

# SEBASTOPOL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# **Junior School Council**

The members of Junior School Council spoke about their Term 2 highlights and what they love about the school.

The rocks, writing, friends, adults who will help, great teachers and sports day.

They also planned our 'Whole School Celebration Day' Friday 21st June.

Parents and Carers are welcome to join us from 1:40pm. The celebration will include hot drinks, donuts, dancing and karaoke. Our celebration event will be followed by assembly at 2:40pm.

Our 2024 Department Education Student Attitude to School survey indicates a strong improvement in Student Voice and Agency, from 56% in 2023 to 81% in 2024.



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# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

# Whole School Celebration Pyjama Day - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 1:40pm

We will be sharing our second whole school learning and wellbeing achievements by celebrating together in our pyjamas! Parents are welcome to join us in the atrium for a warm drink. Karaoke and dancing will be encouraged. Kellie, Chris and Wil will be serving hot chocolate, tea and coffee. The Junior School Council have voted on donuts as the preferred celebration treat for students. We look forward to seeing you for this wonderful midyear milestone. This will be followed by assembly with an item by Year 1-2.

# Assembly 2:40pm Friday 21st June

Please make the time to attend assembly this week. The students really appreciate your support as an audience and we have lots of great learning achievements to celebrate.

#### Health

We have continued to have numerous students and staff with COVID, gastro, laryngitis and flu infections. Thank you for your communication regarding the nature of absences. Please remember to remind children to wash their hands with soap and use sanitiser regularly. Please take the time to book an influenza or COVID vaccination if they are due and visit a GP or emergency care if your child's illness is prolonged and they are not recovering.

#### **Staffing**

Over the last month we have been short staffed in classrooms and the office due to illness and necessary professional learning. This has led to necessary adjustments in classroom routines and teaching staff. These changes are made through necessity, and we understand that these changes can be hard for children to adjust to. I would like to thank Esme and Wil for stepping into the classrooms to cover the teaching and support of students across the school over the last month. We will continue to ensure classrooms and students are supported each day throughout the staff shortages. At times this will mean that the office is not staffed, some additional tutoring, extra-curricular and wellbeing activities need to be rescheduled and children will feel confused. We apologise for this. We are working hard to recruit casual staff to cover these shortages. I would like to thank our entire teaching, support and administration staff for supporting each other and taking on extra duties and work during this time.

## Principal Leave – Esme Jorgensen Acting Principal

I am taking Carers Leave from 20<sup>th</sup> June to support my adult son who has a critical illness. I need to be with my family during this time. I will be back at school at the start of Term 3. Esme Jorgensen will be acting principal during this time. I would like to thank the members of our school community who have checked in with me about my son Dan.

# School Council Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June

We had a full meeting on Monday night discussing a range of matters. School Council had a walking tour to view necessary maintenance and repairs. They have approved the repair of the south junior fixed equipment, the storm water drainage issue that has necessitated the need for safety fencing in the last 6 months, new carpet in the 'Wellbeing Hub' and the repair of a bearing wall in the multi-purpose room. Additional work that is pending subject to our budget and potential grants are: removal of the bike shed (as it is unsafe), improved fencing and gates for the perimeter of the school and new student toilets.

# Pupil Free Day – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 30th July - Term 3

Please mark these dates in your calendars as the School Council has now approved the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4th Pupil Free Days for 2024. We have an allocation of four professional learning days per year. We will be updating our First Aid Certification and undertaking a Protective Interventions Professional Learning to continue to improve our Student Safety, Wellbeing and Inclusion strategies and support.

Student Mid-Year Reports will be uploaded to Compass next week, so please take the time to open these and talk to your child/ren about their learning and wellbeing activities at school. Students will have a Learning Port Folio to share with you, that will contain terrific work samples that demonstrate their learning and achievements.

Thank you for your support and commitment to your children, everyday.

I will see you in Term 3.

Michelle Wilson Principal





# **CURRICULUM & LEARNING**

We hope this message finds you well. We are excited to announce a significant change to our student reporting system that will enhance the way we communicate your child's progress and achievements.

# What's Changing?

Starting this term, we will transition to reporting using Compass. This system is designed to provide you with more detailed insights into your child's academic performance and overall development.

# Key Features of the New Reporting System:

**Detailed Reports:** More in-depth information on your child's progress in each subject. **Accessible Online:** Easy access to reports

through our secure online portal. Why the Change?

We believe that this new system will offer several benefits, including:

- Better visibility into your child's strengths and areas for improvement.
- More timely updates on academic performance.

Improved collaboration between parents and teachers to support student success.

# Requesting a Hardcopy:

While the new reports will be primarily available online via Compass, we understand that some families may prefer a physical copy. If you would like to receive hardcopies of the reports, please let us know.

## **Need Help?**

If you have any questions or need assistance accessing the new reporting system, please do not hesitate to contact me. We are here to support you and ensure a smooth transition. We appreciate your continued support and look forward to working together to help your child succeed.

