

# Snippets

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#### TERM 4

Fri Oct 28th. Fri Nov 18th, 25th Fri Dec 9th Get Set @ South **St Prep Transition** 

Fri 21st Oct **School Closure** 

Mon 31st Oct **No School Buses** running

Tue 1st Nov Melbourne Cup **Public Holiday** 

Fri 11th Nov **School Closure** 

Mon 14th Nov 5/6 Camp

Wed 30th Nov Lowanna **Transition** 

Fri 9th Dec **Grade 6 Grad** 

Fri 13th Dec Statewide **Transition** 

Tue 20th Dec **End of Year** 1.15pm Finish

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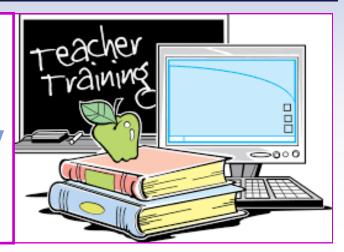
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### News from our Principal....

No School tomorrow Friday 21st October



On Friday we had our first Prep Transition day. Our future students had a fantastic day and settled in really well, so well in fact some wanted to stay longer!

The students did a Roary search, had a school tour, met the school captains who helped them created a Hungry Caterpillar.

> We can't wait to see them again at our next session on

#### Friday 28th October







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.



### Foundation (Prep) Transition



### TRANSITION DATES

These sessions run from 9.00am - 11:30am

COMPLETE

Fri 28th Oct

Fri 18th Nov

Fri 25th Nov

Fri 9th Dec

The Get Set @ South Street Program will see

your child experience the routines and daily

activities of a Prep student at South Street.

They will need their play lunch (including a

piece of fruit), drink, hat and a bag for all

these sessions.

#### STATEWIDE TRANSITION DAY

Tue 13th Dec This session runs from 9am to 2,30pm

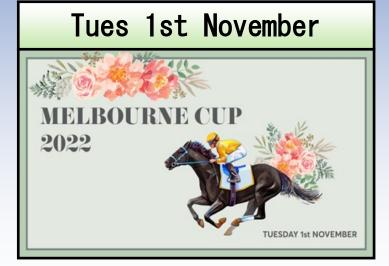
Your child will spend the day with their 2023 classmates and teacher.

They will need their play lunch, and lunch, drink, hat and bag.

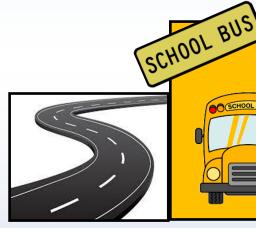


### School News











There will be no school bus running on **Monday** 31st October





## School News cont....

Earlier this month we celebrated World Teachers Day with a morning tea for all the wonderful teachers at South Street Primary School. We thank you For everything you do for our students & our school.













































## Chaplaincy Chat

It is hard to believe that Term 4 is here with lots of things in store for us all. From the Chaplaincy perspective there are a few things being organized.

### Recycled Uniform Sale.

#### <u>WHEN:</u> 3pm - 3.45pm Friday 28th October

WHERE:
Undercover area
outside the
Foundation
Building







#### CARE BAG PROJECT



The Students involved in the Care Bag project have almost completed their tasks and will be

making arrangements to hand over the Bags to the organizations who require them.

This will be done as part of a Friday School Assembly. on 29th November



#### **MOE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CAROLS**

I am co-ordinating the Moe Community Christmas Carols as part of the Moe Lions Club Spectacular Christmas Celebration Day on Saturday Dec 17th at Apex Park.

The day will feature a Christmas Market, Childrens rides and activities, Santa and other attractions.

The carols will be held on the main stage 7.00pm – 9pm followed by a Firework display.

Students **FROM GRADES I THROUGH TO 6** who would like to be part of a CHOIR to sing on the main stage at the carols are most welcome. Miss Bishorn the school music teacher and myself are having rehearsals **TUESDAY LUNCH TIME** for those interested.

We will be learning 2 Fun Christmas songs. A **PARENTS PERMISSION FORM WILL BE COMING HOME TO THOSE WHO REGISTER**. We require a firm commitment to attend this event.

More details follow.

In spite of the busyness lets have an enjoyable term to end what has been a tough year for us all. Lets support each other while also looking after ourselves and families.

I am available at school on Tuesday & Friday for any assistance you may require.

Val Hemmings (School Chaplain)

### News from the School Nurse



### Does your child have asthma or hay fever? Do we have their up-to-date management plan?

Thunderstorm asthma – preparing to ensure students are safe

Between October and December there is an increased risk of seasonal asthma, hay fever and epidemic thunderstorm asthma during seasons with increased grass pollen levels.

Epidemic thunderstorm asthma events are triggered by a combination of higher grass pollen levels and a certain type of thunderstorm. People with a history of asthma, undiagnosed asthma or hay fever are at an increased risk under these conditions.

The best way to reduce and prevent symptoms of asthma or hay fever, and reduce unnecessary absences from school, is to follow an up-to-date asthma action plan or hay fever treatment plan, provided by a general practitioner (GP) or specialist.

