13th September 2016

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

DANCING DISCO DAYS
Thank you to the PA and the supporting band of parents who organised and ran the Disco for all of the children last Friday. Comments from the students included:
"It was fun – the music was the best ever!"
"It was great – I did break dancing!"
"It was hot and crowded and dark and the music was very loud – it was fun!"
"It was awesome, I danced with my girlfriend!"
The PA has certainly supported the life and energy of our community brilliantly this term, with the Father’s Day Breakfast, the chocolate drive, the Entertainment Books, the Sushi Day and The Disco. Well done – what a great effort! We are all very grateful for the time and effort so generously given by these parents.

FAREWELL MR. ASQUITH
Year 2 teacher Trent Asquith will leave us at the end of term to pursue other career interests. Trent has been a great staff member and teacher over the past four years and we wish him well for his future.

HAPPY HOLIDAY
The school will break at 2.30pm this coming Friday for a two week vacation and resume on Monday 3rd October at 9am. We have had quite a few teachers on Long Service Leave for the end of this term and we will be very pleased to welcome them back for the last term of the academic year. I wish all students, staff and families a very safe and relaxing holiday break.

WILMA CULTON

CHESS COACHING
A reminder to parents of students in Years 1 – 4 that Term 4 Chess Coaching payments are due tomorrow, Wednesday 14th September.

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Working Together
The Father’s Day breakfast was such a wonderful morning with so many dads proudly wearing their footy colours and the School Disco was such fun! These events organised by the sensational Parent’s Association are wonderful opportunities for our students. Thank you to all parents in our learning community that have assisted and volunteered their time this term.

The final Parent Helper course has just completed, with the last of our 2016 parent helpers graduating. It is fantastic to see so many parents assisting in the classroom for learning centres. Please remember if you are assisting with any of our events, excursions or as a parent helper in the classroom you will need to obtain a working with children check. We ask all parents who are assisting in the school with students to provide documentation of their suitability to volunteer in our school. There is no fee and a Working with Children Check is easily obtained by going to: http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/

Our next event this Thursday is Walk to School (Sporty Walk), we are always looking for volunteers to help with the supervision of checkpoints. If you are interested in volunteering for this Thursday or any of our term 4 Walk to School events please contact the school.

Kristele KLUKE
2nd Hand Uniform Sale
There will be a 2nd Hand uniform sale this Friday 16th September at 9am in the canteen foyer. Prices will be as follows: T-shirts & Shorts $2, Everything else $5. CASH ONLY – smaller denominations preferred. BYO BAGS

1 more volunteer is still needed to help at the sale from 8.45am until 10am, otherwise the sale will be cancelled. Please email natlauder@gmail.com if you can help.

Sporty Walk to School Day – Thursday the 15th of September
This Thursday the 15th of September is Walk to School Day. The theme of this walk is ‘Sporty Walk to School Day.’ After walking to school from one of the coloured checkpoints, there will be fun, sporty activities at school for you to participate in including soccer on the oval with Mr Kinder, Mr Stephens and Mr Wilkinson and a boot camp session run by Fitnessworx.

When you walk from one of the coloured checkpoints, you will receive a raffle ticket. Write your name on your raffle ticket when you get back to your classroom and give it to your teacher. You will then go into the draw to win one of lots of great prizes!

Don’t forget, the class with the highest walking participating will receive a delicious fruit platter, generously provided by Elia in the canteen, to enjoy as a class.

DISCO
Last Friday, the hall was rocking tunes and swaying hips. An incredible effort by Mike the DJ, Julie Mallios and the student maintenance team. (Harris, Pav, George, Daniel, Mitch and Jordan). Well done!
Thank you to the army of volunteers that helped at the disco. There are too many people to name – but I could not have managed without you. Thanks also to Kristele Kluke, Daniel Packett, Jo Rose and all the other staff that assisted during the sessions.

We hope all the children had a fantastic time.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS
Entertainment Books are now available from the office. Books and digital versions are $65 and the school makes $13 for every membership sold. The many fantastic discounts and offers easily make up for the purchase price, and it’s a wonderful way to raise funds for our school at the same time.

