

DATES TO REMEMBER

School Concert
Wednesday
29th November 2023
1.00pm

Christmas Stall
1st December 2023

End of Year
20th December 2023

Student Pick Up:
12:00pm

Buses: 3 hours earlier



FROM THE *Principal*



Dear Parents and families,

We have five weeks remaining of the 2023 school year which is hard to believe. During that time, we have a number of exciting events to look forward to including graduation for our students finishing their final year of schooling. We will have a number of celebrations and special events including our whole school concert which will be held in the school hall on Wednesday the 29th of November at 1pm. It would be wonderful to see parents, carers and extended family and friends come along to watch our students perform.



Pupil Free Day

On Monday the 6th of November we had a pupil free day where teachers worked collaboratively to moderate student writing samples. The afternoon was spent preparing end of year reports and creating resources for the students.

World Teacher's Day

On Friday the 27th of October we celebrated world teachers' day. Our teachers work hard to meet the needs of every student in the school and to maximise their learning potential. The work they do is amazing, and we really admire and appreciate their efforts.





New Cubby House

We recently installed a new cubby house in the sensory garden for the younger students to enjoy. This provides them with a fun experience as well as helping with their play and imaginative skills.



Landscaping Project

Our landscaping project is well underway and is taking shape now. The students are really interested in the progress each day when something new is erected. Planting will begin soon, and the students will have an opportunity to help with the planting. The area will provide the students with a myriad of new play experiences and adventures.

City of Greater Dandenong Inclusion Day

On Thursday the 9th of November we had a great day hosted by the City of Greater Dandenong Youth Services. They ran activities and games and provided a lovely BBQ lunch. Our school has a strong partnership with the council which we are very grateful for.



Christmas Stall

On Monday the 1st of December the parents are having a Christmas Stall at the school in the staffroom. There will be an assortment of things for the students to buy for Christmas presents.

A flyer will come out shortly with more detail. It would be fantastic if you could support our parents by sending in some money with your child to purchase a gift or two.



Principal's Award



Matthew is being his best this semester in Room 11! He has been respectful to his teachers and a good role model for his friends. Matthew works hard in the classroom, listens to instructions and likes to share the scooter at playtime. He likes to make his teachers and friends laugh. Well done, Matthew!



Jackie Lowther

Principal



Happy Birthday

Name

Date

Room

Conor W

11th November

Rm 34

Kevin T

13th November

Rm 08

Nisharga M

13th November

Rm 15

Dihein J

13th November

Rm 22

Charlotte W

14th November

Rm 09

Nathzel E

16th November

Rm 01

Sylvia D

16th November

Rm 25

Monowara S

18th November

Rm 32

Shaheer K

19th November

Rm 16

Rohan M

19th November

Rm 16

Sokiri S

19th November

Rm 21

Happy Birthday



Name	Date	Room
Raphael R	20th November	Rm 22
Angela C	24th November	Rm 01
Lily T	25th November	Rm 21
Velo L	27th November	Rm 24
Arijan A	28th November	Rm 28
Bentley M	29th November	Rm 02
Adithan S	29th November	Rm 10
Solayman K	30th November	Rm 23
Ali Seena H	3rd December	Rm 20
Kurt L	4th December	Rm 12
Aaron A	6th December	Rm 26



Spring has sprung in Springvale Park SDS! Preps 7 are busy tending the veggie patch. We are growing snow peas, cucumber, beans, tomatoes, lettuce, parsley, chives and flowers.





Students in Room 9 enjoy school. We love going out sailing, doing letter craft activities, reading and swimming.



We love school and we are having so much fun learning!



What's happening



in Room 11?



We are having a fantastic time learning, playing, sharing and exploring in 2023.

This year we have enjoyed swimming, community access, excursions, bike riding, music and cooking!

We are also getting better at using Proloquo2Go on our iPads.



Nas loves to help Meg and Jenny with Jobs

Izayah loves to teach his classmates about metro and VLine



Matthew loves to ride the scooter and share it with his friends

William loves to read and explore counting and alphabet books



Ethan loves to cook and is fantastic at cracking eggs and mixing

Deven loves to play with trucks, cars and helicopters



Meg loves to play music on the speaker and sing and dance

Jenny loves to keep our beautiful classroom clean!





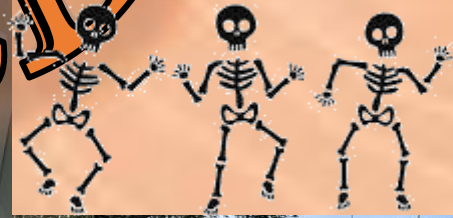
Room 32
went to
Myuna
Farm.



