



## Diary

### **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March**

School Photos

### **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March**

Colour Run

### **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

Harmony Day (Wear a splash of Orange)

### **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March**

Second Hand Uniform Shop  
(9am - 9:30am)

### **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March**

Parent Teacher Interviews (via Webex) Students not required at school

### **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April (End of Term)**

Term 1 Finish (2:30pm)

## Ready for Approval and/or Payment on XUNO

*Excursion Levy (compulsory)*

*Photography, Filming and Recording Students – Consent Form*

*Colour Run*

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# Serpell Primary School

## NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2026

## From the Principal

### Delegation from Jiangsu Province China Visit

Today our school is pleased to host a group of sixteen school leaders from Jiangsu Province in China. During their visit, they will spend time learning about our programs, including STEM and Philosophy and engaging in conversations with school leadership.

This visit forms part of our long-standing sister school partnership with Jiangsu Province. Through this relationship, we have developed valuable connections and opportunities for cultural exchange. We were fortunate to have sixty of our students travel to China last year and visit schools in Jiangsu Province, further strengthening these connections and fostering lasting friendships.



Kristele Efthimiou  
Acting Principal

## From the Assistant Principal

### Parent Teacher Interviews

#### Semester 1, 2026

Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held online via **Webex** on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March**, from **9:00am to 3:30pm**.

#### Booking Details

**Bookings open:** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 10:00am via Xuno.

**Bookings close:** Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 10:00am.

**Webex links:** Your child's teacher will email you their Meeting room Webex link on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

#### Important Information

**Each interview is limited to 10 minutes per child.** If you need more time, please arrange a follow-up appointment with your child's teacher.

**Interpreter services:** If you require an interpreter, please select this option when booking through Xuno.

**Specialist teachers:** If you would like to meet with your child's Specialist teachers, please email Mrs Nicolaidis [Hellene.Nicolaides@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Hellene.Nicolaides@education.vic.gov.au) with your child's name, grade and preferred time. She will then confirm your booking. We look forward to connecting with you.

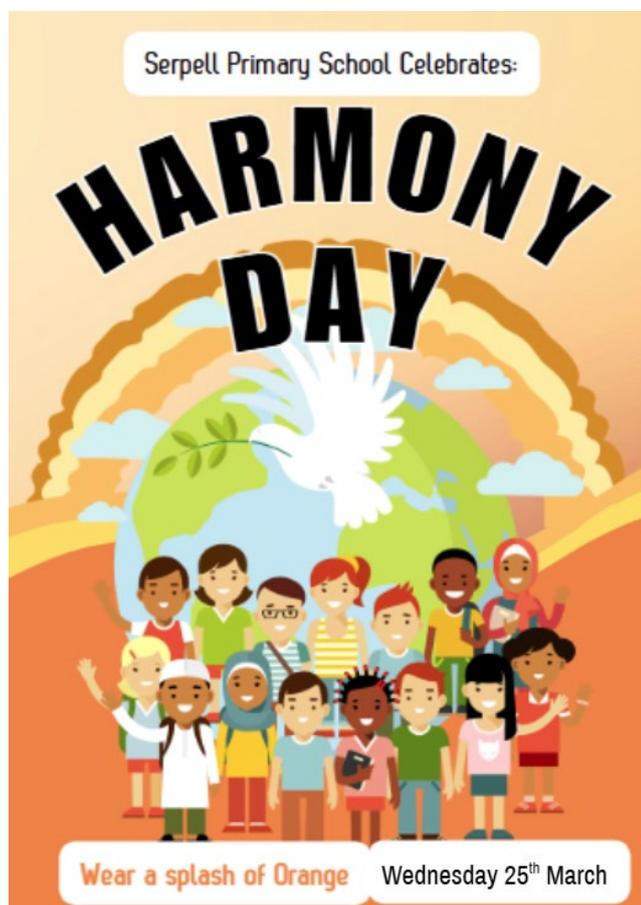
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## Harmony Day Celebration – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March

We are excited to celebrate **Harmony Day** on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026**! This special day is all about inclusivity, respect, and a sense of belonging for everyone in our multicultural school community.

To mark the occasion, we encourage all students to wear a **splash of orange**, whether it's a shirt, hat, or accessory, to show their support for harmony and diversity. Throughout the day, students will take part in activities that celebrate different cultures and the importance of inclusivity.

We look forward to a wonderful day of learning, sharing, and celebrating the rich diversity that makes our school so special!



### From the Nurse

Dear Families,  
 Could the Health Centre please get donations of boys underwear size 8 and above. Also, a reminder, if you child comes home with clothes borrowed from the Health Centre, can they please be washed and returned.

