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

Friday 6th October 2023

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 4! I hope you all enjoyed the holiday break and had some quality family time together.

We have had a great start to the term with the students quickly settling back into our school routines.

This term will no doubt be fantastic, with a lot of events to look forward to including Jets Gym, Grade 5/6 camp, new Prep 2024 transition sessions, Maths Olympics night, Year 6 Graduation, school disco, incursions, orientation to 2024 classes, fun pool day and our school concert. Please review our dates on page 6, so that we see you at key events and students do not miss out. It is going to be an action-packed and fun-filled term.

PUPIL FREE DAY

On Friday 20th October the whole school staff will participate in the last Berry Street Professional Development session. I have requested that Camp Australia operate on this day but am waiting for confirmation on this.

ENROLMENTS & CLASS PLACEMENTS 2024

If you have a child in **Foundation through to Grade 5** who is planning to leave Specimen Hill Primary School at the end of 2023 could you kindly email the office at specimen.hill.ps@education.vic.gov.au

If there are any considerations for the placement of your child for 2024, that you would like to discuss, please send an email with all relevant information to me by Thursday, October 19, 2023
jacinta.louttit@education.vic.gov.au

Please note that it is not possible for parents to request specific teachers as all our teachers at Specimen Hill Primary School do a wonderful job.

HATS ON HEADS

A reminder that it is the Department of Education and school policy that a blue broad-brim hat is worn outside in Term 4. We have reminded all students that it is time to have hats on again, and we look forward to your support in encouraging your children to wear their hats.

Children without hats will be required to sit in the shaded eating area during play times, so they are protected from the sun. Hats are available for purchase for \$12 at the office or on QKR App.

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SPECI STUDENT AWARDS

Term 3 Week 8 – Awards presented at following Monday Assembly

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Grade	Fantastic term	Most Improved
Prep/One – Room 1	Eli O	Esther H
Prep – Room 2	Natalie B	Sam P
Grade 1/2 - Room 3	Emily W	Cornelius L
Grade 1/2 - Room 4		
Grade 1/2 - Room 5	Tyler E	William P
Grade 1/2 - Room 6	Lincoln T	Harvey D
Grade 3/4 - Room 4a	Spencer T	Izzy G-R
Grade 3/4 – Room 7	Charlie B	Ava E
Grade 3/4 - Room 8		
Grade 5/6 - Room 9		
Grade 5/6 - Room 10	Josh J-O	Penelope M
Grade 5/6 - Room 11	Blaize	Lily H
Grade 5/6 - Room 12		
Grade 5/6 - Room 13	Whole Class	
Physical Education	Connie S	
Art	Junior: TBC Senior: Zane S (Room 8)	
Coding	Isaac M	
Music	James T	
Chinese	Haemahly (Room 7)	
Circus		
Principal's Award	Cody H – Room 4a	

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Late stay and Sleepover



A captivated audience



Fun and laughter



Team work



Practise makes Perfect



Wonder and excitement



"It was everything I dreamed of!"
Tyson Cook Room 6



Parents and Friends News

Tea Towel Fundraiser

Students' self-portrait drawings have been arranged into a unique design and printed onto a spectacular 100% cotton tea towel keepsake. Our order has arrived and will be distributed next week to students who ordered one. We ordered some extras, and they are available at the front office for \$15.

*This is an example of what the tea towel will look like below. Orders are still being taken.



PE News

Divisional Athletics

This event was held at the end of this week which was a beautiful day for all competitors. We had 8 students involved this year who all competed with fabulous school spirit, values, and sportsmanship. They are all to be congratulated on making it to this high level competing against all the schools throughout Bendigo.

Two students had exceptional results and will now move on to the regional event which will be held on Monday 9th October. Congratulations to S Moo for winning the U12/13 Boys Discus event and T Ruitter for coming equal second in the U12/13 200m sprint.

