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Term Dates 2017

Term 3 Monday 17th July - Friday 22nd September	Term 4 Monday 9th October - Friday 22nd December
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Important Dates

Wednesday	13 th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• R D A – Riding• Raffle Tickets to be returned
Thursday	14 th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Swan Hill Regional Athletics Day
Friday	15 th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parents and Friends Gathering – Staffroom after Assembly
Monday	18 th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Later Years Excursion to Major League Sports• School Council 7pm
Wednesday	20 th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• R D A - Carriage
Thursday	21 st September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bendigo SDS Athletics Day
Friday	22 nd September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Last Day Term 3 – school finishes one hour earlier

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Hello SDS Community

So many exciting events

We have had such a wonderful few weeks of engaging learning experiences that we have had the opportunity to share with our school community of parents and carers, brothers and sisters, grandmas and grandpas and lots of special friends. These have included superhero days for the Middle and Early Years, book buddies across the school and the fabulous Footy Day that we coupled with our inaugural Father's Day Breakfast. It has been so wonderful to see so many families enjoy in these events with our students. Please keep your eyes peeled on FlexiBuzz for these upcoming special events. Families are always welcome to attend and participate in all aspects of our school. All the research shows that this adds to the educational experience of students and building the partnership between school and home is a major priority for our school over the next few years.

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School Values – ENCOURAGEMENT: Our School Community promotes encouragement to inspire and build confidence.

Athletics Days

As the weather warms, our attention turns to the coming athletics carnivals. We have a record high team of 23 students who have been training for several weeks now travelling to Swan Hill for the interschool Athletics Day on Thursday 14th September. Go team! We know you will be your best! Then, as mentioned previously, the whole school will be attending an Athletics Day at the Latrobe University Bendigo Athletics Complex on Thursday 21st September. We would love as many families as possible to come along and share in the day with us.

Raffle Tickets

Please don't forget to return your sold raffle tickets to the school by Friday 15th September. Thanks to the work of Trevor Marsh, a local community member, this raffle is an amazing opportunity to raise money for the school and if everyone returns their tickets sold, we can raise several thousand dollars.

Teacher Professional Learning

Recently our teachers have been focussing on the various learning areas of the Victorian Curriculum and assessment and moderation processes in their professional learning. This has included in school teaching and learning meetings and a whole of state special school curriculum 'unpacking' day held at Etihad Stadium. We also have teams of teachers, who form the Curriculum team, generating two-year whole school learning plans for each subject area. This is a lengthy but worthwhile and exciting process.

Planning for 2018

Our planning for classes for next year has begun. Our school class plan will look quite different next year owing to the fact that we are having a large number of students graduate from the school at the end of the year, meaning that our overall funding for the school will decrease by several hundred thousand dollars. This will mean we will have less classes than we do this year. Our aim is to try and have a firm idea of classes for next year by the end of the term and begin extensive transitions for our students.

Kirshy McAinch, Principal



12 th September	Megan	Physio	19 th September	Tasha	Room 13
19 th September	James	Room 17	20 th September	Noah	Room 8
20 th September	Karen	Library	20 th September	Tomas	Room 17

R . D . A . Contacts

If you are unable to attend,
please phone or text :

Jan or Nigel for Ride Days on 5435 4140 or 0404 875 249

Diana for Carriage Days on 0409 959 271



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Town 1 : 0427 287 843	Jack & Joy
Town 2 : 0428 159 660	Peter & Cynthia
Town 3 : 0428 261 802	Max, Olivia & George
Town 4 : 0429 118 349	Darryl & Katrina
Wedderburn : 0427 380 040	Peter & Janine
Castlemaine : 0409 421 500	Ray & Debbie
Heathcote : 0429 177 732	Phillip & Angela
Malmsbury : 0428 271 824	David & Raelene
Kyneton : 0428 236 271	Steve & Helen

Buses

If you have any concerns or would like to make any changes to the buses, please contact the school.



 <h2 style="text-align: center;">Student Awards <u>RECEIVED</u></h2> <h3 style="text-align: center;">at Assembly on 28th August</h3> 		
Room 13	Tasha Kayla Mathew	For great participation in the Yule Guardians Production
	Ben	For playing the Boom Whackers in music
	Kayla	For sharing a ball by taking turs in a game
	Brittany	For making and giving greeting cards
	Sancia	For helping Room 9 with their washing

 <h2 style="text-align: center;">Student Awards <u>RECEIVED</u></h2> <h3 style="text-align: center;">At Assembly on Monday 4th</h3> 		
Room 2	Kieran	For being an enthusiastic reader daily in the classroom
	Hayden	For independently using a pop-top to drink from everyday
	William	For working hard to communicate in the classroom using his alphabet chart
	Jedda	For fantastic participation during action songs in the classroom
Room 18	Ethan	For reading 100 books
	Jordan	For reading 200 books
Room 4	Mackenzie	For using great manners
	Dylan	For great listening in class
	Laura Talia Scott	For showing respect in class

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Student Awards TO BE RECEIVED at Assembly on Monday 11th September



Room 18	Caiden	For reading 150 books
	Joshua	For reading 50 books
	Cody	For reading 100 books

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2017

Dear Parents,

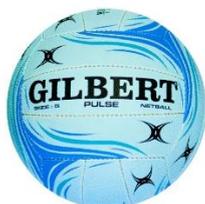
This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program again. Through this program, we will be able to get new educational resources for our school, and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From **Wednesday 26th July to Tuesday 19th September**, or while stock lasts, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get **one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent** (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it is complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the **end of the promotion**, we will be able to get some great **new equipment**. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library.

If you'd like to know more visit: woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

Later Years have an exciting end of term celebration planned with an excursion to **Major League Sports**. The students will participate in a range of activities including soccer, cricket, dodgeball, netball and PMP (Perceptual Motor Program) skills designed to improve eye/hand and eye/foot coordination, fitness, balance and eye-tracking skills. **Major League Sports** have designed a program that caters to the range of abilities of our students and parents/carers are invited and encouraged to come along and join in. Our later years Advance Program and Camps and Excursion funding will cover the cost of this activity.



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