



'Where everybody is somebody'

Term 4 Week 5 • Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2016

## Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

### Spotty Cup

It was great to see so many families here on Monday for our Spotty Cup day! As with previous years, it was a day of colour, fun and high excitement leading up to the final race, the Spotty Cup at approximately 3:15pm.

Congratulations to The Tashanator (Natasha in 5/6S) and her jockey Evie (in Prep B) who were first over the line and will now be recorded as the Spotty Cup 2016 winners.

I would like to commend all of our 5/6 students who took great care of their jockeys throughout the day, being sure to race safely and sensibly.

Thank you to Mitchell's dad, Tony Schibeci, for contributing his race calling skills on Monday. It felt like a very professional event with his voice booming over the loud speaker (and gave the crowd a rest from my jokes!).

### Prep Orientation

This week we held our Parent Information session for families of our 2017 preps and it was lovely to meet some of the new families who will be joining our community next year, as well as catch up with some familiar faces.

The first of our 3 orientation sessions is on Wednesday next week and we look forward to meeting our new students then!

### Working Bee

Our next working bee is coming up on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November. We are building some seating around the deck, re-staining the deck and doing some planting, please see the separate note sent home today for more details. We hope you can make it along!



### 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
- Return permission form and \$15.00 for Indoor Soccer Tournament (Grade 6)
- Return permission form for Hobsons Bay Art & Industry Festival (Students available in 5/6S)

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## Swimming

Swimming has started well this week and students have been fantastic down at the pool. Families are reminded that the program will run again all of next week.

## 2017 Planning

Soon we will start working on our plans for 2017. Once we have finalised our Prep enrolments through transition we will begin planning classes for next year.

Over the coming weeks, staff will be developing class groups. A number of factors are considered during this process and staff spend a lot of time factoring in the needs of all students. Our aim is to create classes that have a balance of social, academic and behavioural considerations so that each class is an optimal learning environment. During this process students also have some input and we ask them to name some students that they consider to be good learning partners in class.

I would like to remind parents that if there are any considerations you would like us to be aware of, please see me or send your thoughts to me in writing and every effort will be made to factor this in. Please be aware that requests for specific teachers are not possible, but any information regarding your child's social or learning needs is appropriate. Children will visit their new classes in the second last week of term and meet their 2017 teacher at this visit.

## Path is in

We have a new path installed from the back Reed Street gate. It will be ready for use on Monday next week.

## Hats

Please make sure your child has their named hat at school. We do not have spare hats in the office, despite daily requests from children!

**Jackie Green**  
Principal



*Food Bank is an organisation all over the world that helps people in need. For example: farmers that don't make a profit, people who find themselves homeless or families in need during financial difficulty.*

*Food Bank collects food of all types to provide help for these people.*

*We would like to do a food drive at Spotswood PS for Food Bank to help other people.*

*If you would like to help, there will be a box in the office and please bring canned or packet foods. We will then send them to Food Bank.*

*Thank you for your help.*

*Sid and Nathan 5/6S*

# Happy Birthday!!



Happy Birthday to:

David

Kei W

Jessie G

## ● Spotty Calendar ●

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

Prep Orientation Session 1 (9.15am – 10.45am)

### Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Indoor Soccer Tournament (Grade 6)

### Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November

Prep Orientation Session 2 (9.15am – 10.45am)  
Internet Safety & Security Parent Information Session (7pm-8pm)

### Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November

Working Bee (9am – 12noon)

### Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

Policy & Curriculum meeting (5.30pm)  
Buildings & Grounds meeting (6pm)  
Marketing meeting (6.30pm)

### Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

Prep Orientation Session 3 (9.15am – 10.45am)

### Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November

Dress Rehearsal – Hobsons Bay Art & Industry Festival (available students in 5/6S)

### Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November

Hobsons Bay Art & Industry Festival (available students in 5/6S)

### Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November

Finance meeting (5.45pm)  
School Council meeting (6.15pm)

## Spotswood Primary - Fundraiser

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# black & white night

Join the DONS in taking a stand to end violence against women.

All event profits and proceeds to go to White Ribbon & Women's Health West

Date: Friday 2nd Dec 2016. 7.30 pm - 1am. Venue: The Substation.1 Market St Newport

Dress: in black & white attire: fun, fancy or casual

Ticket includes: Entry / Band / Photobooth / Drinks at Bar Prices

**\$25** per ticket | \$5 from every ticket sale goes to our school!

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### TICKET ORDER FORM:

please return this slip & payment in an envelope to RECEPTION. CASH ONLY - No CHEQUES

Parent's Name(s)/ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

How many ticket(s) you would like: Qty:  \$25 per ticket (per person). Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Tickets are non refundable. Official White Ribbon event: Reg No: 23958

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