

# From the Principal's Desk

#### Dear Parents,

Great to see so many parents accessing the school's new School Stream app. It certainly makes providing information to you so much easier. You can now access all our school forms and sign your permission digitally and send back. As well, you can access Newsletters and other information and news. You can also let us know of your child's absence through this app. If you haven't downloaded the app as yet, the instructions are in this newsletter, on our Facebook page, or you can contact Leanne at the office.

# SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

Mrs Wendy Rowan commenced her role as Chaplain this week and will be at school each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. She is visiting classrooms and helping out, to get to know the kids, but her main role will be to counsel students who are looking for a friendly, trusted person to listen to them if they have a worry or a need to talk to someone. She is available for parents/carers to talk to if they need assistance in any way. To enable your child to take advantage of Wendy's time, you need to have signed the Chaplaincy consent form that went home on the newsletter last week (It also is available to view on the School Stream app).

# **EXCURSION TO COBRAM**

What a great day this excursion turned out to be last Tuesday. We all travelled to Cobram to participate in a variety of physical activities at the Skillzone stadium. Children learned about the important components to a fit and healthy body, by undertaking activities that tested their speed, strength, endurance, flexibility and agility. During the snack break they all refuelled with lots of fresh fruit supplied by the P&F. We then travelled to Thompson's Beach to eat their healthy lunches on the shady lawns, before going on a walk along the river. This was a great way to commence our term's Quest theme on **Healthy Minds and Healthy Bodies.** What made the whole day particularly special for me was, that this is the first whole-school excursion we've been able to have since the pandemic, which I hope is a sign of better times to come.

#### **BREAKFAST CLUB**

We will hold our first Breakfast Club for the year, this **Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> February** in the school's hall. Hollie Barnes will organise the breakfast with support from Helen the Chaplain and some senior school student volunteers. We intend to hold the breakfasts each Friday, but really need parent/carer support to share the load. If you can help let Hollie or I know. It's a great way for the students to start the morning and it sets them up for a successful day.

#### **BADGE PRESENTATIONS AT ASSEMBLY**

Last Monday, we had our first official School Assembly and one of the important tasks was to present all our elected School Captains, SRC members and House Captains with their badges. Greg Brooks, our school Council President, was there to make the presentations. Congratulations to all our new office bearers (that you can see in the photo gallery).

# SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Nominations for School Council are being called for. We have one parent vacancy on Council for this year, so if it interests you, please come and see me at the office. Nominations close on Monday, 22nd February at 4:00pm. The term of office on School Council is for two years and we have two meetings per term, usually on a Wednesday evening.

#### SCOOTER AND SKATEBOARD DAYS

Special skateboard and scooter sessions at lunchtime proved to be really popular last year, and so we are going to continue with them for the immediate future. We will have two lunchtime sessions - with the Year **P-2's** on a **Monday**, and the **3-6's** on a **Wednesday**. Students must supply their own scooter or skateboard (no swapping or borrowing) and of course they **must be wearing a helmet**. Staff will supervise. Sessions will commence from Monday, 15<sup>th</sup>.

# Strathmerton Primary School is excited to introduce

# 🏠 School Stream

We ask all parents and carers to please download the app to your mobile devices.

This will be a new way of communication and will allow parents to complete excursion forms, see school events, get notifactions of school events, report student absentees, direct messaging to our office and much more.

Downloading instructions will follow. Thank you



# **STRATHY STARS**





Abbie Graham, Flynn Cleary and Edith Bourchier.

Absent: Cooper Lee-Madgwick and Paige Argus





Angus Berndt, Jessica Anderson and Axel Henderson

Literacy Award





Ella Riggs, Tory Wilson, Mason Hanley, Declan Hughes and Brandon Swaine



Ivy and Maya Henderson are our barrel winners this week.

# How to Download School Stream App



# iPhone ioS/ Mobile device

App Store

1.Go to the App Store

2.Search for School Stream

3.Tap the FREE/GET button to the right of the School Stream listing

4. Tap the INSTALL button

5. Enter your Apple ID and password & OK

6. Wait for the install icon to change to OPEN & Tap the OPEN button

7.Accept push notifications, you will need to select OK

8.Start typing your school into the search Strathmerton Primary School & SELECT

# **Android Mobile Device**



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- 2. Search for School Stream
- 3. Tap the School Stream listing

4. Tap the INSTALL button

5. Tap the ACCEPT button

6. Wait for the app to install then tap the OPEN button

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8. Tap the DONE button in the top left

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Grade SRC Reps Declan Hughes, Ella Riggs & Sierra Hanley



School Captain Ivy Henderson and vice-captain Tory Wilson



Emus Captain Amy Payne Vice-captain Blake Giddings



Turtles Captain Madison Knight Vice-captain Jazzmyn Safe





Wombats Captain Codey Edgar Vicecaptain Ivy Henderson & Harry Wood



Turtles Captain Tory Wilson Vice-captain Aylssah Wilson

