Thank You Morning Tea

Honouring our dedicated school crossing traffic warden Mr Alan Jacobs with our outgoing P&C President Mrs Melinda Whiteside and Corporate Services Manager Mrs Elaine Hill.

Our annual Thank You Morning Tea was held on Wednesday 9 December which was enjoyed by a large group of parent helpers, committee volunteers, community business supporters and staff.

We are indeed fortunate to have such an enthusiastic and hardworking support network in our school which adds to the learning and happiness of our children.

Mr Andrew Makkink of Brumby’s Padbury, who is a strong supporter of our school with his Appreciation Award.

While the many supporters of our school are broad and numerous we would like to make mention of local businesses in Padbury who regularly donate to our school. Thank you to Padbury Pharmacy, Brumby’s, Jesters and IGA for your ongoing and generous support.

We wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas break and look forward to another wonderful year at South Padbury Primary School in 2016.
Dear Parents and Caregivers

2015
In reviewing 2015 it is important to view the year within the holistic context of being the last year of a 3 year Turnaround Plan 2013-2015. Embedded into the plan were a series of performance indicators which included:

⇒ Test data
⇒ Attendance data
⇒ Resources
⇒ Finances
⇒ Student engagement
⇒ Community engagement
⇒ Staff and Parent/carer satisfaction rates.

At the conclusion of the plan, I am happy to report to the school community as a whole that every single performance indicator has been achieved at a level well above what I would have dared hoped for at the beginning of 2013. The journey has been a challenging yet rewarding one. When outlining the plan to the staff, Board and P&C in February and March 2013, I made the point that not all staff would see the process through to fruition. The fact is that many of the staff didn’t, and as we continue to move forward, the fabric of the team will continue to change and evolve to best suit the needs of our students.

IPS
Becoming an IPS has been a key element in our overall improvement. A greater control over finances and full control over staffing has ensured that money has gone into the right areas and we have chosen the best staff to address our needs. We’re in a fortunate position where we have multiple applicants for each job and can match candidates’ skills and competencies to our students’ set of needs.

Christmas
Our school, as a Department school, is based along the principles of the Christian faith and as such, we do acknowledge and celebrate Christmas. This practice will not change and we will continue with this tradition into the future. This practice will always be in place while I am in charge of the school.

P&C
Last week we had our last P&C meeting for the year. The P&C have had another outstanding, productive year. The group has formed into a cohesive fund raising organisation that provides exemplary, targeted and on-going support of the school. The last 3 years has seen the group lead by Mrs Melinda Whiteside. Melinda’s level of commitment, drive, enthusiasm and passion for our school has been unparalleled. She was a key driver of the Turnaround Plan and our quest to become an IPS. Losing Melinda is a big loss for our school and on behalf of the school community I thank and commend Melinda for everything that she has done for our school.

Holidays
My message to students: I know that you guys are going to love the break. I encourage you to go hard and enjoy every moment, always being mindful of your own safety. Think before you act and have the best holiday ever!

My message to parents/carers: I know that life’s busy and having the kids around 24/7 can be tiring. But you must remember that this phase of your life is over in the blink of an eye and you must enjoy and savour every moment. Children are not supposed to be perfect, tidy, quiet and unobtrusive – they’re kids! Enjoy them for who they are and enjoy being their parent.

NOTES HOME AND PDF ON WEBSITE
- Charity Drive — Spiers Centre
- School App — tiqbiz brochure
- AMF Bowling
- Sports shirt order for 2016

David Knox
PRINCIPAL
Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards at our assembly on 27 November 2015

PP1: Alana Krause
    Nicola Hayes
PP2: Mitchell Hudson
    Riley Erkelens
    Tayah Granland
    Jessica Calleja
TA1: Maddie McVee
    Lila-Grace Ball
TA2: Tai Deeley
TA3: Isahra Russell
    Kylan Granland
TA4: Blake Williams
    Tyler Rhodes
    Emily Perrie
    Ethan Owen
    Keanu Deeley
TA6: Xavier Isaako
    Felix Van Stam
    Cody Green
    Jack Richardson
    Lillian Svoboda
    Declan Woods
TA7: Holly Pethrick
    Jack Castiglioni
    Fletcher Frost
TA8: Amber Howell
    Emmett Clements
    Jack Jeffries
    Charlie Beer
    Eli Van Stam
    Charlotte McVee
    Jemma Grimm
TA10: Luka Banister
    Karla Bakich
    Indonesian
    Alifie Byers
    Tora Yamamoto

Merit Certificates

Yr 5/6 Swimming 2016

Reminder - Due Friday 11 December by 10:30am

Please put your completed consent form and payment in an envelope marked with your child’s name and TA and place it in the silver letterbox at the front office.

