



SPENSLEY STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

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MUSICAL PREPARATIONS

Only FIVE more sleeps until Opening Night! The school is in the grip of the musical! Unbelievably, most rehearsals are complete and now we are concentrating on the finishing touches.

This week each cast rehearsed the whole show, once again with the orchestra, and it's looking and sounding wonderful. We can't wait to share it with you.

Monday is Bump In day where a group of staff members and the backstage crew go to the theatre to set up everything in readiness for the week! Starting on Tuesday, each student will make the trip to the theatre in Kew on the day of their performance (green, gold, red), where we will rehearse the entire show. This is a full rehearsal, with music, lighting, sets and props, but it's NOT a dress rehearsal, so costumes can stay at home until the big night.

DAY OF REPOSE

The day after the musical, Friday 16 August, is a Pupil Free Day.

IMPORTANT MUSICAL ARRANGEMENTS

Yesterday we sent a notice to all families with the arrangements for next week at the theatre. Please make sure that you read the notice carefully – we don't want any surprises next week! If you didn't see the notice, please check your emails or ask your child's teacher for another copy.

Students need to be at the theatre by 6.45pm. That is the time they can come backstage. Please allow time to find a car park because there is very limited parking available on the grounds of the theatre. If you arrive earlier than 6.45 your children should stay in the foyer with you.

Students should arrive at the theatre wearing their costumes (unless the school is supplying a costume) and makeup.

Adults must hand Epi-Pens or other medication (clearly marked with the student's name and class) to a teacher at the stage door.

Students are not able to bring food or drinks backstage. If you wish to purchase food for your child it **must** be consumed before they come backstage at 6.45pm or after the show.

Parents and carers are not able to come backstage.

We have new arrangements for picking up students from the theatre foyer after the show. The arrangements are designed to minimise foot traffic in a very crowded theatre so we will appreciate your cooperation on the night.

PARENT AND CARER HELP

Thank you to all of the fabulous adults and kids who came to the Musical Working Bee on Saturday!

The art room and the multi-purpose room were hives of creative activity.

The art room has continued to produce loads of artwork for the stage, the program and the Bulletin. Thank you to everyone who has been helping over the past few weeks. Special thanks to Daniel and Louise for their wholehearted artistic engagement with this year's musical.

Don't forget to follow Art@SSPS on Instagram so you can see the great things that happen in the art room every week.

IMPORTANT DATES

Term 3
15 July—20 September

MUSICAL DATES

Tuesday 13 August
Green Cast

Wednesday 14 August
Yellow Cast

Thursday 15 August
Red Cast

Friday 16 August
Pupil Free Day

BOOK WEEK

19—23 August
"Reading is my Superpower"

Tuesday 27th August
Excursion to Healesville (P-2)

Tuesday 27th August
Athletics Day (Yr 3-6)

Tuesday 17th September 7:30 pm
Yr 1&2 Camp Info meeting

Term 4

Solar Boat

Saturday 19 October

Fete

Saturday 26 October

Year 6 Dinner

Tuesday 10 December

CHESS AWARDS

Chess awards will be given out at Assembly on Monday next week.

MORE HELP NEEDED

There are a couple of tasks that we need help with – ushers and program sales. If you are attending one of the performances and you don't have a job yet, I would like to hear from people who would be willing to direct people to their seats for 15 minutes before the show and to sell programs. Please speak to Anne, or Jane and Trish in the school office, if you can help with this job.

Programs will be available for the price of a gold coin donation. Don't miss getting one!

MUSICAL TICKETS

I hope that everyone has tickets for the musical by now. We've only had to help out a couple of people so we assume that all is well in ticket land.

Thank you to families for being considerate of others with their ticket purchasing.

MUSICAL CATERING

Thanks to those who have put their names on the rosters to help with musical catering for each performance.

It's not too late to check the courtyard noticeboard and sign up to offer your help with preparing food, or serving food and drinks before the show and at interval.

You can also prepare food – little quiches, zucchini slice, muffins, a plate of sandwiches (simple is fine!).

Thank you to the Fundraising team for organising this important part of the musical experience.

MATHS CHALLENGE

Sixty Spensley Street students participated in the Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians last term. Their certificates have finally arrived!

Congratulations to all of our students who participated in the Challenge – it's a great effort!

We recognise the efforts of all students who chose to work on this difficult challenge. We also recognise that success is only possible with the support and encouragement of families.

We will acknowledge all of the students who participated the Mathematics Challenge at Assembly on Monday 19 August.

The following students received distinctions: Isobelle Bing, Iris Landhaug, Ellie Baxter, Benji Husband, Chessie Jager, Eva Nudds, Claire Perry, Kitty Smith, Willow Foenander, Egan Greenwood, Lulu Fyffe-Goodall

(This is not to be confused with the Mathematics Competition - fifty-five students participated in that earlier this term. We do not have those results yet.)

