



# SPENSLEY STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## 12 September 2019

I am looking forward to catching up with lots of people tomorrow morning as part of my farewell celebrations. Please come to the multi-purpose room from 8.15 to say hi.

Last week the new Spensley Street Primary School principal, Bec Spink, was appointed. Bec has been a sub-school principal at Aitken Creek Primary School in Craigieburn and she is very excited to join the Spensley Street community. We hope that Bec can visit before the end of term to say hello to the students and the staff. A new principal is an exciting event in the life of the school and I know that everyone in our community will extend a warm welcome to Bec.

As I move close to the end of my time at Spensley Street, I have very mixed feelings. Of course, I am looking forward to having lots of time to pursue interests and to travel. On the other hand, I have been part of the wonderful Spensley Street community since I was first appointed here in 1986 and moving on feels momentous. Above everything else, I will miss the people – the children, the staff and the parent and carer community, including all the grandparents and volunteers that I have chatted to so often. Being a principal is a very demanding and fulfilling job and I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to lead this great community. I am proud of the things we have achieved together and look forward to the next stage for Spensley Street. The school has a very bright future and I know it will thrive in the fabulous hands of our dedicated staff and our new leadership team.



### PYJAMA DAY

Pyjama Day, a Junior School Council fundraiser, is on next Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September. We hope that students will wear their pyjamas to school and bring a gold coin as a donation. Money raised will be going towards the school and Bahay Tuluyan, an organisation that provides a variety of programs and services aimed at preventing and responding to abuse and exploitation of children in the Philippines.

<http://www.bahaytuluyan.org/>



### ITALIAN MASKS

All the students from Prep to Year 6 have been making masks as part of the Italian program. We can't wait to see them. Next Wednesday we will have a parade of masks in the multi-purpose room, soon after 9am. Parents and carers are most welcome to join us.

### IMPORTANT DATES

Term 3  
15 July—20 September

**Friday 13th September 8:15am**

Morning gathering with Anne

**Tuesday 17th September 7:30pm**

Yr 1 & 2 Camp info meeting

**Tuesday 17th September**

Pyjama Day

**Wednesday 18th 9am**

Italian Mask Parade

### Term 4

**Italian Experience**

Thursday 10th-11th October

**Solar Boat**

Saturday 19 October

**Fete**

Saturday 26 October

**Year 6 Dinner**

Tuesday 10 December

### Save The Date

Saturday 30th of November 2019  
7.30pm

Anne and Gerard are retiring this year. In fabulous Spensley Street style, we are going to celebrate all things Anne and Gerard with a Great Big Party in the multi purpose room. All current and former parents and friends welcome. All adult former students welcome. Please spread the word.

And if you have any ideas or can help on the day (this is post-fete after all), please contact Marion on 0408402115

## Camp Information Evening

**Tuesday 17 September at 7:30pm**

Next Tuesday evening there will be a Camp Information evening for parents of children going to camp for the first time.

This is specifically aimed at the Year 1 and 2 camps, but everyone is welcome.

Thankyou to the Prep—Year 2 teachers for their work in preparing for the Term 4 camps.

## Steam Room Building Project

We have a starting date and it's the first day of the school holidays. Our STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths) room building project starts on 23 September and will extend over Term 4 and Term 1 next year.

It's always a challenge to manage a building site within a school because it means that some spaces will be inaccessible. But we've done it before and we are confident we can meet the challenges this time too.

Next term we won't be able to use the back gate or driveway. There will be a fenced area around the rear door and side of the multi purpose room.

We will tell you more about the building program next week.



*Would you like to be better equipped to support your child aged eight to 12 years as they enter the "tricky teens"? Backed by evidence-based research, Tuning in to Teens will help you to develop skills to recognise and respond to your child's emotions.*

### Would you like to learn how to:

- better understand and help your child navigate this important developmental phase
- strengthen your relationship with your child
- coach your child to manage strong emotions like worry, anger and sadness
- build your child's problem solving, conflict resolution, and resilience skills
- help your child develop positive and healthy friendships?

*Tuning in to Teens* is a six-session group program that teaches parents how to help their child develop emotional intelligence - a key skill that can help them better cope with emotions, better engage in learning, have fewer mental health difficulties, and have more stable and satisfying relationships not only as children, but also as adults.

### Facilitators

- Francine Scuruchi - Family Services Worker, cohealth
- Natasha Belmont - Parent Group Facilitator

*Babies and children cannot be accommodated in the sessions.*

Please note: priority will be given to parents with children attending Spensley Street Primary School, however there may be additional places available, subject to demand. If your child attends a different school in the City of Yarra, please email [ngilbert@rav.org.au](mailto:ngilbert@rav.org.au) to have your name added to the waitlist.

