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OCTOBER

- 23rd Book Week Dress Up Parade
- 26th The Greatest Discovery - Whole School Book Week performance
- 28th 9.15am Principal's Tour & Information session
- 30th World Teachers' Day

NOVEMBER

- 5th Music Count Us In – Whole School involvement
- 6th Sports Day/Colour Fun Run

World Teachers' Day

Australia will celebrate and thank the teaching profession on World Teachers' Day - **Friday 30 October**.



Teachers (with support from parents and carers) have ensured education continues across the country this year, despite major challenges. It's reinforced the significant role teachers play in the lives of children and students, their families and communities.

On Friday 30 October, say a big thank you to teachers and celebrate the bright future of teaching. Post a photo in your sunglasses on social media, either on your own or with family or friends. Use these tags on Twitter, Facebook or #thankteachers #brightfuture @aitsl. Maybe students can make a card, bring in an apple for the teacher or just say thankyou to their teacher for the great job they do!! World Teachers' Day is held internationally in early October. As it falls during the school holidays for many parts of Australia, we celebrate a little later. Make sure you have Friday 30th October in your diary to celebrate and thank teachers!

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OUR TEACHERS

for their contribution to the learning and wellbeing of all the students of our school

Nikki, Michelle, Kristy, Jess, Jenny, Teneille, Naomi, Stacey, Beth, Marg, Bec, Michael, Jemma, Nicole, Yvonne, Justin, Karen, Lara, Hannes, Steve, Elaine & Tania

Book Week Parade on Friday

Students are encouraged to dress as their favourite book character and bring their book for the parade this Friday. Unfortunately, parents/ carers are unable to attend however, photos will be provided of each class on dojo and in the next newsletter for your viewing. Thank you for your support with this.

COVID 19 REMINDERS

Personal hygiene and the hygiene standards in our school is critical to reducing the risk of infection.

All children and staff are encouraged to:

- wash their hands regularly, particularly after using the toilet and before eating
- seek medical attention if they have flu like symptoms
- avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- if you are unwell, stay home so you don't spread infections to others
- consider getting the [annual influenza vaccination](#).
- cover a cough or sneeze with a tissue.

Parents and carers are asked to ensure social distancing takes place in the yard and that they continue to stay out of the classes.

Sports Day & Colour Fun Run Update

Sports Day and the Colour Fun Run will be held together on **Friday 6th November**. As these were postponed due to COVID restrictions, we will have them on the same day as Term 4 is a short, but busy term! To assist with keeping COVID safe we are keeping this parent/ carer free to ensure our time is spent on the students and not worrying about policing restrictions. We hope you understand and enjoy the photos we will provide after the event.

Class Placement 2021

The process for developing our classes for the 2021 school year will begin soon and it is very important that we have accurate student numbers. If your child/children **will not** be attending our school next year, please let us know as early as possible. If you have any information that you would like taken into consideration with placement of your child next year, please provide it **in writing to staff at the front office by Friday 23rd October**. It is important to remember that there are only a limited number of classes available at the various year levels and that we have to work within these to ensure that every child is placed in the best possible class.

Attendance Rate

Welcome to the new and final term for 2020! We had an excellent week for attendance last week with 93% of students attending for week 1.

Hopefully with the nicer weather we will see this trend continue for the rest of the term. If your child/dren are unwell please let us know as we will record this. Thank you and keep smiling!



Year to Date (2020)



Previous Week

Book Week Performance

The Greatest Discovery is a highly interactive educational incursion where all students will explore the very best Australian children's books and the 2020 CBCA Book Week theme:



CURIOUS CREATURES, WILD MINDS. Book Week in Schools features a selection of the CBCA

2020 Shortlisted Books, encouraging students to engage with reading in an active and energetic manner and reinforcing the idea of inclusiveness and celebration of endeavour. The whole school will see this Book Week performance on **Monday 26th October.**

Helen Briggs

Recycling Week: Week 5

At the moment we are in the planning stages for Recycling Week for week 5. Watch this space for the activities!! The idea for Recycling Week is that students learn about how best to look after their environment through recycling.

In the meantime thank you to all the parents and carers who have continued to pack lunches with limited amount of waste. We do appreciate the lack of rubbish to throw away and our spaces look better too.

Nikki Garner

Hats

Please ensure your child has their school hat every day. The hat needs to be named clearly please. If you need to buy a new one please purchase them from the front office for \$10.

Sporting Schools – Baseball 5

This term we have been lucky enough to secure another Sporting Schools grant! This term we will be using the grant to run three *Baseball 5* sessions across all classes. *Baseball 5* is played with just a ball and focuses on skills such as hitting, throwing, catching and running. Best of all it can be played both indoors and outdoors. We look forward to an exciting program!

