



Snippets

BE SAFE

BE A LEARNER

BE RESPECTFUL

Diary Dates 2021



Oct 22
All Students
Back to School

Nov 01
School Closure

Nov 02
Melbourne Cup
day - Public
Holiday

Nov 19
Curriculum Day
(No School)

Dec 10
Grade Six
Graduation



Moe South Street Primary School

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Principal's News....

WELCOME BACK!

ALL STUDENTS BACK TO SCHOOL THIS COMING FRIDAY 22ND OCT

It will be so amazing having all of our students back together at school starting Friday the 22nd of October. Although, we have all students back we will still be running whole school events like assembly over teams to maintain COVID safe practices.

Melbourne Cup Day

Melbourne Cup public holiday is on Tuesday 2nd November.

There will be no school on Monday 1st November and Tuesday 2nd November.

BREAKFAST CLUB...

Due to COVID restrictions and density limits breakfast club will not be running until further notice.

We do apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.



Please keep your eye out for further updates.

This also applies to Canteen

Hats for Term 4

A reminder that all students will need to wear their school hats when they are outside at recess and lunch during term 4.

If your child does not have a hat, they are available from the office for \$7.

At South Street Primary School we grow people who:

Are creative, curious and independent learners. Are resilient and problem solve when faced with challenges. Respect and care about themselves, each other and the world in which we live.



We acknowledge the Gunai Kurnai people as traditional owners of this land and pay our respects to elders both past and present.

Important Updates..

Do students at schools need to wear a face mask?

We would like to thank all students and families who have jumped on board with students in grade 3 – 6 wearing masks indoors.

We have also noticed a number of students from Foundation to grade 2 joining in by wearing masks.

We greatly appreciate the efforts you are going to in order to make our school as Covid safe as possible.

This week an Education Department approved email came through Sentral to share information about mask wearing.



If you do need to provide an exception please have your child/ren hand this in to their classroom teacher.

Students in Grade 3 and above

- Face masks will be required for secondary students at all times both indoors and outdoors at school, unless a lawful exception applies.
- Face masks will also be required for all school students in Grade 3 and above indoors including at Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) programs, unless a lawful exception applies. Face masks can be removed while outdoors at school for primary students.
- Students in Grades 3 to 6 are required to wear face masks from 18 October 2021. All other students who are required to wear a face mask must continue to do so from the first day they return to onsite learning.
- Face masks will be strongly recommended for Prep to Year 2 students.
- For composite classes of Grade 2 and 3 students, Grade 2 students will be strongly encouraged to wear masks like their Grade 3 peers.
- For students with a disability, parents and carers should speak to the child's doctor or regular health professional about the best methods to encourage mask wearing. Students and parents can also contact the [Disability Liaison Officer program](#) for more information.
- Students with a medical condition or disability that make wearing a face covering unsuitable are not required to wear a mask.
- Face masks are required for students in Year 3 to Year 6 unless an exception applies. Exceptions include students with a physical or mental disability where their disability means it would not be suitable. Parent/carers of a student/s who meet the criteria for an exception must provide their approval in writing for

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Call the hotline 1800 675 398.**

**Please keep triple zero (000)
for emergencies only.**



COVID RESTRICTIONS

We are working with the Department of Education and current advice from the Chief Health Officer to keep up to date with current COVID safe standards.

Parents On-Site

Adults on-site need to be kept to essential workers only. For now this means that parents are asked to not be onsite unless previously organised with a staff member. If you feel you need to enter school grounds, please call the office to discuss your issue first.

Please remember that when picking up children early we ask you to call the office to arrange a handover.

Quarantine

If quarantine is necessary for your family we ask that you inform the school of the beginning and end dates of this and provide any appropriate documentation.

This will make it easier for children to be on-site as soon as possible after.

Unfortunately, during a quarantine period staff are unable to provide you with learning outside of the classroom.

Any current remote learning will be available to you as well as your log in for Wushka and Study Ladder.



Tier 1 & 2 Sites

As many of you are aware the community COVID cases are staying steady.

Please stay up to date with newly updated tier 1 & 2 sites and follow all directs given.

We are trusting that all families are testing and quarantine when required to in order support our school running all day every day.

If you suspect you have COVID, have been to an exposure site, have come in contact with a potential case or unsure if you should isolate or not - please call the COVID Hotline or Public Health Unit to get up to date information about what to do next.

Victorian Coronavirus Hotline: 1800 675 398

Gippsland Region Public Health Unit: (LRH):
03 5173 5451

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Fresh Air

With current advice to support students managing COVID safe practices we are likely to be having classrooms with more air flow than normal.

Please be aware that this is making classrooms colder than normal in the mornings. It is worth considering an extra layer of clothing, this way they can stay warm.

Please make sure you label all uniform clearly.



One of the most important things we can do to slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) in our community is to stay at home when we are unwell, even when we have the mildest of symptoms.

What you need to know

1. If a child is unwell, even with the mildest of symptoms, they must stay at home

If a child becomes unwell during the day, they must be collected from school/early childhood education and care (ECEC) as soon as possible.

2. If a child has any of the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) outlined below, however mild, they should get tested and they must remain at home until they receive their results:

- fever
- chills or sweats
- cough
- sore throat
- shortness of breath
- runny nose
- loss of sense of smell or taste.

In certain circumstances headache, muscle soreness, stuffy nose, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea may also be considered symptoms.

For further advice:

- call the 24-hour coronavirus (COVID-19) hotline 1800 675 398
- call a general practitioner
- use the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) [online self-assessment tool](#).

Visit: [Where to get tested](#).

