



'Where everybody is somebody'

Term 4 Week 4 • Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016

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## Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

### Art Show

It has been hard packing up the school this week! We loved having the beautiful art work on display and miss the feeling it gave to our school. I hope you are all enjoying displaying your children's work at home. All individual pieces have been sent home via the classroom. There are still some collaborative pieces in the office to be collected when you are ready.

Now the really good news! We raised a total after expenses of **\$12,332.10**. How fantastic! Thank you to all of our families for your generous support of this event. Earlier in the year we set our fundraising goal which was to purchase new flexible learning furniture for our senior school building.

### Learning Walks

Teachers are learners too! This week our teachers spent time in each other's classrooms sharing their teaching practice and learning from each other. As part of our own professional growth it was a great opportunity to observe lessons across the year levels and see other students at work. At our staff meeting this week the feedback was very positive and teachers can't wait to do it again!

### Swimming

Our swimming program starts next week on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. The swimming lessons take place at Yarraville Swim Centre, Roberts Street Yarraville. We started using Yarraville Swim Centre last year and despite being an older facility, staff found the lessons to be well matched to the student's abilities, students moved between groups as they improved and the smaller group sizes meant that students spent a lot more time swimming during their lesson.

During the two weeks of swimming, we will not have guitar or keyboard lessons as there will be a lot of timetable disruption with groups going back and forth between school and the pool. Swimming lesson times are:

Group 1	1/2H & 1/2SC	11:00am – 11:45pm
Group 2	1/2B & 1/2T	11:45am – 12:00pm
Group 3	Prep T & 3/4E	12:30pm - 1:15pm
Group 4	3/4H & 5/6S	1:15pm – 2:00pm
Group 5	Prep B & 3/4L	2:00pm – 2:45pm

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### To Do Notes / Forms / Reminders

- Pay Term 4 Guitar fees
- Pay Term 4 Keyboard fees
- Pay Term 4 Books & Resources Levy (\$62.50) and any outstanding charges from Terms 1, 2 & 3



## G.A.T.E.WAYS

This term we have become a host school for the organisation G.A.T.E.WAYS. They present Gifted And Talented Education Ways of teaching and learning, bring together students from Spotswood and other schools around the Melbourne area. We are looking forward to building this partnership and learning from the way they present their well-regarded programs. Students will be nominated by the school based on their areas of interest and achievements. The first program starts next week.

## Spotty Cup

The excitement is building for the Spotty Cup on Monday! This is our 25<sup>th</sup> running of this event, a fantastic tradition at Spotswood Primary School. The timetable of events is as follows. Parents are welcome to join us for Lunch with the Stars from 12.30pm on the oval as well as Fashions on the Field in the senior school building from 9.15am. Who will win this year's Spotty Cup!

- 9.15 am**            **FASHIONS ON THE FIELD**  
Year 5/6 students model the outstanding fashions of 2016.
- 12.00 noon**        **PARADE OF CHAMPIONS**  
Year 2 students participate in the 2016 Parade of Champions, which includes previous Melbourne Cup winners, trainers and jockeys through the streets of Melbourne.
- 12.30 pm**            **LUNCH WITH THE STARS**  
Join the cup personalities for lunch and a street corner tip.
- Approx 1.15 pm**    **RACE 1:    HELEN HARDY STAKES**  
**RACE 2:    CHRIS LAMB PLATE**  
*\*\*\* PREP-1 OBSTACLE CHALLENGE\*\*\**
- RACE 3:    TIANNE BALL PLATE**  
**RACE 4:    BEN ANSTEY STAKES**  
*\*\*\* 3-4 TUG "O" WAR\*\*\**  
*\*\*\* 2016 PARENTS & TEACHERS 3-LEGGED EVENT\*\*\**
- RACE 5:    TOM SMITH GRADUATION**  
*\*\*\* GRADE 2 SPOTSWOOD SPRINT HEATS \*\*\**  
*\*\*\* 2016 PARENTS & TEACHERS WOMEN'S SPRINT \*\*\**  
*\*\*\* 2016 PARENTS & TEACHERS MEN'S SPRINT \*\*\**  
*\*\*\* GRADE 2 SPOTSWOOD SPRINT FINAL \*\*\**
- RACE 6:    2016 MCIVER SPOTSWOOD CUP**  
*\*\*\* PRESENTATIONS \*\*\**

## CYBERSAFETY – 'Save the Date'

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November from 7:00 – 8:00pm we are holding a Cybersafety evening for parents here at school. There will be a flyer coming home next week with more information and an RSVP slip to help us plan for the evening.