PE Overview – Term 4

Sports Day and the Fun Run will be held as a combined event on Friday November 6th (week 4). We will be practicing Sports Day tabloid games and sprints in class to prepare for this event. Middle and upper primary will be focusing on respect, communication and teamwork in all of our lessons. Our units will cover tag games and striking/fielding games (combining cricket, baseball, softball and tee ball).

Junior primary and special ed. will be focusing on working cooperatively with others, playing fairly, following instructions and trying our best. We will be using circuits and playing games that have covered the skills we have been working on this year (locomotion, balance, throwing/catching, dribbling, kicking and striking with implements).

Steve Paulovich

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News from The Arts

Welcome to the final term of the year!

We have been working hard on



our **Music Count Us In** song for a number of weeks now and have made great progress. Receptions to Year 4 will provide vocals and a little dance routine and the Year 5/6 classes will accompany the song with some music. The plan is that the school will come together on the **Thursday 5th November** and sing the song at 12pm at the same time as hundreds of other schools all over Australia. This event will be without parents, however, well documented.

Hannes Thimm

Music Club – Tuesdays at Lunch



Music Club has been well attended and we are exploring a variety of little projects such as singing songs learning pieces of music on the piano/keyboard and playing the ukulele and guitar. We have Music Club

every Tuesday at lunch time.

I would like to thank all parents and students who have been involved in bringing ukuleles or guitars to school. The number of instruments being dropped off at my door every morning has been increasing steadily and students are making great progress with their learning.

Happy final term!

Hannes Thimm

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Japanese Term Overview

Through the study of Japanese in the National Curriculum, students gain knowledge, skills and dispositions that help them to communicate, and to make comparisons with their own language and culture. They also gain an understanding of how different languages are constructed.

During specialist Japanese lessons in Term 4, classes will continue to focus on the following:

- the first Japanese alphabet, which is called **Hiragana**, because knowing this alphabet is **crucial** for learning the Japanese Language as set out in the National Curriculum
- identify/recognise the three different scripts in Japanese, *Hiragana, Kanji* and *Katakana*
- to say and trace/write Japanese words, phrases, questions and sentences
- Japanese culture/festivals
- participate in guided group activities such as cultural games and songs (to learn new language)
- to make origami (paper folding) and do a variety of Japanese craft activities on selected topics

Years 3/4 and 5/6 students will also continue to have regular tests on the Japanese alphabets.

Tania Sensei

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SAPSASA District Day



This year the SAPSASA Interscholar Athletics day took place over 2 days on Friday 16/10 and Sunday 18/10. On Friday students competed in 100m, 200m, 800 m and Long Jump.

It was fantastic to see a high level of enthusiasm from our team in cold windy conditions. All of our competitors gave it their all against a high level of competition. Congratulations to Connor for qualifying for the final in the 10 year old boys 100m and to Dyllan for qualifying for the final in the 10 year old boys 200m and placing



third in his final! We also had a small group of students compete on Sunday in shot put, discus and high jump. Thank you so much to not only the students who spent some of their Sunday representing the school but also to the



parents who assisted them on the day.

A huge thank you to parents and carers who helped out across both days with transport and supporting our team. Thank you all for your patience and understanding with SAPSASA in 2020. Hopefully we are back to somewhere near normality with this in 2020.

Steve Paulovich



Indigenous Outdoor Afternoon

On the Wednesday 23rd of November we had an outside afternoon linked to the Australian Curriculum based on Indigenous perspectives. The students enjoyed pretend bush tucker making, damper tasting, dreaming stories, rock painting, collage, symbol drawing, wardli building, Indigenous sport games (chiba, mangrook and edor). It was a great afternoon as you can see from the photos.



Community News



PARENT FORUM WEBINAR

Children's Behaviour Support

Parents and carers of children with disability are invited to participate in a Behaviour Support webinar forum.

Trinh Mai, Assistant Director, Policy and Project Implementation will share useful information about behaviour support and how families can best work with preschool and school staff to achieve agreed approaches.

There will be an opportunity for parents to:

- Email in questions prior to the day
- Login on the day and join in the chat line

Ian May, Director, Disability Policy and Programs will facilitate the discussion.

Disability Policy and Programs Parent Forum on

Wednesday 4th November 11:00 – 12:00 pm via online webinar

Visit: <http://web.seru.sa.edu.au> for instructions to link in

Email: Education.ParentFormConference@sa.gov.au