



Newsletter

Coburg Special Developmental School

8th May to 19th May 2023

Principal's Report

Hello community!

We welcome a number of new staff to our team...

Sara Timms is our new Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader (part of the Mental Health in Primary Schools funding). Sara had worked at our school prior as a CRT and was very excited to get this role and will be with us on Mondays and Fridays. This is a new role that has the following functions:

Embed evidence-based training and resources across the school to build the capability of teaching and educational support staff to better identify and support students with mental health concerns

Support the school to create clear pathways for referrals for students identified as requiring further assessment and intervention within the school and connect with local community-based services

Proactively work with regional staff (i.e. Student Support Services), school wellbeing team, and other health professionals to engage appropriate mental health support as required

Support the school to implement effective mental health strategies aligned to social and emotional learning in the curriculum and whole-school approaches to health, wellbeing, teaching and learning

Contribute to larger scale reform development about what works to support primary school students' mental health

Coburg SDS

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Monday 12 June
Public Holiday - King's Birthday
Friday 23 June
Term 2 Ends - 2.00 pm dismissal
Monday 10 July
Staff and students resume
Monday 14 August
Curriculum Day
Tuesday 15 August
Curriculum Day
Friday 15 September
Term 3 Ends - 2.00 pm dismissal

Principal's Report Cont...

Adrianna Lourandos was appointed to a role of Therapy Support as we were unable to fill Yvette's Speech Pathologist position whilst she is on maternity leave. She began last week in this role, which is a short term position till the end of the year.

Whilst Tom is on leave this term, we have Nick Morgan-Lowe teaching on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and Faith Swiftwolfe on Tuesdays and Fridays (the first four weeks of his leave) and Ellie Kavanagh for the remaining four weeks of term. We are very grateful for the work that they are doing.

Swimming has begun this term for a portion of the school cohort, with different year levels attending on different days. Reservoir Leisure Centre is very supportive of our students and these programs and the kids attending are loving their time in the water.

The extension of the Café program is working extremely well, particularly the student lunch orders on Tuesdays. This has also broadened the activities for our older students as well as increased the number of students who access this important program. Make sure that you are taking the opportunity to order lunch for your children as it is a great opportunity for them to try different foods as well as experience a 'canteen model' of service that many schools do not have.

School Review

We have begun our process of self evaluation, including gaining insight from the parent and student cohorts. Please make sure you take the chance to have your say regarding our future directions by completing the parent feedback survey. This is the link to follow, or you can complete a paper form at the office next time you are in:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfQ7q9-pW6oQ1vaSnTv9WUf2DCaXqHTaH45-2QAXfaUE2JNOg/viewform?usp=sf_link

The days are getting shorter and colder, so it is important to keep our spirits high and hold onto that positive attitude that we are so good at! We are almost half way through the term... hard to believe it is going by so quickly.

Regards

Warren Tofts

Creative Learning Partnership Grant

Dear Coburg SDS Community,

It is my pleasure to announce that we have won a \$35,000 Creative Learning Partnership grant for Polyglot Theatre to work with us as artists in residence in Term 4. Celebrating its 40th anniversary last year, the grant program provides funding to Victorian schools to engage expert theatre makers, musicians, performers, animators and artists to work with students and teachers in a creative residency.

Polyglot Theatre is an international company that approached Warren in late 2019 asking if they could workshop their show for the inclusive arts festival, Alter State, called 'When the world turns'. Polyglot's director Sue and I wrote the Creative Learning Partnership grant application together.

The grant will provide us with 6 weeks of 3 artists working during our art classes, with the final 2 weeks including a production manager. We are planning to create an end of year 'concert' like no other! It may involve interactive spaces, audio visual material and sculpture. We plan to celebrate our time at Harmony Park coming to an end before we move to our new bigger school.

We are very excited to have this opportunity to work together to create something we are sure everyone will enjoy.

