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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This week I have the pleasure of stepping into the principal's role. while Mr Burton is on paternity leave. Members of the leadership team will be sharing this role to ensure that everything continues to run smoothly. Thank you to Mrs Smits for her excellent work as Acting Principal last week. Next week Miss Ball will take the reins, followed by Ms Hogg the following week. Please don't hesitate to contact the office, or your child's teacher, if needed.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Mr Burton and his wife Jess who welcomed baby George last week, and are enjoying some precious time together getting to know each other!

LOTS MORE CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Mrs Monica Dryden who has been appointed as a classroom teacher for next year.

Congratulations to Toko Sensei who after taking some Long Service Leave, will be retiring at the end of this year. Her last day is Friday 2nd of December. Toko has been at Selby since 2012 and over that time has developed an amazing Japanese program for our school.

Congratulations to Mrs Alex Gallagher who is expecting her second child with her husband Brent towards the end of this year. Mrs Gallagher's last day will also be Friday 2nd of December.

Congratulations to Mrs Julie Hedger who, after more years than she will let me mention, is retiring from classroom teaching at the end of the year. Julie has been such an integral part of Selby for so long that it is hard to imagine it without her. Fortunately, she plans on being around for a little while longer as an emergency teacher.

Congratulations to Ms Allison Hudson for securing an ongoing position at Maranatha Christian School. Ms Hudson has been a fabulous addition to the staff at Selby and will be missed.

Finally, best wishes to Ms India Thomas who will be finishing at the end of the year to travel overseas. Thank you for all you have done for the students in 3/4 and enjoy your adventures!

Thank you so much to these amazing staff members who have contributed so much to our Selby community. We wish you all the very best in your future endeavours.

Calendar

Monday 28th November

Smile Squad

Monday 5th December

Prep 2023 Information Evening

Tuesday 6th December

Christmas Carols Night

Thursday 8th December

Year 1/2 Wombat Corner, Reports go home

Monday 12th December

Year 6 Graduation

Tuesday 13th December

Whole School Transition Day

Wednesday 14th December

House Sports Day

Thursday 15th December

Cameo Movie Day

Friday 16th December

Year 6 Final Assembly

Monday 20th December

Last day for students, 1:30pm finish

Tuesday 21st December

Curriculum Day

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued...

MARKETPLACE - Thursday 24th November

As part of the year 5/6 Inquiry unit this term, they are running a marketplace on Thursday where all students will have the opportunity to purchase items created by the 5/6 students. Also see the ad further along in this newsletter. Please send along a little money with your child to support this event.

WHOLE SCHOOL TRANSITION DAY - Tuesday 13th December

On this day students will find out who their teacher is for 2023 and spend some time with them in their new classroom. It is a very exciting time for students but it can also cause some anxieties. We will be having lots of conversations at school to support students through this transition. Please encourage your child to speak to their teacher about their concerns as we can help!

HATS AND JUMPERS

As a SunSmart school, all students need to wear hats in Term 1 and Term 4 to protect them from the sun (or rain?) Please ensure your child has a clearly named school sun hat at school to ensure they are sun safe.

When the weather warms up, we tend to see a lot of jumpers discarded around the school. Please check to make sure all jumpers are clearly named (not just initials!) so they can be returned to their owner.

PRODUCTION VIDEO

'Purpose Productions' have produced a fabulous video of our 2022 school production 'Let Loose'. We are selling copies for \$15 via Compass. As this is an 'Opt In' event, you will need to check Compass to place your order.

END OF YEAR EVENTS

The end of the school year is always a busy time. Please make sure you keep an eye on Compass and have noted all of the upcoming events in your family calendar.

TREE REMOVAL

A big thank you to Anthony Maasakkers for bringing to our attention there was a dangerous tree near the school. Also thanks to Yarra Ranges Council for their very quick action in taking the tree down on the same day it was reported.

Have a great week! Holly Schwind.



Selby Students Doing Big Things!

Well done to Adara in Year 4, whose Christmas Card design has been selected as a finalist (from over 500 entries). Here is a photo of some of the designs on display.





Congratulations to Poppy in Year 6 for her terrific speech at the Rotary Speech Contest.

