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Our children's future in the very best of hands.

Thursday 10th October 2024

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope that all families and staff had a safe and relaxing break and are ready to tackle a busy 11 weeks of learning and fun. Please see the calendar on page 3 for important dates.

150th Anniversary School Fair

This year Specimen Hill Primary School turns 150. To celebrate this event we are hosting a school fair on Friday 22nd November from 1:30pm – 3pm. The school will be open from 3:15pm-4:30pm the school will be open for walkthroughs, historic displays and memorabilia sales. Planning is in full swing with staff planning activities, Parents and Friends planning catering options and other activities. Chloe Hickey has turned school historian and is pulling together old photos and digging around locating times capsules. More information to come...

Hats on Heads

A reminder that from this week school hats are to be worn by students when outside including on excursions and camps. New hats can be purchased from the office or via QKR! App. Remember No Hat, No Play.

Running Club

Monday's 3:15pm-3:45pm and Friday's 8:10am-8:40am to school Running Club starts again next week. We hope to see some new faces clocking up laps this term.

School Saving Bonus Update

In Term 4, 2024, families with a child enrolled in a government school from Prep to Year 12 in 2025 will receive the one-off \$400 School Saving Bonus. The \$400 School Saving Bonus provides families with support for education-related costs, such as school activities and/or school uniforms and textbooks. The School Saving Bonus is not available for full-fee international students, home-schooled students, TAFE students and students attending kindergarten in 2025.

Actions for parents and carers

Before 18 October 2024, the Department of Education is asking parents and carers to:

- **Complete enrolment:** If your child or children are changing government school for Term 1 2025, or starting Prep or Year 7 in 2025. For more information, read about [Enrolling in School](#).
- **Check your contact information:** Ensure your email address and phone number is up to date with us. You can check this information by contacting us directly.

We need to ensure your contact information is up to date as the Department of Education will email you twice:

- in October, to verify your email address
- in November, with your \$400 School Saving Bonus.

Please check your junk mail regularly to make sure you do not miss an important email. Learn more here: vic.gov.au/school-saving-bonus

SPECI STUDENT AWARDS

Awards will be presented to students in class Monday due to the swimming Program this week

Empathy

Excellence

Honesty

Resilience

Respect

Grade	Student of the Week
Prep/One – Room 1	Jobee
Prep – Room 2	Knox R
Grade 1/2 - Room 3	Billy L
Grade 1/2 - Room 4	Seb B
Grade 1/2 - Room 5	Eh Pnaw P
Grade 3/4 - Room 6	Shelbi R
Grade 3/4 – Room 7	Xander A
Grade 3/4 - Room 8	Oliver F
Grade 3/4 - Room 9	London W
Grade 5/6 - Room 10	Daisy K
Grade 5/6 - Room 11	Moo Soe
Grade 5/6 - Room 12	Noah W
Grade 5/6 - Room 13	Mark D
Physical Education	Coby H – Room 6
Art	All of the Grade 1/2 Artists
Music	Chase S - Room 3
ICT	Josh L - 12
Chinese	Savannah B – Room 11
Circus	Bella L - Room 7
Star Readers	Janae E – Room 8, Aria O – Room 10, Olivia W – Room 11
Principal's Award	Mason W - Room 6

TERM 4 DATES



October

Friday 11 th	Various Times	Grade 3-6 Jets Gym Lessons
Monday 14 th	All Day	Regional Athletics – selected students
Friday 18 th	Various Times	Grade 3-6 Jets Gym Lessons
Monday 21 st	7pm	School Council Meeting - Onsite
Tuesday 22 nd	9:15am-11:45am	Eaglehawk Secondary College Transition Session Gr 6
Thursday 24 th	4:15pm – 6:30pm	Grade 1/2 Late Stay
Friday 25 th	Various Times	Grade 3-6 Jets Gym Lessons
Friday 25 th	All Day	Cricket Blast School Cup – selected students
Wednesday 30 th	All Day	Bendigo Cup – Public Holiday
Thursday 31 st	All Day	Girls Regional Volleyball – selected students

November

Friday 1 st	Various Times	Grade 3-6 Jets Gym Lessons
Friday 8 th	Various Times	Grade 3-6 Jets Gym Lessons
Monday 11 th	All Day	Pupil Free Day
Wednesday 13 th	Various Times	Dance Lessons for end-of-year dance concert
Thursday 14 th	Various Times	Dance Lessons for end-of-year dance concert
Friday 15 th	All Day	Art Gallery Excursion - Melbourne – selected students
Monday 18 th	7pm	School Council Meeting- onsite
Tuesday 19 th	9:15am – 10:45am	2025 Prep Transition Session 1
Friday 22 nd	1:30pm – 3:00pm	150 th Anniversary School Fair
Monday 25 th – Wednesday 27 th	All Day	Grade 3/4 Camp – Halls Gap
Tuesday 26 th	9:15am – 10:45am	2025 Prep Transition Session 2

December

Tuesday 3 rd	9:15am – 10:45am	2025 Prep Transition Session 3
Monday 9 th	7pm	School Council Dinner
Tuesday 10 th	9am – 11:45am	Statewide Transition Day – 2025 Prep/Year 7's and New Students
Thursday 12 th	Time TBC	Dance Concert – Energy Arena
Friday 13 th	2:15pm	End of Term Assembly – Term Awards Winners
Tuesday 17 th	6:30pm	Grade 6 Graduation Evening – Bendigo Club
Thursday 19 th	All Day	Pool Fun Day – Golden Square Swimming Pool
Thursday 19 th		Semester 2 Reports Emailed out/available on Sentral
Friday 20 th	1:45pm	End of Term 4 – Early Dismissal 1:45pm

