Strathewen Primary School

Wednesday 8th October 2025

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Tuesday 21st October	Re-scheduled School council meeting
Tuesday 15th October	CFA Program - 5/6 Program – CFA T-Shirts Compulsory
Wednesday 16th October	JSC – Hotdog Day
Tuesday 22nd October	CFA Program - 5/6 Program – CFA T-Shirts Compulsory
Friday 24th October	Grade 5/6 – Soccer Day Kangaroo Ground
Sunday 26th October	Kinglake Market- carpark support volunteers needed for SPS fundraising event
Tuesday 4th November	**CUPDAY**
Friday 5th December-	End of year concert at the Strathewen Hall

SAVE THE DATE – Sunday Oct 26th – SPS fundraising role – car parking support at the Kinglake Market

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

Welcome back everyone to the start of term 4

We had a fresh-faced bunch join us this week for what is going to be an action-packed term full of activities.

Students have been busy finishing off their stories and poetry to enter the Whittlesea Show, and they will be dropped off at the showgrounds at the end of this week. There is an extra week for all art entries to be completed, and the children will be working on these in their art time.

Ms. Hayward is on leave until the beginning of next week as she enjoys a break in her 'happy place' with her daughter Emily. We are receiving regular updates regarding her travels, and her contact with the Bali school, which our students raise funds to support.

Our thoughts are with Mrs. Phillips who has had a planned operation during the school holidays, and we wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to her return.

There are lots of exciting activities planned for term 4 including leadership day for grade 5/6, soccer day for the big grade and our annual school concert. There was much excitement in the last few days of last term with our fish and chip movie day and the announcement of the play for the end of year concert – Fantastic Mr. Fox! The senior students have begun to select their parts and the junior classroom students are very excited to find out which character they are. The script is adjusted to ensure every student in the school had some lines in the play. We began rehearsals on Wednesday of this week.

J.S.C have several fundraising events scheduled and they are looking forward to a hot dog day next Thursday, as well as a Halloween dress up, an ice-cream fundraiser and a crazy hair day as the term progresses.

A reminder with term 4 warmer weather that school hats are to be worn during outside break sessions.

From Mrs. G.

ALL-STAR STUDENTS!

Ellie for her organizational skills and her strong work ethic in all subject areas.

Jacob for his wonderful management of his class work and help around the classroom.

Brin for settling back into classroom life beautifully.

Wes for paying careful attention to his class work.

JSC

Do you have any spare 5c coins hanging around? We'd love you to add them to our silver coin tube collection in the hallway, so that we can plan a special challenge this term.

Hotdog Day

Wednesday 16th October

$3.00

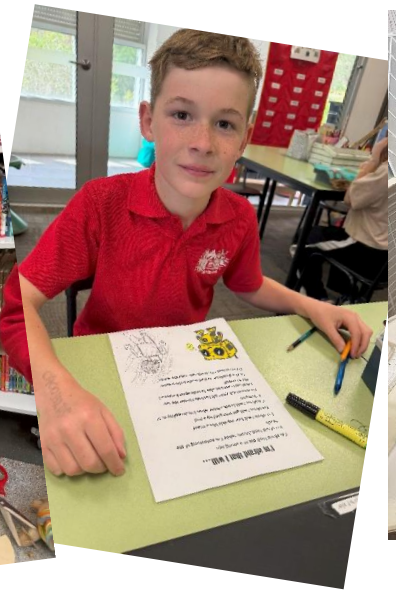
RESILIENCE
RIGHTS &
RESPECTFUL
RELATIONSHIPS

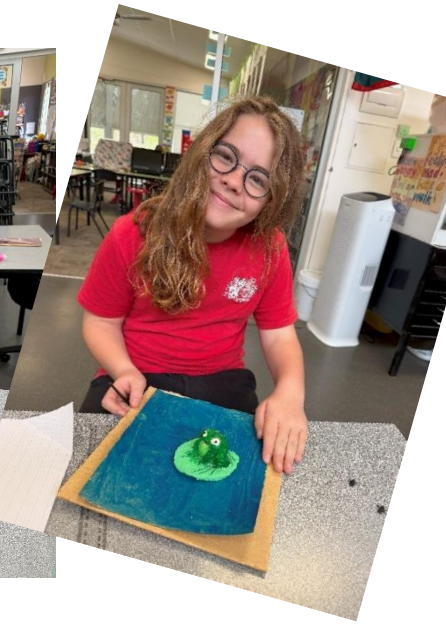
Topic 1: Emotional literacy
Topic 2: Personal strengths
Topic 3: Positive coping
Topic 4: Problem-solving
Topic 5: Stress management
Topic 6: Help-seeking
Topic 7: Gender and identity
Topic 8: Positive gender relationships

The RR program begins in the first year of school and continues from there. Some topics covered in the junior classroom include:

- ways we help to make a safe and happy class
- acts of friendship, with a focus on empathy● acts of kindness
- personal and cultural strengths
- knowing and showing respect
- respecting and valuing difference
- positive coping- cheering up and calming down

Preparing for Whittlesea Show with Mrs Galvin

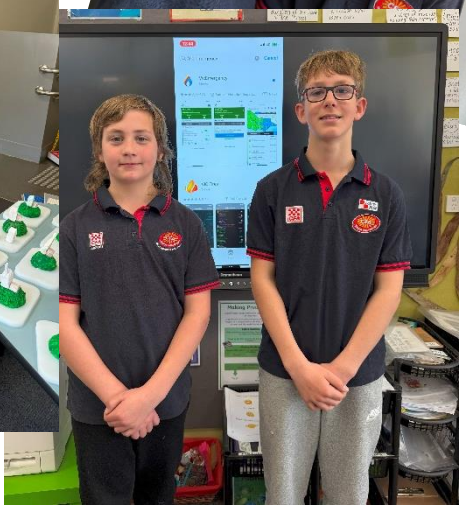




Grade 3-6

Grades Prep - 2

Continuing to put together short movies addressing different fire safety topics.



Behind the Scenes:

- Jeff from Jeffs Pests came in for the quarterly service

STRATHEWEN LANDCARE MEMBERS ONLY

Log Splitter available for hire!
Borrowing donation: $20
Pick up Strathewen
Questions and bookings can be made via emailing
enquiries@strathewenlandcare.org.au

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.*

Child safety and wellbeing at Strathewen Primary School: information for families and the school community

Strathewen Primary School is committed to providing an environment where students are safe and feel safe.

Our child safety framework includes policies, codes and procedures that explain how we support and maintain the safety and wellbeing of our students and protect them from harm. These documents are available on our website: http://strathewenps.vic.edu.au/

We are also committed to continuous improvement of our child safety framework. We are currently reviewing our child safety policies and practices to ensure they are up-to-date and effective.

Our students and families are important partners in this process. We welcome your feedback or ideas on ways we can improve our approach to child safety and wellbeing.

If you have any suggestions or comments, please contact Jane Hayward, our school principal on 9714 8278.

Arthurs Creek Strathewen Rural Fire Brigade

To Everybody that has an Arthurs Creek Strathewen Fridge Magnet, please be advised that due to an update of phone numbers, Arthurs Creek (General Enquiries) phone number at the bottom of the magnet has changed to 9714 8793.
This is the Arthurs Creek Station number and will connect you to the Officer on Duty who will be able to answer any inquiries that you may have.

Please pass on this message to whoever you think may need it.

Thank you from the Arthurs Creek RFB.