SHARYNE’S SNIPPITS

Dear Families,

Welcome to week 8

THANKS TO: Amy, Kent and Jayne for spreading the mulch when it arrived a couple of weeks ago. I apologise for this oversight. OOPS!

One of San Remo Primary Schools Values is: Nurturing Relationships with the community. I was very fortunate to experience this first hand on Thursday night at the P-2 PJ Party. Mrs Wilson and Mr Steel had a great evening scheduled for the students and they were all very eager to get into their PJ’s. It was great to see that Spiderman PJ’s are still in vogue for both boys and girls. The students played outside as the initial plan was to head to the park and the beach for beach cricket but the wind could have blown us all away to Tasmania which wasn’t in the plan!

It was a great evening and thanks to the San Remo Fish Co-Op for cooking our scrumptious fish and chips for dinner. The children were all beautifully behaved and excited at the same time. A HUGE thank you to Tracey and Rusty for this fun evening and giving their time so generously for our kids AND being ready to greet our 2016 preps the next day as part of their transition into our school.

Thank you to those families who have contacted their child’s teacher for a hard copy of the newsletter as they are unable to download the TiqBiz app onto their phone. REMEMBER the newsletter is also on the schools webpage each week. We are trying to decrease our paper usage and become environmentally friendly.

WHY COMPOSITE GRADES At SRPS in 2016:

School Council brought this to my attention at last Tuesday nights meeting. I am very grateful that families feel they can approach their parent representatives on School Council over something that is concerning them and I hope this helps to explain why we will run multiage classrooms next year. The primary reason was so that all students at San Remo Primary School would be in a class with the lowest amount of students possible. The number of students in each year level was very high in some year levels and very low in others. The staff at San Remo Primary School are skilled practitioners and work together in Professional Learning Teams (PLT) to develop teaching and learning practices for the best possible outcomes for all students in a safe and supporting environment AND they are dedicated hard working educators.

Come in and see how it feels and looks

The factors for operating six multiage classes next year:

• To keep class sizes as small as possible
• Most classes have a wide range of student abilities and no class has a group of students all sitting at the same level so class teachers are planning and teaching above and below the expected level and
catering for each child's need
- So each student can feel safe and supported if there has been some concerns around getting along with another student.
- Students are able to work at their own developmental learning level rather than grade expectation
- Multi-age grades provide a setting whereby students are able to make friends across age groups, are more confident and assertive and are comfortable in a group. In the long term, they become more adept at problem-solving and independent learning.
- The skills of co-operating, sharing, tolerance and being able to mentor other students are very strong in multi-age classrooms.

Thought of the week:

Regards Sharyne

WORKERS OF THE WEEK  Week Ending 27/11/15

P/1 W  Darcy for working so hard on his behaviour at home and at school.

1/2 S  Milla for being a SUPERSTAR learner and always producing great work.

3/4 H  Jordi for excellent work and presentation in her homework book.

3/4 M  Emily for a fantastic effort with her writing.

5/6 G  Jake for his good effort on area and perimeter activities.

5/6 T  Ethan for showing persistence when writing his leadership speech.

M.A.R.C. LIBRARY

The M.A.R.C. Library will make its final visit to San Remo P.S. for 2015 on Thursday, 10th December. For this reason it is important that all M.A.R.C. library books are returned by this day at the very latest. We have stopped lending books for this year and we are concentrating our efforts on collecting those still out on loan. If your child has an overdue library book/s the M.A.R.C. librarians would appreciate you and your child having a good search for it. If you are unable to find the book/s please sign the overdue notice your child will receive and it will be erased from their records. When (and if) the lost book is located please have your child return it to the M.A.R.C. librarian to be re-catalogued for other students to borrow. Thanks, Tony.

2016 PREP TRANSITION

Our new Prep students will be with us again this Friday morning. This week they will stay until after morning recess so if you see them in the playground please make them feel welcome. Next Tuesday they will stay at school until after lunch. Woo Hoo so exciting for them!!
ORIENTATION DAY
This Friday from 9am-11am all students will join their classmates in their 2016 Home Groups then Tuesday 8th December is the State-wide Orientation Day. All students will work in their 2016 home groups from 9am-1:30pm.

SCHOOL COUNCIL REPORT FROM THE LAST MEETING FOR 2016
• The drainage problem near the basketball court will be fixed during the holidays thanks to Steve Kelly, Ashley Oats and Vic Papas for meeting one Saturday morning to discuss and come up with an agreed solution. Their expertise was an important part of the discussion and final outcome. Thanks boys.
• Policies that were ratified: Parent Helpers and The Volunteer Policy
• 2016 Budget
• 2015 NAPLAN Data- very positive
• 2016 School Councilor Training session on How to Read the Budgets at Bass Coast Special School
• With heavy hearts School Council has decided that Vacation Care Programs will no longer operate at San Remo Primary School due to a decrease in the number of users and this meant that it was not covering the costs associated with the program.

BOOK FAIR
Our last Book Fair for 2015 is open for business from tomorrow Wednesday 2nd Dec until next Monday 7th Dec. 8:45am-9am and 3pm-3:45pm each day. Thank you for your support in the past, this is what helps build our library for all our children to learn and enjoy. ☺ We look forward to seeing lots of little eyes light up with their new treasures. Kelly

BOOKCLUB AND BOOKFAIR 2016
A HUGE big thank you to Kelly-Anne Osborne for all her hard work over the last 5 or 6 years running the Book club and Book Fairs at San Remo PS. We are looking for a new volunteer to run these programs for 2016. Please contact Roz in the office or Kelly directly if you are interested in becoming the Scholastic Book Club Co-Ordinator. Kelly will be able to run through how the system works and what your roll will entail.

