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What's been happening in Kinder Bilby?

We have had a very busy start to the year in Kinder Bilby!

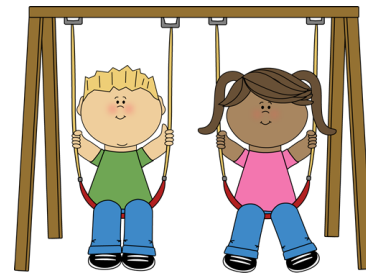


Our First Day of School!



Back in the Swing!!

Feels like we are back into the full swing of school again now with so much going on in the classrooms! We have had a fantastic start to the year.



Athletics Carnival

What a brilliant day we had at school last week on the 17th of February at the whole school Athletics Carnival. The students competed with a great attitude and the event itself was so well organised thanks to Ms Kate Stanley. We had so many adults attend on the day (according to the sign in book, there were well over 150 adults attend) and that was really encouraging, particularly for the students. Students will compete this Thursday 25th at the CHSSA Carnival against the other schools. The successful students from the Circular Head Cluster will then go to compete in Penguin at the NWPSSA Inter Primary Athletics Carnival on the 10th/11th of March.



External Review

On March 22nd and 23rd as a school we are having what is called an 'External Review.' This is something that happens in every school as a scheduled event once every four or five years. Basically what happens is a panel of three people, mostly made up of retired Principal's, come into the school and collect evidence as they speak with people, watch what happens in the school and read information about the school. At the end of the two days, they write a report that is delivered to the Principal of the school and to the School Association. In the report are areas of strength and weakness, as well as recommendations for areas of improvement. We are really looking forward to this experience as it will really help us continue to improve as a school.



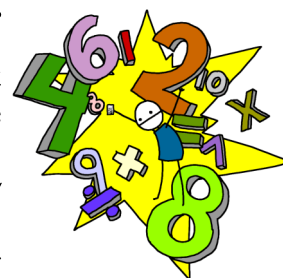
Mentoring



We have been looking at ways of having more mentors in our school this year and have recently had several community members volunteering their time in the afternoons. We currently have nine mentors planned to be operating in our school. To be a mentor you need to have your Working with Vulnerable People Card. If you are interested in mentoring at SPS or know of someone who is, please let me know.

Numeracy Program

Our two whole school improvement priorities are Spelling and Numeracy. We are really looking at ways to improve in the area of Numeracy/Maths this year and as such we have applied for two initiatives that have already started at SPS. One initiative means that we have access to the support of Toni Popowski (who is state-wide Mathematics Principal) and she will be helping us as a whole teaching staff to be able to set up a better whole school plan for Numeracy. With the second initiative, we have access to Ben Johnson who is a Lead Quality Teaching Coach in Numeracy across the north of the state. Ben will be working closely with our teaching staff (including Toni Popowski) to improve the way that Numeracy/Mathematics is taught in our school. We are super excited and lucky to have both of these high-quality people working in our school and look forward to improving in this area.



Thank you to everyone who has made the start to 2021 a great one! There are lots of learning opportunities and exciting things going on in each and every classroom as I go in and out of the classrooms each day. As we continue to work together as a SPS community, I know there will continue to be great things ahead.

Thanks,

Josh Smith
(Principal)

SPS Athletics Carnival

What a fantastic Athletics Carnival Smithton Primary School had on Wednesday the 17th of February!

It was rather impressive to see students participate, work as a team and to come together to have a super fun day!

Having over 150 adults come along to support and cheer on the students also greatly contributed to the success of our Athletics Carnival. I would like to sincerely thank all SPS staff, students and families for making the day wonderful.

Well done to those students who are representing our school and competing in the Circular Head State School Sports Association (CHSSA) Athletics Carnival on Thursday 25th of February.

