

SPPS Bushland Project

For several years, Mrs Gower has generously contributed her time, effort and knowledge in assisting students to learn about the native flora and fauna surrounding our school. The aim of the SPPS Bushland Project is to restore our bushland to its original state. Our students participate in the project by clearing invasive weeds, planting our endemic plant species and watering and maintaining the restored areas.

Mrs Gower's hands on approach to teaching is of great value not only to the students of TA 12 and 13 but also to classes and students throughout the school. If you would like to assist her in the SPPS Bushland Project, she would love to hear from you. karyn-sue@live.com.au











Dear Families,

It's hard to believe that we are in Week 5 already. It only seems like yesterday that we were welcoming our students back from holidays, and now they have all well and truly settled in.

Congratulations to our 2023 Year 6 student councillors who were voted into their positions by their peers earlier in the term. They have continued to set a high standard with their first assembly last week, and now have a free dress day for their chosen charity Wheelchairs for Kids on Friday 10th March to organise. Their goal is to collect \$500 which will pay for two wheelchairs to be fitted out for children in need. For the first time, donations for this charity will be collected through QKR, as we would like to trial a coinless process, which we hope will be easier for families and the office staff. Parents will also be able to see progress towards the \$500 goal when they donate. A Connect notice will be sent out next week with further details.

Our staff have completed initial data collection this term in comprehension, reading fluency and basic number facts, and our PP's have undergone On-Entry literacy and numeracy assessments. When you add NAPLAN to this term, there's a lot happening in classes.

Our new community charter has been published, and our focus this term from the charter is 'Be Respectful'. We hope families will discuss the importance of communicating appropriately both in person and online, leading the way with positive and respectful actions and modelled behaviour, and always seek solutions to issues with honesty and good intention, to students regularly. Respect is about acting in a way that shows care for how your actions may impact others. Our focus with children should be helping them to understand that treating others the way they want to be treated and considering if what they have said or done would be hurtful if someone said or did it to them, is key to understanding respect.

Finally, congratulations and thank you to Mrs Wiener, staff and community members who supported our swimming carnival this week. This event cannot be run without your involvement and the day certainly provides many 'be the change' moments for our students. Well done Boronia who took out the winning shield and Acacia who were our spirit champions this year.

Enjoy the long weekend and be safe if you are travelling.

Happy parenting!

Cass Disisto Principal



Winners are Grinners at our Annual Swimming Carnival











A fabulous day was had by all at our Year 4 to 6 Annual Swimming Carnival.

Congratulations to <u>Acacia</u> for the 'SPIRIT SHIELD'; and

Boronia being the overall SWIMMING CHAMPIONS.

A big thank you to all the parent helpers it couldn't have happened without you.





Charitable Collections

Throughout the year the South Padbury community support a number of charities through our gold coin collections. We understand how convenient the Qkr app is for families, therefore we will request you make your gold coin donations this year via the Qkr app rather than students bringing a gold coin to school. We will remind families of this new way of collecting donations when our first charitable collection is held in Week 6 for Wheelchairs For Kids.

Student Update Forms

Student update forms were sent home last week. Even if you have no changes to make, we still need you to sign the bottom of the form and return the form to the front office by Friday 3 March please.

It is important to notify the front office if any of your child's details change throughout the year so we can update our records. You can email the school southpadbury.ps@education.wa.edu.au, or pop into the front office to make these changes in writing. Thank you.

Year 5/6 Swimming Lessons at Sorrento Beach - Mon 27 March to Thurs 6 April

Our Year 5 and Year 6 students will be participating in swimming lessons at Sorrento beach in Week 9 and Week 10 this term. More information will be provided over the coming weeks. The cost for the 9 day programme will be \$23.00 per student. We will need to collect all permissions and payments from students by Monday 20 March.

Kindy to Year 6 Edu-dance - Term 2

Edu-dance lessons will be returning to South Padbury in Week 1 of Term 2!

Edu-Dance is an introductory energetic dance program developed for primary school students from Kindy to Year 6. This program has been operating in primary schools across Western Australia for the past 20 years with outstanding results.



All students from Kindy to Year 6 will be participating in the program which will culminate in a demonstration concert at the end of Term 2.

