Strathewen Primary School

Wednesday 16th October 2024

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Thursday October 17th- JSC- BLOCK OF COLOUR- dress up day- gold coin fundraiser
Prep transition session 1

Tuesday October 22nd- I am Mindful program- grade 4-6- 10-11am

Thursday 24th October- NO Pre-prep or transition

Friday October 25th- proposed Soccer Day at Kangaroo Ground for senior students 10am-12pm

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

Thursday October 31st- Halloween Dress Up day and buy a 'spooky' cupcake
Prep transition session 2

Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd November- Whittlesea Show weekend

Tuesday November 5th- Melbourne Cup Day- public holiday

Thursday November 7th- Prep transition session 3

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

Monday November 11th- Visiting educator- Sexual Health and Relationship Program Grade 5-6- full day

Tuesday November 12th- School Council meeting

Tuesday November 19th- I am Mindful program- grade 4-6- 10am- 12.30pm

Thursday November 21st - Prep transition session 4

Tuesday November 26th- 16 Days of Activism- SPS Celebration of Wonderful Women event

Thursday November 28th - Prep transition session 5- last one. Tuesday

December 3rd- School Council meeting

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

Tuesday December 10th- Year 7 orientation day

Thursday December 12th- end of year Christmas excursion- whole school Thursday December 19th- final school day for students for 2024

Friday December 20th- pupil free day

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

The Colour Run is fast approaching so don't forget to register. The event promises to be a fun day for everyone, not only is there the run itself but also some special games and delicious food.

Our students have been working hard on all their pieces for the Whittlesea Show and by Friday all entries will have been delivered to the Showgrounds ready for judging. Please remember that the cost for entries is - Prep to grade 3- $2.20 and Grades 4-6- $3.30. It is always fun for our students to search for their written and/or art work when they attend the Whittlesea Show.

On Monday 28th October we will have a former student returning to do their teaching round placement with us. Jenna Sharp is a Strathewen local and will be doing her placement in the junior classroom for 3 weeks. We look forward to having Jenna with us.

Don't' forget tomorrow is Block Colour Dress-up day for our Junior School Council fundraiser- wear all one colour, any colour you like! The gold coin donation goes toward our Bali orphans.

Jane will be back on deck next week and I'm sure we will hear about all her Bali adventures.

Diane Phillips

IDEAS FOR BLOCK COLOUR DRESS-UP DAY

Behind the scenes…

- Written entries for the Whittlesea Show were dropped off at the Showground on Saturday morning by Diane and Mrs Galvin is taking in the art entries this Friday
- Fire Plumb Services were here on Monday for routine service of our Sprinkler Service
- On Wednesday morning Test and Tag checks were conducted for all electrical appliances

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.*

CONCERT PRACTISE is underway!

Transition: A Positive Start To School.

Transition sessions start tomorrow! The children starting school next year join the rest of the students for recess break straight after their regular lessons from 9-11. Students go home at the beginning of lunchtime break.
There will be 5 sessions, and the dates are as follows

Week 2- October 17th
Week 3 – no session this week
Week 4- October 31st
Week 5- November 7th
Week 6 – no session this week
Week 7- November 21st
Week 8- November 28th – last session

If you have any questions about your child's transition, please feel free to have a chat with me.
Diane Phillips

<u>Some activities in the junior classroom this week</u>

Grade 2 enjoyed playing Maths games – this one focused on learning their 3 times tables.

Skipping lessons are continuing and this week we were using the long rope. Students are becoming much more confident and were running in and out and jumping in pairs.

We are so excited to be back! This week we looked at what science is. How does science help us and what has it done for humanity. We looked at different scientific inventions, how they were developed and the characters of the individuals that came up with it. In the junior grades we thought about what we thought a scientist was and what they actually are. Turns out they don't all wear lab coats! They then thought about the questions we could ask if they were scientists. In the senior grades we thought about the scientific process and how it works. We also thought about why science is important and answered some questions about it. We then identified some scientific phenomena that we were individually interested in to help us get into the mindsets of the scientists we'd like to be.

Our beautiful blue tongued lizards are coming out again with the warmer weather. The children love seeing them and are very protective and will tell others to be careful around them.

Did you know?

Common Blue-tongued Lizards ("Blue-tongues") are named after their bright blue fleshy tongue, which contrasts with their pink mouths. They use their tongue as a defence tool to scare off predators. When Blue-tongues feel threatened they stick out their tongue to frighten predators. They are also known to hiss when threatened. Blue-tongues are not venomous, but may try to bite if handled. If you come across one around your home, it's best to leave it alone. It won't harm you or any of your pets.

Aida - for her fantastic efforts with practicing and learning her magic words.
Well done Aida!

Xavier - for his efforts in concert practice – he is already using a good character voice.
Well done Xavier.

Marley- for her persistence and attention to detail for all her artwork
Making efforts.
Fabulous work.

Jacob - for his efforts in concert practice – he has already learnt some of his lines.
Well done Xavier.

KINGLAKE CRICKET CLUB

CRICKET BLAST

FOR KIDS AGED 5-10

HAVE SOME FUN, LEARN NEW SKILLS, MAKE NEW FRIENDS

STARTING THURSDAY 24TH OCTOBER

5 PM START

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KINGLAKE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB INCORPORATED

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Hurstbridge Hub

Emergency Relief

outreach program

This program provides Emergency Relief to residents of Nillumbik unable to access the DVCS Greensborough office.

This service will be available on:

- Tuesday, 24th September
- Tuesday, 29th October
- Tuesday, 26th November

Bookings are essential, please call: 9435 8282 to complete an intake form.

DIAMOND VALLEY community support

Services Provided :

- Emergency Relief
- Information and Referral
- Education Assistance

and more

Location :

Hurstbridge Hub, meeting room 1
50 Graysharps Rd, Hurstbridge

Eligibility:

To be in hardship and live in the Nillumbik or NE Banyule
Must provide relevant (in area) ID

More Information :

(03) 9435 8282
www.dvsupport.org.au
info@dvsupport.org.au

NEED HELP?

If you're in need of support or resources, reach out to us.

Our team is ready to provide assistance and help you through tough times.

OUR SERVICES INCLUDE

- **Hardship Relief**
- **Community Development**
- **Legal Advice**
- Information **and Referral**
- Volunteers **Hub**
- Financial **Counselling & Tax Help**
- **Food Support**
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- **Gift Ap**

We're here for you. Reach out today

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