroom. For always striving to do his best in the classroom.
21	George K Tom O	For working hard to create sentence fluency in his writing by experimenting with different sentence structures For working hard to create sentence fluency in his writing by experimenting with different sentence structures
22	Matilda V Parker J	For working hard an applying herself in her fractions Maths For Me sessions. For applying himself and working hard this term in the Victorian High Abilities program.
23	Kacie H Fox R	For always being a respectful listener and friend. For his excellent writing learning task full of strong verbs, meaningful adjectives and figurative language.
24	Ruby P Jaxson A-W	For consistently demonstrating the CORE Values and doing her personal best with all tasks For continually showing respect to others and approaching all activities with a positive mindset
25	Lucas G Oliver M	For always volunteering to help in and out of the classroom For consistently supporting and encouraging others
26	Harry E Izabella T	For his great work in mathematics and persisting in using and applying his maths thinking. For her continued effort and dedication in all areas of her learning.
27	Chloe F Rachel T	For always bringing a positive mindset into the classroom For always looking for ways to extend her learning.
28	Jett W Sierra W	For striving to improve upon his knowledge of fractions in maths For striving to improve upon her literacy work
STEM	Peyton W Jaiden H	For being an enthusiastic worker in STEM sessions For working hard in STEM Sessions this term
PE	Noah G Xavier Q	For showing great team work in their Volleyball lesson For showing great team work in their Volleyball lesson
LOTE	Angus N Lily J	For being actively involved in all our learning experiences in LOTE For being actively involved in all our learning experiences in LOTE
Vis Arts	Koby R	For working hard in art and showing a growth mindset when completing his "Box World"
Perf Arts	Kaylee H	For consistently working her best in Performing Arts
Library	Lucas C	For listening attentively in Library and completing all tasks to a high standard. Well done Lucas



SCIENCE



TECHNOLOGY



ENGINEERING



MATHEMATICS

Term 3 STEM- Science Focus

This term in STEM, students are focusing on the chemical and physical aspects of the science curriculum. This has seen students participate in a variety of experiments using many household and readily available chemicals, such as acetic acid (vinegar), baking soda dish washing liquids and vegetable oils. Students in year 6 have been working on extracting DNA from strawberries. Students in year 5 have worked on completing experiments where high and low pressure areas have an effect on the environment around them. Year 4 students have been investigating the properties of light including reflection and refraction. Year 3s have completed work on the molecular density if different liquids and students in foundation – level 2 have been practising using their 5 senses to assist them.

Figure 1- DNA extracting from Strawberries



Book Week

Our Book Week Celebrations will take place on Wednesday the 23rd of August.

Blurbs Performance

At 9:30am, we will celebrate Book Week with a whole school performance by the 'Blurbs'. They are a local band who bring stories to life through song, dance and drama.

Dress Up

Children are encouraged to come to school dressed as their favourite book character (please ensure clothing is suitable for chilly weather). Younger siblings are welcome to attend with their parents. Please also send a cushion with your child to sit on to watch the performance.

Responsible Pet Program

Last Friday, the Grade 1 students had a visit from Tracey & Izzy from the Responsible Pet program. The program uses multimedia to provide children with a variety of stimulating activities, to teach a range of concepts relating to 'responsible pet ownership'



Student Wellbeing

To help promote student wellbeing across our school we have decided to include the article titled 'Why Children Need to know it's OK to Make Mistakes'



For further information please visit: www.happyfamilies.com.au

A Message from The City of Greater Bendigo

Increased Mosquito Activity and Threat of Arbovirus in Greater Bendigo Region

The City of Greater Bendigo region has been identified as having increased Mosquito activity through its mosquito surveillance program. Some of the mosquitos identified by the surveillance program are capable of carrying infectious diseases. Over the coming weeks, we expect the population of mosquitos to continue to increase, resulting in a higher risk of exposure to these infectious diseases.

Management of mosquitos requires a community effort. You can protect yourself by doing the following:

- Wear loose fitting clothing when outdoors.
- Use effective mosquito repellents on exposed skin containing DEET or picaridin.

You can increase your protection by:

- Ensuring your buildings are fitted with well maintained flyscreens or other physical insect barriers.
- Checking any rainwater tanks and water storage devices are sealed or fitted with mesh screens.

If you have identified increased mosquito at your premises, I encourage you to engage a licensed pest controller to assist you identify and apply appropriate chemical controls at your site.

Should you identify areas in your neighbourhood supporting the breeding of mosquitos, please do not hesitate in notifying the City. Together we can minimise the spread of mosquito borne disease in our community.

Community MARKET

Stall holder bookings open now!



