



'Where everybody is somebody'

Term 3 Week 4 • Friday 5th August 2016

Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

Pupil Free Day

A final reminder that Monday 8th August is a pupil free day at Spotswood Primary. Bookings are available for places in the OSHClub program, and families are reminded that no teaching staff will be on site as we are attending a professional learning day at another school.



Year 3-6 Camp – parent meeting

Later this term we have our school camp for students in Years 3-6. Parents are invited to attend a Camp Information evening on Thursday 11th August at 6:00pm if you would like to hear about our program and ask any questions you may have. The meeting will be held in the senior school building.

Twilight Carnival / Fete 2017 Committee

Many of you may remember that last year we held our very successful Twilight Carnival here at Spotswood Primary. It was a wonderful night for our community with lots of rides, entertainment and stalls creating a great atmosphere for families to enjoy. It was also a very successful for us as a fundraising activity, enabling us to raise \$34,656.25. This money was used to finish our fence, buy some iPads, new reading books and install a rebound wall in the playground.

We hope to hold this event again in Term 4 2017, which sounds a long way off, but planning will need to start soon.

We are seeking a core committee of approximately 8 people who can start meeting and planning ahead now. Last year, this group met regularly throughout the year leading up to the event and were responsible for tasks such as seeking sponsorship, coordinating entertainment, booking rides, sourcing and hiring equipment, marketing the event, seeking prizes etc.

The previous committee have kept notes and information from last year's event which will provide a great resource to the new committee. If you are interested in being a part of this committee, please let myself or Sharon know so that we can plan an initial meeting to get things started. It is an opportunity to be part of a team and bring together a great event for our students and their families.

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To Do Notes / Forms / Reminders

- Return Book Week permission note and \$12 (Grade Prep to 6)
- Order Leigh Hobbs books
- Return Melbourne Museum excursion permission note and \$18.00 (Preps)
- Return Werribee Mansion excursion permission note and \$22.00 (Grade 3/4)
- Return Old Treasury building excursion permission note and \$4.00 (Grade 5/6S)
- Return City excursion note (Grade 5/6S)
- Return Project Rokit permission note (Grade 6 students)
- Return Camp permission note, medical form and \$50.00 deposit (Grade 3 to 6)
- Pay Term 3 Books & Resources Levy (\$62.50) and any outstanding charges from Terms 1 & 2
- Pay Term 3 Keyboard fees
- Pay Term 3 Guitar fees

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children’s Day 2016



Yesterday we celebrated this special day in our classrooms by sharing some traditional and contemporary aboriginal stories about our country.

I particularly enjoyed this book, a true story of the special mate ship between two boys who have grown up together in Broome in Australia’s North West. Jack is Indigenous and Raf is a non-Indigenous boy. The boys share their daily life as they search for hermit crabs, go hunting for barni, fish for salmon, explore the markets, eat satays and dress up as superheroes.



Working Bee – Sunday 21st August 9am – 12noon

Winter Working Bee



Bzzzzz.. Calling all Spotty families...to come create our new orchard!

Brooke (Brynn’s mum in Prep B) has designed an amazing Japanese themed orchard for outside our Japanese and Prep Rooms.

We’ll be planting persimmon (national fruit of Japan), mulberry, mandarin, loquats and strawberry guava, as well as some local indigenous plants.

There will also be some building (compost bins) and garden edging to be done.

Please let us know if you are able to come along.

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Working Bee – RSVP

We will be attending the Working Bee on Sunday 21st August

Family Name: _____

No. of Adults: _____ No. of Children: _____

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FOPA

On Tuesday 9th August, a group of our year 3/4 students are participating in a local Festival of Performing Arts, FOPA. This event is a celebration of performances from schools in and around the Hobsons Bay area. We are very grateful to Kylie Cooper, Ella T’s mum, who has been kindly volunteering her expertise over the past few weeks and the group have rehearsed in readiness for this performance.