It was a
great day!



Halloween



School Concert

2023

AMENDED DATE

29th November at 1.00pm



All welcome

Please RSVP by 17th November

Respectful Relationships R U OK? Day

The Respectful Relationships Team hosted 'R U OK? Day'. Staff, students and the community were encouraged to wear yellow and ask their friends the very important question. Are you OK? Staff and students engaged in a number of activities throughout the day. We thank all staff, students and families who participated.



Respectful Relationships R U OK? Day

ASK

R U OK?

No qualifications needed

Have a conversation
using these 4 steps

1



How are you
travelling?

You don't
seem yourself
lately – want to
talk about it?

Ask R U OK?

2



I'm here to listen
if you want to
talk more.

Have you been
feeling this way
for a while?

Listen

3



What do you think
is a first step that
would help you
through this?

Have you spoken
to your doctor
about this?

Encourage action

4



Just wanted to
check in and see
how you're doing?

Have things
improved for you
since we last spoke?

Check in

Learn more at ruok.org.au

Respectful Relationships



Salvation Army Christmas Appeal

Springvale Park SDS are collecting food and gifts to support those in need through the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal. We all know Christmas is a time for joy. But for those doing it tough – it is often challenging, heartbreaking and isolating.

Last Christmas, The Salvation Army provided around over **64,000 hampers** as well as **26,000 gifts** to individuals and families in need. As cost of living increases continue to impact communities across the country, your support is more important now than ever. If you would like to support by donating food or gifts, there will be a donation box in the staffroom.



Child Safe Standards Staff Training

Recently all staff, volunteers and school council members at Springvale Park SDS, completed their annual child safety training. The training is mandatory under the Child Safe Standards and reaffirms Springvale Park Special Developmental school's commitment to the Child Safe Standards and maintaining a positive school culture focus on child safety.

If you would like to view any of the school's child safe policies, they are available on the school website. Parents are encouraged to provide feedback using SeeSaw, in person, by telephone or email.

PROTECT

Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from abuse. No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid, including anyone in your family, anyone at school or anywhere else in the community. Tell a teacher or any adult at your school if you feel unsafe.



It's everyone's responsibility. Adults at school must listen and respond to concerns about child abuse. If you suspect abuse of any child or young person, you have a responsibility to report it, even if you are not sure.

Further information & resources
www.education.vic.gov.au/protect

BBQ Lunch

is being provided by

Bank First

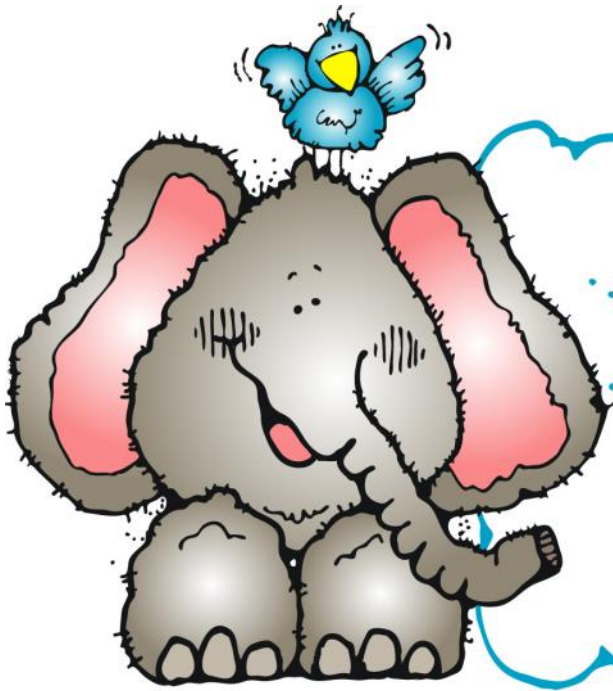
for all students



Thursday 7th December



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Don't Forget!

It is important to keep your contact details up to date. Any changes to your contact details, or your emergency contacts, can be updated at the office or by sending a note



School Term Dates 2023

- Term 1: 27th January—6th April
- Term 2: 24th April—23rd June
- Term 3: 10th July—15th September
- Term 4: 2nd October—20th December

**Please
Keep Gate
Closed**

*This is a
Child Safe Area*



*For the safety of all our students, please
close the front gate after yourself.*

*If you prefer, there is a pedestrian gate
immediately in front of the
School Office.*