### Ideal for

Parents of year 4 to 6 students at Spensley Street Primary School.

### When

- 6-8pm on Thursdays in Term 4, 2019
- October 31; November 7, 14, 21, 28; December 5.

*Please note, participants must attend all six sessions.*

### Where

Spensley Street Primary School  
193 Spensley Street, Clifton Hill

### Cost

\$150 per couple.  
\$100 per individual.  
Concession available on request.

### Bookings and more information

Bookings are essential as the program is limited to 10 people. Visit [www.tint-spensley.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.tint-spensley.eventbrite.com.au) and enter the password tint to reserve your place, or contact:

Georgia Vabre, Spensley Street Primary School by calling (03) 9481 4666.

Naomi Gilbert, Community Liaison Officer, Relationships Australia Victoria (RAV), by emailing [ngilbert@rav.org.au](mailto:ngilbert@rav.org.au) or calling 0488 688 908.



*This program is provided by RAV and being offered as part of the Yarra Communities that Care initiative.*



## A Message from Luisa

Ciao a tutti,

In Italian the students have been learning about Commedia Dell'Arte, which ties in with our big musical term. As part of their learning students designed and made masks then wrote sentences about them.

On Wednesday 18th September at 9:15am there will be an Italian Parade showcasing the magnificent masks made by all the students in the school. If they like, students can wear clothes/costume which relate to their character but this is just an option. All are welcome to come along and celebrate the wonderful creations made by everyone.

Grazie,

Luisa

# STUDENT WORK

By Julias group

## Boori Monty Pryor

On Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of September Boori Monty Pryor came to our school. He told us his stories and things about his life in Queensland, like having a frog as a best friend and he put dead mosquitos in his sisters mouths (yukk!). He played the didgeridoo for us and we all played games and danced we all had an amazing time.

Thank-you

Boori Monty Pryor

by Cordelia



## Boori Monty Pryor

On Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of September Boori Monty Pryor came to our school and told us about his life, family and stories he was absolutely hilarious. My favourite story was when he was a baby and a SNAKE came into his cot trying to get the baby's milk (snakes like milk.) I found really funny and a little bit scary I wish he could come every year!

written by Erin Murphy, J.N's class  
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## Boori Monty Pryor

On Tuesday, tenth of September Boori Monty Pryor came to our school.

He was funny and told us lots of stories from his culture.

He also brought his didgeridoo and played it for us.

We danced, we sung and acted scenes from his stories, hopefully he'll come again next year.

Written by  
Claire CAT!!



# STUDENT WORK

By Dimas group

On Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of September an indigenous man called Boori (Monty) pryor came to visit the school. He came and told us stories and taught us dances. We listened to his story about crocodiles. In the story a boy was told by his dad were he was and wasn't supposed to go fishing, the boy feeling hungry sets off to catch some fish. He arrives at the first waterhole (were he can go). He begins to fish.

"No fish here!!" says the boy. Disappointed, he sets off to the second waterhole ( were he can go). Once again he has no luck.

"No fish here!!" there is only one waterhole left. The one his dad says that he must not go to.

"I suppose it won't matter . I'll only be minute. And look at all those fish!!" the boy made his way over to the crocodile infested waters. He sits down and casts his line out, he catches a fish straight away! Little does he know a crocodile is sneaking up on him. The crocodile carefully examines the boy. Left. Right .

YUM! Thinks the crocodile. 3. 2. 1. **SNAP!!!**

A quiver goes through the room as Monty shouts snap. The rest of the afternoon is funny stories and plenty of jokes. I really loved meeting Monty and listening to his stories.

By Sunday, BICKFORD (DIMA'S GROUP)



# PARENT NEWSPAGE



## McClelland Holiday Program

ART AND STORIES

SPRING 2019

Join contemporary artist Emma Davies and learn to reuse, recycle and rethink through art and craft.

Join the team from 100 Story Building to discover the park and create your own fabulous story.

WEEK 1:  
Tues 24 September, 10 am - 2 pm, 100 Story Building, \$75 per child  
Wed 25 September, 10 am - 3 pm, Emma Davies, \$80 per child  
Thurs 26 September, 10 am - 12 noon, Emma Davies, \$30 per child

WEEK 2:  
Wed 2 October, 10 am - 3pm, Emma Davies, \$80 per child  
Thur 3 October, 10 am - 2pm, 100 Story Building, \$75 per child  
Fri 4 October, 10 am - 12 noon, Emma Davies, \$30 per child

Ages 6 and up. All materials and fruit morning tea provided. Please bring your own water bottle and nut-free lunch for the long sessions.