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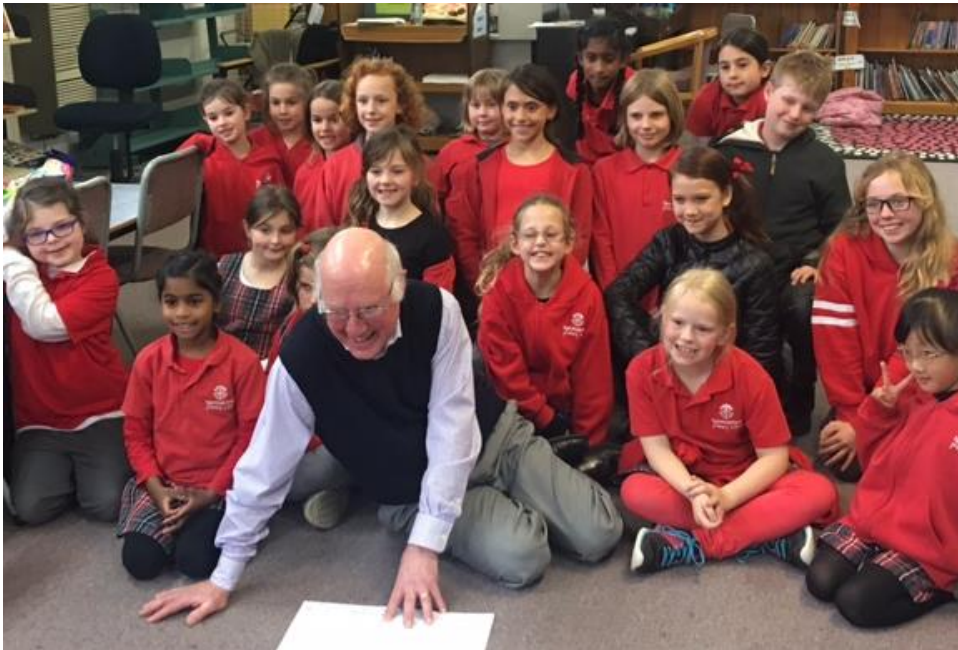
Olympic Super Sports Day

The school was a colourful place today as students came dressed representing a variety of countries. We thoroughly enjoyed trying out a number of different sports and thank Coach Approach for providing this experience for our students. The Olympics starts this weekend and we will enjoy following the performances of our chosen countries over the next few weeks.



Spotswood Choir Performance – Hobsons Voice

This weekend our new choir are performing at a local event, Hobsons Voice. Hobsons Voice is an afternoon of delightful singing by local school choirs, conducted by Doug Heywood OAM, who brings a wealth of experience to his role of Musical Director through many years of singing and performing, and as an orchestral and choral conductor. The choir have been rehearsing and are sounding fantastic. Here they are at a special rehearsal last week with Doug Heywood. You may know him better as 'Uncle Doug', the choir leader at Melbourne's Carols by Candlelight.



Jackie Green
Principal

Premiers Reading Challenge 'Let Your Reading Adventures Begin'

Congratulations to the following 3 students who completed the Reading Challenge this week – Kael Kerr (1/2SC), Siena Garrett (3/4E) and Kei Weldhagen (3/4L).

Kael read 31 books including 'Hattie and the Fox' by Mem Fox and 'A Dog Called Mischief' by Leslie Wood.

Siena read 15 books including 'Parachute' by Danny Parker and 'The Deep End' by Sally Rippin.

Kei read 16 books including 'James and the Giant Peach' by Roald Dahl and 'Paws Off, Cheddarface!' by Geronimo Stilton.

Reading Challenge update:

54 students completed
2,048 books finished

Photos of the students who have completed the Challenge are displayed on the Challenge noticeboard in the office. If you do not wish your child's name to be published in The Age in November in the Premiers Reading Challenge special edition, please let Sharon in the office know.



Reuse it Baby Cake Stall

Our Cake Stall at the Reuse it Baby market last Sunday was a great success raising over \$850!

This wouldn't have been possible without the contributions of dedicated Spotty Bakers, in particular Lisa C; Brooke C; Gail B; Rachel F; Biki; Stacey A; Alex E; Natalie J; Liz B; Ute; Prue P; Gaby H & Geraldine.

Thanks also to all those who donated their time to help me run the Stall and the Muir Family for the opportunity to sell our baked goods at their market.

Lastly, thanks to all those sweet tooths & savoury connoisseurs for buying our baked goods. This money will hopefully go towards some additional playground equipment!

Timna Dunn (Anais & Greta's Mum)
Stall Coordinator

● Spotty Calendar ●

Sunday 7th August

Hobsons Voice

Monday 8th August

Pupil Free Day (no students at school) – OSHClub all day program available

Tuesday 9th August

FOPA at Carranballac College

Wednesday 10th August

Grade 5/6S excursion to the city

Thursday 11th August

Camp parent meeting (6pm in the senior school building)

Monday 15th August

Spotty Families & Friends meeting (after assembly)
Grade 3/4 excursion to the Werribee Mansion

Tuesday 16th August

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

Thursday 18th August

Grade 5/6S excursion to the Old Treasury Building

Friday 19th August

District Athletics Day
Prep excursion to the Melbourne Museum

Sunday 21st August

Winter Working Bee (9am – 12noon)

Book Fair

Our Book Fair will be held from Monday 29th August to Friday 2nd September.

Thank you to the parents who have offered to assist with the Book Fair in the mornings and after school.

