



March 18, 2020

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The past couple of weeks have been a challenging time for all of us. We are dealing with something that we have never seen before and the situation is constantly changing. Much of the information in relation to COVID-19 will continue to be relayed through Compass. The Department of Education is providing regular updates and directions to schools, as the situation evolves each day. Of course, our priority is to maintain a safe, supportive and engaging learning environment for every Selby PS student.

As the situation grows seemingly worse, the hysteria surrounding this outbreak is causing great anxiety and angst to people everywhere, especially parents. Although children are considered to be in a lower risk category, this does not protect them from being exposed to news reports on television, radio or social media. As a parent it is important to reassure your child, dispel any myths or untruths, and help them feel informed, allowing them to focus more on positive messages.

### Incursions and Assemblies

Until further notice, there will be no school assemblies. Student awards will still be presented weekly via the Public Address system with the support of our student leadership team on Friday during lunch eating time.

### Access to Information

For Victorian schools and their community members, the Department's COVID-19 website is the single authoritative source of advice and information.

### Student Absences

Again, the advice of the Chief Health Officer remains at present that our school should stay open, except in the case of a confirmed case of coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

If parents make the decision to keep their child/ren at home, our school will record this as a 'Code 807 – Parent Choice School Approved'. Please include the word 'COVID-19' in the absence comments.

## Calendar

### Wednesday March 18

GEM Program Parent Information  
Session 7pm—8pm (Library)

**Postponed**

### Tuesday 24—Friday March 27

Yr 5/6 Camp—Portsea

**Postponed**

### Friday March 27

Last Day of Term

### Tuesday April 14

Curriculum Day—No students

### Wednesday April 15

First Day of Term 2

### Friday April 24

ANZAC Ceremony 9am



## SCHOOL COUNCIL

Congratulations to the new and returning Councillors for 2020. We look forward to working with you throughout the year. The next School council meeting is Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March @ 7pm. I thank all of those on School Council who give their time to assist in helping the school, your efforts are greatly appreciated.

### DET STAFF

David Orlandi  
Holly Schwind  
Marita Marshal  
Kate Mercer  
Jemima Hogg

### PARENT MEMBERS

Dale McInerney  
Sarah Thompson  
Dan Zielinski  
Victoire Gibson  
Jason Watson  
Sandra Taylor  
Michael Dunstan  
Josh Garton

## ANNUAL REPORT TO SCHOOL COMMUNITY

The Annual Report to the school community will be presented on Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm just prior to our School Council meeting.

The Annual Report is designed to add value in a number of ways:

### Keeping the school community informed:

The annual report provides a means for the school council to inform the community of what has been achieved and how the school is performing. Providing information about schools helps the community hold schools, the system and government accountable for improving student outcomes.

### Contributing to system accountability and meeting legislative requirements:

Public accountability for improving student outcomes and for the use of public money is mandated in the Education and Training Reform Act (2006), where school councils are required to prepare and publish an annual report.

### Relationship between the planning and annual reporting processes:

The development of the annual report is an opportunity to reflect on the school's achievements and use this as a basis for future planning.

It is great to reflect on the results we have achieved as a school and celebrate our successes whilst carefully planning to ensure our results continue to improve.

## CURRICULUM DAYS

At the last School Council meeting approval for the final two curriculum days for the year were passed. The two remaining curriculum days for 2020 are:

Tuesday April 14—Focus will be on developing teacher practice in Numeracy and assessment practices.

Tuesday June 23—Focus will be on School Wide Positive Behaviour Support program before holding Parent/Teacher Conferences in the afternoon/evening.

## HALL WORKS

The works to the hall have continued and are progressing well. My meeting with the builders last week had everything running to schedule. As you can see from the photos the heaters have been removed from the ceiling, the insulation is removed from the walls and ceiling. The new insulation has been installed and the roofing sheets have begun to be installed. It is looking fantastic and we are excited to see what it will all look like when it is completed.





## END OF TERM

### Timetable for the last day of Term 1, Friday March 27

The arrangements for the last day of term are as follows:

9.00am – 11.00am	Students in class
11.00am – 11.40am	Recess
11.40am – 1.00pm	Students in class
1.10pm – 1.20pm	Students eat lunch in class
1.20pm – 2.00pm	Lunch play
2.30pm	Students dismissed

The Camp Australia, Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) program commences at 2.30pm on the last day of term.

In these times it is also important we celebrate some of the fantastic work that is being undertaken in the school.

The artwork in the hallways is outstanding and I encourage you to find some time to come in and view the outstanding work.