With Thanks,  
 School Nurse

## Interschool Sports Results

**Thursday 12/03/2026**

Round 5	Serpell Blue		OLOP
Cricket	95	Def	82
Hot Shots	15	Def	0
Rounders - Girls	29	Def	2
Rounders - Mixed	8	Lost	17
Softball - Girls	9	Lost	12
Softball - Mixed	15	Def	12
Round 5	Serpell Gold		Templestowe Park
Cricket	57	Lost	107
Hot Shots	16	Def	0
Rounders - Girls	23	Drew	23
Rounders - Mixed	7	Lost	13
Softball - Girls	10	Lost	14
Softball - Mixed	12	Lost	17

### Parents Association

From the VP

I'm Rameesha Humayun, and I am very honoured to serve as the vice president of the Parents Association this year. My son has just started Prep this year, so we're very new to the school community. I'm very passionate about children and their wellbeing and truly enjoy spending time with them. Whether it's playing games or diving into their imaginative worlds, I love seeing the joy and creativity children bring to everyday moments. I look forward to being part of the community and supporting children as they grow, learn, and thrive.

Colour Run – 20<sup>th</sup> March

We're excited for this year's Colour Run and would love your support!

Volunteers can sign up via Xuno to help make the day a fun and memorable event for our students.

Don't forget to purchase your Colour Run tickets and join in the colourful celebration.

Second-Hand Uniform Shop

Our Second-Hand Uniform Shop will be open on Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> March from 9:00am to 9:30am. This is a great opportunity to save money and support sustainability. Prices have been further reduced, so come along and pick up quality items at fantastic value—your one-stop shop for all school uniform needs. Please note that all purchases are now CREDIT / DEBIT card only NO CASH due to banking restrictions.

### Class Representatives

It is with sincere gratitude that we extend our appreciation to the parents who have already stepped forward with such gracious dedication to serve as Class Representatives. As we enter Week 8, we are pleased to share that our participation rate has risen to 72.34%, a testament to the steadfast spirit of service that defines the Serpell community.

As we continue to complete our representative network across all year levels, a small number of classes remain in need of support. Should your child belong to one of these classes, we warmly invite you to consider taking up this meaningful role.

Prep	PSC			
Y1	1SW			
Y2	2KJ	2TL	2TH	
Y3	3RC			
Y4	4RA	4JB	4CM	
Y5	5CZ	5LF	5BD	5KT

If you are able to assist, kindly contact me at [serpellclassrep@gmail.com](mailto:serpellclassrep@gmail.com) with your name, phone number, and your child's name and class. Together, let us uphold the values of unity, connection, and shared purpose that make Serpell a place where every family feels supported. With appreciation for your continued commitment to our school.

Karen Liu  
Class Representative Coordinator  
[serpellclassrep@gmail.com](mailto:serpellclassrep@gmail.com)



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### Serpell Primary School 2026

# COLOUR RUN

The Serpell Primary Parents' Association, together with Fitness Worx, is proud to host the school's colour run fundraiser!

Children will go through an interactive course full of fun challenges.

**Date: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March**

**Cost: \$10 per child (to be paid via XUNO)**

**Time: Prep/Yr.1: 9:30 a.m. Yr. 2/ Yr. 3: 11:20 a.m. Yr. 4/ Yr. 5: 1:30 p.m. Yr. 6: 2:30 p.m.**

**Dress:** All children will be required to bring a **white t-shirt from home** on the day, and this will be over their uniform during the session.

**Safety:** The powder used is made of food safe corn starch with added food safe colourings.

These wonderful events cannot run without our parent volunteers. If you have a current Working with Children Clearance, your support would be appreciated! **All interested parent volunteers will need to register via the Xuno Colour Run volunteers' page.**

If you choose for your child to not participate in this event, they will be encouraged to cheer their classmates from the sideline.



## Bulleen Templestowe Basketball Club Junior Community League (Autumn 2026)

Results 10 Mar - 12 Mar

	SERPELL TEAM	SCORE		OPPONENT
1/2 Girls	Serpell Shimmer	0	22	OLOP Shooting Stars
	Serpell Swans	0	7	THPS G1 GIRLS WHITE
1/2 Boys	Serpell Slam Dunk	2	9	The Great Panthers
	Serpell Skyhawks	25	1	DG Rockets
	Serpell Sharks	0	10	Temp Valley Vipers
	Serpell Super Pikachu Power	13	8	THPS G1 BOYS
	Serpell Spartans	17	6	Birralee Bears
	Serpell Super Sonic	8	0	Marwal Magic 4
3/4 Girls	Serpell Stars	0	19	Tempy Park Tigers
3/4 Boys	Serpell Sevens	14	8	THPS SWISH
	Serpell Samurai	6	8	OLOP Warriors
	Serpell Shooters	32	22	Belle Vue Titans
	Serpell Scorpions	20	15	THPS PHOENIX
	Serpells Seekers	42	7	Marwal Magic 3
	Serpells Slammers	12	10	OLOP Rebels



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