

Dear Parents, Friends & Students,

We had a lovely surprise last Tuesday as large snowflakes descended and swirled around outside. Our playground looked incredible and our students were extremely excited to catch snowflakes in their mouths.

We are currently collecting all of our students' work samples and published pieces for their portfolios which will go home at the end of term 3, please send in blue folders. All kindergarten and new students will receive a folder.

Dates for Term 3

Mondays- Transition Program

Wednesdays- Hot Lunches

1/9- P & C Meeting at the Tavern

2/9 Ten Pin Bowling



Spring Hill Car Show- Cancelled

Unfortunately the Spring Hill Community have had to cancel their Car Show which was to be held on Sunday, 25th September. The state of the Rec Ground has contributed to this decision. Hopefully in the future we will have another fundraising opportunity.

Tell Them From Me Survey

Tell Them From Me is a suite of surveys for measuring student engagement and wellbeing. The surveys can be used to capture student, parent and teacher voices., providing reliable evidence for schools to use in identifying strengths and areas of improvement. We use this information for future planning and evaluation of current practices.

Students in years 4-6 will be participating in the Tell Them From Me surveys this week along with all staff.

<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/22shps>

Book Week Parade and Assembly

We are organising our Book Week Parade and end of term assembly for Monday, 19th of September commencing at 9:30am followed by a delicious morning tea to celebrate Education and Book Week. Parents, grandparents, and friends will have the opportunity to view the many achievements of our students and explore the classrooms. Please bring a plate to share.

Police Visit

Our students had the opportunity to listen and answer questions about social media and bullying with Police officer Geoff Mullins. From the talks it was evident that many of our students engage and use social media. Unfortunately, some apps are quite dangerous and take advantage of our students naivety. The minimum age for Tik Tok and Snap chat is 13years old. If your child is engaging in social media, it is imperative that parents are aware of what their child/children are doing online and who they may be communicating with.



School Photos

School photos will be available in the coming weeks and the cost for this year's school photos is \$20 per student. We will notify parents when photos will be available for purchase.

Covid-19

While we are experiencing less COVID cases at our school this week it is imperative that we remain diligent to reduce transmission. To ensure student, staff and visitor safety we will continue to:

Provide natural ventilation (when it is not snowing!) and encourage personal hygiene

Conduct appropriate classes outside

Report all positive cases to Service NSW and to our school office

Notification via Sentral if there is a case in your child's class.

Encourage use of RAT tests if symptomatic.

Wet Socks!

Our playground is still a swimming pool and we continue to have extremely curious and enthusiastic students who just can't wait to test their abilities to walk on water or how much water their socks can absorb!

Unfortunately, the rain does not seem to be easing and our waterpark will be around for some time. Please pack additional socks and pants in your child's bag and gumboots/waterproof shoes to ensure dry socks!

Parent Teacher Interviews- Week 10

Parent Teacher Interviews can now be booked via the Sentral App. These appointments are strictly 10 minutes long as teachers will have back to back bookings. Appointments will be confirmed in the coming weeks.

Ten Pin Bowling- 2/9, 9/9, 23/9

Our students will be participating in Friday afternoon bowling again this term. The cost of the bowling is \$5 per child for the 3 weeks' worth of bowling and transport.

Students will be leaving school at 1:00pm and travel to the Orange Ten Pin Bowling Centre. We ask that students are picked up at 3:00pm.

Alison Bennett Visit

A few weeks ago we were lucky enough to have a visit from local chiropractor Alison Bennett who donated 10 Posture M8s to our school. Alison has created a versatile, small, lightweight and portable air filled cushion that can become many things.

- A back support, turning a standard chair into a more ergonomic solution
- An unstable wobble surface for a child to sit in in a chair or even on the floor to help children with focus and memory retention, at home or in class.
- For the younger years that have a snooze time in the day, they can be used for pillows
- Even gentle traction for the mid back to open up the chest after hours of sitting.
- It can make the floor or chair more comfortable for story time.
- And lastly for the older kids, it can be used for exercises such as abdominal and balance exercises when the classes stop for exercise breaks.

For further information please call Alison on 0416 251 774 or email at alisonbennett_js@hotmail.com.



WEEK 5 MERIT AWARDS!

K/1

Knox Read- SOW

Hunter Sharp- Merit
Bronte Hammonds- Merit
Boston Whiley- Merit
Taylor Charnock- Merit
Sam Higgins- Merit
Elsie Sharp- Senior
Knox Read- Senior

2,3

Isla Reid- SOW

Logan Charnock- Merit
Elsie Teitzel- Merit
Maddi Cansdale- Merit

4,5,6

Hannah McKenzie- SOW
Alexa McKenzie- SOW

Quincy Roberts- Merit
Bronte Murphy- Merit
Lily Nicholson- Love- Merit
Chloe Thompson- Senior
Grace Wigmore- Merit
George Higgins- Merit
Lila Nelson- Senior



WEEK 6 MERIT AWARDS!

K,1

Poppy Morris- SOW

Mason Gibbs- Merit

Thomas Tink- Merit

Elsie Sharp- Merit

2,3

Walter Butchard- SOW

Dusty Bennett- Merit

Sophie Hambly- Merit

Maddi Cansdale- Reading

4,5,6

Emmy Brown- SOW

Alexa McKenzie- Merit

Chloe Thompson- Merit

Bridie Hammonds- Merit

