

Diary

Tues 12th August
Year 3 Camp Information
Evening – refer to Xuno for log
on details

Wed 13th August

Year 5 Excursion: Old Treasury Building

Thurs 14th August

Prep Excursion: Bundoora Park (PSC, PAR, PSF, PAG)

Fri 15th August

Prep Excursion: Bundoora Park (PMR, PMS, PAL)

Mon 25th **August – Fri 5**th **September** Prep Swimming

Fri 29th August

Year 6 Excursion: Australian Sports Museum and MCG

Mon 8th September

Parent Teacher Interviews via

Students are not required at school

Tues 8th – Thurs 18th September Years 3 and 4 Swimming Program

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Serpell Primary School NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 12th August 2025

From the Principal

WONDERFUL GRANDPARENT DAYS

What a wonderful experience we all had last week with Grandparent's Days in Years Prep, 1 and 2. Thank you to the almost 100 grandmothers and grandfathers who came so enthusiastically and well prepared to share their childhoods with the students. The classrooms were filled with spinning tops, lion dance costumes, a traditional Chinese bamboo yoyo, feathered traditional shuttlecocks, snakes and ladders, jumping elastics, chatterbox paper games, string games and so many more. The school considers that linking students to their heritage and sharing global stories together is a very important part of education, learning, belonging and identity. For me personally, it was so heartwarming to see grandparents at the day who were parents of students at Serpell when I first came to the school 28 years ago!



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BOOK WEEK





"Book An Adventure"

Book Week is fast approaching, and we are looking forward to celebrating our love of reading in the library, classrooms and with our annual costume parades. The theme for Book Week this year is "Book An Adventure"- a great theme for creative costumes and of course, wonderful reading!

Three fabulous Australian authors will be visiting Serpell P.S to inspire our young readers.

Monday 18 August

Andrea Rowe with Prep, year 1 and 2 students.

Tuesday 19 August

Amelia Mellor with year 3 and 4 students

Wednesday 20 August

George Ivanoff with year 5 and 6 students

Our costume parades will be held on **Friday 22**nd **August**. Children are encouraged to come to school dressed as a book character, and to bring a copy of the book their character is from.

Looking forward to a great Book Week!

Library Teachers Hellene Nicolaides and Sam Pratt

ICAS Dates

ICAS Subject	Year Level Date		
English	Years 2 & 5	Tuesday 12 th August	
	Years 3 & 6	Wednesday 13 th August	
	Year 4	Thursday 14 th August	
Science	Years 3 & 4	Monday 18 th August	
	Years 2, 5 & 6	Tuesday 19 th August	
Spelling	Years 3 & 4	Wednesday 20 th August	
	Years 2, 5 & 6	Thursday 21st August	
Maths	Years 2 & 5	Tuesday 26 th August	
	Years 3 & 6	Wednesday 27 th August	
	Year 4	Thursday 28 th August	

YEAR 3 CAMP INFORMATION EVENING

Tuesday 12 August 2025 5pm



In preparation for the Year ${\bf 3}$

Camp this year, the year 3 teachers will provide information about the process involved in preparing your child for camp. They will also explain all the official documents that you will receive prior to the information evening.

Please join the meeting promptly at 5pm and use your child's initials and class when signing in to make it easy to identify who is attending. (e.g. AK 3RC)

Meeting Information:

Meeting address:

https://eduvic.webex.com/meet/troy.taylor2

Meeting Number: 2650 782 7847

More ways to join:

You can dial 210.4.202.4 and enter your meeting number. Join by phone+61-3-8593-9167 Australia Toll (Melbourne).

Access code: 2650 782 7847.

FROM THE NURSE - DONATIONS

Dear Parents,

We are running low of supplies of certain clothing items as they are being borrowed and not returned. Please, please can you wash and return any clothes borrowed from the Health Centre.