**Next Market: Sunday 27th August
9.00am — 1.00pm**

<https://www.trybooking.com/CKCTI>

150th Birthday Celebrations

Calendar of Events



As part of our yearlong 150th Anniversary Celebrations we will be conducting the following events:

150th Mural and Tree Planting

Friday September 8th 2:00-3:00pm

Sneak peak viewing of our 150th Mural and planting of 150 seedlings and shrubs by students and families

150th Anniversary Celebrations & School Reunion

Saturday 9 September 11.00am – 3.00pm

Everyone is invited including current staff, students and families, past staff, students and families and the local community

Activities include:

- 11:30am Official ceremony including un-veiling of mural
- 12:30pm High Tea served \$15 per person, bookings essential www.trybooking.com/CJDEP
- Followed by showcase of performances and opportunities to view historical displays.

You can register your attendance at www.trybooking.com/CJDEP or by phoning our School Office on 5439 5207

SPS Community Fair

Friday October 20th 4:00pm-8:00pm

The celebrations continue with an assortment of rides, carnival style stalls, market, food trucks and more!



School Party Day

Wednesday October 25th

Our 150th day of school in 2023 will encompass a student party day including birthday cupcakes, fun activities and the new time capsule will be buried.





School Canteen Information

- The school canteen operates on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday between 11-12pm
- Canteen orders and payments, by credit card, can be made through the Compass portal. The Canteen link is accessible under the 'Community' icon (the 2 people) on your Compass home page
- **Online orders close at 8:40am each day, except for Friday when orders close at 8:00am**
- Lunch wallets are available from the school office for \$8
- Volunteers are always welcome to help collate the orders and prepare the lunches.
- If you are willing to assist between 9 -11:30am on either Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday please contact Marcella, our Canteen Manager, on **0409 795 170**

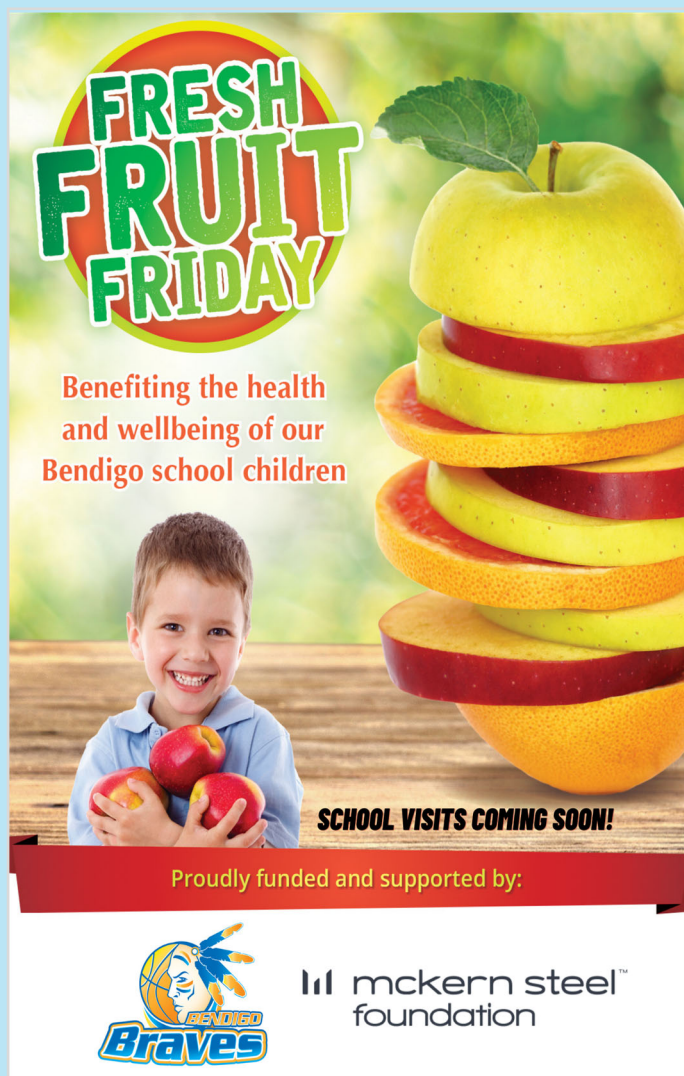
VOLUNTEER CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2 2023

DAY & DATE	9.00am — 11:30am	
Monday 21st August	CURRICULUM DAY	CURRICULUM DAY
Tuesday 22nd August	Jo March	HELP NEEDED
Thursday 24th August	Heather Ryall	HELP NEEDED
Friday 25th August	Jo March	Brionna Giddings
Monday 28th August	Jo March	
Tuesday 29th August	Jo March	
Thursday 31st August	Heather Ryall	
Friday 1st September	Deb Wahlert	
Monday 4th September	Jo March	
Tuesday 5th September	Jo March	
Thursday 7th September	Heather Ryall	
Friday 8th September	Rhi March Tara Neville	HELP NEEDED

Thank You!

