



SPRING PARKS PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to term 3 after some wonderful weather over the holidays! There are some great programs and excursions planned for term 3, so look out for this term's class newsletter, that was handed out last week to every child. I hope that you were able to attend the parent/teacher interviews last week, but if you missed out on

this opportunity, then please contact your child's teacher to see if you can make an alternative time, or perhaps just talk on the phone.

Diary dates: 21/7/2023

- 18/7: Dog's program at West Campus
- 24/7: 2 work experience students here for the week
STOMP at West Campus
- 25/7: STOMP at Valley Campus
Dog's program at West Campus
- 31/7: School Council meeting at 6 p.m.
- 1/8: Woodleigh excursion for Year 3/4
Dog's program at West Campus

Staffing:

As previously advised, Mrs Otenstein is on long service leave for all of term 3, but Mrs Edmondson and then Mrs Dounis will be teaching the class for 5 weeks each. They are very experienced teachers, and know our school and students very well.

I will also be taking 5 months of long service leave – starting on August 7th until the end of the year. Mrs Harry will be Acting Principal and Mrs Morgan will be acting Assistant Principal in my absence. I'll be heading off to the UK to welcome my third English grandchild and to help my daughter with the care of her other 2 children. I'll also be doing a few caravan trips with my husband into the outback of Australia.

Mrs Wirrick will also have 4 days of LSL from July 25th until July 28th and Mr Muscat will be taking long service leave from August 28th until the end of term three. Mrs Edmondson will be teaching his class while his is away. Finally Mrs Law will also be taking LSL from September 11th until October 20th.

STOMP returns for 2023!:

We have engaged the services of a local Melbourne dance company (STOMP) to work with students and staff on a weekly basis to learn a dance to culminate in our School Concert on Thursday, September 14th at Springvale Town Hall.

They provide a theme, dance routines, costume ideas and work with students to perfect their roles, helping to build confidence and an understanding of themselves, in the context of a larger ensemble.

Valuable lessons are learnt through these programs, with teamwork and co-operation at the core of every session. We look forward to working with STOMP in term 3. They will begin their sessions on July 24th at West Campus, and July 25th at Valley Campus.

Parent Opinion Survey:

This annual survey from the Department of Education, will be available soon for a random sample of families to respond to some questions about your opinion on many facets of our school. If you are selected, then you will receive a letter with a link to the survey that can be completed on any mobile device that you use.

All responses are anonymous and the results will be shared at School Council first, then in a later newsletter.

If you are selected, then please take the time to respond. You can choose a language other than English on the link. If you need any assistance at all, then please contact the Office and they'll be happy to help out.

Spring Parks enjoys great partnerships with: Food Bank, Ardoch, Woodleigh School, OSH Club, Berry Street, Ed Connect



Dog's program:

This term, the dog's program will return to our school, but it will be hosted at West Campus. Not every child has the opportunity to attend a session in the library with Leah and her dog Scout, but every child will see a different dog come into their classroom for a patting session. Thanks to Mrs Harry for organising this wonderful program. It will run each Tuesday until the end of term.

Term 3 curriculum day:

For those families who need to organise childcare when we have a curriculum day, I thought it would be wise to advise you that we will be having our second day of professional development with Berry Street on Tuesday August 29th. All staff will be involved in the day, so no students will be attending school that day.

Enjoy the next two weeks.

Julie Fisher : Principal

Foundation information night boards

Spring Parks would like to thank Alok Paudel from Harcourts for designing our Foundation information night boards, that are positioned in front of our West and Valley Campus. Mr Paudel is one of our parents from West Campus, and we're very grateful that his company were able to design and produce these boards for us. They are certainly bright and engaging!

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Information Evenings For 2024

August 30th, 2023 - 6.30pm at West Campus
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November 17th, 2023 - 7.00pm Valley Campus
At this session we will tell you about how to prepare your child for school.

All sessions from Fridays - 9am-10am
Session 1: 3rd November 2023
Session 2: 10th November 2023
Session 3: 17th November 2023
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Sessions Run At Both Campuses.

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New Fagpoles

Over the June school holidays, we had 4 flagpoles installed – 2 at each campus – so that we could fly the Indigenous flag and the Torres Strait Islander flags, along with our established Australian flag. We'd like to thank members of our Junior School Council for writing to Claire O'Neill's Office, and requesting 4 brand new flags. They arrived at our school last term, ready to be displayed last week. The cost of the project was just over \$4,200 and we were able to fund it through the generosity of families who contributed to our Building Fund (\$1,638), Student Voice funds (\$1,750) and fundraising funds (\$1,024).





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You can register your child's attendance to these sessions by emailing.

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100 Days Of School

On Friday, 14th July the whole school came together at our Valley Campus and celebrated 100 days of school for 2023. It was fantastic to see so many students and teachers dressed up in clothes and costumes that represented one hundred. The students had a great time participating in a range of engaging activities that all involved some form of mathematics.

There were physical activities, arts and crafts, design, technology, poetry, music, games, and food. At assembly, students showed off their costumes and experienced a mini lesson on probability through a raffle. Someone from each year level at each campus was lucky enough to win a game board. It was lovely to see some family members, who were available to attend, join in the fun.

Thank you to everyone for making it such a special day.

