

Diary

Mon 23rd June – Fri 4th July Year 5 and 6 Swimming Program

Fri 4th July Last Day of Term (2:30pm Finish)

Mon 21st July First Day of Term 3

Wed 23rd July District Girls Soccer

Thurs 24th July Second Hand Uniform Shop (9am to 9:30am)

Thurs 24th July District Boys Netball Tournament

Ready to Approve and/or Pay on XUNO

District Boys Netball Tournament

District Girls Soccer

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Serpell Primary School NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 1st July 2025

From the Principal

END OF TERM REFLECTION

Thank you everyone for an excellent term of working together. Student half year reports will be issued this coming Thursday on Xuno. We are very proud of the way that our students have demonstrated achievement in the first two terms of this year. All student reports have been thoroughly reviewed and supported by class teachers, specialists, tutors and the leadership team. Extensive data is used to identify each child's place on the Victorian Curriculum Standards. In particular, I wish to recognise the Year 6 students and staff for the cohort's accelerated learning right across the curriculum. This year level is always very busy with their classroom program, leadership, sporting activities, orchestra, e games, aerobics, etc. However, the student commitment to excellence is clearly seen right across the board.

The upcoming Term 3 is vitally important for all students to accelerate their learning from their current strong position. Parents can help by maximising attendance and keeping a rigorous homework and study routine. If you have any concerns about your child's progress, please make an appointment with the class teacher.

PREP 2026 JULY 25th

A final reminder that Prep enrolments for 2026 will close online on Friday 25th July. Please let any neighbours or friends know of the timeline. Automatic enrolment will be for in zone and siblings, with any additional places given in order of proximity to the school zone and compassionate appeals.

MOVING INTO THE 21st CENTURY WITH THE NEWSLETTER

Sadly, the time has finally come. Today will be the final day of the paper newsletter. From the commencement of next term, the newsletter will be sent on Xuno and available on the website each week. No more scrunched up newsletters in the bottom of the school bag. We have clung onto the relic of the past now for a quarter of this century as a much-loved cultural icon – but I suspect we are only just in front of the daily newspapers in moving totally online! Thank you to Celine Wang for publishing each week with such reliability and care.

HAPPY HOLIDAY

School will break for the holidays this coming Friday, 4th July and recommence on Monday 21st July. I wish everyone a very relaxing vacation.

WILMA CULTON PSM

YEAR 6 COLLABORATIVE SHOE MURAL

The year six art classes created a fashionable set of shoes all with their own unique colour and patterns, taking inspiration from a variety of shoes, they've learned about the different stages of graphic design, putting their personality and soul into every stroke of colour.

Homer



PARENT CLASSROOM HELPER PROGRAM- UPDATE

Morning Sessions Term 3

Parent training sessions for the Classroom Helpers Program will be offered on a <u>Wednesday morning</u> during Term 3 in the staff centre. These sessions are designed around the areas of Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening. If you are interested in assisting in the Prep, Year One or Year Two classrooms, attendance at the four training sessions is essential. If you would like to learn more about the way your child learns literacy skills, you are most welcome to attend. There are four sessions, and you must commit to the whole four sessions.

The following sessions will be held in Term 3 at 9.15 -10:30 am: Wednesday 6th August Wednesday 13th August Wednesday 20th August Wednesday 27th August

Please fill out the return slip (located on next page) if you are interested in attending this program and return it to the school office no later than **Tuesday 5th of August**. We will be in contact with you before the workshops begin to confirm that we have sufficient numbers to run these classes.

Daniel Packett Assistant Principal

GIRLS FOOTY

Last Friday, 22 Year 6 students participated in the Manningham Division AFL Girls Round Robin at Rieschiecks Reserve. The Girls competed for two different Serpell teams on the day against other schools in their division.

Although each of the girls are new to playing the game, their hard work at training and desire to improve their skills over the last seven weeks allowed for some strong performances from both teams. All of the students showed fantastic endeavour and significant improvement as they gained more experience and confidence with every game they played. This led to several great individual and group performances including two outstanding wins from our Team 1 side.

Overall, there were various highlights throughout the day where the girls displayed excellent teamwork, courage and an extremely positive attitude towards playing a new sport and working together as a team. They all enjoyed the experience and should be praised for their efforts across each of the games they participated in.

Mr Moio



INFLUENZA A and B

At this time of year, we have higher rates of influenza A and B in the community.

Symptoms:

Typically, symptoms are fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, muscle or body aches, headaches, chills, and fatigue. Some people, especially children, may also experience vomiting and diarrhea.

Treatment:

Most people recover from Influenza with rest, fluids, and over-the-counter medications to relieve symptoms. Antiviral medications may be prescribed in some cases, particularly for individuals at higher risk of complications, such as young children, the elderly, or those with underlying health conditions. It's important to consult a healthcare professional if symptoms worsen or do not improve. Children must stay home until all symptoms have resolved

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Our next 2nd Hand Uniform Shop will be held on Thursday 24th July from 9am to 9:30am in the Canteen foyer area. We do accept Visa/Mastercard now. Please remember when purchasing uniforms, if they have a name on the label, please cross it out and write your child's name on it. If you have any school uniforms to donate, you can drop

them off at the office. Please make sure they are laundered and have no rips or stains.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Ethan Xie (2MR) and Luke Xie (6NT) who participated in the CHANG'S CUP Annual Inter-Club Championship on 29th June. Both boys demonstrated skill and determination. As a yellow II belt competitor, Ethan achieved 1st place medal in Kyorugi (sparring) and 2nd place in High Kicking. Luke achieved 1st place in Poomsae (forms) and came 2nd in Kyorugi (sparring) High Kicking and Speed Kicking. Well done Luke and Ethan!



Please print clearly-

Child's teacher:

Email address:

Name:

Parent Classroom Helper Program Sessions

HEALTH CENTRE CLOTHES DONATIONS

Dear parents,

If you happen to be doing a clothes sort over the holidays, I am hoping for donations of the following items: Boys underwear size 8 and above, shorts size 10 and above, short sleeve tops size 12 and above, long sleeve tops size 8-10 and hats. Thanks so much and have a great school break.

> Mary Zito School Nurse

AFTERSCHOOL CARE



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I would like to attend the Parent Classroom Helper Program sessions in Term 3.

Child's name:





Once you have completed Serpell Registration, you will be emailed team allocations and instructions on how to register/pay with Bulleen Templestowe Basketball Club in early Term 3, 2025.

Need help? Contact Kelly 0425 569 668 or email kellycheung.ac@gmail.com

*Serpell Basketball Association is solely run by parent volunteers. As such, all player parents are required to be involved during the season.