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#### **Principals Report**

Scott Burton

I would like to extend a warm welcome to you all as we start the 2024 school year! I hope you have enjoyed some quality family time together over the holiday break. To our new families, we welcome you into the Selby community and look forward to getting to know you over the coming weeks, months and years.

As well as welcoming our new families to the school I would like to welcome Elizabeth Tunley (Performing Arts), and welcome back Kate Mercer (1/2M). We look forward to having you as part of our community.

On 30th January we had 18 excited Prep students start their journey in education. There were plenty of nerves, but they soon made way for happy, smiling students who were keen and eager to learn.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of our staff in making sure that we are all set up for the start of the new year and off to such a smooth start. All the staff were in throughout the holidays working on setting up their classrooms.

#### Parent/Teacher Information Exchange

We have set aside very important time for 'Parent/Teacher Information Exchange' on Wednesday, March 20th. These meetings provide a timely opportunity for our teaching staff to form an effective partnership with each child's family. Working in partnership and having consistent expectations between home and school leads to better outcomes for our students. The Interviews are strictly 10 minutes and if you feel you need a longer time then a follow-up time should be organised. The bookings for interviews can be done online through the Compass app.

#### **Developing a Partnership with Selby Families**

Our teaching and support staff are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure all students can achieve their highest potential. We recognise that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our student's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

We ask that you guide and support your child's learning by ensuring that they:

- Attend school daily and arrive on time ready for the day's learning program.
- Complete all homework given by teachers.
- Read daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills.
- Practice numeracy skills daily to develop their knowledge of number facts.
- Share school experiences with you so that you are aware of their school life.

Working and "learning together" we can achieve great results. There are many opportunities for parent involvement within the school: classroom assistance with Reading, Maths or investigations; Kitchen Classroom, assisting at Working Bees; camps and excursions. Parental support of the teachers and the school's programs is also vital and includes displaying a positive attitude towards your child's learning, so I encourage you all to be fully involved in your child's education.

#### **Review and Update Contact Details**

As we are in the middle of the fire season it is a good time to remind our families to ensure that all your details are up to date at the school. If you have changed address, got a new phone number or have a new alternative contact please update your profile on Compass so that we are able to contact you if required.

#### **School Council Elections**

Last Tuesday, information regarding the 2024 School Council election process was sent to families via Compass. I would encourage any interested parent to contact me for more information. School council is an extremely vital part of the school. Please see the Compass notice for a timeline and role summary.

### **CALENDAR**

#### Friday 9th February

Year 6 Jacket Presentation

**Tuesday 20th February** 

School Council

#### **Thursday 22nd February**

**EDEC Swimming** 

**Monday 4th March** 

House Atheltics Kings Park

Friday 8th March

Curriculum Day - No students

**Monday 11th March** 

Labor Day Public Holiday

Wednesday 13th March

**NAPLAN Begins** 

Wednesday 20th March

Parent Teacher Interviews



#### Working with Children Checks (WWCC)

We encourage and value parental and community support at Selby Primary School. There are many ways that parents, grandparents, and friends can assist at our school. We require all parents to obtain a Working with Children Check. These checks are free for volunteers. Please bring your WWCC to the office so we can photocopy it and add your name to our list. For more information on applying go to https://www.vic.gov.au/working-with-children-check

#### **Privacy Policy**

Our school collects, uses, discloses, and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the <u>Schools' Privacy Policy</u>. Please take time to remind yourself of our school's collection notice.

Our Photographing, Filming and Recording Students Policy, describes how we collect and use photographs, video and recordings of students. The policy also explains when parent consent is required and how it can be provided and withdrawn.

For more information about privacy, refer to <u>Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents</u>. This information is also available in ten community languages:

#### Student Insurance - Reminder from DET

Parents are reminded that the Department of Education and Training (DET) does not offer any form of 'student accident insurance. If families are concerned about this they are advised to make their own arrangements. Ambulance cover could be one consideration as the school will not hesitate to call an ambulance if we are concerned for a child's wellbeing.

#### Personal Goods brought to school at the 'Owners' risk

The Department of Education and Training (DET) does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools. All schools are requested to remind students and parents/guardians of this at the beginning of each academic year and to discourage parents/students from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school. Please avoid bringing these items as it can be most upsetting for all concerned if items go missing or are damaged.

#### School Crossing

Just a reminder that the 40km/h School Zone is now operational during drop off and pick up times.

#### **Congratulations**

Finally, on behalf of the Selby community, I would like to wish Josie and her fiance Ben all the best for their big day.





## **Good Book Awards**

#### Prep B - Patrick S - Personal Best

Patrick, it has been a pleasure to see that you have been showing your Personal Best in all your learning throughout your first week of school. In just one week you have carefully listened to the instructions to create lots of fantastic work. I was so impressed by how carefully and neatly you wrote the word 'cat'. An outstanding job superstar! Keep it up!