A huge thank you to the Strathfieldsaye Bakery for their donation of bread each week; to Strathfieldsaye Champions IGA for the cheese they donate; and also to the McKern Foundation for donating fresh fruit.

We really appreciate your support




FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

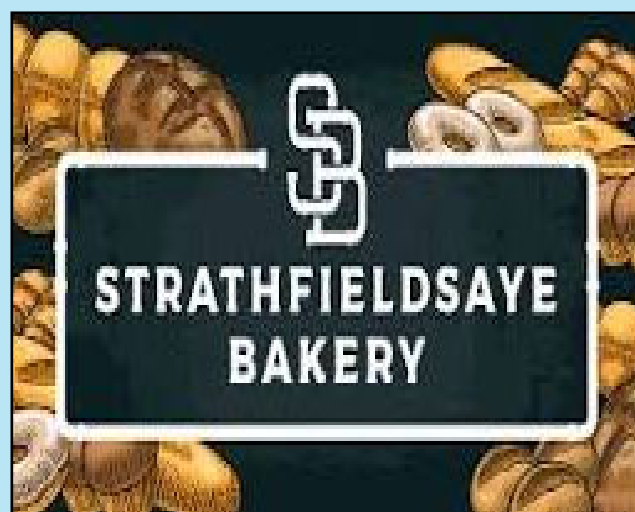
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FUTSAL

2023/24 SUMMER FUTSAL COMPETITION

JUNIOR COMPETITION INFORMATION

WE ARE GEARING UP FOR A MASSIVE SUMMER FUTSAL COMPETITION.

PARENTS/GUARDIANS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE EACH CHILD'S BOOKING THROUGH THE REGISTRATION PORTAL AT WWW.KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU/BEINDIGO

TEAM BOOKINGS ARE AVAILABLE BY FILLING OUT THE TEAM REGISTRATION FORM AND THEN EMAILING BEAU@KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU INDIVIDUAL ENROLMENTS WILL BE FILTERED INTO A TEAM.

AGE GROUPS

UNDER 6'S, 8'S, 10'S, 12'S, 14'S, 16'S, 18'S

SUMMER FUTSAL COMPETITION DETAILS

REGISTRATION COST: \$280

**MATCH DAY: WEDNESDAY (UNDER 6, 8, 10, 12)
THURSDAY (UNDER 14, 16, 18)**

TIME: 4:30PM - ONWARDS

**PROGRAM DATES:
18TH OCTOBER - 13TH MARCH
(WEDNESDAY'S) & 19TH OCTOBER
- 14TH MARCH (THURSDAY'S)**

**VENUE: VICTORY CHRISTIAN
COLLEGE**


- **REGISTER INDIVIDUALLY**
- **REGISTER YOUR OWN TEAM**
- **REGISTER THROUGH OUR ACADEMY PROGRAMS**





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POP-UP SNAKE INFORMATION TABLE

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH
3PM - 4:30PM

914 WELLINGTON ST, STRATHFIELDSAYE

GREATER BENDIGO SNAKE CONTROL IS HOSTING A FREE INFORMATION TABLE
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MONDAY



LADIES NETBALL ASSOCIATION

WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW
TEAMS OR INDIVIDUALS WHO
WANT TO PLAY SOCIAL NETBALL.

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Monday Mornings
School Terms Only



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Looking forward to a fun active summer....then let's give Cricket a go
Strathfieldsaye Jets Cricket Club welcomes new and existing players to register for the
2023/24 season.

Registrations are now open, please follow the following links:

Cricket Blast Programs – Sunday mornings (ages 5 to 7/8),
Friday evenings (ages 8 to 10)

<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/6126ac>

Junior Competitions for U11 (Friday), U12 (Sunday morning)
& U14, U16 (Saturdays):

<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/26789b>

The Club will be holding an information day regarding registrations and merchandise on the
following dates at our
Tannery Lane Sporting facility:

Monday 14th August 5:30pm to 7pm

Monday 28th August 5:30pm to 7pm

We look forward to a fun filled summer of cricketing action for all ages.
If requiring further information, or any queries in general please feel free to contact us via
email strathfieldsayejets@gmail.com

or the phone number below.

“Live local, Play local”
Brent Yates | Junior President | 0434 730 711
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