Warm regards,

# Wil Juarez Leading Teacher – Curriculum and Learning

# 1/2 Item



The Grade 1/2 class has been working hard this term on their persuasive writing. The have learnt the skills needed to convince a reader to join their side of a topic. Recently, the topic has been that 'companies should stop using singleuse plastics', due to the harm these products cause to the environment. To help inform their arguments, the students watched a video showing where plastics end up if they are not disposed of properly. Many of the plastics unfortunately end up in the ocean where they damage the sea life and ruin an otherwise pristine, beautiful part of nature. After watching this, the students felt empowered to write their strongest possible arguments to alert the world to this problem and encourage companies to stop using single-use plastics!









Our Year 6 Students are very happy with their 2024 Hoodies and Polos! They voted to continue with the 2022 design that was a collaboration by senior students during Wadawarrung language and culture with Miss Mac and Chris Ottini. A big thank you to the Fundraising Committee for subsidising the cost of these milestone garments for our students.

We think they look terrific.



Our infinite thanks to the Sebastopol PS fundraising committee for a wonderful Trivia Night. Just under \$2500 was raised thanks to numerous generous donations, a wonderful turnout of parents, past school families, colleagues from other schools and community members. Our terrific hosts Alan and Maureen Peach made the event a lot of fun for all.



# QuickCliq for school canteen orders, uniforms & fundraising events



# Sebastopol Primary School, Sebastopol VIC

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Meal Type	Category	Product Name	Price
Lunch	Drinks	Bottle Water	\$1.80
		Fruit Bax - Apple	\$1.90
		Fruit Box - Apple Raspberry	\$1.90
		Fruit Box - Tropical	\$1.90
	Fruit	Cheese & Biscuit Pack	\$2.95
		Fruit Salad	\$3.00
	Home Made Sweet Treats	Choc Chip Cookie	\$3.00
		Mini Muffin - Banana	\$2.65
		Mini Muffin - Blueberry	\$2.65
		Mini Muffin - Choc Chip	\$2.65
	Hot Food	Meat Pie	\$5.10
		Meat Pie (GF)	\$5.80
		Party Pie	\$1.40
		Sausage Roll	\$4.10
		Small Sausage Roll	\$1.30
		Tomato Sauce	\$0.40
	Lunches Off The Grill	BBQ Beef Cheese and Bacon Roll	\$5.60
		Cheeseburger	\$5.50
		Chicken Burger, Lettuce, Cheese, Mayo	\$5.65
		Chicken Parma Roll	\$5.85
		Sweet Chill Wrap, Lettuce and Cheese	\$5.80
		Vegetarian Burger Lettuce, Cheese, Mayo	\$5.60
	Other Hot Options	Pizza - Cheese	\$3.60
		Pizza - Hawiian	\$3.80
		Toastie - Cheese	\$3.65
		Toastie - Chicken, Cheese, Avo	\$4.10
		Toastie - Ham and Cheese	\$3.70
	Wrap, Sandwich or Roll	Chicken and Avocado Roll \$1.00, Wrap \$1.00,	\$4.50
		Chicken and Salad Roll \$1.00,Wrap \$1.00,	\$5.20
		Ham and Salad Roll \$1.00,Wrap \$1.00,	\$4.96
		Salad Roll \$1.00,Wrap \$1.00,	\$4.80
		Vegemite Sandwich	\$2.70

# **Coming Up**





#### **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 2.10pm Finish

# **Student Recognition Awards**

## Oakley Cocking - Prep/1

For playing nicely in the playground.

## Markell Weetra - Prep/1

For using lovely manners at our classroom restaurant.

#### Nicholas Cocking - 1/2

For his enthusiasm towards writing. His recent piece writing about tigers was outstanding.

## Mia Sternberg - 1/2

For consolidating learning and applying new concepts to her written piece about tigers.

## Kingston Easton - 1/2

For always trying his best in class and being an excellent role model to other students.

## Jada Farquhar - 1/2

For her attention to detail with cleaning up and supporting her peers to be tidy too.

# Jeb Hayward - 3/4

For fantastic reading assessment.

## Nate Mitchem - 3/4

For showing persistence when editing his writing.

#### Riley Elliott - 5/6

For showing responsibility towards his classmates.

#### Yuki Nemenio- 5/6

For fantastic leadership in the yard.



#### **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

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# TERM 2

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 10	17 School Council	18	19	20 Newsletter	21 PJ Day School Celebration
WEEK 11	24	25	26	Yr 5/6 Sov Hill SWPB Celebration	Yr 5/6 Sov Hill 1:30 Assembly 2:10 End of Term Finish

# TERM 3

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 July	15	16	17	18	19
2	9:15 Fundraising Committee School Council 6:30 School interviews 12-4:30	23	School interviews 12-4:30	25 Newsletter LOTE Item	26 2.40 Assembly LOTE Item
3 Jul/Aug	29 First Aid Training All staff Pupil Free Day	30 Training All Staff Pupil Free Day	31	1	2
4	5	6	7	8 Newsletter PREP/1 Item	9 2.40 Assembly PREP/1 Item
5	12	13	14	15	16
6	19	20	21	22 Newsletter 1/2 Item	23 2.40 Assembly 1/2 Item
7	26	27	28	29	30
8 Sept	2	3	4	5 Newsletter 3/4 Item	6 2.40 Assembly 3/4 Item
9	9 School Council 6:30	10	11	12	13
10	16	17	18	19 SWPB Celebration Newsletter 5/6 Item	20 1.40 Assembly 2.10 Finish 5/6 Item
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