**Jackie Green**  
Principal

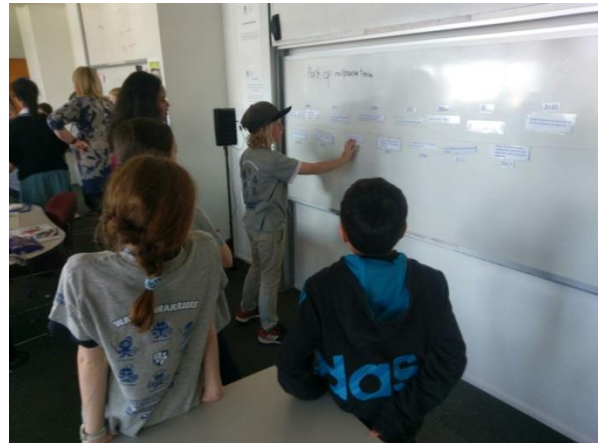
## Water Conference

On Monday morning Molly, Abbey, Jess, Mitch, Charlie, Zac and Sid met Mr Smith at Spotswood train station. When we got to Melbourne University we found our room for the presentation. We went into a big hall with lots of tables and we saw a couple of performances and then we got into groups and went to activities. We had morning tea and then we went to our room and got our presentations ready. We were in three groups. After we did the presentation we had a few hours until dinner so we went and got ice-cream and we all had Nutella swirl except for Sid. Then we went to a park area and played hide and seek. We went back to the hall to have dinner and whilst we were waiting there was a funny act on and then we had lasagne and a really weird dessert and there was a band playing and then we had to go home.

### By Jess Briggs

On the second day of the Water Conference we (Jess, Abbey, Charlie, Zac, Molly, Sid and Mitch) went to the Collingwood Children's Farm. It was a pretty long walk because we parked a long walk away from the Collingwood Children's Farm. As soon as we got there we split into our groups. Charlie and Mitch were in a group, Jess and Abbey were in a group and Sid, Molly and Zac were in a group. 2 of the activities were making rubbish puppets and animal houses. Then we had a review of the Conference. That was good. Then we came back to the mini bus so overall it was a really fun Conference.

### By Mitch Schibeci



## Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received Student of the Week awards at assembly on Monday for demonstrating one or more of our values – Learning, Community and Safety:



Prep B	Mila P – by continuing to improve her handwriting and working hard on finger spaces. Well done Mila!
Prep T	Skye – by being considerate of others and offering help to her peers. Well done Skye!
1/2B	Emily F – for all the hard work you have put in to your reading, and the amazing growth you have achieved because of this
1/2H	Emma – with an excellent homework movie on the topic of 'How toys move'. It was engaging and vibrant. You are a TV presenter in the making Oscar – with a great homework movie about what it takes to make a yoyo move. Great Job!



1/2SC	Karri – by following instructions and helping out a friend to understand what to do! Well done!
1/2T	Harper – by putting a huge amount of effort into his writing, peppering it with fabulous adjectives! Molly F – by helping others eagerly and being an awesome expert on money! 😊 Jack S – by helping others kindly and being a wonderful expert on money 😊
3/4E	Zeke – by being such a hardworking student who always puts in his personal best
3/4H	Tom H – by being a wonderful friend and a terrific member of 3/4H
3/4L	Jamie – through his amazing attention to detail he applies to all aspects of his schooling

### ● Spotty Calendar ●

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October**

Spotty Cup

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

Melbourne Cup Day (Public Holiday – no children at school)

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

Swimming Program starts (8 day intensive program)

Prep 2017 Information Night for parents (7pm-8pm)

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November**

Prep Orientation Session 1 (9.15am – 10.45am)

### Happy Birthday!!



Happy Birthday to:

Zoe B