We need helpers in the following times slots. Please let Sharon in the office know if you can help at one or more of these times:

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| Tuesday 30 th August | 8.30am – 9.15am |
| Friday 2 nd September | 8.30am – 9.15am |
| Friday 2 nd September | 3.15pm – 4pm |

Our Book Fair is a wonderful event for children with a great variety of books on sale. Children are taken to the Fair during class to browse and write a 'wish list' to bring home.

If you are unable to attend the Fair you can order from the catalogue that was sent home earlier in the term or send in an order via your child (the 'wish list' helps with this!). Copies of the catalogue are available from the office.

What's New on our Community Noticeboard

- Mount St Joseph Girls' College – currently accepting applications for 2016, 2017 and 2018
- Melbourne Youth Music 2017 Summer School

Happy Birthday!!



Happy Birthday to:

Edmund

Ojiro

Max Ilett

Harper

Spotty Footy Tipping Competition 2016

Leaderboard after Round 19:



| Rank | Tipper | Total score (margin*) |
|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 st | Stephen & Jett Cook | 120 (430) |
| 2 nd | Beck Aimee Thomas | 120 (631) |
| 3 rd | GoDogsGo | 119 (418) |
| 4 th | Noldea | 119 (471) |
| 5 th | Shere Khan | 118 (491) |
| 6 th | Michael Meehan | 116 (403) |

* For the first match of each round, you must predict the winning margin. Your margin gets added up throughout the season and is used to separate tippers who have the same score.

Not much in it with our Top 5 tippers....will you take any risks this round to get ahead?

Round 20 starts tonight with the Tigers taking on the Magpies at the MCG. Will the Tiges sink any lower....?

Thanks, Lisa Catania (mum of Wes in 3/4H)

NEWS FROM OUR JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL!

Hi Everyone,

This term the Junior School Council has decided to collect canned and packaged foods as well as blankets and sleeping bags to donate to the homeless people in Melbourne.

We think this is important because there are many people out there who don't have a home and don't have any money for food. The homeless need blankets and sleeping bags because it is the middle of winter and it is really cold and not good for their health. Please help us by donating any of the below items for us to take to our local homeless shelter:

Our 'wish list' for purchased Groceries:

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| Sun screen | Wet wipes | Antiseptic cream |
| Band-Aids | Lip balm | Insect repellent |
| Paw Paw Cream | Hand sanitizer | Disposable cutlery |
| Paper/Plastic bowls | Toothbrushes | Toothpaste |
| Heel Balm | Instant coffee | Baked Beans |
| Tinned tuna | Chocolate | Bottled water |
| UHT Milk | Hair ties | Paper plates |
| Towels | Packaged & sachet soups | |
| Cup of Noodles | Dry biscuits | Healthy snack foods |
| Men's undies | Men's socks | Shampoo & Conditioner |
| Muesli bars | Body wash | UHT Breakfast drink |

Donated goods:

Men's warm clothing Sleeping bags
Blankets

These donations can be given to your classroom teacher for us to collect.

Other important information on how children can help the homeless can be found at:
<http://www.hangoutforthehomeless.org.au/>

Thank you from,
Spotswood Primary School Junior School Council

Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update

Hello! This week we celebrated Indigenous Week. Each day the children participated in art and craft and sport activities from the Indigenous Australian Culture. We made colourful boomerangs, dot paintings and sand symbols.

We also welcomed two fish to our OSHClub family this week. A white and an orange gold fish. We also received lots of new resources this week that everyone was super happy to play with!



Making colourful boomerangs - The Lily's Cooking Club Smartie Fudge - Playing with some new toys!

| Friendship Week! 08/08/2016 | Monday PUPAL FREE DAY! | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Before Care Activities | Healthy Heart Day! Wear red or pink today and come and enjoy lots of active activities to encourage a healthy heart! | Friendship Bracelets | Our OSHClub Family | Friendship Wreath | Science Club! (Gravity Free Water) |
| After Care Activities | Circus Skills, Soccer and Bowling. "I love you" Healthy Eating! | The Lily's Cooking Club!(Weetbix Slice) --- Friendship High Fives --- Team Games | Things that BUG me --- Card Games | The Lily's Cooking Club! (Big Freckles) --- Name Bracelets --- How to be a good friend (Game) | Photo Booth --- Red Rover (Game) |

Parent Information

Next week is Friendship Week! We look forward to a week filled with art and craft and active games based around building strong friendships.

Monday the 8th is a pupil free day at Spotswood Primary. Remember to book in at OSHClub for our Healthy Heart day. We are open from 7am-6pm, please ensure children are dressed appropriately for the weather and please pack morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea for your children as no food will be provided on the day. We look forward to a fun filled day of active activities!

We would love any recyclable donations ie; milk containers, cereal boxes, clear glass jars, bottle lids.

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