



SPENSLEY STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear SSPS Community,

What a week it has been full of thank you and farewell events! This week we've celebrated Year 6 Graduation, our final School Council meeting for the year and the Parent & Carer Helpers' Thank You Breakfast. We are so grateful for the support we receive and know that this helps us to be a great school with a strong sense of community.

On Tuesday this week most of our Year 6 students spent the day at their 2019 secondary schools, as part of the state wide transition program. After a big day getting to know their secondary schools, the Year 6 students arrived back at Spensley Street for Graduation dinner. They entered a beautifully decorated space, sat at round tables and ate a delicious meal with their teachers, including many past SSPS teachers! A huge thank you goes out to all of the parents and teachers who went above and beyond to make the night so special.

There has been some significant work happening during the last week in the STEAM Room. Workers onsite, machinery manifested, a crane arrived, steel is going up! It is beginning to look like something is taking shape! This is exciting! The work will continue through the school holidays with an expected completion date in late March.

A reminder that on Monday 16th December, students will spend time with their 2020 home group and teacher. Students will bring home a letter communicating their class teacher and area that day. The purpose of the morning is for all students to feel positive and confident about the year ahead. Class placement is a complex task. We take into account factors including the children's learning and social needs, friendships and working relationships. Class numbers and year level numbers also impact the process, especially in a multi-age school.

In 2020 there will be considerable changes for many staff and students across the school. The majority of these changes are related to staff moving physical areas along with the change in home group structures in P-2 and 5-6. A full class and area list will be emailed out on Monday to go along with the class placement letters children will receive.

I know some students and parents may feel uneasy about class placement and the idea of change is challenging for some. It's important for you to know that children generally settle quickly into their new homegroups, or a changed location and we work to create a supportive environment for students in this transition.

There will also be some staffing changes in 2020. At the end of this year we say goodbye to Fabienne Parker and Lucas Kilmartin. Fabienne joined SSPS at the beginning of this year teaching P-2. Lucas joined SSPS in 2018 and has worked in the year 5-6 team. We thank both Fabienne and Lucas for their contribution to our school and community and wish them both well in their future teaching careers.

We welcome new class teachers Tanaya Boag, Emily Fintelman and Erica St Clair to the SSPS team as well as Toby Russo, a new class teacher and Learning Specialist. We are very much looking forward to them joining our school community in 2020.

IMPORTANT DATES

Term 4 2019

7 October—20 December

Gerard's Breakfast

Tuesday 17 December 8:15am

Year Book and Report Day

Thursday 19 December 2:30pm

Last Day of School

Friday 20 December 2:30pm

2020 TERM DATES	Start date	Finish date
Term 1	30 January : Yr1-6 31 January : Preps	27 March
Term 2	14 April	26 June
Term 3	13 July	18 September
Term 4	5	18 December

An important reminder about late arrivals at school. If students arrive late, it is a parent / carer responsibility to sign them in using the new Compass Kiosk in the foyer. This is not the responsibility of students or office staff. Students should not be dropped off late without a parent or carer signing them in.

Don't forget that the term ends next Friday, 20th December at 2.30pm. We will have an Assembly before that so please be at school by 2.10pm. If your child usually goes to Aftercare on Fridays and they won't be attending the program on the last day, please make sure you cancel your booking. Aftercare will close at 5pm on the last day of term.

Have a great week,
Bec Spink



Expression of Interest

Yoga for Year 5&6's in 2020

A holistic practice of movement, self-connection, creativity, reflection + breath awareness.

60-minute class, straight after school at 3.30pm in the library.

Benefits of yoga in children include

- Improved physical balance and strength
- Mind and body connection
- Increased focus in learning
- Overall calmness within one's self
- Increased resilience through stress management
- Improved emotional control and self-regulation
- Skilful response to difficult emotions
- Increased empathy and understanding of others

Improved self-worth and self-confidence

Please email, call or message to express your interest or if you have any questions.

