

TERM 4

Fri Nov 18th, 25th Fri Dec 9th Get Set @ South St Prep Transition

Fri 11th Nov School Closure

Mon 14th Nov 5/6 Camp

Sat 19 & Sun 20th Nov WBBL Game

> 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

Moe South Street Primary School

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News from our Principal....

As we prepare for the 2023 school year, I am thrilled to announce some exciting new changes for our school community.

Introduction of Compass

Following consultation with our staff and school council, we will be moving our School Management System or Parent Portal from Sentral to Compass. We are looking forward to the benefit of having a new parent portal that will better meet the needs of our school community.

Many families may already be familiar with Compass, as it is the school management system used by Trafalgar High School and Lowanna College, where many of our students transition to after Grade 6. A consistent school management system for our families was one of the major considerations in switching to Compass.

On top of ensuring consistency for our families, Compass also has several features that will enhance your ability to interact with the school and will provide you with a more effortless user experience and additional features that were not previously available. As a parent, you will be able to notify the school of your child's absence, give consent and pay for excursions or other events, have access to information about news and events, access reports and book student, parent, and teacher Interviews.

In Term 4, our school staff will be preparing to make the switch to Compass, and we will be ready to begin using Compass from the first day of Term 1, 2023, Monday, the 30th of January. Until then, we will be continuing to use Sentral. Over Term 4, stay tuned for more information and details, including your personalised login details. Before the start of 2023, we will provide you with all the information necessary to make the sign-up to Compass a seamless experience.

Bell Times

The start of 2023 will also see an adjustment to our school bell times for Term 1 as we trial revised hours of supervision. This change aims to ensure that we create optimal conditions for all students to succeed at school and to help us implement the new Victorian Government Schools Agreement, which was approved mid-way through this year.



News from our Principal.....cont



New Bell Times for 2023



From 2023 – South Street Primary School will have the following schedule, with any changes highlighted in red for you:

Time	Details
8:00am	Breakfast Club begins (no change)
8:30am	Supervision Begins (no change) – all students enter the classroom to prepare for the day
8:38am	Bell – bell chimes twice to signal 2 minutes before the first period of instruction begins.
8:40am – 10:40am	First Period of Instruction (no change)
10:40am – 10:50am	Eating Time – 10 minutes of inside eating time. Previously this was 5 minutes.
10:50am – 11:20am	Recess (no change)
11:20am – 1:20pm	Second Period of Instruction (no change)
1:20pm – 1:30pm	Eating Time – 10 minutes of inside eating time (no change)
1:30pm – 2:00pm	Lunch – 30 minutes. Previously this was 45 minutes.
2:00pm – 3:00pm	Third Period of Instruction (no change)
3:00pm	School Day concludes and students head home. This was previously 3:15pm.

The change to our lunch time means greater flexibility with yard duty and allows us to provide more opportunities during recess and lunch to have adult supervision, staff supported/organised games along with activities and programs such as Garden Club, Choir and school sports training sessions. Similarly, we can staff the Library for students who want some 'quiet time' during snack and lunch.

The changes also ensure that our school day is aligned with that of the four other schools in our area, which currently finish at 3:05pm, 3:00pm, 3:00pm and 3:00pm, respectively.

The slightly earlier finish to the school day at 3:00 pm also allows our Education Support staff to be recognised for their paid work. Currently, our ES staff often help set up for the start of the school day and work at the end of the school day, debriefing with the teacher and tidying or preparing learning for the next day. At present, this falls outside their paid hours of work, and by making the above changes, we can recognise this valuable contribution to our student's learning.

I appreciate that the above improvements may have varying impacts on each family's unique

circumstances, and I wanted to provide you with as much notice as possible before the start of the new school year.

We are committed to providing the best conditions for our students to succeed and believe these improvements will enhance the wellbeing and educational outcomes of all students.

If you would like to catch up to discuss these changes, don't hesitate to get in touch with the office to make an appointment.