Running Club Term 4

Every time a student can complete 100 laps of the school oval, they will receive a brand-new basketball. Please note it may be cancelled due to extreme heat or wet weather. Parent supervision is required for Thursday's after-school session.

Tuesdays 8:00am - 8:30am

Thursdays 3:15pm - 3:45pm

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TERM 4 DATES



October

Monday 9 th October	Selected Students	Regional Athletics
Thursday 12 th October	Grade 3 -6	Jets Gym
Friday 13 th October	Grade 3 -6	Jets Gym
Thursday 19 th October	Prep	Pevan and Sarah Concert - Shepparton
Friday 20th October	Whole School	Pupil Free Day – Berry Street Training
Wednesday 24 th October	Whole School	Family Maths Olympics 5:30pm – 7:30pm
Friday 27 th October	Grade 3 -6	Jets Gym
Monday 30 th October	School Council	School Council Meeting 7pm

November

Wednesday 1st November	Whole School	Bendigo Cup Holiday
Friday 3 rd November	Grade 3 -6	Jets Gym
Monday 6 th November to Friday 10 th November	Participating Students	Smile Squad Dental Clinic
Tuesday 7 th November to Wednesday 9 th November	Grade 5/6	Grade 5/6 Camp
Tuesday 14 th November	2024 Preps	2024 Prep Transition 9am -10am
Thursday 16 th November		Elmore Pie Order Collection
Friday 17 th November	Whole School	Grade Prep –2 Disco 4pm – 5pm Gr 3-6 Disco 5:30pm – 6:30pm
Tuesday 21 st November	2024 Preps	2024 Prep Transition 9am -10am
Tuesday 28 th November	2024 Preps	2024 Prep Transition 9am -10am

DECEMBER

Monday 4 th December	School Council	School Council Meeting and Dinner
Tuesday 12 th December	2024 Preps and Year 6	State-wide Transition Day 2024 Preps 9:00am – 11:45am Year 6 students at Secondary School All Day
Wednesday 13 th December	Whole School	School Dance Concert – Red Energy Arena
Thursday 14 th December	Grade 6	Grade 6 Graduation
Monday 18 th December	Whole School	Semester 2 Reports Sent Home
Tuesday 19 th December	Whole School	Fund Day at the Golden Square Pool – Free BBQ Lunch
Wednesday 20 th December	Whole School	End of Term 4 – 1:45 pm Dismissal

Weekly Additional Activities 2023

MONDAY

9:00am to 11:00am	Playgroup- CANCELLED FOR THE NEXT 4 WEEKS Multipurpose Room – ran by Coordinator Chloe Hickey
2:45pm to 3:15pm	Whole School Assembly Basketball Court Weather Permitting or Multipurpose Room

TUESDAY

8:00am to 8:35am	Running Club
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WEDNESDAY

8:35am to 8:55am	Breakfast Club Served from Canteen – Students eat in under cover area
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THURSDAY

3:30pm to 4:30pm	EAL Homework Club Library with Mrs Manley, Paw Doh and many wonderful volunteers
3:15pm to 3:45pm	Running Club



LITTLE ATHLETICS

FUN · FAMILY · FITNESS

SEASON STARTS

Friday October 6th

Ages 5 years - 16 years

FREE TRIAL

Oct. 14th & 21st

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PLAY FOR KICKS

Superkick is next level fun for 8 to 12 year olds who are new to footy, or want to continue to grow their skill levels.

EPSOM HUNTLY REC RESERVE

TUESDAYS 4:15PM FOR 5 WEEKS

COMMENCING 17TH OCTOBER



PLAY

Superkick





JOIN THE FUN!

NAB AFL AUSKICK IN TERM 4!

Epsom Huntly Recreation Reserve

Tuesday's 4:15pm - 5:15pm for 4 weeks

Commencing 17th October

The perfect introduction to Auskick!

**REGISTER
NOW**



COMMUNITY NEWS

Specimen Hill Primary School is committed to the Child Safe Standards