3. A child must stay at home until they are symptom free, even if their coronavirus (COVID-19) test is negative

If a person has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or been identified as a close contact they must isolate/quarantine until they receive clearance from DHHS.

Children with persistent symptoms due to underlying conditions such as hay fever or asthma whose symptoms are clearly typical of their condition can continue to attend ECEC/school. They should be tested for COVID-19 if they develop symptoms that are different to or worse than their usual symptoms. They should consider getting a medical certificate from their GP to attend ECEC/school if they have persistent symptoms that may overlap with symptoms of COVID-19 such as cough or runny nose.

Younger children (pre-school up to Grade 2) may have prolonged post viral symptoms such as a runny nose or cough and may return to school/ECEC following a negative COVID-19 test even if they are not completely free of symptoms. They will need a medical certificate from their GP to confirm they are otherwise well or have recovered from their acute illness.

For information on the minimum periods students and children need to stay at home for other conditions, refer to the [DHHS school exclusion table](#).

4. Children do NOT need a medical certificate before returning to school/ECEC

Once symptoms have cleared, there is no requirement from the Department of Education and Training or DHHS for children/students to have a medical certificate before they return to school/ECEC.

Thank you for your support in following these steps, together we can all stay safe.



PREP ENROLMENTS

We would like to remind families and our community that prep enrolments are still being accepted for 2022.

If you have indicated South Street PS as your preferred school for 2022 please make sure you complete the enrolment paperwork and return it to the office ASAP.

If you do not have this paperwork please contact the office and organise to collect it.

Completing this paperwork supports us to know Foundation enrolment numbers and plan our class structure for 2022 as early as possible.



Attendance Line



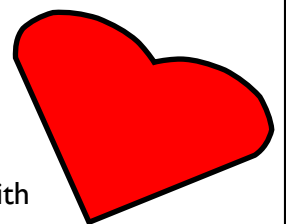
Thank you to those families who are using our Attendance Line. The school phones ring frequently for a variety of reasons.

Our office staff do their best to answer in a timely manner, and to reduce the number of calls, we have an 'Attendance Line'.

When calling the school to report your child's absence, please follow the prompt and press '1' to report an absence. This is making a huge difference - thank you!



Reassuring your child to return to school



To support your child in feeling safe about returning to school you can have conversations with them that explain:

- The decision to return has been based on medical advice
- Everyone at school is working hard to make sure that children are safe (part of this is hand washing, mask wearing and social distancing)
- Anyone who is unwell will stay home or be asked to be collected from school
- It is normal to have mixed emotions such as excitement, relief, worry and even anger
- Discussions around what they are looking forward to and what they are worried about
- That good hygiene practices are really important
- Everyone will feel more tired being at school and how to manage this.

It may be important to continue these conversations into week 4 when all students are back on-site full time.

If you are finding that your child continues to struggle with return to school process please contact their classroom teacher to seek support and guidance.

UNIFORM RULES



Return to at school learning is a great time to revisit our uniform and dress code policy. See below for highlights. If you need any support with having your child/ren in school uniform our wellbeing officer, Brooke Chatterton can support you with your needs.

The uniform consists of:

- Navy windcheater.
- Navy or White cardigan or jumper.
- Navy or White shirt.
- Navy or white skivvy.
- Navy track pants.
- Navy or Navy/gingham shorts.
- Gingham dress.
- A broad brimmed or bucket hat, with or without the logo.
- Navy Blue Beanie
- Fully enclosed shoes (No thongs or open-toed sandals are permitted).

Dresses and shorts need to be at mid-thigh length.

JEWELLERY & MAKE UP

Students are not permitted to wear decorative jewellery to school. Practical accessories such as stud earrings or sleepers worn in the ears, and watches, are the only acceptable jewellery.

Jewellery such as nose rings, pendant earrings and eyebrow bolts are not permitted for safety reasons. A finger ring or other item of jewellery may still be worn at the Principal's discretion if it can be demonstrated to have an exceptional significance for the child, whilst remaining safe.

Cosmetics may not be worn at school as they are not part of the school uniform.



HAIR

Shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of nits and lice and for student safety.

Students are permitted to wear sunglasses during outdoor activities. Sunglasses should be close-fitting, wrap-around that meet the Australian Standards 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.



SOUTH STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM PRICE LIST *from 2021*

P.O. Box 612 MOE, 3825
 Telephone: (03) 5127 1512
 Fax: (03) 5126 1149
 Email: moe.ps.south@education.vic.gov.au

Please remember that all children should be in school uniform for the school year.
 We look forward to your co-operation with this policy.

The following list of school uniform items are available through the school.

SIZES AVAILABLE

4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16



ITEM

COST

Polo Shirt (White or Navy)
 Sizes 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16

\$18.00



Polo Shirt (Navy only)
 Sizes S, M, L & XL

\$20.00



Rugby Top

\$35.00



Bomber Jacket

\$45.00

Bucket Hat

\$ 7.00

School Logos

\$ 2.50

School Back Pack

\$35.00

Beanie

\$15.00

School Spray Jacket

\$40.00

Please note School Spray Jackets are ordered from an external provider and take approx. 2 weeks to arrive



**Available,
 minimum
 purchase
 \$10**



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**JUNIOR TRAINING FOR
THE 2021/22 SEASON
HAS STARTED
BACK! TUESDAYS
AND THURSDAYS, 4:30PM
AT THE BOTTOM NETS.
TED SUMMERTON
RESERVE, MOE**



JOIN US FOR A HIT
AND MEET THE COACHES!!

ALL AGE GROUPS WELCOME!!
under 12, under 14 & under 16

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