



*Respect & Care*



*Responsibility*



*Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding*



*Excellence*

Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

### Assembly

Today at assembly, we heard from several students across the school about their learning goals. Siana (5/6W), Toby (3/4P), Lewis(1/2B) and Ceejay (Foundation B) each shared a current goal, and the steps they are taking towards achieving their goal. Have you seen any of your child's goals in their Class Dojo Digital Portfolio? Teachers discuss the goals and progress with students in all areas regularly. Lessons are designed to help students work towards their goals.

### COVID News - Update to screening requirements for students and staff

Students and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19, and have completed their 7-day isolation period, now do not need to undertake screening for 8 weeks. This was previously 30 days.

### Senior Athletics Sports

Congratulations to our students, Mr O'Loughlin, volunteers and our staff, on a very successful senior athletics sports event on Tuesday. A big crowd cheered on the students as they strived for their personal best on a perfect autumn day. We saw students cheering on their fellow students and showing pride in the efforts of their House! It is always wonderful to see students helping and encouraging others. Our school values are alive and well! Mr O'Loughlin did a superb job of managing the organisation so that the day progressed smoothly. These days are impossible to conduct without the help of our parents and volunteers. Many thanks to all parents and other volunteers who helped, including students from Woodman's Hill Secondary College. Best wishes to the students who will progress through to the next stage, representing Dana St at the Sturt District Athletics on 4<sup>th</sup> April. The shield and age group champion medals are currently being engraved and will be presented as soon as possible.

### School Council Meeting

The first meeting of the 2022 School Council was conducted on Monday evening this week. The executive positions of Council are President- Steven Rothberg, Vice President- Katie Donnelly, Treasurer- Chris Allen and Minute Secretary- Kelly Kosloff. School Council meetings are open to all members of our school community, and are always advertised in advance in our newsletter. The next meeting is Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May.

*Natalie Toohey ~ Principal*

# Students Of The Week Awards

## **00B ~ SYLVIE**

For the thoughtful and kind-hearted way you treat all members of our classroom. Sylvie, we love your willingness to always do the little things. These small acts of kindness help put a smile on the faces of those around you. Amazing effort!



## **00R ~ TILEIGH**

For the incredible way you face challenges and show a growth mindset in the classroom. Tileigh, you keep on trying no matter what you're faced with. Your writing this week was magnificent; you took on feedback, applied it to your work, and it paid off! Keep it up, you're a superstar!



## **1/2B ~ ELEANOR**

For the incredible effort that you consistently apply to your learning tasks. It has been fantastic to see you challenge yourself with your narrative writing this week. Well done!



## **1/2H ~ ALLISSA**

For striving for excellence in all subject areas. Allissa, you have been planning out your writing, editing and having a "Red Hot" go at spelling unfamiliar words. Excellent work, SUPERSTAR!



## **1/2K ~ EDDIE**

For trying his best in all areas this week. Eddie, you have worked so hard that you have blown my socks off! Keep up the good work.



## **1/2S ~ PADDY**

For challenging yourself and moving through the learning pit. You have amazed me this week, the way you have shown grit in Reading and given new learning a red hot go. When you found something tricky you didn't give up! I am so proud of you, superstar!



## **3/4M ~ HAMISH**

For how you approach your learning and others. It's great to see you giving every task a red hot go and locking into your learning. You are always willing to lend a helping hand and give others encouragement when they need it. Keep up the amazing effort!



## **3/4P ~ KYLA**

For showing resilience and determination at our Sports Day this week! You were kind and supportive to your peers, encouraging everybody to do their best. Fantastic effort in all the events and congratulations on your achievements in the relay and shot put. You are a super star!



## **3/4R ~ LACHIE**

For having an amazing time at School Sports Day. You made everyone proud by having a red hot go at all the sports. You did great listening and following of instructions. Best of all you wore a beautiful smile and had lots of fun. Thank you for being a superstar!



## **5/6J ~ COOPER**

For the enthusiasm he shows towards his learning and his confident attitude when tackling tasks which are challenging. Amazing work, Cooper!



## **5/6P ~ CHARLES**

For showing great resilience during a stressful situation this week. Charles, we are so impressed with the way you dusted yourself off and kept going when you were feeling overwhelmed. Keep up your positive attitude!



## **5/6W ~ PADDY**

For enthusiasm you have shown towards researching and writing about a person who inspires you. I was really impressed with the focus and thought you have applied to this project this week. Great work!



Well done!

**Dates:**

Friday 1st April  
Last day for return of Hot Cross Buns orders & money

Monday 4th April  
Sturt District Athletics - 35 students in grade 4-6

Friday 8th April  
JSC Animal dress up day

Friday 8th April  
End of Term 1. Students dismissed at 2:30pm



**Hot Cross Buns**



This week your family received a Bakers Delight Hot Cross Bun order form. Our School Council Fundraising Committee have organised this popular fundraiser.

There are several flavours available. Order forms are due back at school by Friday 1st April.

The orders will be delivered on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April, in the final week of term 1.

**Attendance- Every day counts!**

Unless children are unwell, they should be at school. Important learning takes place at school every single day. Lessons are often designed in a sequence, and while we understand that sick children need to be at home, they can miss important learning with an excessive absence rate.

Have you thought, "It's only a day here and there?"