SPECI 150TH ANNIVERSARY SCHOOL FAIR

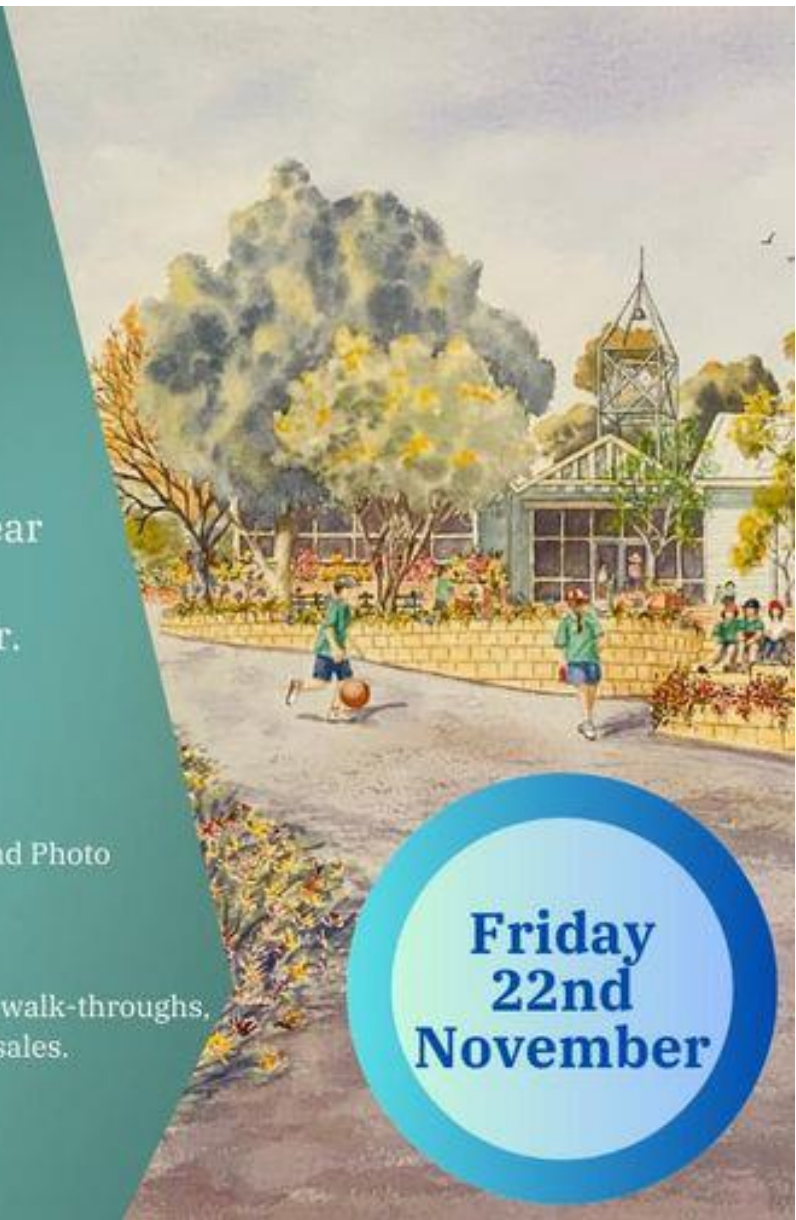
Join us to celebrate the 150th Year Anniversary of Specimen Hill Primary School at our school fair.

What's On:

- ✓ 1:30pm Assembly, Cake Cutting and Photo
- ✓ 1:45pm - 3:00pm School Fair
- ✓ 3:15pm - 4:30pm School Open for walk-throughs, historic display and memorabilia sales.



**Friday
22nd
November**



SPECIMEN HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL
PRESENTS

SPECI RUNNING

CLUB 2024

**EVERY MONDAY AFTERNOON & FRIDAY
MORNING ON THE SCHOOL OVAL!**

MONDAYS: 3:15-3:45PM (MR TANNER)

FRIDAYS: 8:10-8:40AM. (MISS B)

**PLEASE NOTE RUN CLUB MAY BE CANCELLED
DUE TO EXTREME HEAT OR WET WEATHER.**



**RAFFLE TICKETS FOR EVERY 10 LAPS.
PRIZE RAFFLE AT THE CONCLUSION OF TERM 4 RUN
CLUB.**

**DURATION OF THIS TERMS RUN CLUB DEPENDENT
ON THE WEATHER WITH NOTICE TO BE GIVEN ON
OUR FACEBOOK PAGE.**

Newsletter

Pupil Free Day - Monday 11th of November 2024



Date: Monday 11th of November 2024



Time: 8:00am till 6:00pm



Fees: Early - \$64.67
Late/ On the day - \$67.17



Location:
Specimen Hill Primary School - OSHC Room

Don't forget to bring your
morning tea, lunch, drink bottles,
hats, and ensure you are wearing
SunSmart clothing!



Register for Your OSHC

Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

Register now

Child Care Subsidy (CCS)

The Child Care Subsidy can provide up to 85% off your fees. Your eligibility is determined by your family's annual adjusted taxable income, the type of childcare you use, and your activity level. To find out if you're eligible, contact Centrelink on 13 61 50.

Register free and book now at www.campastralia.com.au

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FUNLOONG . FUN DAY!

FREE

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Saturday October 19, 2024
11am to 2pm
Hargreaves Mall and
Williamson Street

Join us to celebrate Children's Week with a range of FREE fun activities and live entertainment for children and families to enjoy! Scan the QR code to follow this inclusive event on Facebook.



This event is proudly sponsored by:



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ENQUIRE NOW

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

9:30-11am Come & Try J-Cycle &

Registration - NEW RIDERS

FREE- Get fitted for a Club Track Bike
for the entire summer season.

**8-10am - Track Training, U9-U19
Junior Licensed Cyclists**



J-CYCLE TRACK