

14th November 2017

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SERPELL BOYS T-BALL STATE CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to the Boys T-ball team who have won through district and regional competition to achieve the state championship for 2017. This is an exceptional achievement and the first state championship since our Girls Netball Team achieved this status way back in 2003. Well done to the team members who trained so hard and to Lola Hughes for a brilliant coaching job. It is also very important to recognise that other schools playing in the competition contacted us after the event and complimented the students on their sportsmanship.

WILMA CULTON



From the Boys

"Last Thursday, the mixed boys tee ball team competed in the State finals held at Waverly Softball Centre. The boys arrived feeling really confident and ready for their first game. Our first game was against Our Lady of Assumption. They looked so professional, they had baseball kits, baseball pants and also a belt, but that didn't keep us from

trying our hardest. After the third inning, we were losing 9-2, but, Serpell stayed strong and came from behind to win the game 12-9. Our next game was against Wonthaggi Primary School. We had to say that the first team was better than them. The final score for the second game was 16-4. After winning our first two games, we were confident to make it into the final to make State history for Serpell. The last game was easier than we expected with us winning 20-3. We were in the finals. All of our hard work had payed off. The final was against Strathmore North Primary School. Everyone was extremely thrilled to try to win the final and make Serpell history. It was a tight game. Time flew so fast we were celebrating the great historic victory that Serpell are tee ball Victorian Champions. We would love to give a massive shoutout to Mrs Hughes who was not able to be at the State Finals on the day because she had attend the year 5s at camp. We called Mrs Hughes after the final and she started falling into tears as she hasn't won state for over 12 years, and also to Mr K for coaching us on the day. Special thanks to Ayan Mohammad, Matthias Lillis, Ry Cantwell, Julian Ene, Jaykob White, Josh Wong, Ming Zhou, Cohen Tenson, Andre Pauli, Kristian Pinto, Christian Modoran. We would like to thank the year 6's who filled in and the year 5's who were on camp. Thank You"

By Ayan, Matthias, Ry, and Julian

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Please take a moment to complete the Council of International Schools Community Survey, which will help identify the strengths of the school and areas for improvement.

We hope you can spare some time to help the school in its desire to improve.

The survey will be available until the 28th November 2017 and is also available in a number of languages which you can select from the top of the page.

To access the survey, please go to this link:
<http://goo.gl/cNik4s>

Thank you very much for completing the survey.



FUNDRAISER THIS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH

This coming Friday, 17th November we are hosting a "Wear your favourite sports outfit" day, to assist Matthias Lillis, from 6KS, with expenses incurred as a member of the School Sport Victoria State Softball team. He will compete in the Pacific Games, to be held in Adelaide, at the start of December. We wish Matthias luck and look forward to hearing about how the team performs. This is a great representation for our school.



(A \$2 gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated!)

SENIOR SCHOOL SPORT

SSV EASTERN REGION VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Well done to our boys' volleyball team for reaching Regional level in volleyball on Friday 3rd November, having beaten Doncaster Gardens in the Divisional final the previous week.

Although the boys did not progress to the State finals, they proved very competitive on the day. It has been great to see their skills improve throughout the last few weeks. Well done boys!



Lola Hughes – Coach

UNIFORM SHOP HELPERS NEEDED

The 2018 Prep Uniform Sales Day will be held on Thursday 30th November from 9:30am to 10:30am.

We require a few extra parents who are willing to give up a couple of hours of their time to assist on this day.

If you are able to help, please contact the school office – 9842 8182 and leave your name and number for me to call you back.

*Wendy Mansell
Uniform Shop Manager*



5000 POPPIES



Remembrance Day 11th November, 2018

A reminder that we are collecting black buttons (any size or shape) for our poppy making sessions. You can hand your buttons in at the office, where they will be placed in our giant 'button' jar.

Poppy making workshops will commence this week Thursday 26th October in room 38 – (2VP's classroom) and together with Serpell's Student Wellbeing Facilitator, Tania Vairamuttu, 2SW Ms Walker, 1CS Ms Simmonds, 2SK Ms Kell and 2VP Mrs Petsinis – poppy making workshops will run until the end of November this year. (Parent helpers are welcome).

If members of the wider school community would like to support this project by knitting or crocheting red poppies – please visit www.5000poppies.wordpress.com to find out more information about how you and your friends can contribute.



*5000 Poppies Project Team at Serpell
Tania, Ms Walker, Ms Simmonds, Ms Kell & Mrs
Petsinis*

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

The term is going by fast and the children are enjoying the warm weather. Please ensure your child has a spare sun smart hat in their bag so they can go outside and enjoy the great weather.

Over the past few weeks we have been looking at the country of Nepal and discussing how other countries live and their traditions. This will relate to our global communications project as we embrace a project about Australia to send over to a school in Nepal.

This week we are heading out doors to play Cricket, Tennis, Basketball and so much more. The children have been enjoying being out with their friends in the active zones. Inside there will be a fun Table tennis tournaments and a Minute to win it challenges. There will be events for everyone.

School holidays will be here before we know it. Our booking for our holiday club is now open on-line. There will be fun activities from excursions to the movies, bowling, Bounce, and Chesterfield Farm. Log on to the Camp Australia website to see what fun awaits us at Serpell Holiday Club. Any questions please come and ask.