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Every year the Department of Education and Training (DET) seeks parent/carer feedback about the school their child attends. This information forms part of the data used to

monitor how schools are meeting the needs of their students and families.

The survey is conducted online via ORIMA Research and it is anonymous.

This year we want to give every family the opportunity to be included.

The survey closing date has been extended to 18 August.

This is how you can participate.

1. Click on the link <https://www.orima.com.au/parent>, or copy and paste it into your browser.
2. Select the School and Campus name: Spensley Street Primary School
3. Enter the School PIN:**269823**

When complete, please click on the tick button at the end of the survey to submit your answers.

We value parent and carers' opinions and feedback and we appreciate you taking the time to participate.

EDIBLE GARDEN

The school is looking for a gardener who can take care of the edible garden, and have students help them during their break times. We'd like this to happen one day a week, with the possibility of extending the hours through the Aftercare program.

Expressions of interest, with relevant gardening experience, can be sent to the school email at ssps@ssps.vic.edu.au by tomorrow, Friday 9 August.

The school has a strong commitment to the garden and we want to keep it going into the future. Spread the word that we are looking for a staff member with the skills to take this on.



Thanks for a great week. Remember – only 5 more sleeps!

Anne Nelson
Principal

CANTEEN—URGENT HELP!

We understand that lots of people have been busy helping out with musical preparations, but we have noticed that help in the Canteen has been a bit quiet lately.

Jane always appreciates support - even if you only have a short time available, you could get one job done for her. Jane is happy when people to pop in to assist at late notice as well. Some days volunteers help put by putting the food order stickers on lunch bags, or making a batch of muffins or the pasta sauce.

If you are planning to help for a short time, Jane asks you to not sign up on the SKOOLBAG app because it looks as though Jane has help for the whole session! If you do have time to sign up to do a regular shift from 9 – 1pm on any day, there is a link in the SKOOLBAG app where you can put your name down, or you can speak directly to Jane.

See you in the Canteen – it's warm in there on these cold mornings! No experience necessary and you get a free coffee from one of our best Northside baristas!

Emily
Canteen Convenor



PRINCIPAL POSITION

On behalf of School Council, I would like to provide an update regarding the process for Principal Selection at Spensley Street.

As you know, Anne is retiring at the end of Term 3, and School Council has been working closely with the Education Department to co-ordinate the process for her replacement.

The position is currently being advertised on Recruitment Online (schooljobs.education.vic.gov.au) until 10 August.

Candidates will be then be shortlisted and interviewed in late August, with the aim of an appointment being made by the end of the term.

Please make sure any interested parties within your network are aware of the vacancy. Gerard Molan can be contacted about the role at any time; alternatively I am happy to be contacted via the school office.

Kylie Doyle
School Council President

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OOSH)

P: 9481 4365
E: aftercare@ssps.vic.edu.au

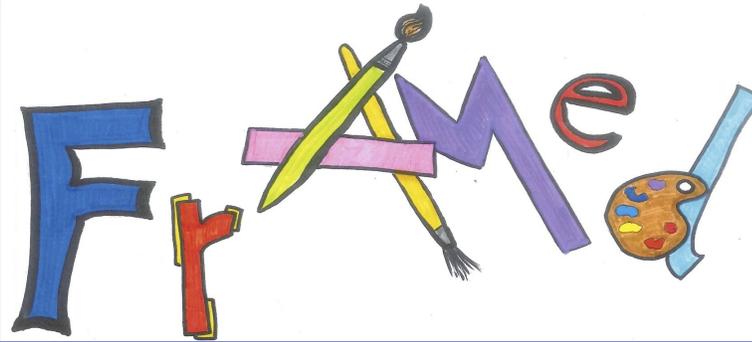
Co-ordinator: Lisa Heard

Thanks to all those who have signed up to child care for the pupil free day next Friday. We will be mixing Harry Potter Potions as well as many other fun things. I have emailed all families involved and the instructions for the day.

Just to be clear - we do close on this day at 5:00pm. Late fees will be charged for late pick ups. Please read the email carefully for all you need to know.

Lisa and the OSHC Team





FRAMED! THE STORY

Framed is set in an art gallery

The show opens with some of the gallery staff attending an art auction to buy a major painting. They hope that a new addition to the art collection will bring in the crowds to save their gallery.

Unfortunately, Una Mona, a private art collector, outbids them.

Meanwhile, Sienna, an artist, is having doubts about her sculpture. It has been commissioned by the gallery and is about to be shown for the first time.