Year 6 gift to SPPS — Artwork collaboration

Canadian-born sculptor Kim Perrier has crafted a unique sculpture with our Year 6 pupils giving a ‘helping hand’. The sculpture will be the Year 6 graduates gift to the school.

Kim won this year’s People’s Choice Award at Sculpture by the Sea, for his work Ashes to Ashes.

We acknowledge and thank the artist and contributing parties who have met the major expense, time and expertise to accommodate the design, construction and installation of the sculpture.

Mr Smith said “It is a great recognition indeed of the unique qualities of this graduating class, from so many people, from so many diverse sectors of society.”

The sculpture will be unveiled following the Year 6 graduation ceremony.

Padbury Dental—Holiday Hours & Information

The Padbury Dental Therapy Centre will be closed from Tuesday 22 December 2015 to Friday 15 January 2016. Reopening Monday 18 January 2016 at 8.00am.

Emergency dental treatment is available at the Mt Henry Dental Therapy Centre, Salter Point Ph 9313 0555 between the hours of 8.15am and 4.30pm. For after hours emergencies please contact your private dentist or if eligible the after hours emergency service on 9325 3452.

Students entering high school are still eligible to attend the centre and an appointment will be posted home. Please inform us if you change address.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all the dental staff – don’t forget to brush!”

Kapture Photography

We have been advised by Kapture Photography that all sports and/or special team photos taken this year will be removed from their website at the end of this term in readiness for next year’s photography. This is your last chance to view and purchase these photographs. Please visit www.kapture.com.au and access the gallery using our school code – CJP377

This code can also be used to purchase class or individual photographs for 2015 should you have missed out earlier in the year.
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Traffic Warden
This is a courtesy email to inform you that the traffic warden on Gibson Ave near Warburton Ave will not be on duty this afternoon. Unfortunately I do not have relief staff available to cover this shift. I will make a police call, however I cannot guarantee they will attend. I apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Traffic Warden State Management Unit

P&C News

FOR SALE — The P&C have bulk hamburgers and frankfurts which they are willing to sell at cost price.

- Frankfurts (2.5kg) @ $18.22 approximately 70 frankfurts
- Hamburgers (5.52kg) @ $46.87 approximately 50 patties

ICE-CREAM SALES — For the final two days for this year will only include ice lollies

UNIFORM SHOP —
- Thursday 10 December - 2:30-3:30pm
- Thursday 17 December - Normal time
- Friday 29 January 2016 - 2:30pm - 4:00pm

Size 4-8 girl’s dresses are now $45

P&C SURVEY WINNERS
- $30 Voucher for Padbury Florist - Liz Ball
- $13 Voucher Padbury Pharmacy - Rachel Farney
- $10 Voucher Coffee Club - Donna Hudson
- $5 Voucher Coffee Club - Shelley Erkelens

A very big thanks to all who responded and everyone involved. Vouchers are available to collect from the front office Thursday afternoon.

STUDENT FUN DAY - Last day of school Thursday 17 December is Free Dress Fun Day. Wear suitable clothes for fun activities, bouncy castle sessions for classes funded by the P&C. Parents are invited to join their children for lunch.

On behalf of the P&C I would like to say a huge thank you to all those people who have helped out our community throughout the year we really appreciate your time and effort. We hope you have a fantastic Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

Melinda Whiteside
P&C President
melindawhiteside@bigpond.com

FUN FACT: Reindeers like bananas

Keyed Up Music will be running key board and guitar lessons again in 2016 after school.

We run group lessons starting from $15.45 plus GST per lesson. To enrol, to go


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