Also, can we please have donations of the following used but clean, clothing items:

- Boy's large underwear size 8-12
- Short sleeve school shirts size 12 and above
- Blue long pants size 8
- Shorts size 10 and above
- Hats

With Thanks Nurse Mary

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

Big cheers to our super Class Reps - you're the heartbeat of Serpell's sparkle! We're 85% full, but the adventure isn't over. The following classes are calling for energetic champions.

Prep	PSC			
Y5	5AN	5BD	5BT	5LZ
Y6	6NM	6RM		

Ready to lead the charge?

Email me at **serpellclassrep@gmail.com** with your name, phone number, and your child's name and class. Let's make the Serpell spirit shine!

Thanks, Karen Liu
Class Representative Coordinator
serpellclassrep@gmail.com

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Well done to Nathan in 4RP who received the Excellence Award for the Computational Thinking Challenge he undertook during the last school holidays.

A great achievement!

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY (OH&S)

Glass Drink Bottles

Please do not send glass drink bottles to school with your child.

When these are accidently dropped outside in the school grounds the shattered glass causes a lot of mess and we do not want any of our students being injured by the glass.

Thermos

If you are giving your child a hot lunch in an insulated thermos please seal it, re-open it and seal it again.

Some students (and teachers) are finding it very difficult to open the sealed thermos.

We had an issue a year ago of an insulated thermos exploding with pressure build up, we don't want this to happen again.

Thanking you for your support,

Costa Kotsiras

Assistant Principal

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Fathers' Day 2025

The PA will be hosting our Annual Breakfast to celebrate all our wonderful Dads, Grandads and special people in our Serpell Community. Our team has been busy planning



away to welcome all of you on the 5th of September. This year the event will commence at 7am and close at 9am allowing plenty of time for you to enjoy our big breakfast. This is a fundraising event and the entrance fee is \$25 per family for a maximum of two Adults and kids. More details will be posted on XUNO soon.

Calling All Volunteers

We need your help! The PA relies heavily on our wonderful community for assistance. With the scale of this event we will need a lot of help on the day. If you can spare some time please sign up as a volunteer. This is a great way to give back to the school and make an impact in a small way. Whether you can lend a hand with setting up, serving breakfast, or helping with cleanup, every bit of support makes a difference and is deeply appreciated.

Volunteers can register via XUNO. Please note all volunteers require a WWCC registered with the school.

Please email me with your inquiries at president.serpell@gmail.com
Thank you
Hafsa Malik, President



Bulleen Templestowe Basketball Club Junior Community League (Spring 2025)

Results 04 Aug - 07 Aug

SERPELL TEAM	SCORE		OPPONENT
Serpell Sparkles(1/2 Girls)	2	8	THPS HOOP HEROES
Serpell Swans (1/2 Girls)	Bye		
Serpell SuperStars (1/2 Girls)	22	11	Tempy Park Leopards
Serpell Sevens (1/2 Boys)	14	18	Eagles
Serpell Sliders (1/2 Boys)	19	25	Mariners - Rebound Warriors
Serpell Seals (1/2 Boys)	11	2	DG Rockets
Serpell Samurai (1/2 Boys)	11	10	The Great Ninjas
Serpell Spartans (1/2 Boys)	6	4	Mariners-The Sharp Shooters
Serpell Skyhawks (1/2 Boys)	2	11	Serpell Seals
Serpell Supernova (3/4 Girls)	4	17	OLOP Angels
Serpell Sassy (3/4 Girls)	6	18	Ivanhoe Grammar - Phoenix
Serpell Strikers (3/4 Boys)	31	10	Birralee Blazers
Serpell Seekers (3/4 Boys)	10	31	OLOP Sonics
Serpell Superpower (3/4 Boys)	8	25	DG Warriors
Serpell Spiders (3/4 Boys)	10	32	Ivanhoe Grammar-Panthers
Serpells Scorpions (3/4 Boys)	6	35	THPS TORNADOS
Serpell Synergies (3/4 Boys)	8	22	The Great Sonics
Serpell Snipers (5/6 Girls)	4	30	DG Jade Snakes
Serpell Savages (5/6 Boys)	24	24	THPS LIONS





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