

Tuesday 14th December 2021

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

STUDENT REPORTS

All parents will receive their students' reports via Xuno tomorrow afternoon. I am very pleased to share that the reports demonstrate excellent achievement right across the school and are a resounding testament to the wonderful work by teachers, parents and students throughout the lockdown period. If you do not receive your report, please notify your child's teacher. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher this week. The data reveals that some children do still require additional support in catching up and we have identified these students for the 2022 tutoring program, to begin in February.

FINAL ASSEMBLIES THURSDAY

On Thursday, we will have final school assemblies for all year levels as follows:

Prep students will have a short assembly at 9.15 on Thursday morning. Unfortunately, we will not be able to have parents attend, but the class teachers will post photos on Seesaw for families to share the experience.

Years 1 to 6 will have an assembly in the afternoon. The event will feature the presentation of awards and certificates and the farewell to Year 6 students. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite parents, as it is impossible to meet the COVID spacing rules.

GRADUATION THURSDAY EVENING

We are excited that the Year 6 Graduation will go ahead with a parent audience! Shona Stanford pursuing venues over several weeks and Costa Kotsiras working to address strict COVID safety regulations have achieved this much longed for outcome. The graduation will be held at the Besen Centre, Station St Burwood at 7pm on Thursday evening. We are so grateful to the Besen Centre for making this opportunity for us.

STARTING IN 2022

Due to COVID restrictions, we have a new system for payment of fees and collection of books. Please refer to the information sheet sent home several weeks ago, which is also available on the school website, or see further into the newsletter for ordering instructions. Your child's books

will be delivered to your home. If you have lost your child's code, please contact the office this week for assistance. More than 75% of families have already ordered, which is a great result.

School will recommence on Monday 31st January 2022 for students in Year 1 to 6 and students should bring their books, named, to school on that day. If COVID guidelines remain the same as this week, parents are now free to come onto the school site. Please remember to socially distance.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

School will break at 3.15pm for Prep, Year 1 and 2 and at 3.30pm for Years 3 to 6 this Thursday afternoon.

Friday will be a staff curriculum day and will involve planning for 2022 and a thank you lunch for the staff who have been so caring, hardworking, and dedicated throughout the year.

We wish all families a relaxing and happy holiday together. I am so deeply thankful to the whole school community that we are all safe and well. Thank you to the School Council and the Parent Association for your ongoing support. To the teachers, parents and students, thank you for such a united and dedicated effort in keeping us all safe. Have a very happy and relaxing break. Maybe I will see you on the beach!

WILMA CULTON



SPORTS UNIFORMS

Recently the photographs for the Serpell sports, clubs and teams were taken. They are available to order online. To order the photographs online you will need to input an email address, please see the details below to order:

[Serpell Primary School 2021 Special Order Photos](#)

Order online: www.leadingimage.com.au

Shootkey: CC86RLCH

*Kristele Kluke
Assistant Principal*

2022 PARENT CONTRIBUTIONS

You have until 31st December to place your order, after this date you will incur at \$15 late fee

Please make sure when ordering your books you select for the year level they will be in 2022. You will also need to put the student code on the order, which is located on the contributions sheet brought home.

booklist.officebrands.com.au/croydon

Enter the unique School Access Code: HR238Y

You will need to include your child's unique Student I.D. which if you don't know is located on their Xuno dashboard.

Your book bag will be delivered to your nominated home address in a Covid safe way.

Have your child bring their new book bag on the first day of school next year, please make sure all their items have their name on.

UNIFORMS

UNIFORM ORDERING HAS NOW CLOSED FOR 2021

All existing orders will be delivered to classes this week.

2022 ordering will open on Monday 24th January after the school holidays.

Orders will be delivered to your child's class once they start back at school.

CHRISTMAS APPEAL



Anglicare Victoria Christmas Appeal

An enormous thank you to absolutely everyone in our community who participated last Thursday, in Serpell Giving Day. It was wonderful to see the spirit of Christmas and giving at our school.

Serpell Primary families provided the fantastic amount of \$2,081.00. What an effort!!! This money will be spent on toys through Anglicare who will allocate these to those children who are under their care.

In addition, 'thank you' to all Social Action Committee members from each classroom that have assisted in contributing to this worthy cause in this trying and difficult year.

It has been a pleasure to have worked with each of you. Your commitment has been outstanding.

Thanking you. The Social Action Committee.