The cost of the program is \$35.00 per student. Thanks to the continued generosity of the South Padbury Primary School P&C in supporting this program; students will only need to pay \$18. Costing for this program is based on all students attending. Please note no refunds can be given if a student is absent for a lesson. All payments and permission will need to be completed before the end of this term.

Statements

Statements were sent home last week with every student who has an outstanding balance. If you have not received a statement, your contributions have been paid and we thank you for your support. If you have any queries, please contact the front office on 6206 2250.

Our preferred method of payment is the QKR app. If you are unable to use this payment method, you can pay via EFT transfer to the school bank account.

If you are ever unsure of your balance, please always double check with the front office before making a payment to the school. You can always check your past receipts on the QKR app by clicking on your activity which you can access via the 3 horizontal lines on the top right hand corner of the home page.



Merit Certificates

**** \$ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ ☆ Congratulations to the following students ☆ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ who received merit awards at our assembly \$ ☆ on Thursday 23 February $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ \$ ☆ ☆ TA8: Jaxon N ☆ ☆ PP1: Zoe K ☆ ☆ Thomas M ☆ ☆ ☆ Bob Z Emerson L ☆ ☆ ☆ Olivia L TA9: Charlotte J ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ PP2: Stevan G Olive P ☆ ☆ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ ☆ Ezra A ☆ ☆ \$ Vann S ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ Penny G TA12: Aahana P $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ ☆ ☆ TA1: Boston D **Hector W** ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ Naomi H Ava L ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ Luca B Jayla J ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ TA2: Thea P ☆ ☆ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ TA13: Edward M ☆ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ ☆ Ellie D Jaxon W ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ Andi S Geogia B ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ TA3: Billie B TA10: Luke S ☆ ☆ * ☆ Joshua H Ava L ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ Evie B ☆ \$ ☆ Rhys R $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ ☆ ☆ TA4: Bonnie W Isabella P ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ Heather D Billy W ☆ ☆ $^{\diamond}$ ☆ Sophia D Aisling O $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ ☆ George R ☆ ☆ ☆ TA11: Nate H ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ TA6: Fletcher L Ella B ☆ ☆ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ Rori S Eliza H ☆ ☆ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ Stevie V Music: Alice J ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ TA7: Margot R Indonesian: Zara P ☆ ☆ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ ☆ Charlie W ☆ $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim}$ Marc P ☆ \$ ☆ ☆ ************

SOUTH PADBURY LIBRARY

Hello families,

This year our wonderful school library will be extending the borrowing of books to our SPPS families. We have a selected collection of parenting books and the option to borrow childrens' books also. To start borrowing, there is a membership form that you are required to complete first. This form can be collected from the front office and the library. You can also find an online version via our website. Once completed, kindly drop the completed form to the library and please place it in the tray provided. We look forward to seeing in the library soon!



Kind Regards,

Christina DeLuca



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Education Security: 9264 4771 or 9264 4632

Student Absences

Please text **0438 259 071**

with child's name and reason

For absence.

School Siren Times

Classes Commence	8:45am (Classrooms open from 8:30am)
Recess	10:50am—11:10am
Lunch	1:10pm—1:45pm
School Finish	3pm 2:30pm (Wednesdays—Early School Finish)

Dates to put in your diary....

Mon 6th March	Public Holiday
Wed 15th March to 24th March	NAPLAN Years 3 & 5
Wed 22nd March	Pizza Day
Thur 23rd March	Community Assembly
Mon 27th Mar to Thur 6th Apr	Beach swimming Years 5 & 6

2023 CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

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KA	Brodie Vallence
KB	Jessica Chan
PP1	Kirby Millard
PP2	Tamzen Horsburgh
TA1	Felicity Thomas
TA2	Nicki Robinson
TA3	Casey Skupin
TA4	Jill Murphy
TA6	Mischa Taylor
TA7	Tahnee Stubbs-Mills
TA8	Danae Manning
TA9	Sharon Hallam
TA12	Melissa Dalziell
TA13	Melissa Dalziell
TA10	Hollie Cates

Parents Delayed For Pick-up and Messages To Students

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

TA11 Angela Dalla Rosa

This is even more important now 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.