PRINCIPAL’S REPORT – Nicky Fammartino

Welcome back to term 4 and isn’t the sunshine a refreshing change. I hope you all had a safe holiday and got to spend some quality family time together.

Despite being freezing the rain held off on Wednesday as some of our students toughed it out with the best in the district at the athletics carnival. Congratulations to the following students for your achievements:
- Cameron Arthur – Hurdles
- Hayley Wallis – High Jump and discus
- Ostyn Saker – 100m
- Miranda Haskins – 200m
- Zoe Tozer – 200m
- Bridget Cross – 800m
- Samuel Green – Triple jump
- Ava Brogan – Triple jump.

It has been great to see all of the smiling faces in what has been a smooth start to our final term this year. For our year sixes it will be the final term of their Primary Years and it will be an emotionally charged, exciting time that you will remember fondly for the rest of your life.

For our year five students this term will be a time to step up and prove your leadership as 2017 leadership roles are advertised and filled. You will enjoy our term 4 leadership training in peer mediation and the exciting experiences planned throughout the term.

We have seen some outstanding progress in student engagement surveys which supports the efforts we are putting into Inquiry based personalised learning. The excitement during earn and learn has been one of many examples of this.

This term staff will be working very hard on our whole school positive behaviour model and initiatives to promote skills such as problem solving, creativity, higher order thinking and a lifetime love of learning in the foundation and junior years. Information sessions will be promoted throughout the term. Stay tuned as this is exciting times.

Nicky Fammartino
PRINCIPAL
PARENT HELPERS – BREAKFAST CLUB
Each Friday morning a dedicated team of parent helpers prepare breakfast for our breakfast club. We are in need of extra parent helpers to assist with preparation of food, setting and cleaning up. If you are able to help out between 8.30am and 9am on a Friday morning, please contact the office of 5977 8500.

CURRICULUM DAY 2016 – THURSDAY 1ST DECEMBER, 2016
Our final whole school curriculum day for 2016 is on Thursday 1st December where all of our staff will be participating in a professional development day. Parents are advised to make alternate arrangements for the care of their children on that day as all staff will be involved in the Professional development.

PREP ENROLMENTS 2017
We are now finalising our prep enrolments and will now be able to look at employing our staff for 2017. Thank you to the parents who have returned their enrolment papers. If there are any parents who are intending to enrol their child in Preps next year and they haven’t completed the enrolment process you will need to contact our office on 5977 8500.

LATE SIGN IN
It is a Department of Education requirement that if your child is late for school that a parent sign them in. Please help us with this process and if your child arrives at school after 8.55am you escort them to the office area and sign them in.

BELLS & TIMES
1. Our school day starts at 8.45am when the classrooms will be opened and teachers will be setting up their classrooms.
2. 8.55am students enter classrooms, roll marked and notices for day are delivered
3. 9.05am: learning session #1 commences.
4. All children arriving at school after 8.55am will need to be signed in by a parent at the office and collect a late pass prior to entering the classroom.

STAFF CARPARK IS NOT A PICK UP OR DROP OFF ZONE
We have a few parents who are disregarding the signs at our gates and using our staff car park as a drop off or pick up zone. This is not permitted and the staff car park is clearly signposted accordingly. Please respect this as it creates a high risk for students as they are trying to leave their classrooms and head home. I am appalled that parents would blatantly disregard our school safety rules and deliberately place your child at risk. Please observe all parking and speed controls around our school.

ARE YOU LEAVING US?
If you know that you will be leaving our area and your children will no longer be attending our school, please let the office know by emailing the school or completing the form below and returning to school. This will assist us greatly in being able to determine our staffing needs for 2017.

STUDENTS TRANSFERRING FROM SRPS 2016
We/I wish to advise that my child/ren ______________________________ of Grade ____________
child ______________________________ of Grade ____________
child ______________________________ of Grade ____________
will not be returning to SRPS in 2017.

We will be attending _______________________________ Primary School in 2017.

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Parents signature
ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S REPORT – Kaye Ralph

Term 4

It has been great to return to Sommie Rise and see so many smiling faces and having avoided the wintry weather (fingers crossed!) The school is looking fantastic and visiting classrooms and the yard during the week it is apparent that everyone is ready to learn and make the most of every opportunity. I hope everyone has a productive and happy term 4.

SunSmart www.sunsmart.com.au

From September to April each year the sun’s UV radiation moves in to the high to extreme range and the possibility of damaging skin is greatly increased.

A coordinated approach from Sun Smart Schools, Cancer Council of Victoria, Vic Health and DEECD has been adopted across Victoria. Our SunSmart Policy has a combination of approaches to protect students from UV radiation but the easiest to apply and monitor is wearing a hat. Therefore we strongly advise students wear a hat and will provide alternates such as shade areas if a student does not wear their hat. Below is a summary of our SunSmart policy.

1. Shade - Students who do not have appropriate hats or outdoor clothing are asked to play in the shade or a suitable area protected from the sun.

2. Clothing - Sun protective clothing is included in our school uniform/dress code and sports uniform. School clothing is made of close weave fabric and includes shirts with collars and longer sleeves, longer style dresses and shorts.