ICAS

ICAS Update

Unfortunately, ICAS certificates will not be mailed to the school until next year. In the meantime, to access your child's ICAS reports online:

1. Visit the ICAS website: www.icasassessments.com
2. At the top of the homepage, select Portals and click Results Portal.
3. Click on Sign in under Student Results tab halfway down the page
4. At the Student Result Login, enter your (student's) 10-digit TAP-ID followed by your (student's) 4-digit PIN and then click Login. Your child's TAP-ID and PIN is printed on the back page of their ICAS certificate (from previous years), beneath the academic achievement record. You will also find your child's TAP-ID number and PIN towards the bottom of any of the student letters you have previously received from ICAS. If you do not have access to the TAP-ID number or PIN, contact the ICAS customer service team (1800 931 775).

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Premiers' Reading Challenge certificates

The PRC certificates have been delayed however the issue has been rectified. They have been posted and hopefully will arrive by the end of the week. If not, the students will receive their certificates at the start of term one in 2022. Apologies for any inconvenience caused!

Ms Gardner

DIARY

Thur 16 th	Dec	Year 6 Celebration Assembly
Thur 16 th	Dec	Year 6 Graduation – ticket information went home on Monday 6 th December
Thur 16th	Dec	Last Day of School Years Prep, 1 & 2 – 3:15pm Finish Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 – 3:30pm Finish
Fri 17th	Dec	Curriculum Day – No School
Fri 31 st	Dec	2022 Book Orders Close
2022		
Mon 24 th	Jan	Uniform shop online ordering open for 2022
Mon 31 st	Jan	1 st Day of School 2022 Year 1 to 6
Mon 7 th	Feb	1 st Day of School for 2022 Prep Students



SERPELL BASKETBALL

If you are interested ask your child to collect a registration form from the office

2022 Serpell Community Basketball Association

Register NOW to play in the primary school basketball competition in **Season 1 2022.**

Represent Serpell & St Charles Primary Schools in a fun competition against other local primary schools.

**Learn New Skills!
Make New Friends!
Improve Team Work Skills!
Build Resilience!**

Game Days & Times – Bulleen Primary School Weekly Competition:

Mondays: Grade 5 & 6 Girls and Boys (games between 4pm & 7pm)
Tuesdays: Grade 3 & 4 Boys (games between 4pm & 7pm)
Wednesdays: Grade 1 & 2 Girls and Boys (games between 4pm & 7pm)
Thursdays: Grade 3 & 4 Girls (games between 4pm & 7pm)

Venues:
Bulleen Basketball Stadium / Templestowe Leisure Centre (TLC) or other local basketball courts.

Training and parental involvement:
Approximately 1 hour per week. Time to be determined by coaches' availability. Parents and students must be flexible with their availability.

As this is a volunteer organisation, parents are required to be involved as coaches, team managers and scorers.

Experience: None required!
Cost: \$50 Serpell Registration Fee (**paid once yearly**) + Weekly Game Fees paid to Bulleen (TBA) + cost of uniform (TBA). Bulleen have said there will be credits for missed games this past season.

Season 1 2022: Starts from Term 1, beginning 21st February 2022
Registration Link: <https://www.trybooking.com/BWHXV>

Registrations Close: **Friday 4th February 2022**. Due to the recent shortened season, the committee will try, to the extent possible, to keep teams the same as season 2. 2021. Teams will be notified via email shortly after the close of registrations.
For more information please contact: Kelly on 0406 996 550 (SMS only) or Melanie on 0421 035 901

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

For all your Before and After School Care requirements go to www.campastralia.com.au to register and make a booking.

Newsletter

ROCKETEERS
Extraordinary Holiday Adventures

**BOOKINGS NOW OPEN
FOR MISSION IV**

www.campastralia.com.au/rocketeers

A message from your Coordinator

Dear Parents

Our team for term four 2021 worked on teaching kids about process of recycling, we also planted herbs and watched them grow and used them in our food in OSHC. We also made recycling bin and used the scrap papers for art. Our kids made biscuits for animal shelter, and I donated to RSCPA. we made a beautiful Serpell Family Tree with everyone's name and birthday, and it was a great way to learn more about each other. We also worked on our imaginary country with it's own flag, mascot and costume. Our aim for this term was working as a team. Respect each other idea and learn to work together.

Activities

We have indoor activities, Sports, Art activities, cooking

It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campastralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.

What's on the menu

We provide breakfast with Milo, Fresh fruits, vegies, sandwiches, Spaghetti and baked beans for afternoon tea

Visit our blog

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

[Visit our blog](#)

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Farnaz and the team.