You can see Polyglot's work at polyglot.org.au

Kind regards,

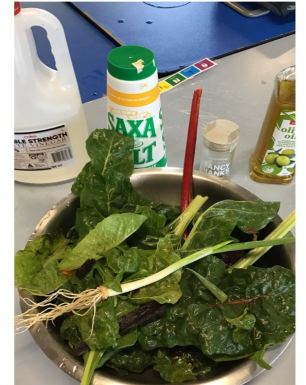
Nadia (Art Teacher)



Room 2 - News

In Kitchen Garden we are having a lot of fun learning to care for our garden by watering and weeding it. We are also harvesting our silver beet, spring onions and lettuce, we then chop all the ingredients up, dress it with vinegar, oil, salt and pepper, then we cook it in the microwave. We all love to eat this healthy meal and we eat it all up.

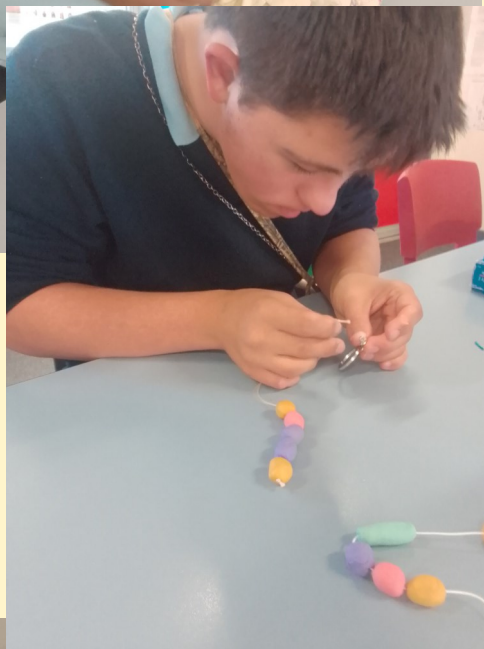
Cheers Nik



Room 3 - News

Last week the Later Years students held a Mother's Day stall. Everyone has worked hard to make some fantastic gifts during our work education sessions. We hope everyone had a great Mother's Day and enjoyed the gifts that were purchased.

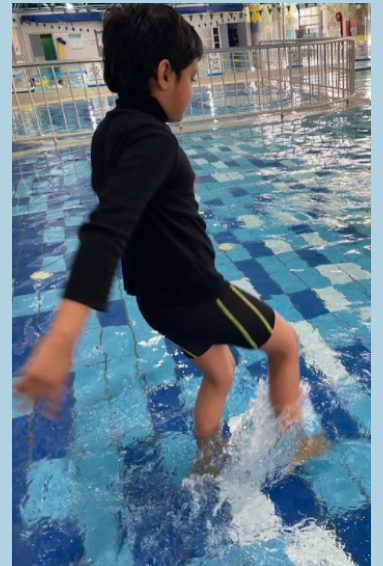
Thanks 😊
Lauren



Room 6 - News

Students in Room 6 finished Term 1 in high spirits. We worked hard in class to build relationships, build our communication skills and our independence. Students enjoyed experimenting in science, learning about different letters and reading books, along with making and creating on a daily basis.

Starting in Term 2, we hit the ground running and have enjoyed getting back into a routine. Students have continued to enjoy exploring and learning and have really engaged with our different programs daily.



Room 6 - News Continued



Room 9 - News

Room 9 has been working hard on their communication skills out in the community this term. Students have worked hard to make choices about activities and write shopping lists.

They've then headed to places like Harmony Park and Coles to take part in their chosen activities.





Coburg Special Developmental School

Lunch Order Form - Return on Monday



Student Name: _____

Classroom Teacher: _____ Room No: _____

Select the lunch box and return form with money to school on Monday morning.
Lunch order will be delivered on Tuesday.

(Please cross out anything not required from the lunchbox chosen!)

Sweet Treats will be one of the following (rotating):

Mini Muffins (Apple or Blueberry), chocolate balls, lemon slice, peppermint slice.

