



Smithton Primary School

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Year 5/6 Johnston

It's a new year and that means trying new things. The Year 6s tried their hand at cooking this term as a 'Bake Off' where they made Spaghetti Bolognese. They were given the ingredients and then had to research the different amounts for each ingredient. They learnt that with the cost of living at the moment it wasn't appropriate to just have any amount as this could lead to wasting food. They had to follow the recipe they created and also had to include enough food for each Year 5 student allocated to their group.

The Year 5s completed NAPLAN so the Year 6 students rewarded their NAPLAN efforts with a comforting bowl of Spaghetti Bolognese.



Dear Families,

STUDENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

We are very pleased to announce the 8 Student Leaders that make up the SLC in 2024. In order to be selected, they had to apply for the position and then be voted in by students and staff. The following students make up our SLC:

Imogen, Lincoln, Chad, Riley, Jake, Cash, Hannah & Natalia.

While their roles can sometimes seem very glamorous and upfront (running assemblies, representing the school at events etc.), most of the reason they have been selected is for the way they conduct themselves in our school. Things like leading by example, giving 100% at all times, supporting other students when they need it and ultimately showing our school values. Congratulations and well done.

HOUSE CAPTAINS

Congratulations to the 8 students selected to be House Captains in 2024:

Alert – Cash & Imogen

Valiant – Riley & Jett

Kermandie – Chad & Myah

Albion – Lincoln & Shayla



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Every year all schools have what is known as a School Improvement Plan. This plan outlines the priorities and key actions that the school will undertake in order to improve. It is based on our whole school data and also the direction that the whole department is heading in. This year across all schools, the main focus is on the following areas:

- Improved Reading outcomes
- Safety (in every sense of the word)
- Attendance & Engagement

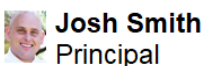
Over the coming months, we will highlight the specific actions that we are taking to improve in these areas.

END OF TERM 1

It seems crazy talking about the end of Term 1, but there really are only nine days remaining (Easter kind of takes up a fair chunk of Week 9). Some dates to remember are:

- 9th April is **Early Childhood Athletics**. 9:15am – 10:30am on the school oval. All welcome. Come dressed in your team colours.
- 11th April is **End of Term Assembly**. 9:10 – 10:00am in the Assembly Hall.

As always, I want everyone to know how much I appreciate you being a member of our school community.



Josh Smith
Principal



Chronicle Easter Colouring Competition

Congratulations to Nellie in Prep-1 Jackson who won the Chronicle's Easter Colouring Competition. Nellie's colouring in will be on the front page of this week's edition!!



1-2 Goodwin

What a busy term Year 1/2 have had! Everyone has settled back into school well and have celebrated many achievements and special days as the term has gone on. We have learnt all about Leap Years and why they happen, even making a time capsule to open in 2028! We cleaned up our school area for Clean Up Australia Day and celebrated Harmony Day visiting St Peter Chanel and reconnecting with our friends from last year.

We have worked really hard on our learning and are showing fantastic growth in our reading, writing and hearing the sounds in words. We have also enjoyed exploring numbers and in particular using our strategies to solve problems.





1/2 Goodwin & 2 C-C

Anzac Park



On Tuesday Year 1/2 Goodwin and 2 Charles/Coombe walked to ANZAC park as part of our HASS unit looking at people and places of historical significance. On the way we had a look at and sketched the Butter Factory. At ANZAC park we had a picnic lunch then had a look at the memorials and sketched them.

There were lots of positive conversations about those who had fought for our country.



What's been happening at SPS



HARMONY DAY

It was brilliant to be able to highlight Harmony Day last week throughout the school. The idea of embracing differences (in particular our cultural differences) was explored and celebrated throughout the school. This was demonstrated amazingly with the Year 1/2 students going to spend time with St Peter Chanel Year 1/2 students at their school. The students worked together through many activities, demonstrating the main theme of Harmony Day: Everyone Belongs.