Foundation (Prep) Transition



TRANSITION DATES

These sessions run from 9.00am - 11:30am



COMPLETE

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



GRADE 5/6 BEECHWORTH CAMP

A FEW REMINDERS FOR CAMP

- Students to arrive at school on Monday 14th
 November at 6.15am—the bus will be leaving at 7.00am sharp.
- Medication for camp is to be left at the school, clearly labelled, by next Friday, 11th November at the latest.
- The bus is due back from camp at approximately 3.30pm on Friday 18th November. We will provide updates via facebook.

SCHOOL CLOSURE Fri 11th November



FUNDRAISER BBQ

Women's Big Bash Festival is coming to Moe for a three-match event on Saturday the 19th and Sunday the 20th of November.

South Street Primary School has the chance to host a **BBQ fundraiser** as part of the event. All families would have received a letter outlining how you can be involved and help.

On top of supporting our school's fundraising efforts, you will also get to watch the best domestic women's cricket competition in the world and help inspire the next generation of active and healthy children.

We would love as many families as possible to help, and if you can spare an hour, please return the form to the office by Monday, the 7th of November.

Check your kids school
bags for the volunteer
note on green paper
if you can help &
return to school by
Mon 7th Nov!!
Game Day
Saturday 19th Nov &
Sunday 20th Nov

School News cont....

NAPLANI NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM Literacy and Numeracy

Dear parents/carers

The 2022 NAPLAN national results were published this week.

Of course, NAPLAN results are not everything. They focus on two particular aspects of learning – literacy and numeracy – not the full range of knowledge, skills and attributes that we seek to develop in our students.

While not everything, they are one important measure we can use to assess the progress of our school, and the earning of Victorian students relative to their peers across Australia.

While our key focus is on each of our individual students, you may also be interested in what the NAPLAN results show about Victorian schools overall.

The Department of Education and Training has analysed the results for Victoria, and found that Victorian students have achieved some of our highest results ever, maintaining our place as one of the highest performing jurisdictions, along with NSW and ACT.

For example, in 2022, Victorian Year 3 students achieved their best ever Reading results and were again the

strongest readers in the country.

Indeed, Victorian students performed particularly strongly at the primary level, with Victoria ranked first or second on eight out of 10 NAPLAN assessments, including all five assessments at Year 3.

There was also pleasing evidence of improvement at the secondary level, with the 2022 cohort recording the equal highest proportion ever of Victorian Year 9 students achieving in the top two bands of Reading. Writing results also showed improvement across Years 5, 7 and 9 students.

I do want to take a moment to recognise these achievements and acknowledge the very hard work of not only the teachers and staff in our school but in all schools across Victoria, especially given the substantial challenges of the last two years.

That said, the department has identified areas where further work is needed. These priority areas for improvement are shared with other states and territories facing similar challenges, such as lifting numeracy results.

My comments on these overall results don't change the fact that we will continue to work together with you to do all we can to ensure every one of our students have a strong sense of belonging and connection to our school and that we continue to help each one reach their full potential.

Thank you for all your support and all the work that you do to help us ensure that our school, and Victoria as a whole, is one of the best places for children to learn.

Yours sincerely

Brendan Dawson

Acting Principal

School News cont....



Child Safety and Wellbeing at Moe (South Street) Primary School information for families and the school community.

The Victorian Government has announced new <u>Child Safe Standards</u> to further strengthen child safety across organisations, including schools. The new standards recognise the critical importance of families and the broader school community in maintaining and promoting child safety and wellbeing.

South Street has reviewed and updated our child safety policies and procedures to ensure they meet the requirements of the new standards. These are available to view on our school website http://www.moe-southst-ps.vic.edu.au/

We are committed to continuous improvement in our approach to child safety and wellbeing and welcome feedback from families and members of our school community on ways we can further strengthen our child safety policies, procedures and practices.

If you have any suggestions, comments or questions, please contact Brendan Dawson (Principal) or Nic Quenault (Assistant Principal)

Child safety and wellbeing at Moe (South Street) Primary School information for families and the school community

South Street is committed to providing a child safe and child friendly environment, where students are safe and feel safe.