If buying online, the payment page link is: www.entbook.com.au/187k512

Ray Christou – President, Parents’ Association
president.serPELL@gmail.com

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE
The weather is starting to warm up and as we look at the calendar term 4 is not far away. Holiday club bookings are open and the list of activities will involve lots of fun and adventures from movies, cooking, science, and building it will be fun for everyone. Log on to www.campaustralia.com.au to see what is happening every day!

We have had a great week of nature and creating many items in the art area with items from nature. The children have shown some great imagination. With the warm weather we spent the afternoon on the oval and created some fun art outside, what a great way to spend the afternoon.

We have had a team of the children participate in planting a garden and learning about sustainability. The children will keep working on taking care of the garden and learning how to grow and take care of the plants.

A huge thank you continues for the parents remembering to give us a call or text to let us know their child will not be attending. If you need an emergency booking please make sure you call or text so we are able to keep up with numbers to ensure proper ratio of educators to children.

Just a heads up for term 4, all children wanting to participate in outdoor activities will need a sun smart hat. Please ensure your child has a hat that can be kept in the bag if they are not able to bring theirs out of the classroom.

To make a change to your booking or to create an account please log on to www.campaustralia.com.au. To contact the service directly please call 0424454961. Please leave a message and we will call you back between 7-9am and 2:45pm-6:30pm.

Have a great week!
Christine, David and Educators

SCHOOL BANKING
Bankers, banking will commence again on Tuesday, 04th October. Two new items which can be redeemed in Term 4 are the Bush Fly Fan & the Wriggly Glow Worm 1CP had the most bankers today. Keep up the good work everybody, have a great spring break & we look forward to receiving more savings when term 4 starts!
**DIARY**

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A reminder that KT Tutoring does not operate classes the first week of term.

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**Please Note:** If you have elected for automatic Credit Card instalments, the payments will be deducted automatically on the above dates.

If you have elected to pay instalments by cash, please make sure money is sent to school in a sealed envelope with your child’s first and last name, along with class clearly marked on the front.

**SENIOR SCHOOL SPORT**

**HOOPTIME BASKETBALL**

Recently children from Year 4, 5 & 6 participated in the first Round Robin stage of the McDonald’s Hooptime state competition.

We were very competitive in all age groups and with 3 teams qualifying for Regional Round Robins to be held in fourth term.

Congratulations to the Year 4 Boys, All Star team coached by Ronald Ma and Ben Cox who won the Grand Final.

The Future Stars team was competitive and narrowly lost their semi-final.

The Rookies team went through undefeated.

Thank you to all the Year 6 Children who coached and assisted all the Year 4 teams on the day.

The 5/6 Hooptime teams were all very competitive with both the Boys and Girls All Starts teams qualifying for the Regional Round Robins.

Thank you to Mr Kinder for his assistance on the day.

The 3 important dates for next term are;

Year 4 Boys All Stars – 19th October @ Maroondah
Year 5/6 Girls All Stars – 23th October @ Wantirna
Year 5/6 Boys All Stars – 4th November @ Nunawading

Many thanks to all the helpers and parents for supporting the tournaments.

**DISTRICT ATHLETICS**

Over 80 children from Years 4, 5 & 6 represented the school at the District Athletics Carnival held at George Street last Wednesday 7th September.

The day could not have been better – 22º and sunny. There were a number of outstanding achievements with 13 children qualifying for Divisional Athletics to be held on Thursday 6th October, 2016. Successful children should have received their invitation last week.

**DISTRICT ATHLETICS**

Here are the successful children:

- Sam Niemes: 10yr Boys 100m & 200m
- Emily Chong: 10yr Girls 100m
- Anita Birchall: 10yr Girls Long Jump & 1500m
- Yee-Yuan Lim: 10yr Girls 800m
- Ry Cantwell: 11yr Boys High Jump
- Kai Sapolu: 11yr Boys Long Jump
- Sini Panagiotou: 11yr Girls 80m Hurdles
- Mitchell Duncan: 12yr Boys 200m
- Kijen Lew: 12yr Boys 800m
- George Thodis: 12yr Boys 80m Hurdles
- Jordyn Kourmadias: 12yr Girls 800m & 1500m
- Angelique Matousis: 12yr Girls Shot Put

12y Boys Relay: Mitchell Duncan, George Thodis, Ben Mansell and Matthew Jenkins.