Miss Stanley



SPS Athletic Carnival Results

	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place
800m Mixed Event				
Grade 6 Boys	Ezra Stewart	Xander Coates	Jack Jackson	Nathan Moran
Grade 6 Girls	Jayda Orders	Schaianne Smith	Sarah Al Saadoon	Mia Grey
Grade 5 Boys	Ethan Zoontjens	Ryan Walsh	Zannon Wilson	Jordyn Ardle
Grade 5 Girls	Ashlynn Moles	Leaha Saward	Akyra Lavell	Ryan Wigg
Grade 4 Boys	Lucas Furphy	Jhett House	Nate King	Xavier Forster
Grade 4 Girls	Olivia Moll	Zoe Moll	Tahli Blake	Asta Jenkins
Grade 3 Boys	Cash Randall	Chad Jaeger	Jaxon Wilson	Jake Best
Grade 3 Girls	Aminah Al Saadoon	Shayla Hammond	Skye Hingston	Imogen McCormack
Mixed Circular Baton Relay				
Grade 6 Mixed	Valiant	Alert	Kermandie	Albion
Grade 5 Mixed	Alert	Albion	Kermandie	Valiant
Grade 4 Mixed	Alert	Albion	Kermandie	Valiant
Grade 3 mixed	Albion	Valiant	Kermandie	Alert
200m				
Grade 6 Girls	Schaianne Smith	Jayda Orders	Piper Alderson	Mia Grey
Grade 6 Boys	Ezra Stewart	Andrew Hume	Xander Coates	Zander Philpott
Grade 5 Girls	Ashlynn Moles	Rose Kay	Jordan Ardle	Stella Kay
Grade 5 Boys	Eli Rushworth	Vincent Mills	Zannon Wilson	Ryan Walsh
Grade 4 Girls	Olivia Moll	Rachel Gourle	Zoe Moll	Elizabeth Evenhuis
Grade 4 Boys	Lucas Furphy	Xander Moles	Jhett House	Nate King
Grade 3 Girls	Aminah Al Saadoon	Shayla Hammond	Haylee Grainger	Imogen McCormack
Grade 3 Boys	Cash Randall	Jaxon Wilson	Billy Smith	Jake Moll
100m Sprint Final				
Grade 6 Girls	Jayda Orders	Piper Alderson / Mia Grey		Schaianne Smith
Grade 6 Boys	Ezra Stewart	Nathan Moran	Zander Philpott	Xander Coates
Grade 5 Girls	Ashlynn Moles	Jordan Ardle	Akyra Lavell	Rose Kay
Grade 5 Boys	Eli Rushworth	Vincent Mills	James Hampson	Ryan Wigg
Grade 4 Girls	Oiivia Moll	Rachel Gourley	Elizabeth Evnhuis	Zoe Moll
Grade 4 Boys	Lucas Furphy	Xander Moles	Nate King	Jhett House
Grade 3 Girls	Shayla Hammond	Aminah Al Saadon	Hannah Grainger	Haylee Grainger
Grade 3 Boys	Cash Randall	Jake Moll	Jaxon Wilson	Billy Smith
400m				
Grade 6 Girls	Mia Grey	Jayda Orders	Schaianne Smith	Piper Alderson
Grade 6 Boys	Ezra Stewart	Jack Jackson	Xander Coates	Zaiden Pratt
Grade 5 Girls	Akyra Lavell	Ashlynn Moles	Leaha Saward	Jordyn Ardle
Grade 5 Boys	Eli Rushworth	Lewis Poke	Ethan Zoontjens	Ben Cocks
Grade 4 Girls	Olivia Moll	Tahli Blake	Rachel Gourley	Zoe Moll
Grade 4 Boys	Lucas Furphy	Jhett House	Xander Moles	Nate King
Grade 3 Girls	Aminah Al Saadoon	Shayla Hammond	Imogen McCormack	Skye Hingston
Grade 3 Boys	Cash Randall	Jake Moll	Jaxon Wilson	Max Rushworth
Tug of War	Albion	Valiant	Kermandie	Alert

Early Childhood 2021 Results

	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place
Grade 2 Girls 75m	Charlie Jaeger	Myla Jenkins	Hollie Rowling	Elsie Williams
Grade 2 Boys 75m	Cooper Moll	Chase Best	Hunter Hinds	Casey Rutter
Grade 1 Girls 50m	Amity Lee	Laylah Greene	Xanthia Blake	Naomi Nankervis
Grade 1 Boys 50m	Lachlan Zoontjens	Coden Gray	Aston Spee	Carter Blake
Prep Girls 25m	Layla McCormick	Dakota Hammond	Evannah Hall	Myla Jaeger
Prep Boys 25m	Oliver Hanson-Luttrell	Arlo Greene	Chandler Eisele	Nate Geard

	Long Jump		
	1st	2nd	3rd
Grade 6 Girls	Jayda Orders	Sarah Al Saadoon	Bella Cameron
Grade 6 Boys	Jack Jackson	Zander Philpott	Ezra Stewart
Grade 5 Girls	Jordyn Ardle	Ashlynn Moles	Akyra Lavell
Grade 5 Boys	Logan Johnstone	Ryan Wigg	Lewis Poke
Grade 4 Girls	Olivia Moll	Milly Grainger	Asha Hoare
Grade 4 Boys	Xander Moles	Nate King	Jhett House

	Shot Put		
	1st	2nd	3rd
Grade 6 Girls	Piper Alderson	Tannah Jenkins	Savannah Swan
Grade 6 Boys	Zander Philpott	Jack Jackson	Oliver Davis
Grade 5 Girls	Jordyn Ardle	Ashlynn Moles	Stella Kay
Grade 5 Boys	Eli Rushworth	Ben Cocks	Ethan Zoontjens
Grade 4 Girls	Tahlie Williams	Caitlyn Cocks	Eleanor Ford
Grade 4 Boys	Lucas Furphy/Xavier Forster	Hunter	Nate King

