



**SOUTH PADBURY
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
Pursuit of Knowledge and Friendship

1 September 2022 Edition #9

Kookaburra Chronicles

TA 12 & TA 13 Combined Fitness



We then moved to strategic games such as Capture the Flag and Doctor, Doctor. They are very popular choices which promote aerobic fitness, team collaboration and tactical planning.



TA 12 and TA 13 combine classes regularly for fitness on Monday mornings. We started the year with a focus on skipping which included individual and group rope activities.



Following the successful Faction Carnival, we are now turning our attention to preparation for the Interschool Athletics Carnival.





Dear Families,

It's been a busy start to the term, and it's hard to believe we are in Week 7! Thank you to our school community for your support and enthusiasm at both the Book Week parade and our faction athletics carnival last week. Such successful events that are truly inclusive and reflective of our school's moral purpose 'Be the Change'. Congratulations to our Year 6 students, including faction captains and vice captains, who led their factions with gusto, and supported younger students on the day. A big thank you also to our school P and C and Dadbury, who have been busy all term behind the scenes, supporting our students, organising fundraising events and looking for new ways to support the school.

Our student COVID cases are currently at 0, though Influenza A is still circulating around the school.

Any parents interested in joining our Parent Reading Support program, with an opportunity to shadow some of our current parents, and 'learn the ropes', please email or call the front office and we will get you started. This program is part of our 'Find 15' reading initiative, and an opportunity for students to build confidence in reading fluency, and for parents to learn how to support readers. It runs Mon, Tues, Thurs and Friday afternoons from 2.30-3.00pm.

As part of our focus on catering for the learning needs of all students, and offering an enrichment program with multiple elements, some of our students participated in the Prime Minister's Spelling Bee. Congratulations to Luke E, Mikayla H, Jhett S and Niek A for making the state finals! We will keep you posted on their progress.

Don't forget our school psychologist Suzie Williams is providing another **Anxiety in Children** workshop for parents. She will talk about what anxiety is, how it can manifest, and some practical strategies on what parents can do to help support their child. There will also be time for a Q and A session, and we will have a display of our newly acquired anxiety resource books for parents to borrow from the library. The workshop will be after school on Wednesday 14th September from 2.45pm-3.45pm. If you are interested in attending please RSVP to the front office by Friday 9th September.

Our school Board will be calling for parents to be part of a consultation group, offering feedback on a draft School Community Charter. The charter is a document that simply reflects our already evident school community values, expectations and behaviours that we agree reflect South Padbury PS. Look out for a Connect notice this week.

Finally, Happy Father's Day on Sunday to all our dads and dad-like family figures. I'm sure many of you will be enjoying the spoils of our school Father's Day stall. Fathers and father figures play a critical and distinct role in children's lives and the evidence demonstrating fathers' potential to positively influence their children's health, social success and academic achievements is indisputable. You can find more information on why dads are important at [Why fathers matter - The Fathering Project](#). Have a great day dads!

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Principal



Spelling Bee Finalists

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Dates to put in your diary....

Week 8	PP-YR4 Swimming Lessons
Tuesday 6 Sept	Uniform Shop Open 8:15-9:15
Thursday 15 Sept	Community Assembly
Friday 16 Sept	Student Council Fundraiser— Crazy Hair & Sock Day
Mon & Tue 19/20 Sept	Indigenous Tours Incursion YR1-6 11:15-2:50pm
Thursday 22 Sept	Newsletter
Friday 23 Sept	Last Day of Term 3

Student Absences - Please text 0438 259 071 with child's name and reason

Term 4 School Dates and School Hours

Term 4 School Development Day (Pupil Free Days) Monday 10th October

Term 4 Monday 10 October - Thursday 15 December

School Hours

Year 1 – 6 Early arrival Students are dismissed from the undercover area @ 8.30am

School Starts – 8.45am

Morning Recess 10.50 - 11.10am

Lunchtime 1.10pm – 1.45pm

School Finishes 3.00pm -

Wednesday Early Finish at 2.30pm

Messages To Students & Delayed For Pick-up

Please be aware that most classrooms do not have a phone and we cannot always guarantee getting messages to students, particularly in the afternoon. Teachers may not be able to check emails.

Please have a conversation with your child/ren to have a plan in place in the event that you are delayed or unable to collect them at the end of the day. Children can always come to the office if no-one comes to collect them as expected.

This is even more important with early close on a Wednesday, please advise children if at anytime no-one has arrived for pick-up to come to the office, where we can contact parents.

Students Not Returning to South Padbury for 2023

If you do not intend for your child to continue at South Padbury for 2023, for our forward planning could you please let the front office know. You can contact us via phone on 6206 2250, in person or by email, southpadbury.ps@education.wa.edu.au

If you have a potential work transfer or house move, please let us know so we are aware of this possibility.