Well done to all competitors who can be proud of their achievements.

Thank you to Dean Sapolu who ran the Discus Event in the morning and assisted in an official capacity throughout the day. It was great to see many parents supporting and assisting on the day. Thanks also to Ms Casey who assisted the relay teams leading up to the carnival day.

Graham Matthews - Sport Coordinator
2016 BADMINTON VICTORIA ALL SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Last Tuesday 26 students represented the school at the Badminton championships held at Altona Badminton Centre. After a 7.30 am start, the children were quite excited and ready to participate in the qualifying opener.

Our number one team made first division, and the remaining four teams second division. The children played virtually non-stop from 9 until 3, competing in some excellent rallies. Serpello was certainly represented by some of the youngest players in the tournament - most schools had only year 5 or 6 children playing, whereas we had children from year 2-6. It put a huge smile on my face to see our youngest beating children twice their size!

We had enormous success on the day. Team 2 - Jayden Chong, Daniel Wang, Joe Lam, Daniel Morad and Aidan Dan finished with the Bronze medal in second division; Team 3 - Caleb Chia, Eugene Goh, Isaac Ma, Wynnand Herbst and Terrance Wong competing in a nail biter of a final to take out the Gold medal and the newly minted Lenny Permana Perpetual Trophy in second division! This new trophy, was established in our coach - Lenny Permana's name because of her contribution to badminton both as a player and as a coach. How lucky for Serpello to have a coach of this calibre! Team 1 - Yee Yuan Lim, Kijen Lew, Kishen Lew, Nathan Cheung, and Anthony Joy, took out the Gold medal and the cup once again for division one. Great wins for two years running! Well done to all the teams involved. It was great to see just how much all the children have improved since the start of the year.

A massive thank you to all our team managers - Shireen Ng, Ronald Ma, Diana Duan, Bruce Morrison, and Millie Woo - for your organization of the teams on the day. Thanks to Nicky Mustafa, our SEDA student for his support. Also thanks to the parents who came to support and cheer on the teams. A massive thank you to Shireen as assistant coach and team manager over the course of the year - it is a big commitment to give up every Wednesday to come to the school for an hour. Thank you Lenny for doing such a great job in training and coaching the children. Thank you hardly seems enough. To win both divisions two years in a row is outstanding. The children who started badminton just this year have gone from zero to competent in the space of a few short months. An amazing achievement.

We look forward to re-establishing the badminton squad at the start of 2017 with both old and hopefully new players. If your child has even the slightest interest in badminton, I highly recommend that they come to the tryouts!

His participation at the badminton championships is truly appreciated and I apologise for his omission.

Lola Hughes

SERPELL NETBALL CLUB

Here are the results for Saturday 10th September.

Serpello Comets lost to Panthers Eclipses 1 - 2
Serpello Meteors lost to Warrandyte Rubies 3 - 9
Serpello Jets defeated Donvale Dalmationz 22 - 4

SERPELL BASKETBALL CLUB

Basketball Miniball Program in Term 4 (organised by Bulleen Boomers)

Places are available for children from Foundation and Year 1 to join the miniball program. This program runs for 10 weeks every Friday from 4pm onwards. It is an actual basketball competition between other schools, not a basketball clinic. It is played with drop down hoop and a referee is present in court. The coach, who is usually a parent from each team, gets to coach the team in the court. The miniball program costs $60 to register. If interested, please email me, Rose Stephen (Serpello Basketball coordinator) or call 0402 461095 for more information. Please do so by this Friday 16th Sept, so that I can register teams into the miniball competition.

Apologies to Brian Lim for not having his badminton certificate presented at assembly yesterday.