



STRATHMERTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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2024 Dates to Remember

- **Wed 17-19th July**
Grade 5/6 camp to Sovereign Hill.
- **Wed 24th July**
Incurion NED Show
Lions Club Speech 5.30pm
- **Fri 26th July**
Lightning Premiership at Yarrowonga
- **Mon 19th-Fri 23rd Aug**
Book Week



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ENROL IN 2025

At Strathmerton Primary School we offer:

- High quality teaching and learning.
- Small class sizes.
- A supportive and active school community.
- A wide range of curriculum and extracurricular activities.

2025 enrolments now open.

TO BOOK A TOUR, OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE OFFICE:

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From the Principal's Desk

Welcome back to Term Three everyone. With all our Year 5/6's off on camp in Ballarat, it certainly makes it very quiet out in the yard. Miss Arklay tells me that all the campers are going well, even with the cold wet weather.



NED Show

Next week on Wednesday the NED Show will come to visit. The NED Show is a positive behaviour programme where the performer takes our students on an interactive educational journey filled with storytelling, illusions, yo-yo tricks and humour. At the completion of the show, Yo-Yos will be available to buy. This will be at the front office until the 8th of August. A price list will be sent home next week.

Occupational Therapy

We are pleased to announce the addition of a new Occupational Therapist (OT) to our team at SPS. Their role will be to support students in developing essential skills for learning and daily activities, including developing fine motor and gross motor skills, self-regulatory skills, addressing sensory processing and improve students executive functioning skills. They will work collaboratively with teachers and parents to enhance each child's ability to participate fully in school life. If you believe your child could benefit from OT services, please reach out to me or see your child's teacher.

Pupil Free Day

On Monday staff participated in a Professional Development Day. This day was dedicated to exploring the new Mathematics Curriculum. Our teachers engaged in valuable training and discussions aimed at enhancing their teaching methods and ensuring a seamless transition to the updated curriculum.

Whooping Cough Medical Alert

Please note at the end of Term 2 a child in the F/1 class tested positive to whooping cough (pertussis). The Department of Public Health have informed us that there are several outbreaks of whooping cough in the local area. Students with whooping cough are NOT allowed at school for a specific number of days. Contacts of confirmed cases under 7 years old (including students in their class) who have not had 3 doses of the Pertussis vaccine, are also not allowed at school for a specific number of days.

Please, if your child is coughing and has been unwell, we advise that you keep them home while they recover and seek medical assistance by taking them to a doctor to ensure they are not infectious. If your child has contracted whooping cough, you must inform the school immediately so we can establish close contacts and check their immunisation status to ensure everyone's safety.

Jo Paton