Good Book Awards

Prep B - Caiden W - Confidence

Caiden, it was fantastic to see you approach your writing with confidence this week. You wrote a letter about your weekend that went over two pages. It was wonderful to see you work independently on this task and achieve such fantastic work. You should be very proud of yourself Caiden! Well done!.

1/2A - Tilly F - Personal Best

What a poet you are Tilly! Your odes this week were very entertaining and full of interesting descriptions. Keep up the fantastic work!

1/2S - Jacob K- Respect

Jacob, what a respectful person you are! You show respect to your friends, classmates, teachers and the school.

Thank you!

3/4J - Scout Z - Personal Best

Amazing convict writing Scout. You have really taken on your understanding towards how a convict might feel aboard the ship – 'The Friendship' and how overwhelming it would have been to arrive in Terra Australis Incognita.

Well Done

3/4M - Alexis S - Personal Best

Congratulations Alexis!
You showed your personal best in your effort towards
your maths Fraction Facts poster. You've shown your
understanding of different fractions, decimals and
percentages through your poster.
Keep up the great work!



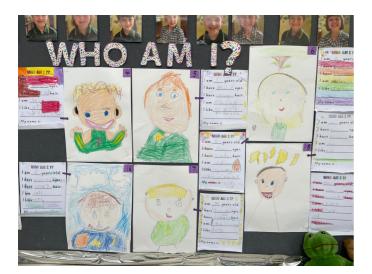
PREP NEWS

It has been a very busy two weeks in Prep. We have been learning how to write descriptions. Come in and play our game "Who am I?" Can you guess who everyone is?











Year 5 Indoor Soccer Day -Friday 4th November





What a wonderful day our Year 5 students had playing Futsal against other schools from the EDEC district. The event was held at the Mt Evelyn Indoor Futsal Oz. Selby had 3 teams, 2 of which made it through to the semi-finals. It was fantastic to see such terrific team work, friendly competition and lots of interacting with the other schools. Our Selby kids represented themselves with respect and fair play throughout the day.

Well done, Year 5's!









LOST

PROPERTY

There is a lot of lost property up at the office. Please come and claim it if it is yours!

Anything left unclaimed will be donated.









Each week, we will feature some amazing writing from students across the school.

This week, the 1/2s have been writing odes! An ode is a type of lyrical poem, originally meant to be sung. They're typically short and praise an individual, idea or event.

Ode to Ralph

Oh Ralph,

When I saw you getting beaten up,

I knew I wanted you.

I heard you whimpering

When I heard you

I knew you would look cool.

Good memories.

Fluffy and brownish,

Your brownish eyes

Make me happy.

Without you,

I would be really really sad.

Lincoln, 1/2S

KFC

Oh KFC your burgers are as yummy as chocolate.

You smell like fried chips.

Your chips are as yummy as chicken noodles.

Your chicken nuggets are as crispy as fried chips.

Your burgers look like big sandwiches.

Your colours are brown, dark brown, gold, yellow, green and red.
Oh KFC.

Anoj & Emily, 1/2A

Ode to Minecraft

Oh Minecraft,

You are so blocky,

All of your players are so good.

Your crafting is so good.

Raf, 1/2S

Ode to Ginger

My dear Ginger,

How could I live without

Your cute fluffy cuddles.

My dear Ginger,

Your eyes are kind of scary in the dark

I don't care anyway.

My dear Ginger,

What cute meows you have

The purring is pretty cute too.

My dear Ginger,

What cute rolly pollys you do.

Evelyn, 1/2S

Ode to Jacob R

Oh Jacob R,

You are so smart and humble.

You are the best friend in the world.

You are always serious

And I love your hair style.

You are awesome.

If I didn't have you as a friend,

I would have no one to play with!

Louis, 1/2S

Year 1/2 Odes continuing...

Ode to Louis

Oh Louis,

Your beautiful blonde curly hair, You make me feel special, Without you I would not have any friends. My favourite memory is when I met you.

Jacob R, 1/2S

Sharks

Oh, sharks

You are as grey as a rock.

You have very sharp teeth,

As white as a white board.

Oh, sharks,

You live in the deepest sea.

You are so big,

I like you.

Oh, sharks,

You are as rough as fish.

Oh sharks.