Lori Curran (Henry Q's mum)

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The JSC Disco was lots of fun! If you forgot your Gold Coin today, please bring it tomorrow. Funds raised got to Bahay Tuluyan.

OPEN STAGE

On Wednesday (17th) lunchtime in the MPR there will be an "Open Stage" held. A couple of year 3/4 bands will play, plus hopefully some soloists too.

All students welcome to come and listen (and play!)

See Pam to sign up to play.



Chucks Garden needs volunteers for watering over the holidays. Bonuses for joining up include picking and taking home delicious summer produce.

Any offers of help will be very much appreciated.

Contact Reba

rebaaldous@gmail.com

Or

0418121607

PARENT NEWSPAGE

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FREE BIG BASH FAMILY FUN PASS!
Sign up to claim your 4 x general admission passes!

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HAVE A BLAST!

GET INTO WOOLWORTHS CRICKET BLAST. IT'S A FUN AND ACTIVE PROGRAM FOR KIDS OF ALL ABILITIES - WHETHER IT'S YOUR FIRST TIME WITH A BAT OR YOU'RE A BACKYARD CRICKET STAR!

Spensley Street Primary School & Clifton Hill Cricket Club
After School Woolworths Junior Blasters Program
At Spensley Street PS - Starting Wed 19 Feb, 2020 (6x weeks)
\$15 per person, includes a Junior Blasters pack
Contact Andrew Warrick - awarrick@cricketvictoria.com.au

*TERMS & CONDITIONS APPLY: MELBOURNE RENEGADES HOME & GMIHRA STADIUM GAMES ONLY. EXCLUDES THE DERBY. REGISTRATION LINK INCLUDED IN CONFIRMATION EMAIL.

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Get into Woolworths Cricket Blast. It's a fun and active program for kids of all abilities - whether it's your first time with a bat or you're a backyard cricket star!

- ✓ It's easy to join a crew and make awesome new friends.
- ✓ Wear the colours of your Big Bash heroes.
- ✓ Parents warm up, you can join in too!

JUNIOR BLASTERS
AGES 5-7 | 60 MINS | 6+ WEEKS
Learn new skills, including catching, throwing and teamwork, through fun game based activities.
Sign up now for your Starter Pack. Returning Junior Blasters score a Returner Pack with backpack and choice of bonus item!

STARTER KIT **RETURNER KIT**

MASTER BLASTERS
AGES 7-10 | 90 MINS | 6+ WEEKS
Everyone gets a chance to bat, bowl and field in short, modified games of cricket. For kids with basic cricket skills.
Sign up now for your Master Blasters Pack!

FREE BIG BASH FAMILY FUN PASS!
Sign up now for Woolworths Cricket Blast and enjoy the ultimate family experience. You'll be cheering on your favourite Melbourne Renegades BBL | 08 Champions during a match of non-stop action and entertainment. Access your FREE general admission passes (x4) when you sign up at playericket.com.au*

Clifton Hill Cricket Club
Ramsden Street Oval, Clifton Hill
Jeremy Watson
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SPENSLEY SPRITES 2020 SEASON

We are on the look out for new sprites!

If you will be in year 5 or 6 next year and want to learn a great new sport and have oodles of fun, then this could be for you.

Training sessions are once a week afterschool and games are on a Saturday morning (starting early Feb 2020)

Register your interest by Wednesday 18th December.

Contact Jane (Annika, A3) on 0400 606 156 or email spensleysprites@gmail.com for more information.



**SPENSLEY SPRITES
NETBALL CLUB**

PARENT NEWSPAGE



Mums & Bubs Yoga

Enjoy a class designed for postnatal health & meet other mums
Tues & Thurs 11.15am-12.15pm at One Heart, Abbotsford Convent

www.oneheartyyoga.com.au



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& to strengthen body, heart & spirit for birthing

Monday 6.30-7.45pm www.oneheartyyoga.com.au
One Heart Abbotsford Convent



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