3. Hats - Students are encouraged to wear hats that protect their face, neck and ears, i.e. legionnaire, broad brimmed or bucket hats, whenever they are outside. (Baseball caps do not offer enough protection and are therefore not recommended.)

4. Sunglasses - Students and staff are encouraged to wear close fitting, wrap-around sunglasses that meet the Australian Standard 1067 (Sunglasses: Category 2, 3 or 4) and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

5. Sunscreen - Students can apply sunscreen they have brought from home, at least 20 minutes before going outdoors.

NAPLAN Results reminder– Years 3 and 5 families

Please remember to visit the office and collect your child’s individual NAPLAN results.

PE – Brenton Patterson

Lap Club

Every Thursday 8 35am to 8 50am. All welcome, a good opportunity to increase your fitness for athletics this term. A tally of laps will be kept and certificates given. Bring, mum, dad, granny, anyone can jog or walk around our runners track.

Murdoch District Athletics

Our District Athletics day was held on the 7th September at the Ballam Park Athletics Complex. Our team performed extremely well and displayed the attitude and good sportsmanship we expect from students at Somerville Rise.

The following students made it through to the Northern Peninsula Athletics event – Cameron Arthur-Hurdles, Hayley Wallis-High Jump and discus, Ostyn Saker- 100m, Miranda Haskins-200m, Zoe Tozer- 200m, Bridget Cross-800m, Samuel Green Triple jump and Ava Brogan –Triple jump. Congratulations to everyone who participated.

(left to right) Miranda Haskins, Samuel Green, Zoe Tozer, Ostyn Saker, Ava Brogan, Cameron Arthur, Hayley Wallis and Bridget Cross.

F-2 Swimming Term 4

The F-2 swimming program is run at the YMCA pool and will take place from the 14th to the 18th of November inclusive.

Beach Safety Days

Our Beach Safety days will run again this year in conjunction with the Mt Martha LSC. The Grade 5/6 students will have their day on the 13th of December and the Grade 3/4’s on the 14th of December.
Holiday Shenanigans!

To start off term 4 all PPK students shared with their teachers and peers what they did on the school holidays. There was a range of activities that were undertaken and they loved hearing each other’s stories. Some students realised they did some of the same things, like watched the same movie, went to the same park, visiting a friend and so on. This created even more chatter. Following this the students wrote a recount about their holiday, highlighting main events that occurred.

Some writing below:
On the school holidays I went to Ella’s house. (Addison)

On the school holidays I went to the park with my family. (Sonny)

On the holidays I went to Ella’s house for a sleepover on Thursday. We went to McDonalds for dinner and I got a Happy Meal and I had an ice-cream. (Hayley)

Learning Intention: to write a recount about our school holidays
Success Criteria:
- I can write one or more sentences about something I did on the holidays
- I can hear and write the sounds in tricky words
- I can correctly spell Magic Words
- I can draw a picture to match my writing

GRADE 3 – 4 – Renee Wise

3D Collage: Measuring

Learning Intention: to use a ruler accurately from 0 and record lengths in mm and cm.

Success Criteria: I can measure and record paper strips of various lengths.

The students in 3W had fun in the art room experimenting with measuring and consolidating our skills using a ruler. Some students even commented they didn’t realise they were doing maths because the activity was too much fun!

We used a ruler to cut up our coloured strips of paper into various lengths and manipulated them into different designs creating a 3D Collage. Students then wrote down the measurements in mm and cm next to each paper strip.

Have a look at some of our cool maths crafts, we were very proud!
GRADE 5-6 - Clare Munro

APPLIED NUMERACY: Measurement and Geometry - Location and Transformation

This week in grade 6 students have been learning about the different ways to transform shapes.

Reflection- is a mirror image of an object
Translation – means simply to move
Rotation – means turning around a centre point.

Learning intention: I can investigate simple combinations of transformations

Jackson and Zoe are both using peg boards to help them visualize and identify the direction a shape has been transformed.

These grade 6 students are working on a variety of activities including using basic shapes and their transformations to create new patterns and images.

Charlie and Alysha have both been working on Transformations of their initials to demonstrate their understanding. In these images they have shown their original drawings as well as a rotation, a translation and a reflection.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

IMPACT ON YOUTH FROM DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Get your school involved in a fun community event by entering the 2017 Western Port Festival Street Parade!

This year’s theme is Superheroes!

Superheroes can come in many forms, your traditional Superman and Captain America for example, and they can also come in the form of your teacher, a family member, your pet. The list is endless!

So get your thinking cap on and start planning your Superheroes for 2017!

When: Saturday 25th February 2017
Set Up Time: 11am*
Parade Time: 12:15pm – 1:30pm*

Get together and show the community how amazing your school really is!

Register your schools interest by 11/1/17

Simply go to www.westernportstreetfestival.org.au

Click on “get involved” and scroll down to “Enter Street Parade”. Fill in the form and send it in - EASY!

Penny Fanning
Parade Coordinator – Western Port Festivals Inc
Ph: 0480 002 236

*All times are approximate and may vary slightly.
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