In the gallery's Sculpture Garden, the unveiling of the sculpture is delayed and tensions are rising. Everyone is waiting, the Press weren't invited and the board members are bored. A flock of Mynah birds swoops in around the sculpture and scare the visitors. Luckily, their nest is rescued and the statue is finally unveiled.

Just then, the staff discover an important frame has gone missing.

A tour group gathers to visit the gallery. Tracy, the tour guide, tries to keep them together.

When they arrive in the gallery's café & gift shop, they find that mice and garbage are taking over.

There are rude customers, art forgers, an attempted theft and dilemmas about the ethics of selling art trinkets.

Una Mona buys an unusual art installation and the art restorer thinks of a solution to the gallery's financial problems.

The tour group visits the gallery's archives and discovers some very peculiar goings on. Una Mona sees a priceless opportunity and the accountant has a unique brush with art.

But where is the solution?

The arrival of some new characters at the gallery's Classical and Contemporary exhibition uncovers some more strange happenings. The word spreads and the paparazzi arrive.

Will the gallery be saved?

Interview with Elvie/Una Mona in *Framed*

Elvie, how did you feel when you got the part of the snooty art collector, Una Mona?

I was super super excited and I was just really happy that I got a main part and that some of my friends got a main part, but it was bad that some of my friends didn't get main parts.

What was the hardest thing about your audition?

Well, there were two things. The first thing was that Laurence threw an orange at me and I didn't catch it. Second, I forgot one of my lines and I was worried that would affect whether that they chose me.

What's your favourite line?

"Don't be ridiculous. It's just art. It doesn't have feelings."

How are the rehearsals going?

They're going really well. Most people are remembering what their lines are and where to go and they've started to put the sets and props in and I can kind of see how it will be like on the night.

What's the funniest thing that happened in rehearsal?

Well, someone has been writing on our scripts things like it's the ghost cow and we're watching you so we've been writing on her script!

Interview by Giselle S

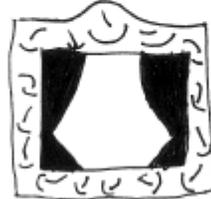
FRAME



Mona Lisa



The blank Master peice



PARENT NEWSPAGE



CHOOSE YOUR JUNIOR PROGRAM

Junior blasters 5-7yo's – introductory fun based – 1hr
9:00-10AM Sundays from Nov 18th – Ramblers St Oval Clifton Hill

Master blasters 7-9yo's – 120 mins (teams of 8)
9:30-11AM Sunday from Nov 18th – New Duffield Park Northcote

Junior girls – 9yo+ club cricket Wed evening or Sun morning

Junior boys – 9yo+ club cricket Sat morning or Fri evening

JEREMY WATSON ON 0417 574 435 or JUNIORS.CHCC@GMAIL.COM

JOIN THE FUN

REGISTER NOW
cliftonhillcricketclub.com



House to Rent

Hi! We are looking for a house to rent from Early October until Xmas.

We are currently renovating our home and are needing cover between these dates but we are open to the staying for less time dependent on the accommodation (perhaps then we can move about between a few places).

We are more than happy to mind pets if you are planning to travel and are in need of loving minders of your loved ones also.

Please call Meg on 0400779494 (Ella and Marley's mum – Area 1 & 3)



THE WELLNESS WALK AND RESEARCH RUN



Hey Guys! We are supporting thousands of people touched by cancer by participating in the Wellness Walk and Research Run 2019, under the team name 'too pure to be pink'. The money we raise will support research breakthroughs and provide access to world-leading wellness and supportive care, giving patients hope during cancer diagnosis, treatment and recovery. Please help us help them by giving whatever you can. Click on this link to donate. Thank you for your generosity, Grace Wilkes (ex SSPS student) and Abby King x

<https://www.wellnesswalkresearchrun.com.au/my-fundraising/1089/too-pure-to-be-pink>



Interested in playing Saturday basketball?

Girls & Boys Under 8 – Under 20

Information and online registration:

www.collingwood.basketball.net.au

or register at our office
221 Johnston St, Abbotsford

Thursday 8th & 15th August, 3.00 – 6.00pm

or by arrangement

**Home games at inner city venues,
including our new 3 court stadium
at Collingwood College from November**

New players welcome

Players must register and pay by 18th August to ensure a place in a Summer team. Competition runs in term four 2019 & term one 2020.

Enquiries: Megan Rouse manager@collingwoodbasketball.com.au

Flat to Let

One-bedroom open-plan caretaker suite located in a renovated industrial building on William St, Abbotsford owned by SSPS parent. Has off street parking and courtyard, close to Victoria St. Available immediately.
Contact Luc & Grace's dad, Glenn on 0412 000 445

The Parent Newpage is here to help advertise events or services provided by members of the Spensley Street Community.

Please email your contributions to ssps@ssps.vic.edu.au.

Most advertisements will run for two weeks.