	Vortex			
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Grade 6 Girls	Lace Jowett	Mia Grey	Amber Ainslie	Jayda Orders
Grade 6 Boys	Ezra Stewart	Zander Philpott	Jack Jackson	Oliver Davis
Grade 5 Girls	Jaylee Grey	Leaha Saward	Ashlynn Moles	Akyra Lavell
Grade 5 Boys	Ben Cocks	Lewis Poke	Logan Johnstone	Ryan Wigg
Grade 4 Girls	Elaenor Ford	Grace Jackson	Shriya Sajith Shankar	Olivia Moll / Caitlyn Cocks
Grade 4 Boys	Lucas Furphy	Xavier Forster	Jhett House	Xander Moles

	1500 m			
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Grade 6 Girls	Schaianne Smith	Mia Grey	Piper Alderson	
Grade 6 Boys	Ezra Stewart	Oliver Davis		
Grade 5 Girls	Ashlynn Moles	Rose Kay		
Grade 5 Boys	Ryan Walsh	Ben Cocks	Ethan Zoontjens	Logan Johnstone
Grade 4 Girls	Olivia Moll	Asta Jenkins	Zoe Moll	Asha
Grade 4 Boys	Lucas Furphy	Jhett House	Nate King	Xander Moles





SPS Athletics Carnival





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5/6 Nichols

This term in Art we are focusing on how we can use different types of lines. As a challenge we all had to have a piece of paper taped onto our back and have a drawing passed through the line. The team that won was the team that had the closest drawing at the end.



Scholastic Book Club

PARTICIPATION IN BOOK CLUB 2021

Name: _____

Class: _____ (eldest in family)



Scholastic Book Club is available to families who wish to participate.

There is one catalogue offering the best in age-appropriate reading choices (3+, 6+, 8+, 10+ and 12+) and bestsellers.

Please return the form if you would like to participate in Book Club.

Forms are sent home with the eldest in the family.

Be Safe
Be a Friend
Be REAL
Be a Learner



Respect
Encourage
Aspire
Learn



Student Absences

If your child is away from school for any reason it is important that you contact the school to provide a reason. Information is recorded electronically by the Department of Education to monitor absences. Parents may be required to provide a medical certificate for students who are absent with illnesses for 5 or more days in a calendar year.

- Ring the school office on 6452 1955 on the day your child is away
- Text the school office on 0427 016 460
- Send a written note to the school office
- Email the school on smithton.primary@education.tas.gov.au on the day your child is away

IMPORTANT: If you happen to forget to notify the school regarding your child/childrens absence and you receive a text from the school please reply to the text as to why your child/children are absent.

Every Day Counts

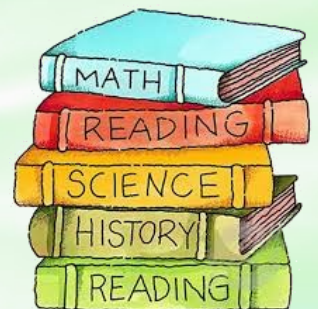


SPS PARENTS & FRIENDS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MARCH 25TH - 7PM

All welcome



SPS PARENTS & FRIENDS

Easter Raffle

All donations for our Easter raffle will be gratefully received and can be dropped off at the office.

We are after any Easter items from chocolate to decor

Tickets - \$2 each or 3 for \$5

Raffle will be drawn on 31st of March

Dates To Remember

FEBRUARY

Every Tuesday 9:00am to 10:30am	Mother Goose – <i>Birth to 5 years (starts next week)</i>
Every Thursday 9:00am to 10:30am	BeeActive - Age Birth to 5 years (<i>starts next week</i>)
Every Friday 9:00am to 10:30am	Launchpad – <i>Birth to 5 years (starts next week)</i>
Thursday 25th	CHSSSA Athletics at SPS

MARCH

Every Tuesday 9:00am to 10:30am	Mother Goose – <i>Birth to 5 years</i>
Every Thursday 9:00am to 10:30am	BeeActive - Age Birth to 5 years
Every Friday 9:00am to 10:30am	Launchpad – <i>Birth to 5 years</i>
Thursday 5th	School Assembly
Monday 8th	Public Holiday
Wednesday 10th	NWPSSA Inter Primary Year 3/4 Athletics Carnival
Thursday 11th	NWPSSA Inter Primary Year 5/6 Athletics Carnival
Monday 22nd to Friday 26th	Fire Education Week
Wednesday 31st	Last Day of Term 1

APRIL

Wednesday 21st	Start of Term 2 for students
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