Student Leadership Council for 2024



Natalia



Jake



Cash



Hannah



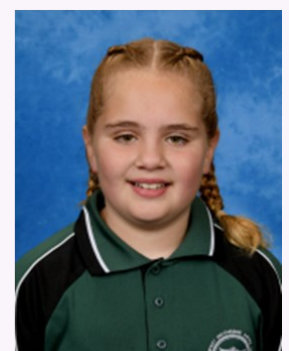
Chad



Imogen



Lincoln



Riley

April holidays Riverbend camps

Day camp for Grades 1-3. 9.00-4.00 each day

April 17-19

**\$30 A DAY
\$75 FOR 3
DAYS**

We're Going on a



Bear Hunt 🐾🐾🐾🐾🐾

Bookings at www.riverbend.org.au



Our 5 day camp for Grades 3-6

4.00pm April 21 to
9.00 am April 26

\$155.00

Bookings at www.riverbend.org.au

All camps booked in via the Riverbend website—www.riverbend.org.au

Payment by Credit card, direct deposit or Eftpos on arrival.



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Riverbend Youth Centre PO Box 768, Smithton Tas 7330

Get your Application in fast as spaces are limited. Once all places are filled you will be placed on the waiting list. Once your application form has been received by mail or email along with payment details, your form will be processed, and a letter of acknowledgement & acceptance will be sent out. This may contain any further detail you may need to know about the camp you are attending. Anyone sent home for not abiding by our code of conduct will not receive any form of refund. Cancellation fee is \$20

Disclaimers

1. All volunteer workers aged 16 & above including staff at Riverbend are required to have a current "Working with vulnerable people" card
2. Signing children in and out of camp must be done by a parent/guardian/carer
3. Riverbend staff will not release children to a non-custodial person without parent/guardian authorization

Would you like to pay by Bank Deposit? See Details Below

Bank: Commonwealth, BSB: 067 408, Acc: 1018 0422, Please Use Surname as Reference

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Riverbend

Day camp

Grades 1-3

April 17-19

Wednesday to Friday **April 17-19**

9.00am to 4.00pm each day



\$30 for 1 day

\$60 for 2 days

\$75 for 3 days

Spaces **MUST** be booked via the Riverbend website.

Please go to www.riverbend.org.au, scroll down to events and choose "April Day camp"



'STICED UP' WITH

STEVEN BRADBURY

FRIDAY APRIL 19, 7PM

CH COMMUNITY & RECREATION CENTRE

Join Olympic champion, motivational speaker and comedian, Steven Bradbury OAM, as he tells his story of resilience, persistence & overcoming adversity

\$15pp (includes light supper)

\$10pp table of 6 or 8

Bookings via Humanitix or call Jodie 0459 521443



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Grant O'Callaghan Tennis

SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS PROGRAM

BURNIE TENNIS CENTRE

Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th April

9.00 to 10.00am 4 to 6 year olds

Cost \$20.00 per session or \$35.00 for both days

9.00 to 11.00am 7 to 16 year olds

Cost \$30.00 per session or \$55.00 for both days

Private lessons available

11.30am / 12.00pm / 12.30pm / 1.00pm

Cost is \$35.00 per session or \$60.00 for both days

For bookings or enquires please contact Grant on 0417528502



Dates To Remember - 2024

March

Every Friday - 9:00am to 10:30am during school terms	Launching into Learning - Launchpad with Jayde Grey (<i>Birth - 5 Years</i>)
Friday 29th March to Tuesday 2nd April	Easter Public Holidays

April

Every Friday - 9:00am to 10:30am during school terms	Launching into Learning - Launchpad with Jayde Grey (<i>Birth - 5 Years</i>)
Wednesday 3rd	Students back to school after Easter Break
Tuesday 9th	Early Childhood Athletics at SPS
Friday 12th	Last day of Term 1 for students
Thursday 25th	Public Holiday - ANZAC Day
Monday 29th	Start of Term 2 for students

May

Every Friday - 9:00am to 10:30am during school terms	Launching into Learning - Launchpad with Jayde Grey (<i>Birth - 5 Years</i>)
Friday 3rd	Public Holiday - Agfest
Wednesday 8th	School Photo Day - information coming soon!



2024 School Term Dates

Term 1	Thursday 8th February to Friday 12th April
Term 2	Monday 29th April to Friday 5th July
Term 3	Monday 22nd July to Friday 27th September
Term 4	Monday 14th October to Thursday 19th December

Student Free Days

Friday 7th June
Friday 1st November

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