



'Where everybody is somebody'

Term 1 Week 9 • Wednesday 29th March 2017

Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

ASSEMBLY ON FRIDAY

On Friday at 2:10pm we will be holding our final assembly for the term. Please feel free to join us as we hear some keyboard performances, see a 5L presentation and draw our Easter Hamper raffle. I remind everyone that school finishes at **2:30pm on Friday**.

GET WELL SOON SHARON

If you have called or been into the office this week, you will be aware that Sharon has been away. Unfortunately, on the weekend, Sharon sustained a serious injury as a result of a dog bite and is currently receiving care in hospital to treat the injury. She will not be back at school until after the school holidays. I have sent some flowers to Sharon on behalf of the school community and I am sure you will all support the best wishes we are sending and hope her recovery goes well following her surgeries this week.

DOGS AT SCHOOL

Looking forward to next term, I have made a difficult decision to request that parents no longer bring dogs onto the school property.

Many schools have established this practice over recent years and as our school has grown, the number of dogs in our schoolyard before and after school has increased. Whilst I know families mostly do take care with their pets and in one respect it has been a nice aspect of our school community, there have been occasions when dogs have been unleashed and running around the school. We also need to consider that not all students are comfortable around animals and can feel frightened by dogs at close range. With so many more people in the schoolyard, I feel a responsibility to ensure that it is a safe environment for everyone, dogs included!

When we return next term we will have installed No Dogs signs at our entrances and ask that if you walk to school with your dog, you say goodbye at the gate. If you do need to come into school, please leave your dog at home that day.

LONG SERVICE LEAVE

I will be taking two days long service leave this week to travel overseas on a family holiday. On Thursday and Friday, Mr Lamb will be available in the office for any inquiries. I will be back at school on the first day of next term.

Art missing

A few weeks ago Ms Asp installed a few pieces of framed student art in our staff toilets. One of these has gone missing and we wonder if anyone knows where it might be? We would love it to be returned to the office so that it can be returned to the student who would like to take it home. (Pictured is a similar piece)

Jackie Green
Principal



DATES REMINDER

Tuesday 18th April - Term 2 starts on Tuesday 18th after Easter Monday.
Friday 28th April - Pupil Free day at Spotswood Primary School – Teacher professional learning (OSHClub available for bookings)

GREEN HOUSE

This term **Green House** won the house points competition and will have the option of coming to school on Thursday dressed in **Green House** colors if they choose. Congratulations **Green House!!!**

Art Exhibition

5x7 Art Prize 2017

As part of the Art program grade 5L have entered the Hobsons Bay 5x7 Art Prize. Students planned and produced art work on a 5" x 7" canvas that represents what **My Country** means to them. All works will be displayed at the Joel Gallery in Altona. Full details can be found at <http://hobsonsbayartsociety.weebly.com/5x7-art-prize.html> or on the flyer here. We'd love to see you come and enjoy our art work. The launch is on this Friday evening!

Thanks,

Ms Asp

5X7 ART PRIZE

5X7 ART PRIZE 2017
1ST - 20TH APRIL

JOEL GALLERY
Louis Joel Centre
5 Sargood St, Altona 3018

EXHIBITION HOURS:
10am - 4pm daily
Closed Public Holidays
LAUNCH
Friday 31st March at 7pm
All welcome

Artists from Melbourne's Western Region and Hobsons Bay Schools have created artworks in a 5" x 7" format to present to you the 3rd annual 5X7 ART PRIZE.
This year's theme is **MY COUNTRY**

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Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

We will send home the User Name and Passwords for the Premiers' Reading Challenge in the first week of Term 2. Don't let this stop you from getting started! Just keep a list of books you have read and it can be entered later.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklists and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc



Footy Tipping Competition 2017

Thank you to the families who have joined our Footy Tipping competition. Don't worry if you missed the first match last night you can still join and start tipping straight away. The Tigers had a good win!

Registration (\$20) available as an adult or family entry (children can only participate through an adult/family registration). Your extended family and friends are also welcome to join (just let them know the website link and password). All proceeds donated to the school. Exciting prizes for top tippers at the end of the season.

How to join:

- a. Go to http://www.footytips.com.au/comps/Spotswood_Primary_School
- b. Enter competition password: spotty
 - If you are already a member of footytips, enter your login details and click "Login"
 - If you are not a member of footytips, click "Join" and follow the steps
- c. It's that easy!

Payment can be made using the form sent home last Friday or using Qkr. In Qkr click on 'School Events' and enter your team or teams for \$20.00 each.

If you have any queries, please leave a message for me in the office, or you can send me a message via the footy tips website once you join.

Thanks, Lisa

(Mum of Zoe in Prep T & Wes in 3/4E)

● Spotty Calendar ●

Friday 31st March

Last Day of Term 1 (2.30pm dismissal)

Monday 17th April

Easter Monday Public Holiday (no children at school)

Tuesday 18th April

Term 2 commences

Friday 28th April

Pupil Free Day (OSHClub available)

Monday 22nd May

School Photo Day

● Spotty Calendar ●

Friday 28th July

House Sports Day (Whole School event)

Wednesday 20th – Friday 22nd September

Year 3-6 Camp

Friday 20th October

Twilight Fete (3.30pm-8pm)

Wednesday 8th – Friday 17th November

Swimming Program (Prep to Year 6)

** more details to follow*

Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at assembly last Monday:

Prep T	Jem – being focussed and working hard independently during literacy activities. Well done Jem!
Prep V	Oliver H – having an ‘I can do it!’ attitude and for getting things done! Macy – becoming confident and independent and not being afraid to try new things
1/2G	Ojiro – helping others, walking safely and listening carefully during the 1/2 community walk Cameron – joining in and participating enthusiastically in all our Inquiry activities this week! Well done!
1/2H	Marcus – giving the class excellent contributions and ideas during brainstorming time Georgie G – always leading by example with a positive attitude. We are lucky to have you as our Class Captain!
1/2SY	Edmund – being a risk taker in many class activities, and showing commitment to finishing his work! Well done! Manon – being a great office monitor last week. Always being sensible, polite and using your manners! Fantastic role model in 1/2SY!
1/2T	Ilias – always putting his best and kindest effort into every aspect of school life.
3/4B	Jack S – putting down all of the chairs in the morning so they wouldn’t get knocked down accidentally
3/4E	Amelie M – by always showing excellent listening skills and thoughtful participation in our class discussions. Well done, Amelie!
3/4H	Finn R – having such a great attitude and wanting to keep working every session
5L	Shinji – applying himself with all his effort to each and every learning task. He is a great role model for all students to follow
5/6B	Sam M – being a fantastic team player at our summer sports day and for taking an amazing hat trick!!



Happy Birthday to:

Fox Mila P
Wilhemina Finn S
Eamon Sam R Ella R-B

Have a safe and happy holiday everyone!
See you next term.