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Pathways to the future

Thursday 17th September 2020

Hi Everyone,

A message from Jules - Mrs B

Firstly I'd just like to say what an amazing place Springhurst Primary School is and how much I have loved everything about working here over the last 25 years. To me, it is not a school but more like an extended family. I feel so lucky to be working alongside such a great team of people where there is a culture that promotes - trust, respect, commitment, work ethic, flexibility, student-centred learning and compassion for all. The students and the families of the school are what makes it the special place it is. We are lucky to have so many great people from such diverse walks of life who consistently support us teachers even during these tough "Covid" times. I speak to many different colleagues from many different schools and it is always a great reminder of how the culture of Springhurst Primary School is one to be treasured. I will very much miss coming to work here and seeing all the smiling faces with their keen and enthusiastic attitude towards their learning. I will miss the great staff who are not just colleagues but friends. I will miss the great families and the relationships we have built. I will miss the community and of course...the 4-legged "Princess" who now can wear the tiara solo.

John and I are really excited about our new venture and "sea change". Our year in Auckland last year was the catalyst for our change as it showed us another lifestyle which we quickly fell in love with. Our new home will be in Kiama and if anyone is ever in the area we would absolutely LOVE to catch up with you so please keep in contact. We have our family and many friends down here in the North East of Victoria and will be driving down lots for different occasions, so will definitely pop in from time to time and catch up. So for my last "hoorah" in this crazy Covid world I would just like to say a huge thankyou to everyone for making me feel one of the luckiest teachers around to have had the pleasure of teaching at such a great little school

with amazing kids, families and staff. I can honestly say that I LOVE coming to work and in the words of my dad "It's easy to do things for those you love."

Jules

Me, like everyone in the school community are going to miss Jules – Mrs B. As she has mentioned, she has been a part of the school for a long time and has always been there for everyone.

We wish her and JB well in the next chapter of their lives and we will always be open for a cuppa and a chat.



Welcome Mr S

In saying that, when one door closes another one opens. I would like to announce our replacement teacher for term 4. Jacob Schonafinger (Mr S) will be teaching 4 days per week – Tuesday to Friday in the Senior Room. You will be able to meet him on Friday's Webex at 10.30am. Log in to Mrs B Webex Room as normal.

End of Term 3 – Start of Term 4



Chickens

Thankyou to all those people who purchased our chickens. They have all gone to good homes and hopefully they will lay lots of eggs!



Term 4 Activities

I am not sure as yet if we will be able to be involved in these activities, but I thought I would give you the heads up.

Swimming – at this stage is postponed.

15 Mile Creek Camp – week beginning 9th November for 4 or 5 days.

Stay safe and happy for the fortnight.

Wendy

A reminder – Hats for Term 4



Narimga Cemetery Trust 11th September 2020

The trust is currently seeking expressions of interest from local members of the community who are interested in serving on the Narimga Cemetery trust. Cemetery trust members are appointed by the Governor in Council and are responsible to the Minister of Health. A Police check will be required and one day training course completed as the trust handles Public funds. If you are interested, please write to Peter Wighton c/o Springhurst Post Office within two weeks of the date of this notice.



Volunteers Needed

Breakfast Club is back for Term 4 beginning in Week 1.

We will be offering breakfast on Tuesday and Thursday mornings beginning at 8.30am and ending at 8.45am. If you are able to help us, please contact me.



10 September 2020

Media Release

Playgrounds set to open as Mayor pleads for restriction re-think

Wangaratta's playgrounds will re-open on Monday, 14 September, as Mayor Dean Rees pleads with the State Government to re-think restrictions in the Rural City of Wangaratta.

The re-opening of playgrounds is the only immediate change to Council services to come from Premier Daniel Andrews' announcement of the Coronavirus Roadmap to re-opening.

Cr Rees said while Council would encourage residents to comply with restrictions, he was pleading for the Premier to re-think how restrictions apply to Wangaratta.

"Respectfully, I'm asking Premier Daniel Andrews, open the small-town pubs and hotels and everywhere throughout the Rural City of Wangaratta," he said.

"Our small towns especially need their local pubs open. We have done so well to remain Covid-free but we need our businesses, our pubs and restaurants to re-open, or risk closing for good."

Under the roadmap, the following changes to Council services would occur:

Under the second step, from Monday 14 September:

- Playgrounds (excluding skate parks) to re-open with social distancing

Pending the timing of the Roadmap's Third Step and Last Step, dates for the re-opening of the following Council services will be announced:

- Skate parks
- Wangaratta Art Gallery
- Wangaratta Library
- Wangaratta Visitor Information Centre
- Wangaratta Performing Arts and Convention Centre
- Wangaratta Sports and Aquatic Centre

For further enquiries regarding this media release, please contact Steven Burke, Media and Communications Coordinator on 03 5722 0862.