For more information:  
03 9789 1671  
rsvp@mcclellandgallery.com

Booking:  
www.trybooking.com and  
search for 'McClelland'



Image courtesy Emma Davies.

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**McClelland**

**BUNNY RACKET**  
IT'S ON FOR YOUNG AND OLD!

**SAT SEPT 21ST (1.30PM)**  
**NORTHCOTE SOCIAL CLUB**  
**MELBOURNE**

**CHECK BUNNYRACKET.COM FOR DETAILS**

**PRADEEPA TIMMERMANS**

MELBOURNE  
**FRINGE**  
13-30  
SEPT 2018

**HIGHLANDER BAR**  
11A HIGHLANDER LANE, CBD  
7:15PM, SEPT 11 - 14

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### Babysitter.

Hi my name is Katie,

I am a 25 y/o University Student available for babysitting in the Fitzroy North, Northcote and Clifton Hill areas. I have 7+ years of experience babysitting and working with children of all ages. I also spent 2018 working for the Outdoor Education Centre, Wollangarra taking young people, mostly 14-18yo, hiking out in the mountains. I am certified in Wilderness First Aid and have my Working with Children's Check. I love working with children of all ages

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Please email your contributions to  
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## TERM 4 CALENDAR 2019

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday Sunday
1	October 7 SOLAR BOAT	8  7.30 Fete Meeting	9 <b>7:45 Staff Meeting</b> Camp driving day  Environment meeting 7.30pm	10 Italian Experience	11 Italian Experience  SOLAR BOAT	12/13 Fete collection of secondhand goods starts
2	October 14 Camp Anna Grace w Gerard 5/6 Swimming  SOLAR BOAT	15 Camp Anna Grace w Gerard  Camp Katie w Karen 5/6 Swimming  7.30 Fete Launch	16 Camp Katie w Karen  Camp Harry w Fabienne  7.00pm School Council Meeting	17 Camp Harry w Fabienne Camp Fabienne w Gerard 5/6 Swimming	18  Camp Fabienne w Gerard  SOLAR BOAT	19/20 Sat: Solar Boat Challenge Sun: Pre Fete Working Bee Fete collection of secondhand goods ends
3	October 21 Camp Mary w Pam  5/6 Swimming	22 Camp Mary w Pam Camp Karen w Daniel 5/6 Swimming 7.30 Fete Meeting	23 <b>7:45 Staff Meeting</b> Camp Karen w Daniel Camp Kate w Mary 5/6 Swimming 7.30 Ed Pol Meeting	24 Camp Kate w Mary  12.30 Prep Assembly  Inter School Sport	25 5/6 Swimming  Term planners to go home	26/27  Tempting Fete 10am – 4pm
4	October 28	29	30	31  Inter School Sport	November 1	2 /3
5	November 4 Student Free Day	5 Melbourne Cup Holiday 	6 <b>7:45 Staff Meeting</b>	7  Inter School Sport	8	9/10
6	November 11  YEAR 6 CAMP	12 <b>PLANNING P-2 Moderation</b>  YEAR 6 CAMP	13  YEAR 6 CAMP Environment meeting 7.30pm	14  YEAR 6 CAMP	15  YEAR 6 CAMP No JSC meeting	16/17
7	November 18	19	20 <b>7:45 Staff Meeting</b>  7.00pm School Council Meeting	21  PREP TRANSITION AREAS 3&4 Inter School Sport	22  PREP TRANSITION AREAS 3&4	23/24
8	November 25 PREP TRANSITION AREAS 1&2  PREP PARENT INFO NIGHT 7.30pm	26 PREP TRANSITION AREAS 1&2	27 3/4 Swimming  7.30 Ed Pol Meeting	28 3/4 Swimming  Inter School Sport	29 3/4 Swimming	30/December 1
9	December 2 3/4 Swimming	3 3/4 Swimming	4 3/4 Swimming  7.30pm Fundraising	5 Shelter in place drill Inter School Sport  Year 2 /3 Transition afternoon session for parents	6 3/4 Swimming  Farewell picnic	7/8
10	December 9	10  PLANNING DAY  Year 6 Dinner	11 <b>7:45 Staff Meeting</b> Fire Ed - Preps  Environment meeting 7.30pm	12	13 Reports and Yearbooks home	14/15
11	December 16	17	18 <b>7:45 Staff Meeting</b>  6.30 School Council meeting & dinner	19	20  LAST DAY OF TERM 	