#### 1/2A - Dorothy M - Personal Best

Dotty, what an amazing start you have made to Grade 1! Not only have you shown resilience by quickly settling in and adjusting to your new grade, you have also worked so hard to do your best on each task.

What a star you are!

#### 1/2M - Thom M - Confidence

Thom it was very pleasing to see you settle quickly with confidence to write your recount. Your choice of descriptive words to express your feelings about your basketball game was excellent. game was excellent.

#### 3/4H - Logan D - Resilience

Logan, you have started your first year at Selby with gusto! Not only have you settled quickly into class routines and made new friends you have also been voted in as one of our Student Voice Representatives. With everything you've achieved in just one week I can't wait to see what you'll do throughout the next year!

#### 3/4M - Ziva B - Personal Best

Ziva, what an exceptional start you have had to school life at Selby! I have loved getting to know you through your fantastic maths 'Figure Me Out.' Keep up the excellent effort.

#### 5/6S - Nicolai V- Confidence

How amazing it has been having your insightful and informative sharing during all of our class discussions so far this year. Your wealth of knowledge, especially about Science, has just been wonderful.

#### 5/6J - Cooper B - Confidence

Cooper, you have started this year with amazing confidence and an 'I will give it a go' attitude. Mrs. Knowles and I are loving how interactive you are in the classroom and cannot wait to see what the rest of the year holds. Well done!





#### **SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT (SWPBS)**

Have you heard about values tokens?

Have you heard about Pom Poms?

Have you heard about a whole school reward?

At Selby Primary School we are proud to have a whole school positive approach to the behaviour and wellbeing of our students. If you wish to learn more about this whole school approach please see the <u>Student and Family Handbook</u>.

All staff and the student leadership acknowledge students when they demonstrate our school values of:
Personal Best, Resilience, Confidence and Respect.

Students are acknowledged both inside and outside the classroom with a values token. These tokens are added to their individual chart displayed in their classroom. When they receive 10 acknowledgements, they receive a pom pom, reward and certificate. Students get to take the pom pom up to the office and choose a whole school reward of their choice by placing it in the one of the values carriages. The rewards are chosen by our students through their nominated Student Voice Team representative. Classes also work towards rewards that are voted on in the Student Voice 'Class Meetings'.

They are currently working towards 4 whole school rewards. We can't wait to have a whole school reward soon. Go Selby students!!

We are proud to be recognised for successfully implementing and embedding the SWPBS approach into our school environment.

Josie Ball and The SWPBS Team.







## PREP NEWS

It has been a very busy and exciting start to the Preps' first year of school. We have been learning about the routines of school and have enjoyed spending lots of time with our wonderful Year 5 buddies. We are so excited for the year ahead and getting to know more about school.















# 1/2 NEWS

In 1/2 we have been busy getting to know one another and the routines to follow in our new grade. We look forward to sharing our work with everyone throughout 2024.



1/2M



1/2A

# 3/4 NEWS





3/4M



3/4H

# 5/6 NEWS





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# Bakers Delight

## EASTER ORDERING 2024

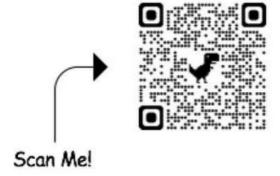
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#### by Friday 15th of March

and your items will be delivered to the School for your collection on

#### Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of March



When ordering online, please make sure you select \*\*SCHOOL NAME\*\*\* and enter your Child's name & Class

Remember to ask family and friends if they would like to order some too!



## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

### CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- · \$150 for primary school students
- \$250 for secondary school students

#### MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit: https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx

#### HOW TO APPLY

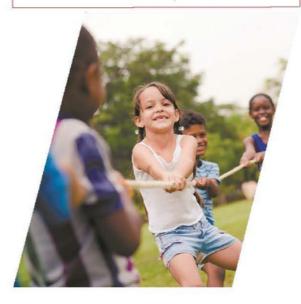
New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools this year.
- changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.





# ANNUAL ancake Minner

SHrove Tuesday, February 13

6:00 PM TILL SOLD OUT

#### Includes

Pancakes, selection of traditional/ vegetarian savoury toppings, ice-cream/berry/lemon sweet toppings, cordial, tea & coffee



Thanks for supporting our church fundraiser for Selby CFA \$5 EACH \$13 MEAL (3) \$41 FAMILY (10) Cash/EFT at the door. BYO.

All Saints Carlotta Tye Church Hall. 2 Lacy st, Selby @allsaintsselby







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Now accepting 2024 enrolments for our rehearsal venues in Berwick, Box Hill, Caulfield North, Essendon, Glen Waverley, Greensborough, Heidelberg, Ivanhoe, Kew, Mentone, Ringwood and Yarraville.



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