Our child safety and wellbeing policies outline the measures and strategies we have in place to support, promote and maintain the safety and wellbeing of our students:

Please refer to our website http://www.moe-southst-ps.vic.edu.au/ to view the following policies:

- ♦ Child Safety Policy
- ♦ Child Safety Code of Conduct
- Child safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedure
- Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy
- Bullying Prevention Policy
- ♦ Volunteers Policy
- Visitors Policy
- Digital Learning Policy

As valuable partners in promoting and maintaining child safety and wellbeing at South Street we welcome and encourage your feedback.

If you have any suggestions, comments or questions in relation to our child safe policies and practices, please contact Brendan Dawson or Nic Quenault by phone on 51271512 or via email moe.ps.south@education.vic.gov.au











Chaplaincy Chat

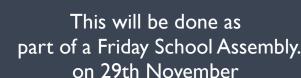
It is hard to believe that Term 4 is here with lots of things in store for us all. From the Chaplaincy perspective there are a few things being organized.



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.









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 $17^{\rm th}$ 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.

Community News

Need help with school costs?



Join this info session to learn how you can receive up to \$500 in matched savings by completing the Saver Plus program.

Eligibility criteria applies - visit saverplus.org.au

Your invitation to learn about Saver Plus

Free financial education and matched savings are within your reach.

As someone who is over 18 years, do you:

- · Have a desire to save money?
- Want to receive up to \$500 once you've saved \$500 of your own?
- Want to gain quick and easy saving and money management tips?
 Have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card and an eligible
- Centrelink payment? Have a form of household income?
- Have a child at school, starting next year or are you studying yourself?

If you answered yes to these questions, join our virtual information session.

Every Wednesday at 1:00PM

Contact Rick Pemberton Saver Plus Coordinator via rpemberton@berrystreet.org.au

Rick will email your calendar invitation or organise an individual information session to suit your needs. Otherwise, just jump right in using the following link. See you there!

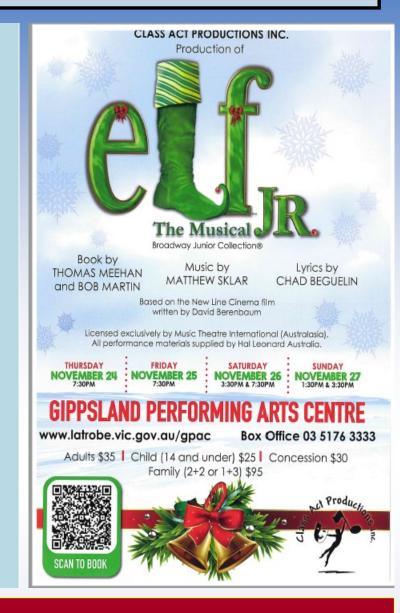
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Get your littlies involved at entry level cricket with Woolworths Blast Cricket.

The Moe Lions Cricket Club will be conducting sessions on Tuesday nights from 4.30pm at Ted Summerton Reserve.



For more information check out their Facebook Page or send them a message on Messenger.

Community News



Calm Kids Central Webinar Series - 3 FREE Parent webinars by Clinical Child Psychologist Kirrilie Smout

Learn to support your primary school aged child with worry, frustration, managing impulses and tricky behaviour. Zoom into 1 or all 3–1 hr duration for FREE

1)Wednesday 26th of October 2022 at 7:30pm (AEDST) - "Calm and Confident

Kids" - learn to help children with a tendency towards worry or anxiety - or who are dealing with difficult life situations.

2) Wednesday 2nd of November 2022 at 7:30pm (AEDST) - "Calm and <u>Connected</u>

Kids" – learn to help children to develop positive friendships and manage peer difficulties which often arise in primary school.

3) Wednesday the 9th of November 2022 at 7:30pm (AEDST)- "Calm and Co-

<u>operative</u> Kids" – learn to help children who have a tendency towards frustration, have difficulties managing impulses or feeling unco-operative.