It's only .....			
They are only missing just....	That equals .....	Which is ....	And over 13 years of schooling, that's .....
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly <b>1.5 years</b>
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over <b>2.5 years</b>
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over <b>5 years</b>
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly <b>8 years</b>

**How can I help my child to SUCCEED at school?**



**Stay involved and feel free to contact your child's teacher.**

**Make sure your child is getting plenty of sleep.**

*Read with your child every night.*

*Ask your child about school and encourage them to talk about their day.*



Have a quiet place for homework and encourage organisation and responsibility rather than rushing at the last minute.

Do not let your child hear you talk negatively about their teacher or the school.



# Use Soft Plastic Bins

**This helps save marine life!**

What can go in soft plastic bins?

Yes 	No 
Chip packets (Empty)	Plastic Bottles
Cling wrap	Plastic Containers
Lolly wrappers	Drinking Straws
Any soft plastic	Any rigid plastic



## Ways to avoid using Soft Plastics

- Use reusable shopping bags
- Use reusable cups for hot beverages
- Choose paper over plastic where possible
- Avoid buying items that use a lot of packaging – Fresh is best!

### Our Lady Help Of Christians Summer Holiday Program

April 11 - 22 2022 (7am - 6pm)

Planned for children *by children*

MON APRIL 11	 Disney Day - Follow the white rabbit to our Disney Day of fun
TUE APRIL 12	 Art Therapy - Learn about self-esteem, creativity, emotions & social skills through art  Easter Extravaganza - Hop on in for some Easter themed art & games
WED APRIL 13	 A Baker's Delight - Bake & taste some of our favourite recipes
THU APRIL 14	Amazing Animals - Take a trip on the Safari bus to visit some animals
FRI APRIL 15	Good Friday - Public Holiday - No service
MON APRIL 18	Easter Monday - Public Holiday - No service
TUE APRIL 19	 Gamers Unite - Watch Sonic 2 for our game themed day
WED APRIL 20	 Book Worms - Dress as your favourite book character! Who will you be?
THU APRIL 21	 Art Therapy - Learn about self-esteem, creativity, emotions & social skills through art  Sports Stars - Let's get physical & play some games
FRI APRIL 22	 PJ Party - It's a PJ Party with games, snacks & friends

 Venue  Incursion  Excursion

Scheduled activities and bus times may change due to circumstances beyond our control. Please confirm with the venue if needed.



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### Ballarat North Autumn Holiday Program

April 11 - 22 2022 (7am - 6pm)

Planned for children *by children*

MON APRIL 11	 Everything Beads - Show your creativity with Hama, letter & coloured beads
TUE APRIL 12	 Easter Celebrations - It's that time of the year! Lets celebrate with some Easter fun
WED APRIL 13	 Movies - Set back a chill as we enjoy the latest blockbuster movie
THU APRIL 14	 Art Therapy - Learn about self-esteem, creativity, emotions & social skills through art  Wheels Day - Bring your wheels for a day of fun! Remember to bring your safety gear
FRI APRIL 15	Good Friday - Public Holiday - No service
MON APRIL 18	Easter Monday - Public Holiday - No service
TUE APRIL 19	 Art & Mindfulness - Let your inner creativity shine and make something wonderful
WED APRIL 20	 Woodworking - Have fun creating your very own masterpiece from wood
THU APRIL 21	 Picnic & Inclusive Play - From swings to the flying fox - there is fun for everyone
FRI APRIL 22	 Art Therapy - Learn about self-esteem, creativity, emotions & social skills through art  Games Day - Who is ready for some fun and wacky games?

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## Foundation/ Prep enrolments



Do you have a child currently attending four-year-old kinder who will be coming to school next year? We have already had many enquiries for Foundation /prep in 2023 and are currently taking enrolments. If you know of anyone who is interested in enrolling their child for prep next year, please encourage them to contact the school for a tour and information.

## Athletics News

On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March we had our Senior House Athletics at Llanberris Reserve. Our students rotated around eight track and field events throughout the day including long jump, triple jump, high jump, shot put, discus, 100m, 200m and hurdles with the 800m being an optional event held during the lunch break.

Our students were all striving to improve their scores and achieve a higher standard to earn more points for their house. The standards system allows all students to set achievable goals for each event and strive to achieve their own personal best. Students had a small card attached to their top where they recorded their best performance against the standards to take home and keep. Standard four earns four house points, standard three earns three house points etc.

Our final event for the afternoon was the house relay races. The points were close and the stakes were high with house pride on the line. The relays had some extremely close finishes with the home straight a wave of noise from chants and screams of encouragement. Our students all showed tremendous teamwork with Dunne and Martin winning one relay each and Spielvogel winning two.

### 2022 Final Standings:

Place	House / School	Points
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Spielvogel House	504
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Dunne House	480
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Martin House	476
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Baker House	464

Our 2022 results were nearly a complete reversal on last year's results with Spielvogel winning the event after placing fourth last year and Dunne house placing second after third last year. Well done to all students for their efforts in earning house points. Every single point and effort counts towards the shield.

The Age Group Champion Medals will be handed out at an assembly in the coming weeks once they have been engraved.

Good luck to all 35 of our students who are progressing on to represent Dana Street at the Sturt District Athletics on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> of April (Week 10). The district team was announced on Wednesday afternoon and the permission notes were handed out yesterday. Grade 6 students will be able to get their permission note after they return from camp.

Finally, I want to say a huge thank you to all of the volunteers, parents, teachers and Woodmans Hill Secondary College students. Without them our athletics day would not have been as successful as it was.

Mr. O'Loughlin  
P.E. Teacher



Go Spielvogel

Go Dunne

Go Martin

Go Baker

