Strathewen Primary School

Wednesday 4th September 2024

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Thursday September 5th- Sugarloaf District Athletics Event at Willinda Park, Greensborough

(Strathewen Parents' Club operating the BBQ and drink sales at the track)

Additional volunteers to help out with the BBQ needed- please check the roster at the office

- **No Pre-Prep session this week (with Mrs Galvin enjoying a short burst of long service leave)**

Friday September 6th- Session 4 Ten Pin Bowling- P-6

Monday September 9th- Backup day 'bad weather' for Sugarloaf District Athletics Event at Willinda Park

Tuesday September 10th- School Council meeting 4.30pm

Friday September 13th- Final day for end of term fish and chip lunch orders and money to be in

Thursday September 19th- Fish and Chip special JSC lunch and movie day (forms still to be sent home)

Wednesday 30th October - Leadership Day 2 for grades 5-6 at Kangaroo Ground PS

Friday November 8th- The much anticipated SPS- 'Colour Run' event

Thursday December 5th- Whole day concert rehearsal at the Strathewen Hall- 9.00am-3.30pm

Friday December 6th- Final rehearsal at the hall- 9.00am-2.30pm

- **End of year concert at the Strathewen Hall- 6.30pm for a 7pm start**

We acknowledge the traditional Owners of the land on which we stand and pay our respects to the Elders, past, present and emerging.
We honour and respect the histories, cultures, knowledge and perspectives of First Nations peoples
We value the guidance of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as we support and create opportunities for the future custodians- the children
Let us always remember that First Nation children played, danced, sang and learned on this place they called home

At this stage, all is well for our grade 3 to 6 team heading off to compete in the Sugarloaf District Athletics Day tomorrow. All the best to our competitors, I'll look forward to hearing all about it. Just a reminder, that this sports event is one where students compete in their chosen events without any direct coaching on the day. Thank you to all of the volunteers who have signed up for the fundraising cook up at the track and to everyone who has helped out behind the scenes preparing for the BBQ. Thanks also to Kylie who will be supporting our crew on the day.

Everything has gone smoothly post op and I'm looking forward to being officially back on deck on Monday.

Jane

It was very windy for our ten pin bowling lesson last Friday, but everyone still had a great time and enjoyed playing as a team against other groups.

TOMORROW- at Willinda Park

Sugarloaf District Athletics Trials

Willinda Park, Beatrix St,
Greensborough
Thursday September 5th
Strathewen PS is running the sausage sizzle as a fundraiser for the day- more volunteers needed

We have all students in grades 3-6 participating in the District Athletics Day tomorrow. We're looking forward to a great day of competition.

It's not too late to join the crew and help out. More volunteers to help out with cooking sausages, serving, handling money etc would be great. There is a volunteer roster at the office.

CHILD SAFE: *Strathewen Primary School is a child safe organisation which welcomes all children, young people and their families. We are committed to providing environments where our students are safe and feel safe, where their participation is valued, their views respected, and their voices are heard. Our child safe policies, strategies and practices are inclusive of the needs of all children and students. We have no tolerance for child abuse and take proactive steps to identify and manage any risks of harm to students in our environments. Child safety is a shared responsibility.*

Internet Safety tips for Parents and Carers

- Susan McLean, Cyber Safety Solutions

- Whatever your children use, you must use it as well.
- Set up accounts on the same sites to ensure that they are suitable and the interactions appropriate.
- Engage with your children online. This also allows you to know how these applications work.
- If your child is playing online games it is YOUR responsibility to make sure that YOU know how to play the game, in case of problems.
- Play online games together.
- Do not let young children 'google' or scroll aimlessly with no supervision.
- Children need to be taught about search engines and how they work

The junior grade made Father's Day cards last week. The preps enjoyed making their Father's Day card messages using Lego.

Topic 7: Gender and Identity

Learning activities within this topic assist students to challenge stereotypes and critique the influence of gender stereotypes on attitudes and behaviour. They learn about key issues relating to human rights, gender, identity and focus on the importance of respect within relationships. The activities promote respect for diversity and difference.

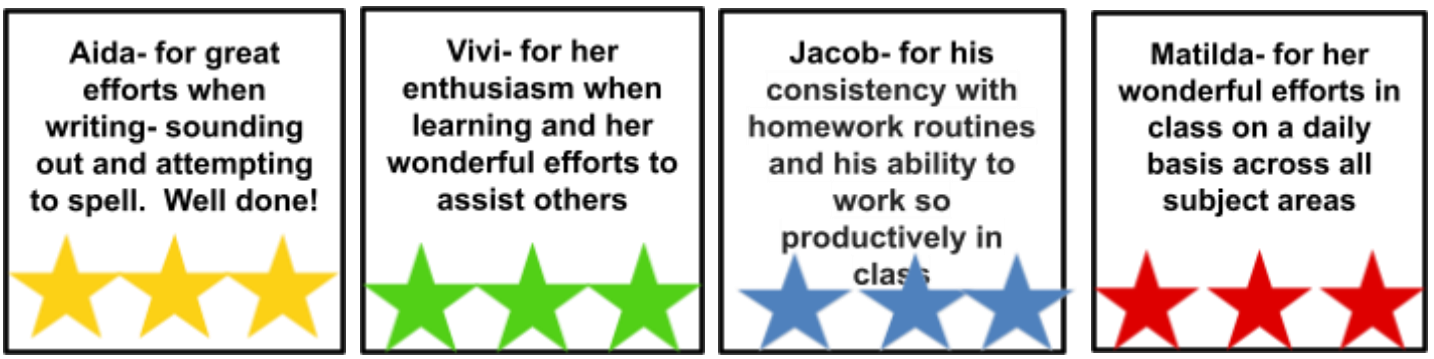
Exploring stereotypes helps us understand how they influence our attitudes and behaviour.

We learn about:

- *gender stereotypes*
- *how gender stereotypes can influence our attitudes and behaviour*
- *issues relating to human rights, gender and identity*
- *the importance of respect within relationships*
- *diversity and difference.*

Behind the scenes…

- Jane has completed the review and update of our school's Emergency Management Plan for the 2024-2025 fire season
- Our school Relocation Planning document has been updated, endorsed by our host school Diamond Valley College and submitted for regional endorsement
- Deb met with our cleaning company manager to discuss the periodical cleaning schedule for the school holiday period



PRIME MINISTER'S SPELLING BEE

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Maths at Home

Reach 100

It's not very practical to play cards in the car (especially if you're driving). However, you can play a variation of blackjack without having to worry about shuffling and dealing, while still getting the mathematical benefits! Each player's goal is to get their total to 100 — or as close to it as they can.

Each player starts from zero, and takes turns to 'add a card'. When a vehicle passes, add up the digits on its number plate and add the total to the running total: if they have 47 and a car with the number '194' on its plate passes, they would add 1+9+4=14 to their score and say "61". They can then choose to 'stick' and make that their final score, or twist and add the next number plate to their total. If they go over 100, though, bad luck! They score nothing.

Whoever 'sticks' closest to 100, wins the round. It is traditional for the loser to request "best of 3", then 5, then 7… Or it could be the winner is the person closest to 100 when a time limit is met, over 100 is out etc.

* There's nothing special about 100 — if you want to pick a higher or lower target, feel free!