To register for 1 or all 3 please go to: https://developingminds.net.au/webinars

Please register with your email, first name and postcode early as only 100 spots available each session

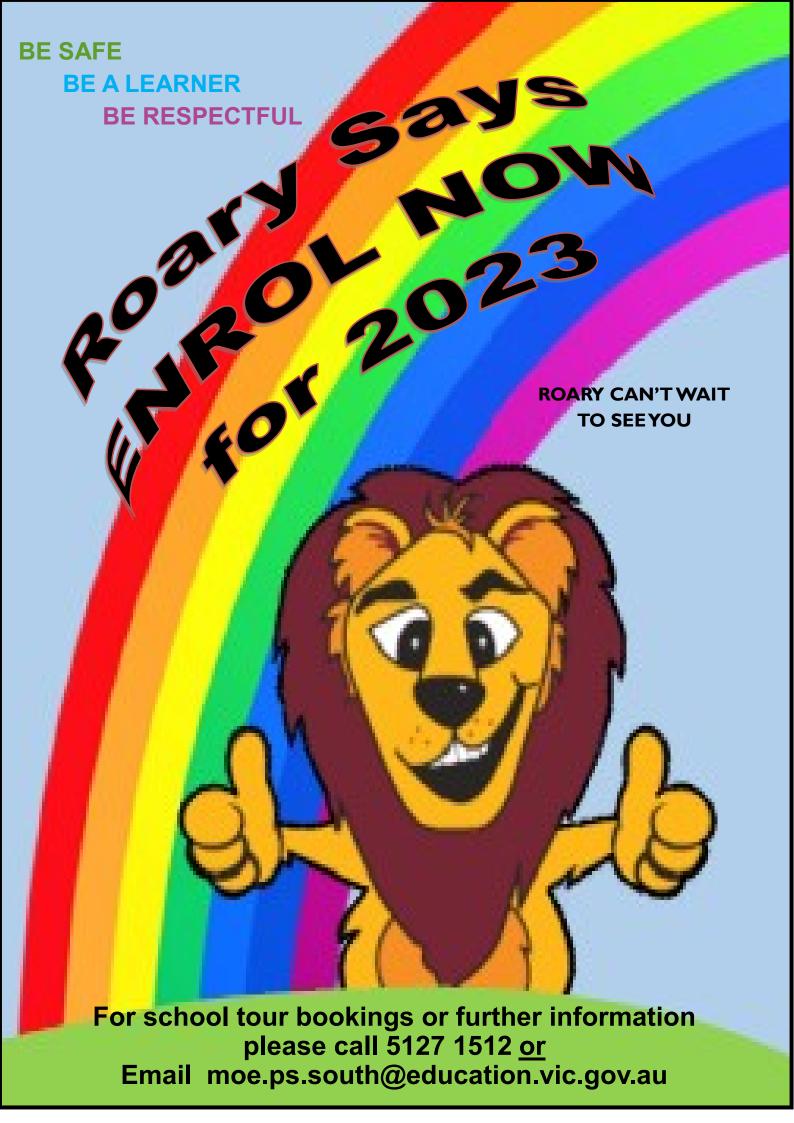


Presented by clinical child psychologist Kirrilie Smout. Kirrilie has had 25 years experience in working with children and families, is the author of two books about children and mental health and regularly consults with national bodies about child mental health concerns. She is the Director of Developing Minds Psychology and Education Services and Calm Kid Central programs. CKC is an online program of courses to help children manage emotional health challenges.

www.calmkidcentral.com (Free using FIRSTYEAR access code for families in Gippsland region Victoria and families with a Health Care Card in Adelaide Metro).

Any questions please contact Sandra on: sandra@developingminds.net.au

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Moe South Street Primary School Weekly Awards

BE SAFE



Ruby Digitech



Mason Digitech



Amity 5/6A



Katie Digitech



Maddison 3/4D



Nate 5/6D



Emmasen 5/6C



Noah 3/4C



Natalie 3/4A



Joey 3/4B



Jacinta FA



Jake 3/4D



Sasha 3/4D