LUNCH BOX A:

\$5.00

4 x cucumber Sticks, 4 x carrot sticks

Cheese squares, Homemade hummus

Crackers or Flat bread Triangles, **(SELECT ONE)**

$\frac{1}{2}$ Boiled Egg

Apple, Pear, Orange **(SELECT ONE)**

Sweet treat



LUNCH BOX B:

\$5.00

Sausage Roll with tomato sauce **OR** Spinach and Cheese Pinwheel

(PLEASE SELECT ONE ONLY)

NOW AVAILABLE

Halal Sausage Rolls and
Egg Free Sausage Rolls

Carrot OR Cucumber sticks **(SELECT ONE)**

Apple, Pear, Orange **(SELECT ONE)**

Sweet treat



LUNCH BOX C:

\$5.00

Vegetable Frittata (GF) (contains egg, gf flour, cheese, onion, zucchini, capsicum, broccoli, tomato, carrot, roasted pumpkin, feta)

Apple, Pear, Orange **(SELECT ONE)**

Sweet Treat



LUNCH BOX D:

\$5.00

Sandwich - Fresh or toasted **(Circle option)**

Cheese and Vegemite **OR**

ham, cheese, tomato, spinach **(select one sandwich)**

Cheese, tomato, spinach

Carrot or cucumber sticks **(SELECT ONE)**

Apple, Pear, Orange **(SELECT ONE)**

Sweet Treat





Coburg Special Developmental School Café Coburg



SW-PBIS

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Use of Matrix for 'real life' activities at home.



Coburg Special Developmental School

SW-PBIS Teaching Matrix



	Classroom	Playground	Bathroom	Community
<p>I am Building Independence</p> <p>I will try to:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • feed myself • pack up • recognize and name my emotions • play an activity by myself • follow class rules 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • help pack away • take responsibility for my belongings • play safely with others • play nicely 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wash my hands after meals and toileting • go to the toilet by myself • clean my face 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • put my seat belt on and sit on the bus • walk on the footpath • stop at the curb and wait
<p>I am Building Relationships</p> <p>I will try to:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • keep my hands and feet to myself • wait for my turn • participate in group activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • play with someone • share with others • say stop when I need personal space • give personal space • take turns and wait for my turn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • wait until the bathroom is free • respect my own and other's privacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • respect others • personal space in the community • walk safely • follow road safety skills • recognize people I know
<p>I am Building Communication</p> <p>I will try to:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • listen to others • ask for things I want • communicate when I don't want/like something • ask for help • say hello/goodbye to people I know 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • make choices • share games and equipment • use supportive words with my friends "great catch!" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ask to go to the toilet • follow my toileting schedule • seek support when I need it 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • stay with the group and follow visuals • follow adult instructions. • speak nicely to members of the public

Happy Birthday

Prasheel - 6 May

River - 9 May



Happy Birthday!

Term Dates for 2023

Term Two:

24th April – 23rd June

Monday 12/6

Public Holiday - King's Birthday

Friday 23/6

Term 2 ends – 2.00pm dismissal

Term Three:

10th July – 15th September

Monday 10/7

Staff and students resume

Monday 14/8

Curriculum Day

Tuesday 15/8

Curriculum Day

Friday 15/9

Term 3 ends – 2.00pm dismissal

Term Four:

2nd October – 20th December

Monday 2/10

Staff and students resume

Monday 6/11

Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 7/11

Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday

Wednesday 20/12

Students Finish - 1.00pm dismissal

Pupil Free Dates for 2023

Term 2	Monday 12 th June	King's Birthday Holiday
Term 3	Monday 14 th August Tuesday 15 th August	Curriculum Day Curriculum Day
Term 4	Monday 6 th November Tuesday 7 th November	Pupil Free Day Melbourne Cup Day Holiday

State Schools' Relief needs your help

DONATE A DOLLAR!



