

SEPS NEWS

FRIDAY 31ST MARCH, 2023

We acknowledge the Bunurong People, the traditional owners of the land on which this school was established, and pay our respects to their Elders past and present, for they hold the memories, culture and stories of this country.

So long, farewell

Dear Parents, Friends and Students,

This will be our final newsletter for this term.

We farewell term 1 and dismiss students at 2.30pm on Thursday April 6th. Term 2 commences again on Monday April 24th.

Then on April 25th Anzac Day there will be no school for students or staff.

Coming up at SEPS

- Thu Apr 6** • Easter Lucky Draw
- Thu Apr 6 2.30pm** • Term 1 Holidays Begins
- Mon Apr 24** • Term 2 Begins
- Tue Apr 25** • Anzac Day

Hot cross buns

Thank you for the community support supporting the Hot Cross Bun drive.

Also a huge thank you to Paul at Bakers Delight who has donated \$2 per 6 pack for the school.

Reminder that all fundraising goes directly for student resources – our focus at the moment resources for STEAM.



STEAM challenge

Do you know At the end of every term the whole school participates in a STEAM challenge. Today students will participate in the card challenge. This is something you can encourage students to so at home as well.



School Purpose – Our Vision: To build an inclusive community where our children are active learners, critical thinkers, and creative explorers. Think...Imagine...Become.

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Your opinion is valuable

Calling all parent community. You are invited to support us with your thoughts about how and what we are achieving at Sandy East.

Independent presenters Colin and Lisa McGuinness Smith will led the consultation at **9.15am Monday the 3rd of April** (stay on after assembly) or come along at **7pm, this Monday the 3rd of April** if that suits better for working parents.

The focus will be on the Department FISO 2.0 strategy below and we ask that you consider these aspects when you provide feedback.

You will need to bring a device, like a smart phone to enter your anonymous feedback on.

Register attendance from the Compass posts please so we can provide a suitable venue.



Planning Week

This week every team has been working on their planning for Term 2. This is a great opportunity to collaborate together, share ideas, develop relationships and be well organised ready for a smooth start to term 2.



School Values

1. Care - Care for self and others as well as our physical environment and learning spaces
2. Aspiration - Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable, try hard, pursue excellence
3. Respect - Treat all others with consideration and regard, respect another person's point of view

Always our best

Our SEPS newsletter is distributed with the Principal's News and the Community newsletter comprising the Level Happenings, school Calendar and community Announcements. Please be patient and understanding as we transition to our new newsletter format.

I hope that our school community enjoys another week of fun and learning. Kind Regards, Lauren

Lauren Walton, Principal. 0409 598 185. Lauren.walton@education.vic.gov.au

Staff news

It is with regret that we are losing our amazing Mandarin teacher **Yin Zaho** today as she takes a position closer to home.

We will certainly miss her happy demeanor and great teaching to engage our students.

So the hunt is on for a LOTE teacher or teachers depending on who is available and selected.

We have had no luck so far and have readvertised again on Recruitment Online. If you know anyone please spread the word.

Congratulations to **Kate Foster** who organised an amazing cross country on Tuesday which was enjoyed by levels 3-6. Well done.



Celebrating Yin Zaho

Yin has completed her time at SEPS with the fantastic Chinese Dragon dance at assembly this week, ably supported by Performing Arts teacher **Mr Scherpenhuizen**. Level 1 students used their Chinese rattle so support the drummers – well done all.



Parent helper training

Thanks to our Enhanced Learning teachers **Trudy Gau and Wendy Arkey** who presented the parent training session for volunteers. Thanks to the many parents who attended.

We have recommended they go through the child safe policies on the school website and now need to make sure they have a current Working With Children Certificate and a completed confidentiality form – please give this documentation to the office.

We have asked parents to let classroom teachers know when they are ready to start volunteering.

There were some parents who were unable to attend as they work on a Tuesday. If a parent wants to help, your classroom teacher will run through the PowerPoint at a time that suits you both.

It will be wonderful to have parents helping in the classroom again. Please arrange with your class teacher.

Assembly

5A, Jacqui Perdriau and **Waratah Captains, Lila & Owen**, are on Assembly for the final Monday of Term 1. Please see below roster so that you when your class will be on assembly and also Hunger Buster duty.

TERM 2				
Week	Monday	Assembly	Friday	Hunger Busters
Week 1	24 Apr	3B Sarah Peters	28 Apr	3B
Week 2	01 May	OC Carmen Leal	05 May	3C
Week 3	08 May	OA Alex Whittle	12 May	2B
Week 4	15 May	1C Joh Fitness	19 May	2C
Week 5	22 May	4C Tilly Gunasekra	26 May	1A
Week 6	29 May	4B Leon Tremain	02 Jun	1B
Week 7	5 Jun	5C Jana Hain	09 Jun	N/A Curriculum Day
Week 8	12 Jun	No Assembly – Kings Birthday	16 Jun	1C
Week 9	19 Jun	4A Sally Duggan	23 Jun	N/A last day of term

From Dr Coulson

The webinar is A Parent's Guide to Raising A Child With ADHD and you can access it here.

