

Empathy

Excellence

Honesty

Resilience

Respect

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

Friday 2nd June 2023

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers,

STAY WELL THIS WINTER

As we head into Winter, I felt it important to reach out to you. Currently, there are a number of students being sent home, each day, from school who have attended school while unwell, and along with multiple COVID absences, these continue to impact student and staff attendance at Speci.

I also want to acknowledge a perfect storm of COVID, flu, other illnesses, and a state-wide shortage of emergency relief teachers, please be aware that we are taking steps, as necessary, to continue our commitment to do everything to maintain learning at Speci. This may include splitting classes, utilising specialist teachers, and other staff taking classes; these approaches will only be implemented if absolutely necessary. I thank you in advance for your understanding as the school navigates this challenging period.

We ask parents and carers to continue to remain vigilant in preventing the spread of any illness. Any student who is unwell should continue to remain at home. This is about keeping students healthy and well in our school and reducing the spread of both COVID-19 and other respiratory diseases. Parents and carers will be contacted if their child shows symptoms while at school.

Staff and students who wish to wear a face mask will be supported to do so. The Department of Health recommends that masks should be worn by a person who is a close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 when leaving home. Additionally, the Department of Health recommends that masks should be worn by a person who has COVID-19 for 7 days after a positive

test when they need to leave home. Many thanks for your continued efforts to keep our school community safe and well.

SENTRAL PARENT PORTAL and APP

Staying in touch with your child's learning journey is easy with the Sentral Parent Portal. Receive secure news items targeted for your child's school involvement on your mobile, tablet or computer.

The Sentral Parent Portal lets you:

- Stay informed with your targeted news feed
- Access to the newsletter
- Receive your child's Student Report electronically
- Book and manage parent/teacher night interviews
- Provide permission for school activities
- Receive email and portal notifications, including reminders
- Be notified of absence, respond to unexplained absences or advise the school in advance of planned absences
- Compatibility with both Android and Apple.

Portal is a useful resource for staying in touch with your child's school and education. Please click on the following link to access the Sentral Parent Portal login page: Sentral Parent Portal If you are having issues with your Sentral login access key, or have forgotten your password, please contact the front office or pop in for support.

STUDENT REPORTS

Staff are currently in the process of assessing and reporting on midyear student outcomes and spent their professional practise day writing student reports. Semester One student reports will be sent home on Thursday 22nd June and will be available to access on the Sentral Parent Portal as well.

SPECI STUDENT AWARDS

Term 2 Week 6– Awards presented at following Monday Assembly

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Grade	Student of the Week	Values Award - Respect
Prep/One – Room 1	Gay K'Paw M	Riley C
Prep – Room 2	Natalie B	Kruz P
Grade 1/2 - Room 3	Eli B	India F-M
Grade 1/2 - Room 4	Kaylee D	Ryder F-M
Grade 1/2 - Room 5	Clara H	Law Eh Wah
Grade 1/2 - Room 6	Charlie S-D	Room 6
Grade 3/4 - Room 4a	Alyssa S	Josh L
Grade 3/4 – Room 7	Ava E	Abby B
Grade 3/4 - Room 8		
Grade 5/6 - Room 9	Riley B	Harley S-D
Grade 5/6 - Room 10	Scarlette T	Archer A
Grade 5/6 - Room 11	Alaistar P	Lily H
Grade 5/6 - Room 12	Eh Paw Wah	Star Wah
Grade 5/6 - Room 13	Caitlyn E	Cynthia W
Physical Education	Georgie Y	
Art	Abbie G	
Coding	Jack S	
Music	Tim Wah	
Chinese	Ruby B	
	Рорру В	
Circus	Lily M	
Principal's Award	Indy H	

TERM 2 DATES June Monday 12th June King's Birthday Public Holiday **All Day** Wednesday 14th June **Divisional Soccer** All Day Thursday 15th June Grade 1/2 Science Works Excursion All Day Monday 19th June All Day **District Athletics** Monday 19th June 7pm **School Council Meeting** Thursday 22nd June 3:15pm Semester 1 Student Reports Sent home Friday 23rd June 1:45pm End of Term 2 - Early Finish 1:45pm

Weekly Additional Activities 2023

MONDAY		
9:00am to 11:00am	Playgroup Multipurpose Room – ran by Coordinator Chloe Hickey	
2:45pm to 3:15pm	Whole School Assembly	
	Basketball Court Weather Permitting or Multipurpose Room	
WEDNESDAY		
8:35am to 8:55am	Breakfast Club Served from Canteen – Students eat in under cover area	
THURSDAY		
3:30pm – 4:30pm	EAL Homework Club Library with Mrs Manley, Paw Doh and many wonderful volunteers	

STUDENT PODCAST



The 10th and 11th episode of the Speci Hill Student Podcast is up on Spotify and Apple Podcast so you can have a listen on Friday during eating time.

Either search "Speci Hill Student Podcast" or use the links below.

You can also follow the podcast on Apple Podcast and Spotify so easier to find each week.

Week 5 Agenda:

- What is happening at Speci
- Star of the Week Awards
- Value Awards
- Teacher Profile Mr. Hartney

Week 6 Agenda:

- What is happening at Speci
- Star of the Week Awards
- Value Awards
- Teacher Profile Mrs Pelly

Spotify Link



<u>Apple Link</u>



JUNIOR GIRLS FOOTY 4 FUN WITH AFLW STARS





Want to experience football with AFLW Players Kerryn Peterson & Kodi Jacques? This is your opportunity!

Footy 4 Fun includes football activities, photo and autograph opportunities, giveaways and a BBQ for all participants.

This FREE event is open to all girls aged 5 - 12 years old.

WHERE:

GOLDEN SQUARE FOOTBALL CLUB WADE STREET, GOLDEN SQUARE

WHEN:

WEDNESDAY 21ST JUNE 4:30PM - 6:00PM





SUNDAY 25th JUNE

Queen Elizabeth Oval

Session 1: 10am-1pm 8-13yr olds

Session 2: 2-4pm 14-16yr olds Register here



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