Dates for your calendar:

18th September – Last day of Term 3

Dismiss 2.30pm

5th October – First day Term 4

13th October School Council @ 5.30

23rd October – AFL Grand Final Day holiday

2nd November – Curriculum Day – No Students

3rd November – Melbourne CUP DAY holiday

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Rutherglen Kinder will be running both a 3 year old & a 4 year old funded Kinder program for 15 hours a week in 2021.

Once applications are open please register your interest in your child attending Kindergarten in 2021 by contacting us to request an application form.

Please have your application forms completed and returned to us by Friday 18th September 2020 so we can finalise numbers and organise groups (times, days etc).

Late applications may be added to a wait list.

Please note: Completing an application form places your child on the application list, it does not guarantee a place for your child.

For more information on funded 3year old Kindergarten please visit <https://www.vic.gov.au/give-your-child-the-best-start-in-life>

If you would like to book a tour of the facility, request an application form or have any questions please contact one of our friendly staff.

Contact details:

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What we love about Springhurst Primary School ...

Dear Mr S ...

SPS is a brilliant school. We are a small school and all of the students are kind and get along. Our teachers are wonderful and have taught us a lot. Our teachers are so kind that they have bought us a lot of sports equipment and a playground for the little and big kids. We have a big oval and in the winter we can go up the back and make cubbies. Overall Springhurst is a great school. Lorelei.

SPS is a great school. We have wonderful students, teachers and the very best sport equipment. Plus we have very good playgrounds and no bullies. We also have a big shelf of board games. Logan

SPS is a wonderful school. All the kids are kind and wonderful. The teachers are nice and kind and wonderful. We have a lot of equipment we can play with. The school has a big oval that we sometimes play on. We also have a big shelf of board games and we also have a playground. Aiden M

Springhurst primary school is the best school because ... we have wonderful teachers and kids. We have a great oval and a beautiful garden and the best cubbies. We are so lucky to have lots of lovely kids. We also have good equipment for sports and the teachers kindly bought us lots of books to read and board games to play. We also had chickens. Dekoda

This school is the best school in the world. There is no bullying at all. It is so fun there is lots of sports. There is not many kids and the teachers are the best. We also have cubbies - they are so fun. The garden is so, so, so, so, good. It is massive and it goes all around the school. You will love it here. It will be the best school you have ever gone to. Aiden W

Blue Ribbon Day September 29, 2020



15 September 2020



Media Release

123 applications for Business and Community Recovery Grants

Rural City of Wangaratta community groups and businesses have jumped at the chance to drive recovery from bushfires and Covid-19. Some 123 applications worth \$819,473 have been received for Council's Business and Community Recovery Grants.

The grants program is a key part of Council's response to the impacts of bushfires and Covid-19. Some \$372,000 has been allocated to the program from Council's 2020/21 Budget. Mayor Dean Rees said the enthusiasm towards the project showed the grants were needed in our community.

"This is an enormous response and I'd like to thank each of the people and groups who took the time to apply," he said.

"Because of the number of applications there will be some who miss out, and Council will work with each of these groups to advise of other grant opportunities available through the State and Federal Government.

"I look forward to seeing these grants awarded and work getting underway on some great initiatives." Grant applications are currently being assessed and successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified in the week beginning Monday 12th October 2020.

Please email recovery@wangaratta.vic.gov.au if you have any queries regarding the program or your application.

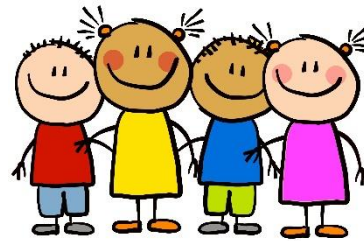
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Birthday

We would like to wish Eleanor a very happy 6th birthday on the 29th

September. We hope you have a fabulous day. Hip, hip, hooray!!!



Kids' Council News

Hot Dogs

Due to at home learning, we will have hotdogs this term - particularly when it is still a bit cool. Forms will go out the first week of term and we will have a first hot dog day on Thursday 15th October.

Zooper Doopers

Zooper doopers will be available for purchase for 40cents each Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Footy Colours Day

Footy colours day will be held on Thursday 23rd October. You will be able to wear your team's colours to school. Go Blues!! More details to follow.