We chose this topic as everyone is asking for it and we hope that parents, as well as educators get a lot out of it.

Please click the link below to view this webinar.

<https://schools.happyfamilies.com.au/a-parents-guide-to-raising-a-child-with-adhd/>

Chickens

Thank you so much to the volunteers who will assist with feeding, watering and cleaning our chickens during the term break.

Quote of the week



Level Happenings

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House Cross Country

On Tuesday we held our annual house cross-country competition at Spring Street Reserve.

Despite the rain predictions, it was a perfect day and students were excited as they gathered at the starting line, ready to take on the 1km lap.

The 9/10 year olds took on 2 laps and the older children tackled 3 laps.

Whilst we had a lot of students ready to race, there was also a large group of children in each year level who were feeling apprehensive about the distance.

However, it was so pleasing to see every student give their best effort to push through and achieve their best.

The last two races involved our level three students competing in their first-ever house competition.

They all ran their 1 km lap with huge smiles on their face and it was great to see many of the older students cheering on and supporting the level 3's.

The overall house points tally was very close, with a difference of 8 points between 1st and 3rd.

Esperance house was the overall winner for the day.

Congratulations to all our individual winners on your achievements and we look forward to supporting our top 12 runners in each age group at our upcoming district competition.



Foundation fun

This week in Foundation we have been busy.

We have been focusing on the sounds and letters in the word leg. 'L' as in leg, 'e' as in bed and 'g' as in gate.

We have been breaking words down to focus on the beginning and end sounds. We have also been using our learnt sounds and letters to explore and create new words.

In Maths, we have been continuing our focus on subitising. This is helping us to develop of number knowledge through fun and hands on activities. We are getting speedy with our counting.

We are also focusing on our number writing and it is coming along, we occasionally are reversing our numbers around but we are making this a focus for the rest of the term.

Foundation teachers had their planning day, which involved mapping out term 2 and all the exciting things to come for Term 2.



LOTE

Grade 5 and 6 students did a research project this term on 'How people celebrate Lunar New Year across Asia'. They worked hard within their group to search for the answers to the given questions. Then they worked well individually on their PowerPoint presentation. Students are currently making a traditional Chinese fan to conclude the unit.



Grade 3 and 4 students should be proud of themselves as they have worked very hard on their learning tasks this term. Their excellent learning outcomes on their assessments report are the payoff. Well done! They also have been working on the Lion Dance with myself and Mr Scherpenhuizen this week. They will be performing at the upcoming Monday's assembly. Please feel free to come and watch.



Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2 students were also invited to participate in performing at Monday's assembly. So they decorated some Chinese drum rattles and have been practising using them to make music along with the Lion Dance.



Level 1/2

This week in level 1 we have been learning all about chance and probability. We have been discussing the likelihood of something happening, will happen, might happen or will not happen.

Students have been given questions to discuss. For example: What is the likelihood of a pig running through the JLC?...It might happen but it is unlikely. What is the likelihood of a pig flying through the JLC...it will not happen, it is impossible. They have also been learning about things that have a 50/50 chance, like flipping a dice. That means each time you flip a coin there is a 50/50 chance it will be heads or tails, there is an even chance.

This week you might want to include this in your daily interactions. When heading home you might ask what is the likelihood of seeing a white car? What is the likelihood of seeing a pink car? What is the chance of us having takeaways this week? What is the chance it could rain this weekend?

The level 2's have been learning all about time, in particular half past and quarter past. Students are learning that if the big hand is on the 6 it means half past the hour and if it is on the 3 or 9 it is quarter past or quarter to. Time is a tricky concept to learn so rather than telling your child the time, work with them at home to be able to learn to tell the time for themselves.

Thanks for reading and happy learning. The level 1 and 2 team.

Level 3/4

Level 3 and 4 students have had a busy 2 weeks with finishing NAPLAN, competing in the House Cross Country and finishing our ERPs! All students are looking forward to presenting their ERPs to our families on Wednesday the 5th of April at 3pm.

The Level 3 students showed great confidence and persistence during the NAPLAN period. All teachers are so proud of their effort and positivity.

Students are enjoying reading with each other and sharing their love of books.



Level 5/6

The highlight of week 9 was undoubtedly the cross country. It was great to see all the students give their best and support not only their houses but also friends.

Homework has been handed out and is due back next Wednesday the 5th of April.

The Level 5's and 6's continues to focus on text structure, figurative language, and punctuation to enhance their writing. Our reading focus is centred around Authors, purpose, inferring and visualising the text. The Level 6's should have also finished Skellig by the end of the week.

