



# Spring Hill Public School Newsletter

Term 1: Week 3- 13<sup>th</sup> February 2018



Dear Parents, friends and students,

2018 has certainly started with a splash! Congratulations to the following swimmers who represented at the OSSA Swimming Carnival.

Bronte, Stella, Lasche, Joe, Sam, Jacob, Will, James, Scarlett, Zoe, Michael, Freya and Mackenzie.

Best of luck to Bronte, Stella and Jacob who will be competing at the Orange district carnival on the 26<sup>th</sup> February at the Orange Aquatic Centre in freestyle and backstroke.

Our PP5 relay consisting of Stella, Mack, Jacob and Michael came second and have qualified for the Western Region carnival on the 16<sup>th</sup> March in Dubbo.

GO SPRING HILL!!

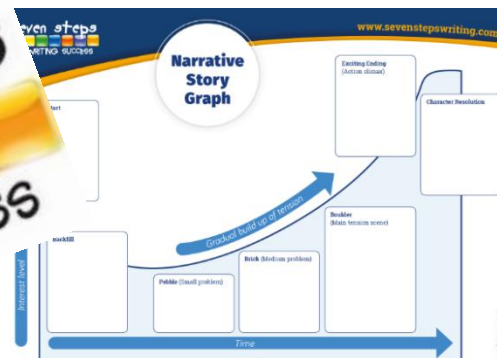
## Welcome Miss Rosie

Welcome back Miss Rosie who will be working in primary room with Mrs Mac and Deina.

## 7 Steps to Writing

Teaching staff attended an amazing professional development day last Saturday on "Seven Steps to Writing Success". We will be implementing this incredible writing program this term and look forward to publishing some creative pieces of writing.

1	Plan for Success
2	Sizzling Starts
3	Tightening Tension
4	Dynamic Dialogue
5	Show, Don't Tell
6	Ban the Boring
7	Exciting Endings



## Jack May Cup Athletics Carnival

Our Jack May carnival with Spring Terrace will be on the 28<sup>th</sup> February at Spring Hill School. All students will be involved in a range of track and field events. The day will commence at 9:30am and conclude by 2:30pm. All parents, grandparents are welcome to attend. Helpers with timekeeping and field events would be greatly appreciated.

We will be having a bbq on the day, order forms will be sent home soon.



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## Picnic in the Playground

On Thursday 15th February we will be having our first Welcome Picnic and Information Night for 2018; families are invited to bring their own Picnic Tea. It will commence at 6.00pm and finish at 7:15pm. Families will be invited to participate in novelty events and face painting. Parents will have an opportunity to chat with teachers, have a look at the classrooms and ask any questions they may have regarding their child's learning. We are looking forward to a fun night and meeting all our new families.

## School Rules

**"No Hat No Play"**- Please make sure your child is bringing their hat to school. Children who do not bring a hat will need to play in the shade during recess and lunch.

**Personal Items**- Please make sure all personal items and precious toys are left at home to avoid tears.

**Names on Property**- Children's names need to be on all items including jumpers, hats, drink bottles etc. Please do this as soon as possible.

## Updated family information

We have a number of families who have not returned their Updated Information form, please hand these into the office as soon as possible.

## Drop off Times and Leaving School

**Drop off**- Students are not to be dropped off any earlier than 8:00am Monday to Thursday. On Fridays students are not to be at school until 8:30am, as staff are not available.

Please do not leave your child unattended at school if there are no staff members on site.

**Leaving School**- Staff make every effort to make the afternoon pick up as safe as possible but we ask that all parents meet their infant children within the school grounds and ensure they cross the road safely.

The school day finishes at 3:00pm. If someone other than yourself is picking up your child please let the school know. Students should not be visiting other students without parents knowing where they are.

## Earn & Return

A huge thank you to the Devenish family for organising bins at the school for the Earn & Return. Aluminium cans, soft drink bottles are to be placed in the appropriate bins at Spring Hill School and the Spring Hill Post Office. All monies raised will go towards our Music Program 2018.

