



The Slate

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Pathways to the future

Thursday 12th March

Hi Everyone,
We have had another terrific fortnight at Springhurst Primary.

Welcome back bbq

The welcome back bbq was well attended by the school community. We enjoyed beautiful weather, great company and delicious food.



Thank you to all who helped out.



School Council

Congratulations to our new and old members who nominated for our School Council. Due to there being less amount of nominations to fill the vacancies, there was no need for an election. Our School Council members for 2020 are:

Parents

Mel Keys
Irene Moloney
Keren Fryar
Darren Saward
Simone Lewis
Jono Keys
Vacancy (if interested see Wendy)

Teachers

Wendy Walker
Julie-Ann Bowers
Tanya King

Community Member

Don Liversidge

Our first meeting for the year is to be held on Tuesday 24th March @ 5.30pm.

Coronavirus

We are following departmental advice in relation to coronavirus. If you, or anyone you come in contact with, has travelled to affected countries, please let us know.

Ten ways to reduce your risk of coronavirus

- **Wash** hands often with soap and running water, for at least 20 seconds. **Dry** with paper towel or hand dryer.
- **Try** not to touch your eyes, nose or mouth.

- **Cover** your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. If you don't have a tissue cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow.
- **Isolate** yourself at home if you feel sick. If you take medication ensure you have adequate supplies.
- **Phone** your GP first if you need medical attention. They will tell you what to do.
- **Continue** healthy habits: exercise, drink water, get plenty of sleep, and now is the time to quit smoking. Call the Quitline 137 848.
- **Don't** wear a face mask if you are well.
- **Buy** an alcohol-based hand sanitiser with over 60 per cent alcohol.
- **Get** the flu shot (available April).
- **Shaking hands** is optional!

Catering @ Hall

We have catering at the hall tomorrow, Friday 13th March. If you could help in any way, please be at the hall around 6pm to help out.

Aussie of the Month



Aussie of the Month is a primary school recognition program which has been in operation for over twenty years. The program recognises personal endeavour,



achievement and contribution to the community and reflects some of the values we share, such as fair go, mateship, respect and inclusion.

It is my pleasure to announce that Sam has won our Aussie of the Month for February.

Sam is pictured here with his certificate, pens, book mark and gold badge. Well done Sam.



Absences

If your child is going to be away from school, could you please notify the school? As per departmental policy, if the school has not been notified by parents/guardians by 11.00am, a courtesy phone call will be made to you.

If you have any questions in relation to this, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Foundation

We have been having a great time learning in the Foundation classroom.

In maths we are learning how to read, write and count the numbers to twenty. The students are learning to form the numbers correctly and match them to a number of objects. We have also explored counting to 100 by ones and even by tens! A fabulous effort.

In English we are learning new words and sounds, the days of the week and reading our readers. We use a lot of rhymes to help the students remember these concepts. It is great to see you supporting us in hearing your child read each night. Thank you.

Wendy

Senior Room

The last fortnight we have been focusing on how to write a persuasive piece of writing...the first being the invitation to the Welcome BBQ and since then the students have practised and refined their skills and have published a piece to encourage students to wear school uniforms. These will be displayed at school so feel free to have a read when you next pop in. We have a focus on speaking and listening this year and the students will have an opportunity to practise their oral language skills using the persuasive genre. In maths we have moved into addition and subtraction and



we are looking at a range of different strategies that we can use to mentally calculate the answer. One of these strategies we have

learnt this week is "friends of ten" and how we can connect this to all "decade" numbers. We are also making links between addition and subtraction.

It was great to see our students present their history projects this week, they had put in a lot of work and should be proud of their

efforts. Thanks to the parents who came along as part of our audience.

Jules

Kid's Council News

Zooper Dooper

The cost is 40cents each and they are on sale Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Remember to wear your hats in term

Art Award

Congratulation to Aiden for achieving all the keys to success and his Art Award. His Art Award was for trying his best and staying focussed during the art session. Congratulations and keep up the good work.



Dates for your calendar:

- 13th March Catering @ Hall
- 17th March Breakfast Club
- 19th March Breakfast Club
- 19th March Library
- 24th March Breakfast Club
- 24th March School Council Meeting @ 5.30
- 26th March Breakfast Club
- 26th March ART
- 27th March Last day Term 1 – dismiss 2.30
- 14th April First Day Term 2
- 14th April Somers Camp Grade 5/6
- 14th April Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club Volunteer Roster

Tuesday 17 th March	Thursday 19 th March	Tuesday 24 th March	Thursday 26 th March
Mel Keys	John/Jenny Murphy	Tanya King	Faye Steadman
Tuesday 14 th April	Thursday 16 th April	Tuesday 21 st April	Thursday 23 rd April
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SUSTAIN: THE AUSTRALIAN FOOD NETWORK AND NORTH EAST LOCAL FOOD STRATEGY PRESENT

FRIDAY MARCH 27 2020

BUILDING A LOCAL FOOD FUTURE
Opportunities from Vermont



America's Vermont Farm to Plate network includes 350 private sector, non-profit, and government stakeholders collaborating to strengthen Vermont's farm and food economy.

Sustain: The Australian Food Network and the North East Local Food Strategy action group invite you to learn about Vermont's Farm to Plate program directly from its director, Jake Claro, Jake will describe this important initiative, share insights and explore opportunities. The afternoon talk and facilitated workshop will map steps towards a collaborative food program for North East Victoria. Afternoon tea will be provided with wine and cheese to follow.

WHEN
Friday
March 27, 2020
12:45 - 4:30pm

WHERE
Charles Sturt University
Regional Study Centre
218 Tonne Road
Wangaratta VIC 3677

TICKET
\$40 + fee
Book at
<https://bit.ly/2vixC2p>

INFO
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Wangaratta Netball Association conducts a NetSetGo competition for Grade 3 and Grade 4 players on Saturday from 11.15am for 12 weeks commencing 9 May 2020. Cathedral College have advised they have vacancies in their Grade 3 and Grade 4 teams for any players who are finding it difficult to join a team. Please contact myself by email or phone Kylie Moore on 0404 520 223 (Cathedral NSG organiser).

20 May 2020

Media Release
Interactive display at Visitor Information Centre

Wangaratta Visitor Information Centre will host an interactive display featuring the latest work by Albury author Craig Dent. *The Night Twoey Took a Screamer* was written by Dent and illustrated by Lauren Habarow. It tells the story of a twilight football match at an abandoned ground between a team of native birds and a team of furry animals. The book also features illustrations and alliteration by primary school students from Mansfield, Omeo and Devenish. The book will be featured in a display encouraging local children to enter a colouring in competition. Completed drawings are to be returned to the Visitor Information Centre. School tours will be invited throughout the 10 week display, running from 1 April to 20 June. The winning entry will be announced on 20 June and receive a free signed copy of the book and a photograph with the author and illustrator.

Rutherglen High School
Grade 5/6 Transition Evening

When...
Wednesday 18th March
From 5.30pm til 6.30pm

Why...
To listen to some information, obtain a booklet outlining the school's policies and requirements and meet the staff.

What to expect...
An information session about Year 7 in 2021 and quick tour of the school grounds.

Hope to see you there!



A friendly Reminder
School Crossing

Even though we haven't a school crossing supervisor, all cars need to stop at the crossing if there are students waiting to cross. Please be vigilant with this.

