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RESPECT

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2022 Dates to Remember

- **Thursday 28th July**
Puberty classes 5/6
- **Friday 29th July**
Lightning Premiership at Yarrawonga
- **Wednesday 3rd August**
School council
- **Tuesday August 30th**
Bushwahzee
- **Wednesday 7th September**
School council
- **Friday 16th September**
Last day of term 2.30pm finish
- **Monday 3rd October**
Term 3 starts

Lightning Premiership
This is being held in Yarrawonga this year a
list of times will be sent home early next
term.

Badminton this Friday
Singles colour competition
Followed by presentation
Please bring along a plate of food to share.



COVID-SAFE UPDATE

We have had two recorded COVID-positive cases in our Year 5/6 classroom, which is a reminder that, whilst Strathmerton Primary students and staff have generally been COVID-free, we can't become complacent. As mentioned recently, the Department recommends that all students from 8 years of age, as well as all adults, should wear a mask whilst indoors. Each classroom has boxes of masks available.

Also, we will continue to send home Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) kits at regular intervals, again with the recommendation that you test your family weekly. If you've run out and we'll send home more.

Close contacts of a confirmed case are able to continue to come to school, with the provision that they must return five negative RAT results over a seven day period, and they **must** wear a mask whilst indoors.

With the large increase of COVID cases across the State, we need to ensure that we continue to maintain COVID-safe practices.

From the Principal's Desk

The African Drumming sessions last Friday were a great success, and all the students participated enthusiastically. The two performers, Daniel and Kofi, were impressed by the students behaviour and effort.

NAPLAN

We received some preliminary NAPLAN reports for our Year 3 and 5 students earlier this week. Although not a great deal of detail was provided, it appears that the reading results for both our Year 3's and 5's are better than they were last year. The full, detailed performance reports and the individual pupil reports for parents, will arrive in the near future.

LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIP

Our senior students are off to Yarrawonga on Friday to participate in the Lightning Premiership, which pits teams of students from various schools against one another, in a round-robin style competition. We have entered a football team and two netball teams and we hope they have an enjoyable day.

STAFFING

We recently listed a vacancy for a PE teacher and are hopeful of appointing a teacher to that role in the near future. In the meantime, Skillzone has been providing an instructor to take the Wednesday PE classes. Also, Mrs Lynda Dickson has increased her time fraction at school to take on the additional role of Tutor and Mrs Mandy Mead is now teaching full-time to assist in providing additional time release for staff.

Geoff Weppner.

100 Days of School

Dear Prep Parents,

22/07/2022

*On **Friday 29th July** the Preps will have been at school for 100 days!*

The Prep children are encouraged to come to school on this day dressed as a **one hundred year old person!** (**think wrinkles, walking sticks, braces, glasses**)

We will be having fun activities at school to celebrate this great milestone.

Kind Regards,

Glenice