A special thank you to all the parents who are getting in touch with us to let us know that their child is not attending on a day that they have been booked in. It makes it easier for all of our staff to commence activities without having to locate those who have not arrived. It is extremely important to notify us if your child is booked into our program but, for whatever reason, will not be attending. We take full responsibility for your child when their name appears on our booking roll, therefore we must know where your child is at that time. Failure to attend without notification results in our staff being pulled away from the care of others in order to locate your child. We follow a very strict procedure in doing this, which can result in us contacting the Police in the event that we are unable to contact a parent, guardian or nominated collection person to verify a child's whereabouts.

If a 'last minute' decision is made for your child to attend our service, please be sure to contact us by phone or text so that we can expect their arrival. This assists us in providing the appropriate number of staff to ensure child / staff ratio is maintained. This is essential for the care and safety of all who attend our program. Thank you.

For an booking needs or changes please log on to www.campaustralia.com.au to use your parent portal or to create a parent portal account.

Have a great week, Christine, and educators

DIARY

Fri 17 th	Nov	"Wear Your Favourite Sports Outfit" Day Fundraiser - \$2 Donation
Mon 20 th	Nov	Thank You Teacher Luncheon
Tues 21 st	Nov	Year 6 Camp departs from the Pines Shopping Centre
Wed 22 nd	Nov	Prep 2018 Transition 1 st Classroom Experience (9:30 – 10:30am)
Thur 23 rd	Nov	Yr 5 Philosothon Excursion (selected students only)
Fri 24 th	Nov	Yr 6 Camp returns to Serpell at approx. 3:00pm
Wed 29 th	Nov	Yr 5/6 State Rugby Championships
Thur 30 th	Nov	Prep 2018 Transition 2 nd Classroom Experience (9:30am – 10:30am)
Tue 5 th	Dec	Prep 2018 Transition 3 rd Classroom Experience (9:30am – 10:30am)
Fri 8 th	Dec	Disco
Tue 12 th	Dec	Yr 6 – Yr 7 Secondary School Orientation Day (Government Schools only)
Thur 21 st	Dec	Yr 6 Graduation – 7pm
Fri 22 nd	Dec	<i>Last Day of School – 1:30pm finish</i>
2018		
Mon 29 th	Jan	<i>Book Collection Day & Uniform Shop Open 8am – 5pm</i>
Tue 30 th	Jan	<i>1st Day of School 2018 Yr 1 -6</i>
Tue 6 th	Feb	<i>1st Day of School 2018 Prep</i>



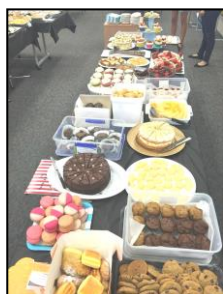
PARENTS' ASSOCIATION NEWS

By now you would have received a notice regarding the Teachers' Luncheon. As a token of our appreciation to the teachers and other staff of Serpell, the Parents' Association holds an Annual Teachers' Luncheon as an opportunity to say BIG THANK YOU!

We invite families to provide a homemade savoury or sweet dish. It will be held on **Monday 20 November 2017** and dishes can be delivered to the office by 12 noon that day.

If you haven't already done so, please complete the form provided so Effie Papaioannou and Georgia Stamaratis (our co-ordinators for this event) can plan and cater for this event. Thanks in advance Effie and Georgia!

As you can see from below, the response last year was truly overwhelming, and teachers and staff were grateful for all the contributions and effort made in making it a special day!



Yvette Kwei
president.serpell@gmail.com

SERPELL NETBALL

Results from Saturday 11th Nov.

Meteors defeated Panthers 18 - 7
Comets defeated Warrantdyte 8 - 1

This was the last round for the season and what a high note to finish on. It was also the final round for the Serpell Netball Club. Unfortunately the club has decided to close. On behalf of the committee, we would like to extend best wishes to all players as they move to new clubs and thank the parents for their involvement.



On December 5th, we will meet in the stadium for our final celebration.

Hope to see you all there.

SERPELL BASKETBALL

BASKETBALL RESULTS WEEK ENDING 11 November

U11 Boys	Coyotes 67	Storm 2
U 9 Boys	Sharks 26	OLOP Piranhas 14
U 9 Boys	Cubs 35	Birralee boomers 0
U 9 Boys	Spurs 25	Birralee Blazers
U 11 Girls	Sunrays 7	OLOP Pearls 26

MID WEEK COMPETITION

1 / 2 boys	Swords 12	Belle Vue Gekkos 7
1 / 2 girls	Sonic 5	Cats 6
1 / 2 Boys	Swords 18	St Gregs 1 9

BASKETBALL RESULTS WEEK ENDING 3 June

U 11 Girls	Sunrays 7	OLOP Opals 12
U11 Boys	Scorpions 42	OLOP Rockets 10
U9 Boys	Spurs 21	Sharks 2
U 11 Boys	Coyotes 24	OLOP Panthers 20

MID WEEK COMPETITION

3 / 4 Boys	Strickers 5	Boorandara Black 12
5 / 6 Girls	Star Shooters 4	Temp Valley Pana 17
3 / 4	Sabers 18	Temp De Napoli 12