STATE
SCHOOLS'
RELIEF

**WEDNESDAY
21 JUNE
2023**



FUNDRAISER EVENT

Help us reach our goal!

In order to continue assisting students in need, we are aiming to raise \$500,000 this year.

If every student and staff member, at every government school donated just \$1 each, we could easily achieve this target. \$500,000 would allow us to assist an additional 5,000 students and families in need!

Donate a dollar on Wednesday 21st June 2023



Together we can do this!!

Smile Squad

General Information

The friendly Smile Squad dental team will provide Victorian public primary and secondary school students with a free, high quality annual dental health examination and free follow up treatment as needed.

What is included?

At the first appointment (the check-up), Smile Squad will check your child's teeth.

Then, depending on your child's needs, services may include:

- x-rays
- fluoride varnish
- scale and clean
- fissure sealants
- a free dental pack: a toothbrush, toothpaste and information
- advice about dental health and diet



If a child needs more treatment, like a filling, Smile Squad will contact parents/guardians and make a second appointment. These extra treatments are also **completely free**.

The program does not include cosmetic procedures.

What will Smile Squad do?

First, Smile Squad will visit your child's school to check your child's teeth and provide preventive care. This takes about 15 minutes.

If your child doesn't need any extra treatment, Smile Squad will see your child again in 12 months.

If your child needs extra treatment, Smile Squad will send home an individual care plan for you to read. Then, Smile Squad will call you to talk about what your child needs and ask for your consent to the extra treatment. Smile Squad will make a new appointment for your child for the treatment. Usually, this appointment will also be at the school. This treatment is also free.

Students will also receive a free dental pack and education on teeth brushing and healthy eating.

More information on the services provided can be found on the [general information page](#) of this site.

If you have a dental emergency

If you have a dental emergency or require oral health advice, please contact the Royal Dental Hospital Melbourne on [9341 1000](tel:93411000) (outside Melbourne metro call: [1800 833 039](tel:1800833039)) or use the [online community dental clinics search](#) for a list of dental clinics in your area. You may also visit www.dhsv.org.au if you require any further information.

To keep your teeth strong and healthy, eat well, drink tap water, and brush twice a day with fluoride toothpaste.

CSDS will be in touch with Parents when the Smile Squad are going to be at the school.

Information

Forms Available:

Is your child turning 16? Call Centrelink at least 3 months before to get the paperwork for the Pension. Make sure your child has a TAX file number (from the age of 5 years old).

- Is your child in nappies or pull-ups? Make sure you include it in your NDIS plan.
⇒ Taxi - Doctor submits it online.
- Forms are available from the office:
⇒ Companion Card ⇔ We Care ⇔ Disability Parking Permit etc

NDIS - When your child turns 18 years old, you will need a Plan Nominee Form (available from the NDIS office) to speak on your child's behalf.

Emergency Care Plan: Each student should have an Emergency Care Plan in case something happens that carers and other family members can refer to. Extra copies available at the office. **Contact: Angelina on 9354 4366.**

CSDS to join Ritchie's Loyalty Card Program - Help US

Exciting News!

Our Fundraising Partner Ritchies IGA, are launching their new Ritchies Card, incorporating the Community Benefit Program and this will not only benefit our organisation, but also all our members.

The program now has an App for both IOS and Android smart devices. For those members who don't have a smart phone, or would like a physical card, this option is also available and can be linked to the App.

Every month, our organisation will receive 0.5%* of our members' spend in Ritchies Stores PLUS our members will receive special offers and member only specials via the App.

*T&C's apply see <https://www.ritchies.com.au/ritchiescardterms>

Featuring monthly promotions, cheaper prices for you, Collect and Win, as well as games and lots more fun things to do, this is a great opportunity to support our club.

You can download the Apps by scanning the QR codes below - or search for Ritchies in the Apple App Store or Google Play.

Your Club President 14 November to 25 November 2022
John Smith