Blaze & Jeffrey, 1/2A

Ice

Oh, ice,

You are invisible or clear,

Smooth as butter in the air,

You taste like sugar on the table fresh,

Oh, ice,

You sound like glass smashing on the table,

You are the best of the best,

We love you so much,

You can be like an ice sculpture on ice or

water.

Eva & Lucy, 1/2A

Ode to Eve

Oh Eve,

Anyone who saw you would immediately be your friend.

I wish you could live with me,

That's how lovely you are.

You are my best friend.

You are the best,

Anyone who met you would think that.

I would not survive without you!

You are so cute.

Audrey, Year 2

Cupcake

Oh cupcake,

You come in so many different flavours,

Oh cupcake,

You smell like a jam donut.

The icing is as yummy as can be,

You are as soft as a bed on the outside,

It is the best in my mouth

When I bite in to you it takes me to a

different place,

Oh cupcake.

Grace & Amon, 1/2A

Corn

Oh sweet corn,

As gold as a star in a shape of a tooth

You taste like butter

You're as bumpy as a four-wheel drive track

but juicy on the inside.

You make me want to cry

Oh corn,

You smell like nothing

But you're mine.

Willow, 1/2A

Each week, we will feature some amazing writing from students across the school.

Year 3/4 classes have been writing their own Convict stories.

They all have been convicted of a crime and will be transported to Australia.

Journal Entry 4

Two days passed like a flash, and first thing I knew it, I was thrown to wooden planks, and I hear furious screeches as other convicts are thrown onto a ship that the guards called the 'friendship'

- Lucy

Journal Entry 6
It's been two hundred
and forty days. My
health isn't the best.
It smells like salt and
dead people and salt
water. The food is all
stale like it will break my
teeth. The water is
terrible and disgusting.
My friends are all dead by
sickness, I was sad.
- Edward

Journal Entry 4
I feel very sea sick, people are
literally dropping dead around
me. It's ghastly in here. I really
want to go home.

- Ezra

Journal Entry 8

I have been working at this country for sooo long each day, I'm tired and hot and I only get one break, so I don't faint off the temperature. I've been sentenced less time now because of good behavior around people. I eat two meals a day, my last meal of the day is at 1:30pm, which is when we have little amounts of weak salty soup and stale bread. For breakfast, it's porridge, it's completely flourless, but I prefer it to lunch. I can't sleep because the guy who screams at night is now banging his fists on the ground while always screaming, and it's getting worse because they are whipping him, but it just makes him LOUDER! I'm wearing some kind of oversized uniform for when I'm working. It's better than making me wear my clothes I got when I came into join. I've been at Sydney Cove for half a years and it feels like I would have nowhere else to go if I wasn't in jail.

- Seraphina

Year 3/4 Class

JOURNAL ENTRY #2 TURNS OUT STEALING A BLANKET WASN'T SUCH A GOOD IDEA AFTER ALL. YEP. THAT'S RIGHT. I GOT CAUGHT BY THE POLICE, IT ALL STARTED LAST NIGHT WHEN I CREPT INTO THE HOUSE **OPPOSITE ME. I SILENTLY** WENT UP TO THE DOOR OF THEIR KITCHEN AND OPENED IT. I PICKED UP THE BLANKET AND STEPPED BACK... ONTO A **METAL BOWL! BUSTED! IF I** DIDN'T STEP ON THAT BOWL. I WOULDN'T OF BEEN CAUGHT. -ADARA

JOURNAL ENTRY #3

IT IS HORRIBLE HERE. I'M DEVASTATED. I'VE GOT NOTHING. ABSOLUTELY NOTHING. IT'S SMELLY IN HERE. EVERYWHERE THE GUARDS LITERALLY HAVE TO WEAR MASKS THEN THEY COME IN. WELL. COMPLETE TOXIN GAS SUITS! BUT FRED BUTTLE, MY NEW BEST FRIEND DOESN'T COMPLAIN. HE IS REALLY COOL. I HAVE HEARD A RUMOUR THAT ALL THE PRISONERS WILL BE BOARDING A SHIP. EVERYONE IS VERY NERVOUS... ESPECIALLY FRED. IF WE ACTUALLY TO BOARD, I'M DEFINITELY READY.

