



# STRATHMERTON

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**Newsletter No.3  
February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

### **2023 Dates to Remember**

- **Thursday February 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Prep/1 Games and Tea night
- **Friday February 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Breakfast Club  
School Council Nominations due 4pm
- **Monday February 20<sup>th</sup>**  
Assembly 2.50pm
- **Wednesday February 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
Preps rest day at home.
- **Friday February 24<sup>th</sup>**  
Free Dress Day-gold coin donation
- **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> & Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March**  
Parent Teacher Interviews
- **Friday March 10<sup>th</sup>**  
Pupil Free Day – no students at school
- **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**  
Crazy Hair Day (Change of Date)
- **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March**  
NAPLAN Grade 3 & 5
- **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March**  
Athletics Carnival Nathalia

#### **Compass**

We still have a few families that have not registered for Compass. Please contact the office if you require further assistance with installing or anything Compass related.

#### **Hats**

Students are required to wear hats outside during Term One and Four. If your child needs a new hat they are available to be purchased from the office for \$8.

Parent Teacher Interview times are now available to be booked in compass.

#### **Lunch orders**

Lunch orders will be Wednesdays and Fridays.  
Please see Compass for the price list.

#### **Zooper Doopers**



The SRC will be selling Zooper Doopers each Wednesday and Friday at lunchtime for \$1 each.

#### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast club tomorrow morning 8.30-8.50am.

Thank you to all families that donated food to help support this program.

## From the Principal's desk.

At assembly this week we presented our 2023 Leaders with their badges. It was great to see so many families come and watch the assembly. Assemblies are held each Monday afternoon at 2.50pm, all are welcomed. Our leaders will be responsible for helping around the school, including selling icy poles, organising fundraiser activities and special days.

### Helmets

Just a reminder that students must wear helmets while riding a bike or scooter. This includes when riding on roads and road-related areas, on bike paths, in bike lanes, in recreational parks, in car parks and on footpaths.

### Prep/1 Games and Tea Night

This fun event will now take place **tonight Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> February**. All our P/1's stay at school to take part in lots of fun activities and to have tea together, with parents/carers to pick their child up at 5:30 pm.

### Camps Program

We provide a comprehensive camps program at Strathmerton Primary with the P/1 Games and Tea Night being the first step. Following, in Year Two, is a sleepover at the school. Then in Years 3 and 4 the students experience a two-night camp, alternating between an adventure camp one year, and a historic experience camp in Beechworth the next. Finally, in Years 5 and 6, the camps alternate between a Melbourne-based experience and an adventure camp, held over three nights.

Prep/1 Games and Tea Night – Tonight Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February

Grade 2 Sleep Over – Term 4

Grade 3/4 Billabong Ranch – 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> March

Grade 5/6 Melbourne Urban Camp – 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> July

### Rest Day Preps

A reminder that our Preps have their final rest day next Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. After this date, the Preps will be at school fulltime.

### Parents & Friends

The Parents & Friends (or P&F) are seeking volunteers. The P&F work with staff and the community to raise money for our school, through fundraising activities and social events. Over the past several years the P&F have raised money towards buying sports equipment, helping resurface the back basketball court, supplement our curriculum programs with resources, classroom equipment and lots more. The P&F organise and run our Mother's and Father's Day stalls, raffles, Colour Fun Run, Pie and Cookie Dough Drives and the Lion's Club Dinners. If you are interested in joining and helping, please contact the office.

### School Council Elections

Nominations for School Council are being called for. We have four parent vacancies on Council for this year, so if it interests you, please come and see me at the office. **Nominations close on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

Jo Paton

# This week's award winners

Strathy Stars  
Sammie Wren, Levi Spaul,  
Ivy Davies and Ernie Laidlaw



Literacy Award  
Paige Argus, Kael Carmody,  
Bridie Bain and Rylee McFarland



Numeracy Award  
Jack Daniel, Darci Carmody,  
Patrick Cleary and Macy Carter