#### How to prepare for grass pollen season

To prepare for higher grass pollen levels:

- review the school's asthma policy today
- ensure children diagnosed with asthma have an up-to-date asthma action plan and medication, including relievers (puffers), on hand and clearly labelled
- send the up-to-date asthma action plan to school ASAP
- children with a history of seasonal hay fever symptoms should see a GP if they don't have a hay fever treatment plan
- download the VicEmergency app and create a 'watch zone' for epidemic thunderstorm asthma advice and warnings
- keep asthma medication accessible at school i.e. in school bag

#### Managing risk in the context of COVID-19

While it is important to increase fresh airflow into indoor spaces and maximise the use of outdoor learning areas to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission, schools will take other action on days of heightened thunderstorm asthma risk. If a thunderstorm is forecast or occurs between October and December:

- children will be kept indoors, especially during wind gusts that arrive before the storm doors and windows will be closed
- air conditioners will be turned on to re-circulate air
- all other times, schools will ventilate rooms with fresh air as much as possible.

The VicEmergency app forecasts thunderstorm asthma risk between 1 October and 31 December for 3 days at a time (today, tomorrow and the day after) using a coloured scale from low risk (green), moderate risk (orange) to high risk (red). While not a formal warning, this information can help you manage risk and prepare. On a high-risk day, the VicEmergency warning platform will issue warnings and advice.

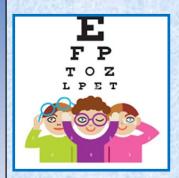
#### For more information

Keep an eye on Snippets and Sentral next week for more updates. Asthma Australia or Better Health Channel will also have more information about epidemic thunderstorm asthma.





### More News from the School Nurse



#### Glasses for Kids Program 2023 for Prep to grade 3 students

The Glasses for Kids program will be visiting South Steet Primary in term 1 of 2023. To offer vison screening. Prep to grade 3 students are invited to participate in the program. This will be bulked billed through Medicare. If glasses are needed they will chosen by the student then dispensed at no cost to the school or student. Please complete forms and send back before Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup> of December.

#### WHY IS THE GLASSES FOR KIDS PROGRAM IMPORTANT?

- GFK aims to remove vision impairment as a barrier to accessing education and achievement.
- If left unaddressed, a vision impairment can affect the lifelong learning capabilities of a child. GFK helps alleviate this problem by providing an onsite service to children at their school, to address vision impairments in children which otherwise may have gone undiagnosed.
- GFK contributes to achieving the Government's Education State targets including Learning for Life; Happy, Healthy and Resilient Kids; and Breaking the Link.

#### **HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?**

- Prep to Year 3 or ungraded students are invited to participate in the program.
- Qualified optometrists will be onsite to conduct the screening, testing and prescribing of glasses if required.
- The screening and testing sessions will be completed class by class, during school time.
- All vision screenings (and further testing if required) are undertaken by a registered optometrist or by a practitioner under the supervision of a registered optometrist. Testing may be bulk billed through Medicare.
- Glasses, if needed, will be chosen by the student then dispensed at no cost to the school or student.

#### WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- GFK is delivered to targeted schools that are allocated by DET.
- Prep to Year 3 age groups from targeted mainstream and specialist schools are invited to participate.

#### CAN CHILDREN WHO CURRENTLY WEAR GLASSES BE PART OF THE PROGRAM?

• Yes they can, the glasses provided by GFK can be for an updated prescription, or used as a spare.

#### DO I HAVE TO RETURN SEPARATE FORMS FOR EACH CHILD?

- Yes, each individual student must have a signed Consent Form and a completed Optometrist Questionnaires if they are to participate in the program. Please ensure eligible siblings have their own forms.
- · The questionnaire is designed to help inform students' initial screening and if needed, further testing.

#### DO I HAVE TO PROVIDE MEDICARE DETAILS?

- Yes, any further testing that may be required on the day of the visit is bulk billed through Medicare.
- If the initial screening indicates that further eye testing is required, families may have to cover testing costs if the previous eye Examination was bulk billed by Medicare in the last 1-3 years.

#### ARE GFK STAFF COVID 19 VACCINATED AND HAVE WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS?

- All staff are fully vaccinated against COVID19 and follow strict hygiene protocols.
- All staff have valid Working with Children Checks which are presented to schools upon arrival.

#### WHAT HAPPENS IF THE GLASSES ARE DAMAGED?

- In accordance with SSR's replacement policy, we will cover the cost of new glasses where appropriate.
- Consistent with the consumer rights under Australian Consumer Law, standard returns policy applies.



### Melbourne Stars Announcement







Last week some of our 5/6 students attended a media release next door at Ted Summerton Reserve where it was announced that Nicole Faltum (sister of our ES member Renee) was to become the new captain of the Melbourne Stars Womens T20 team. We congratulate Nicole on her appointment as Captain. Nicole has attended our school previously when we have had Cricket Clinics with the Melbourne Stars.





## Community News









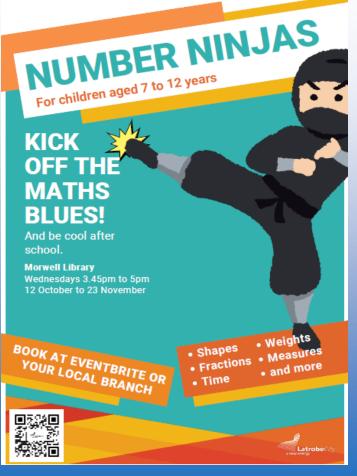


















### **Moe South Street Primary School** Weekly Awards



**BE SAFE** 



Katie I/2B



Mason FB



Rowan FB



John 5/6A



Audrey I/2B



Caiden I/2B



Taylah 5/6C



Wyatt 5/6D





Harry 3/4B



Clea 3/4D



Rose 3/4A



Thomas I/2C



Elisa I/2C



5/6D **FOA FOB** 