Mathematically, our focus has changed to multiplicative thinking, subitising as well as finding ourselves delving into the world of division. A great way to help your child with this is to ensure they are practising their times tables; and test them when they are confident.

Kindest of regards from Level 5 and 6 Teachers.



Mondo Recycling @ SEPS



Thanks to you, our wonderful SEPS community, for your efforts with our Mondo hub recycling program.

Our Mondo bins are a great spot for you to pop in unwanted clothing, bags, hats, belts, and shoes- with the knowledge that your donated items will not go to landfill! Your donations also help us to raise funds for our school's sustainability projects.

Each year, the recycling group who manages the Mondo hub, re-homes over 41 million items of unwanted clothing in communities where they are needed the most.

Please join the movement and give your clothing and accessories a second chance of life.

Our hub is located outside the SEPS library near the circular driveway.

Once again, we thank you for your efforts.



Sandringham East Primary

Chess Club Enrolment Form

Term 1, 2023

Chess has been played for thousands of years across diverse regions and cultures. Chess club provides kids the opportunity to master this timeless art while socialising, having fun and sharpening their minds.

Through this interpersonal challenge it has been shown that kids develop analytical capabilities, foresight, planning, decision making skills, discipline and much more. These skills are helpful in both academic and personal life. While chess inherently involves competition, our club maintains an emphasis on emotional awareness and sportsmanship.

Throughout the term classes will involve learning strategy and tactics, exercises, games and a term-long tournament.

CLASS DETAILS:

CLASS TIME: Thursdays 3.30 – 4.30

DATES: 7th Feb – 28th March

MEMBERSHIP FEE: \$97 (*Pro rata if joining late)

Please note that all students are welcome to try out the chess club in the first week and there will be no charge if they decide not to continue for the full Term.

ENQUIRIES : Contact Felix Chandler: felixchandler@mindfulchess.com.au



SEPS - Member details and payment *If your child enrolled in the past simply confirm payment via email

To join please return the following details. Payment can be made in cash to the chess teacher or pay via bank transfer and send a scanned email to felixchandler@mindfulchess.com.au

Child Name: _____ Age: _____ Phone: _____

Parent Name: _____ Email: _____

Please select payment method: Cash Direct Debit *include child's name as reference

Bank Transfer payment details:

ACC. Name: Mindful Chess

BSB: 06 5216

Account No: 1001 8619

*Please complete payment before returning enrolment form and include your child's name in the reference

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EASTER LUCKY DRAW

**APRIL
6TH**

last day of Term 1



Please donate an **EASTER EGG/BUNNY**
(no small hunting eggs)
Place in the box outside the main office.

To raise Funds for the school, there is a \$5
for EACH CHILD payment to be made via the
Qkr! App. (scan QR code) Look for SEPS event:
EASTER LUCKY DRAW

1st, 2nd
and 3rd prizes
to be won per
class, plus ALL
children will
recieve an
EASTER EGG!



Unless you
have paid the
BUSY PARENT
contribution,
payment is
required by
MARCH 31st.

BAKED IN THE CANTEEN
FRESH NEXT WEEK

Choc-Coconut Slice

100's & 1000's Biscuit

50¢ each



All Things Zucchini

Zucchini has to be one of the most versatile vegetables. You can eat it raw, roast it, steam it or grill on the barbeque. Try shredding, dicing and stuffing it too.

Zucchini is a good source of vitamin C and supply some dietary fibre. They are an international food favoured by the Italians, French and even the British. A great introduction for children to zucchini is zucchini slice which they can cook themselves.

Here are some ideas to help you use that glut of zucchini your garden or neighbours garden has produced.

1. Zucchini & Corn Fritters
2. Roast Zucchini, Chickpea and Sweet Potato Salad
3. Zucchini Slice
4. Potato, Capsicum and Zucchini Frittata
5. Mediterranean Chicken and Zucchini Kebabs


These are just a few ideas to give you inspiration for adding more Zucchini to your life.

Bayside Canteens would like to apologise for the outage with Flexischools last week. It was an unfortunate event that Flexischools acknowledged was their fault and offered free orders on Friday as compensation and as a way of apologising for the outage.

A huge thank you to the SEPS office staff for helping deal with the situation.

BAYSIDE CANTEENS

Order Your Lunches Online. No need to find the coins or paperbag to write lunch orders on...it's so easy. Go to www.flexischools.com.au and sign up.

 flexischools

Term 1

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JOIN THE FUN!

**Highett & Surrounds
Term 1 All Girls Auskick**

**Oval 1 Highett Reserve, Highett
Thursdays March 9th - April 6th
4:30 - 5:30pm**

**Sam Howell - sam.howell@afl.com.au
Aslyn Witney - aslyn.witney@afl.com.au**



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