## Bike Track and Bike Maintenance

Any parents who can help repair our school bikes and have an interest in creating some jumps for our BMX track are encouraged to see Mrs Mac. Our students absolutely adore riding their bikes and scooters during recess and lunch and it is a great activity that promotes fitness and cardiovascular exercise.

## Transition Monday

The cost for transition is \$35.00 which helps pay for a teacher to be employed. Please make sure this is paid weekly, if you are behind on payments your child will not be able to attend until the outstanding fees have been brought up to date.

Remember to pack a healthy lunch and recess, bottle of water, hat and spare clothes if needed.



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## Outstanding Fees- Swimming, Technology & Stationary

Just a reminder that term fees are due by the 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018. If fees are not paid by the date your child will not be attending swimming lessons until the amount is paid in full. Due to the new LMBR system we are no longer able to have outstanding payments. Fees for technology ensure new apps can be purchased that compliment teaching and learning programs.

## Book Club

All book club orders are to be paid for online. Please make sure this is done by 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018. So orders can be delivered on time.

[www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)

## Healthy Lunchboxes

Healthy lunches and snacks are important for active children. It is important to offer healthy lunch box choices. Tips include fresh fruit, crunchy vegetables and a combination of protein, dairy, carbohydrate foods and a bottle of water.

### Foods to put in a lunch box

Suggestions include:

- Fresh fruit
- Crunchy vegetables
- A meat or protein food such as slices of lean meat, hardboiled egg
- Dairy food such as a cheese stick or slice, grated cheese, milk or yoghurt
- Starchy food such as bread, a roll, pita or flat bread, fruit bread or crackers
- Water.



**No chocolate, lollies or soft drinks are to be in lunchboxes.**

## Year 5 & 6 with Mrs Marriott

The novel we are studying is "Wonder" and students are enjoying learning how to write using the 7 steps program. Homework is issued every Monday and is to be returned the following Monday. Please take the time to listen to your child read and share their writing.

Mrs. Marriott.

## Colour City Running Festival 24<sup>th</sup>-25 February

We need parent helpers to help man water stations for the duration of the event. Please speak to Kaye Stevenson if you can help.

## Ice blocks

We will be selling ice blocks at school every Monday and Wednesday, they will be \$1 please give your money to Sam in the morning. Our school leaders will be running this initiative during Terms 1 & 4.



## Friday Swimming

Please make sure all clothes are labelled. The pool is a very busy environment and clothing is easily lost or mistaken for someone else's. Children need to have crocs/thongs, plastic bag to put their school clothes into, towel and goggles.





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## Assembly

Assemblies will be happening on Mondays fortnightly at 2:45pm in the school hall. These assemblies will be run by our school leaders. Parents, friends and family are invited to attend. Please see below for assembly dates for Term 1.

**-26<sup>th</sup> February**

**-12<sup>th</sup> March**

**-26<sup>th</sup> March**

**-9<sup>th</sup> April**

## Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at this weeks assembly.

Infants	Primary
Scotty Heaton- Student of the week	Stella Davis- Student of the week
Sarah Jackson-Spelling	Elliot Devenish- Reading
Ella Tink- Listening	Freya Baker- Being a great friend
Alexa McKenzie- Spelling	Zoe Stevenson- great writing
Grace Wigmore- Spelling	Scarlett- Rose Palazzi- great diary writing
Zach Knox- Finishing set tasks	Jacob Cox- Great assistance each morning
Bronte Murphy- Spelling	
Chelsea McDonald-for doing your best	
Blake Robinson- Maths	
Matayah Woods- Spelling	



## Calendar Dates

### Term 1 dates to remember

15/2- Picnic in the playground- 6:00pm start  
 26/2- Orange District Swimming Carnival  
 28/2- Jack May Cup Athletics  
 12-15/3- Parent Teacher Interviews  
 16/3- Western PSSA Swimming Carnival





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## Term 1 Week 2 & 3







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