Stay safe and have a great week

David Orlandi

Principal



# Good Book Awards

- PB** **Isla M** **RESPECT** Isla thank you for being such a respectful member of our class. You have a great attitude to learning and your careful listening has allowed you to confidently use position words in maths to describe the location of objects. Awesome work Isla!
- PH** **Asta W** **CONFIDENCE** You demonstrate great confidence when speaking in front of your peers and with such a happy face!
- 1/2M** **Zara A** **CONFIDENCE** Wow you read with terrific confidence and fluency in your reading group this week Zara, I was impressed! Keep up the great work
- 1/2W** **Adara G** **PERSONAL BEST** Congratulations Adara on your outstanding work habits. I know I can always look at your work and it will display exactly what the task required. This demonstrates how well you have listened, followed instructions and worked productively to finish on time. You are a super student and a great role model to your classmates. TOP JOB!
- 3/4K** **Beau D** **PERSONAL BEST** Beau you are always giving your personal best by working hard in everything that you do. Keep up the great work!
- 3/4R** **Dani-Rose O** **CONFIDENCE** Dani, I have been super impressed with the positive attitude you have put into extending your knowledge of time. You have worked hard to understand elapsed time and put in a great effort to ensure you are becoming a problem-solving master!
- 3/4S** **Dasha C** **PERSONAL BEST** Dasha, what an amazing Narrative you have written. You responded to feedback with a smile and added lots of fantastic adjectives to make your story interesting and exciting. You remained focussed and worked hard to get it finished and I am very impressed. Keep up the great work Dasha.
- 5/6H** **Grace M** **RESILIENCE** Grace, recently you have faced a number of challenges and you have handled them with courage and perseverance. It's tough, but you haven't given up. I admire this quality in you so much and encourage you to keep taking on difficult situations with this attitude.
- 5/6S** **Willow T** **CONFIDENCE** Willow I was incredibly impressed with your confident participation in our Maths discussion recently. You volunteered answers and demonstrated good understanding of multiplication and division through your explanations. Keep it up!





## Late Photo Orders 2020

Dear parents and students of Selby Primary School,

**IT'S STILL NOT TOO LATE TO ORDER 2020 SCHOOL PHOTOS BEFORE LATE FEES ARE INCURRED**

Your school photo day was held on 13-03-2020 and all students are photographed regardless of purchase. If you did not place an order but would like to, it's not too late to order online.

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**Step 2:** Enter your student's details

**Step 3:** Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)

**Step 4:** Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)

**Please Note:** Online ordering is available up to 10 days after photo day and after this time, processing fees will apply to all orders.

Place your order on or before **23-03-2020** to avoid the processing fees!

# Back to school essentials for your child's brain power



Nutrition Australia recommends to pick and mix one tasty option from each of the five core food groups to create a healthy lunchbox every day:

1. Fruit e.g. fresh, frozen, pureed and canned in natural juice
2. Vegetables, legumes and beans
3. Milk, yoghurt, cheese and alternatives
4. Lean meats and poultry, fish, eggs, tofu, nuts and seeds, and legumes/beans
5. Grain (cereal) foods
6. Plain water



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## Discover, Create, Connect with NATURE!

### Nature Play & Scavenger Hunt

Thursday 2nd April, 11:30am-12:30pm

Seville Water Park, Monbulk-Seville Rd, Seville  
(In partnership with Seville Community House)

No Booking Required

### Bush Art

Monday 6th April, 10am-11am

Elizabeth Bridge Reserve, Durham Rd, Kilsyth  
(In partnership with Japara)

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For further information please contact:

Yarra Ranges Council Early Years team on [earlyyears@yarraranges.vic.gov.au](mailto:earlyyears@yarraranges.vic.gov.au) / 1300 368 333

### Bush Art & Painting with River Rocks

Tuesday 7th April, 10am-11:30am

200 Doon Rd, Yarra Junction  
(Access through Doon caravan park)

Change of clothes recommended – adult supervision required as close to river.

No Booking Required

### Bush Art

Thursday 9th April, 10:30am-11:30am

Birdsland Reserve, 271 Mt Morton Rd, Belgrave Heights

[www.trybooking.com/BII2I](http://www.trybooking.com/BII2I)

These activities will be cancelled in the event of wet weather. Please refer to [www.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/Experience/Events](http://www.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/Experience/Events) for updates.



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An experience in outside school hours care is an experience in forming friendships. You get more than care with OSHC - building confidence, learning life skills and having fun, while trying something new.

OSHC is a great way for children to step out of their comfort zone and to get to know some students at their school they may not have otherwise met.

Plus, we're all about convenience - there's no travel time, traffic or complicated arrangements to be made, so your child can leave the classroom and be playing soccer, eating a healthy snack or learning how to play a board game within minutes of leaving the classroom.



**It's FREE to Register.** (and if you want to use OSHC, you first need to register).

Register at [pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login](http://pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login). Once registered, it's easy to make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

### You may be eligible to claim subsidies on your care usage!

If eligible, to help you with the cost of childcare, you may be entitled to receive the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy. Visit [my.gov.au](http://my.gov.au) to find out more.

For more information on our service and fees, visit our website [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au). Alternatively, come and meet the team in the OSHC room. We'd love to meet you, and you can find out more about OSHC from our friendly, qualified Educators.

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