



# SEBASTOPOL PRIMARY SCHOOL

We are **READY TO LEARN** when we are;

**RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE & SAFE**

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## Year 1/2 ME Learning Skip Counting

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The Year 1 and 2 students have been practising skip counting by 10, 5 & 2 to build fluency and instant recall.



Some students have been extended to learn their 3, 4 & 7 times tables too!

Ms Esme & Mrs Mac



# PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

22nd February 2024

## Sebastopol Pedagogical Model

At the start of this year the teaching team has been reviewing the model of learning at Sebastopol PS. With the leadership of Wil, our new Leading Teacher Curriculum, our teachers have collaborated to refine and improve the previous model that was developed in 2018. This model aligns and clearly details the way student learn at Sebastopol PS. We believe 'Teaching is an Art and a Science'.

## Attendance

My thanks and congratulations to our families and staff, we are currently tracking for positive attendance, with 48% (35 students) having 100% attendance and 52% (45 students) with less than 10 days absence. My thanks to our families for using Compass and or ringing the school to advise us of illness and absences. We really value you timely communication.

## Bulldogs Read

Once again, our senior students have the opportunity to participate in the Bulldogs Read program with eight other schools from this area. Students from participating schools have gathered today for the launch with AFL Bulldogs players. We are very fortunate to be included for a second year in a row and the program is a great way to foster and sustain interest in reading and sharing books with this age group. Our thanks to Julie from Ballarat Libraries and Campbell from the Bulldogs for their organisation and commitment to this program. <https://www.bulldogsread.com.au/>

## School Council

School Council met for the first time this year on Monday night. We were able to have a walk around the grounds to share the work that is being undertaken following the storm damage. We are working closely with the Victorian School Building Authority to progress the work and ensure our school grounds and buildings are fit for purpose.

The Annual General Meeting for School Council is on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. The 2023 Annual Report will be tabled at this meeting. We are currently seeking nominations for our 2024 School Council. Please ask at the office if you are interested in joining this active and effective group. The School Council Sub-Committee Fundraising is always looking for additional volunteers to join them. Please ask at the office if you are

interested in joining this hard working group.

## Relay for Life Sebastopol PS Walk

On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March from 2:10pm we will be walking together on the oval to raise money for the Cancer Council. This is a Casual Dress Day for students. Parents/Carers/Friends, are welcome to join us for the walk to support this important organisation. Zooper Doopers and fresh fruit will be provided for everyone involved. This is the only time in the school year that we raise funds for an outside organisation, as it is wonderful to share the feeling of giving to others with our young people. Please support this by donating a gold coin or more if you can.



Thank you for a positive start to the year,  
Michelle Wilson, principal.



Thanks to the SPS Fundraising Committee and staff volunteers. The Bunnings Sausage Sizzle raised over \$1500. THANK YOU for volunteering your time and energy to make our school even better.





Students Elena Birch and Kate Lehan were able to accept 2 Buddy Benches, that were kindly donated from Alfredton Rotary volunteers, Robyn and Oliver. We really appreciate the generosity of our community.



2025 YEAR 7  
SHOWCASE  
EVENING  
SEBASTOPOL CAMPUS

## TUESDAY 12TH MARCH

Parents and prospective students are warmly invited to attend the Showcase Evening at Phoenix P-12 Community College, Sebastopol Campus.

Discover first-hand how your child can share in the lifetime benefits of an excellent secondary education. The College will be open between 4:30pm – 6:30pm for visitors to undertake a self-guided tour, exploring interactive displays of students' work and activities across a variety of learning areas.

Please enter the school via the Hertford Street gate to collect your showbag and tour booklet.

**4:30pm - 6:30pm**

The Sebastopol Campus of Phoenix P-12 Community College offers a broad range of scholarship opportunities. Further information will be available on the night.

*'In Knowledge there is Opportunity'*

## SWPBS

### SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT (SWPBS)

This term we have rolled out our School Wide Positive Behaviour Support with new Matrix Money (\$1) and our Matrix Market. The Matrix Market will happen every Friday, this is where students can **save** or **spend** their earned rewards on a variety of different prizes priced from \$1 - \$100. Week 3, began our sprint on the school values within the classroom. As a staff we have looked at the previous SWPBS Matrix of expected values and been able to refine for our current language and staff demographic to support the school values of **Respect, Responsibility** and **Safety**. If you child has brought home a new toy, or is eager to discuss Matrix Money, please ask them how they earned their reward and show an interest. SWPBS is an evidenced based system that supports students to engage in more appropriate behaviours, and rewards can be gained by all staff in the playground or classroom. By having a whole school approach, we want to challenge and shape student behaviours to embody the school motto; **'living as we learn'**.