-FLYNN

Journal Entry #7

There is one week left on the ship. I'm excited but I still don't get why this ship is called The Friendship. It doesn't make sense. I wonder what the Island is going to be like, but most of all, I want to see the food there because I'm so hungry! There might be FRESH FRUIT! Yum! Instead of disgusting mouldy gravy and porridge that's not even cooked.

-Ebani

Journal Entry #4

It did get worse! There's a
disease spreading and I'm
worried that I might get it.
But luckily Calvin had been
reassuring me that I won't get
the disease. I'm still worried.

NOW it can't get worse, can
it?

-Nicolai



PIZZA FRACTIONS







What better way to learn about fraction's than to cut up some delicious pizza's into halves quarters, sixths and eighths.

The Year 3/4's certainly enjoyed this maths lesson.







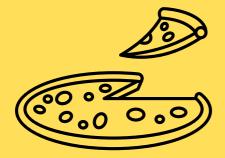
PIZZA FRACTIONS







The Year 3/4's created, cooked, cut and ate their delicious pizza pieces











Selby Primary School Christmas Celebration

Tuesday 6th December 5:00pm - 6:30PM

By0 Picnic Dinner

PERFORMANCES

5:30PM -5.45PM PREP & YEAR 1/2 6. 15-6.30PM YEAR 3/4 & YEAR 5/6 ACTIVITIES RUN BY STUDENT LEADERS

5:45PM-6:15PM

Decorating cookies Christmas Craft Sports Games on the oval

Dance Games



Sausage Sizzle \$2.50 Cans \$1.50 Fruit Juice \$1.00





MAKE OR BAKE!

The PFA is looking for **crafters and baking enthusiasts** to donate a range of home-baked items or Christmas crafts to the Term 4 Christmas stall - fundraiser.

While any donations are welcome, items that can be gifted, such as handmade decorations and crafts, jams, chutneys, and other festive baking are encouraged.

If you would like to make/ bake and donate, please bring your goodies including an ingredients list - to the school office by 9am on Wednesday 14 December.

Christmas Stall: Wed 14 Dec, 3.30pm





Dandenong Ranges Emergency Relief Service Giving Tree

Invitation to place some gifts under our school tree by Friday 9th December

This charity helps hundreds of people each year. Christmas can be a difficult time for families, many of whom are struggling to make ends meet because of illness, job loss or financial crisis.

The Dandenong Ranges Emergency Relief Service based in Belgrave, runs the Christmas in the Hills project to help people celebrate Christmas.

Selby Primary School is pleased to be able to support the program this year. We invite you to bring in new toys or gift vouchers for children 0-17 years old and place them under the tree at the school office.

Some simple guidelines: New toys

Vouchers with a long expiry
Consider teens (sports equipment/vouchers)
PLEASE DO NOT WRAP GIFTS

SELBYFEST 2025 RECYCLED HEADPIECE FASHION PARADE

There are many things in our homes that could be reused and recycled, the trick is to FIND these things and turm them into something

WONDERFUL TO WEAR!



Make your headpiece from recycled items and enter the fashion parade at SelbyFest to WIN!

BELGRAVE CAMEO MOVIE TICKETS
TO BE WON!



Kids:

5 - 12

13 - 17

Adults 18+



Parade will commense at 2.30pm sharply, winners will be selected by a panel of recycling experts and arty folks, prizes will be awarded at SelbyFest after the decision has been made (all decisions are final) one winner per category.

Selby Community House proudly supporting Terracycle and a sustainable community. To enter, please email your name, age and contact number to projects@selbyhouse.org.au!









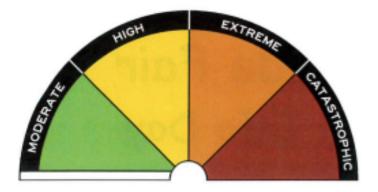








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Plan and prepare

HIGH

Be ready to act

EXTREME

Take action now to protect life and property CATASTROPHIC

For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas

The new system has four rating levels instead of the previous six, is consistent across Australia, easier to understand and provides clearer advice on how to stay safe.

Check which days you can burn off to reduce garden waste at yarraranges.vic.gov.au/Environment/Burning-off

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