



DIARY

Wednesday 2nd September

Year 2 Excursion: Melbourne Museum and IMAX (2MR, 2MF, 2KJ, 2JA)

Wednesday 2nd September

Serpell Teams, Sports and Club Photos

Thursday 3rd September

District Athletics

Friday 4th September

Father's Day Breakfast

Monday 7th September

Year 6 China Exchange Departs

Monday 7th September

Badminton Championships

Wednesday 9th September

PAG, PMR, PLA Excursion to Larnaca Park

Thursday 10th September

PSC, PAR Excursion to Larnaca Park

Friday 11th September

PSB, PSF Excursion to Larnaca Park

Friday 11th September

Values: R U OK Day – Wear a Splash of Yellow

Friday 18th September

Last day of Term (2:30pm Finish)

Saturday 19th September

China Exchange Returns

Assembly Times

Years 2 – 3: 2.00 – 2.30 p.m.

Years 4 – 6: 2.30 – 3.00 p.m.

Prep – Year 1: 3.00 – 3.30 p.m.

Serpell Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Tuesday 1st September 2026

From the Principal

BOOK WEEK – SYMPHONY OF STORIES

What a wonderful week of celebrating stories, imagination and the joy of reading! Our theme, Symphony of Stories, came to life through a range of exciting activities and inspiring visits from three wonderful authors, Coral Vass, Rachel A. Spratt and Damian Callinan. Each author shared their writing journey, sparked our imaginations and reminded us of the wonderful adventures that can be found within the pages of a book.



A special thank you to our Art Team and Art Captains for creating the stunning backdrops that transformed our spaces into a world of stories, and to our Library Captains for their enthusiastic support throughout the week. Thank you also to our students, staff and families for embracing Book Week, especially with the incredible costumes that brought our Symphony of Stories theme to life!

It was a great reminder that reading opens the door to endless adventures!



FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST THIS FRIDAY

We are looking forward to bringing our school community together for our Father's Day Breakfast, this Friday 4 September, and sharing a special morning with the fathers, grandfathers and special people in our students' lives. A reminder to all the dads and grandfathers to wear their favourite sporting colours! A special thank you to our Parents' Association and wonderful volunteers for their time and effort in organising this special event for our community.

REMINDER: 2026 PARENT / CARER OPINION SURVEY

We are inviting all families to complete the 2026 Parent/Carer Opinion Survey, which provides valuable feedback about our school, student engagement and wellbeing. The survey is open from Monday 17 August to Friday 18 September 2026 and takes approximately 20 minutes to complete online.

Your feedback is important and will help inform us about our future planning and school improvement priorities. The survey link and password have been shared with families via Xuno, and we encourage you to take the time to have your voice heard.

Kristele Efthimiou
Acting Principal

SERPELL TEAMS, CLUBS AND SPORT PHOTOS

Serpell teams, clubs and sport photos will take place on Wednesday, 2 September.

The photos will mainly involve our Year 6 students, including those participating in Interschool Sport and Round Robin tournaments. They will also include students representing the school at District level in Athletics, Cross Country, and Swimming, as well as members of our Senior Choir and Orchestra. Students will be called from their classes as required throughout the day.

All Year 6 students are asked to wear their Sport top for the day. Where possible, we would prefer students in all other year levels to wear a yellow polo top.

PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE

This is a reminder that the Premiers' Reading Challenge finishes this **Friday 4th September 2026**.

All completed booklists need to be brought to the library or emailed to me by the end of the school day (3.30pm). The PRC website cannot be accessed after this date, and students need to be verified to receive their certificates which arrive later in term 4. Good luck and happy reading!

Ms Gardner

SUNSMART SEASON AT SERPELL

The 1st of September and a glorious Spring day of sunshine marks our first day of our Serpell SunSmart policy. All students are required to wear their Serpell hats at school during break times and all outside activities. We also kindly ask all parents attending school activities outside, including excursions to bring a hat along. We recommend that sunscreen is applied at home before students come to school. Let's safely have fun in the sun at school.

Mara Rawlings



PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Father's Day Breakfast Volunteer Update

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who have volunteered to help with our upcoming Father's Day Breakfast. Your support, generosity, and community spirit help make special events like this possible.

To ensure we provide a safe environment for all children, all volunteers are required to have current **Child Safe Standards training**.

Volunteer Briefing Session

All volunteers are also invited to attend an **online Volunteer Briefing Session**.

 **Date:** 01/09/2026

 **Time:** 7:30pm

 **Platform:** Zoom

Meeting Link:

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/87091195057?pwd=BBApPAYhncqPPLC3C0ZE7Fq9HaO2RO.1>

Meeting ID: 870 9119 5057

Passcode: SX0Bdy

During the briefing, we will cover:

- Event schedule and key timings
- Volunteer roles and responsibilities
- Arrival, setup and pack-up procedures
- Food ticket and family lanyard processes
- Safety and communication procedures
- Questions and answers

We encourage all volunteers to attend the evening briefing to ensure everyone feels informed, confident and prepared for the event.

Thank you again to our wonderful volunteer team. We look forward to working together to make this year's Father's Day Breakfast a memorable celebration for our families and special father figures.

Dawei Li

Serpell Primary School Parent Association



Art Captains
with their wonderful
artwork for this
year's Book Week
display.





Bulleen Templestowe Basketball Club Junior Community League (Spring 2026)

Results 24 August - 27 August

	SERPELL TEAM	SCORE		OPPONENT
1/2 Girls	Serpell Shimmer	3	1	Mariners - Sparkling Bears
	Serpell Swans	2	26	THPS HOOP STARS
1/2 Boys	Serpell Slam Dunk	13	5	OLOP Hoopsters
	Serpell Skyhawks	2	4	Tempy Park Lions
	Serpell Super Pikachu Power	4	7	The Great Panthers
	Serpell Spartans	14	6	THPS BALLERS
	Serpell Super Sonic	7	20	Tempy Park Bears
3/4 Girls	Serpell Stars	12	9	The Great Fiery Blazers
3/4 Boys	Serpell Sevens	11	24	THPS PHOENIX
	Serpell Samurai	0	29	OLOP Rebels
	Serpell Shooters	3	24	Serpell Scorpions
	Serpell Scorpions	24	3	Serpell Shooters
	Serpells Seekers	25	12	THPS Taco Tuesday Slammers
5/6 Girls	Serpell Snipers	19	6	Mariners - SCORCHERS
	Serpell Storm	10	52	OLOP Angels
5/6 Boys	Serpell Spiders	15	14	Ivanhoe Grammar - Crusaders
	Serpell Savages	24	24	OLOP Sonics

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FATHER'S *Day* BREAKFAST

CELEBRATING
THE DADS
*Who Do
Great Things*

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Chess

Day: FRIDAYS
Time: 12:30 – 1:30 pm
Cost: \$195 for 8 weeks
Starts on: 16 Oct
For Years: Years 1 - 6
Location: Library

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