Esme Jorgensen  
Wellbeing and Inclusion Leader

### Newsletter

To access our fortnightly school newsletter visit our website at <http://www.sebasps.vic.edu.au/>  
Please also subscribe to our Newsletter email list at our website to receive a notification when our newsletter is ready.



# School's back!



**Slow down**

Watch out for children  
crossing the road and  
around the school bus

**SPEED LIMITS  
APPLY BETWEEN**

**8am – 9.30am  
2.30pm – 4pm**

**CHOC COATED**  
CLASSIC STICKS

10  
PACK

**EVERY FRIDAY \$1 EACH**

A creamy treat made with Australian fresh milk & finished with a crisp choc coating

*a taste of summer*

**ZOOPER DOOPER**

**EVERY FRIDAY  
\$1 EACH**

The Junior School Council are continuing with the sale of zooper dooper's and now choc coated ice creams and icy poles for only \$1. This money will be used to subsidise the grade 6 jumpers.

## Student Recognition Awards



### **CANCER COUNCIL FUNDRAISER FRI- DAY MARCH 1 2024.**

Students are encouraged to donate a gold coin for wearing casual clothes and walking around the oval. Zooper doopers will be provided if need be to keep the spirits up.

Meagan has suggested the fundraiser sell cup cakes to add to the Cancer Council funds. This is the one time of the year when we raise money for an outside organisation.



#### **Eli Cole - Prep/1**

For showing kindness and gratitude.

#### **Sophia Delpol - Prep/1**

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#### **Priodorshini Das - 1/2**

For being very responsible, trying her best and making the most of her learning.

#### **Jada Farquhar - 1/2**

For being respectful, looking out for her friends and the first to follow the teacher's instructions.

#### **Nate Mitchem - 3/4**

For the extra responsibility he takes with his writing and showing great persistence.

#### **Kate Lehan - 5/6**

For demonstrating excellent commitment to the Bulldogs Read Program by attending the family information session.

#### **Mikayla Holland - 5/6**

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Zooper Dooper and Ice-cream Fridays. Proceeds from sales are going to the Junior School Council. Our student leaders love serving these Friday treats. Our thanks to parent Chris Depol for coordinating the sales on a Friday.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## TERM 1

	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
<b>WEEK 4</b>	19/02 6:30 School Council	20/02 11:30 BADAC First Nation Program	21/02 Prep Rest - Assessment Day	22/02 Newsletter 9:15 Prep 2024 Courier photo	23/02 2.40 Assembly
<b>WEEK 5</b>	26/02	27/02 11:30 BADAC First Nation Program	28/02 SWPB Celebration Prep Rest - Assessment Day	29/02	01/03 Relay For Life
<b>WEEK 6</b>	04/03	05/03 11:30 BADAC First Nation Program	06/03 Prep Rest - Assessment Day	07/03 Newsletter	08/03 2.40 Assembly
<b>WEEK 7</b>	11/03 Labour Day Public Holiday	12/03 11:30 BADAC First Nation Program	13/03 Prep Attend School	14/03 NAPLAN	15/03 NAPLAN
<b>WEEK 8</b>	18/03 6:30 School Council AGM	19/03 11:30 BADAC First Nation Program	20/03	21/03 Newsletter	22/03 SEDA Clinic Y3-6 2.40 Assembly
<b>WEEK 9</b>	25/03 Eyre District Athletics Day	26/03 11:30 BADAC First Nation Program	27/03 SWPB Celebration	28/03 1:30 Assembly Easter Hats 2:10 End of Term Finish	29/03 Good Friday

### 2024 TERM DATES

**TERM 1:** 30TH JANUARY TO 28TH MARCH  
**TERM 2:** 15TH APRIL TO 28TH JUNE  
**TERM 3** 15TH JULY TO 20TH SEPTEMBER  
**TERM 4** 7TH OCTOBER TO 20TH DECEMBER

### BELL TIMES

8.50 am - Music Plays  
 9.00am School starts  
 11.00 - 11.10am Children eat Lunch  
 11.10 - 11.40 Lunch Break  
 1.40pm - 2.10pm Recess  
 3.10 Dismissal  
 Last day of Term 2.30pm Finish