ANNUAL ART SHOW
It’s that time of year again. The Art Show is nearing very quickly. Keep this date free to come and view your child’s fantastic artworks.
When: Thursday 10th December
Where: San Remo Tennis Club Rooms ( the small room next to the Recreation Centre)
Time: Official opening is at 5pm and to follow the unveiling of the Grade six 2015 Art piece
Hope to see you all there.

MICRO GROMS SURF COMPETITION at Ocean Grove
I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Poppy Corbett and Jake Bill for their participation in this event. They both surfed excellently. Poppy won the Under 14 girls and came second in the under 12 girls. Jake surfed his way into the semi finals. We are very proud of both of you.

RUNNING CLUB
Whist running club has been a success our numbers have slowly dropped off. With this in mind I think it best to take a well earned rest for the remainder of the year. We will resume our running club next year refreshed and ready to go. Thanks for your support, Virginia

SPORTS DAY - THURSDAY 17th DECEMBER
There will be a whole school JUMP-OFF on Thursday 17th December. As part of the Jump Rope For Heart fundraiser students are asked to bring a gold coin donation to go to the Heart Foundation.
GATE CLOSED
On Friday 4th December the Shire will be doing repairs to the concrete outside the school entrance at Edgar Rd (at the basketball court entrance). This will mean that at 3:30pm this gate will not be open for pick up of students at 3:30pm. Please make sure you arrange to pick up your child from the main school entrance next to the Recreation Centre.

PUB RAFFLE Friday 18th December
San Remo Primary School’s last scheduled meat tray raffle will be held on Friday 18th Dec, the last day of school for this year. We are looking for volunteers to sell the raffle tickets for us. If you are able to assist please contact Roz in the school office.

DONATIONS
We are asking for donations of Boy/Girl toys for children aged 0-15yrs. If you are able to assist St Vincent De Paul gather presents for children in need please drop your donation off at the San Remo Bendigo Bank by Tuesday 15th December. There are gift cards available at the bank.

GRADE 6 GRADUATION
Our 2015 grade 6 students are preparing to leave SRPS and start their new adventure at secondary college. Their Graduation ceremony will be held in the Recreation Centre blue room on Tuesday 15th December. From there the students will enjoy a dinner at Cape Kitchen. Information will go home separately from the classrooms.

SCHOOL REPORTS
School Reports will go home on Thursday 17th December.

LAST DAY TERM 4
Friday 18th December is the last day of the 2015 school year. A reminder that there is an early dismissal time of 1:30pm so students will not require a packed lunch or a lunch order. There will be a FINAL assembly at 1pm.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
San Remo PS will be singing 2 songs at the Carols By Candlelight on the San Remo Foreshore on Friday 18th December at approximately 7pm. More information about the event is published on page 7.

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BOOKLISTS & UNIFORMS etc
Accounts will go home soon for the 2016 Essential Items. Payments for these items can be made at any time from now until school resumes in January 2016. If you would like to pay in instalments please see Roz or use the banking details printed on the front page of the newsletter. Please use your surname and 2016 as reference when making your payment by direct deposit.

Families will receive their school bonus directly from Centrelink in January.

The school office will be open on Wednesday 27th January from 11am-3:30pm for purchasing school uniforms and payment of classrooms supplies.

TERM 1 School resumes for ALL classes on Thursday 28th January 2016 at 9am.

CSEF
The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund grants will be available to all low income families at the beginning of the school year. Please make sure you fill in an application form and provide a copy of your Health Care card or Pension card to the office.
The Penguin Parade

It was a sunny day. The grade 3/4s went to the penguin parade. The Rangers talked about how the little penguins are the only penguins that have dark blue feathers on their backs. They have dark blue feathers so when they sleep on the water the predators that look from above will not see the penguins. The white feathers on the penguin’s tummy will camouflage with the foam so the predators that are below will just see foam. We would like to say thank you to Ms H for organising an awesome day!

Tailyn Payne

Penguin Parade visit 2015

On a beautiful sunny day the whole 3/4s went to the penguin parade.

We were split into two groups and went beach combing.

We looked for things that were and were not supposed to be there, such as: rubbish, cuttlefish and feathers.

Our more interesting finds were:

A weedy sea dragon skeleton, a puffer fish and a jelly fish egg.

We mostly found cuttlefish, it was a lot of fun.

Thankyou to Mrs H. for organising the day, and Mr Manning and Miss Young for coming with us.

Jade Ruffin

Penguin parade 2015

Monday morning 9:15 am we went to see and hear about all the wonders of the penguins and where they lived.

The last activity was the best we looked at the baby penguins get weighed. They first looked in the boxes that they stayed in at night to see if there were any babies in there and if there was they would put one in a little fabric bag and weigh it. If there were 2 in the same box they would put a little bit of red die on a cotton ball and rub it on their chest. The baby penguins would have lots of fluffy feathers on them so you would know if they’re a baby or not. The feathers would eventually fall of so they can go and get food from the ocean.

I wish I could go back and learn so much more and have so much more fun.

Lily Mewett
UNIFORM SHOP

Open for VIEWING on

Mondays and Fridays  8.30am-9.15am (not open in the afternoon)

Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays  8:30am– 9:15am & 3pm-3:45pm

PURCHASES: Uniform orders can be placed at anytime by dropping it in the permission form box in the school office with payment or with a note of your receipt number if paid by direct deposit. All completed orders will be handed out to students by the end of the day if we have it in stock.

STUDENT SUPERVISION

Children are supervised in the playground from 8:45am until 3:45pm.

Parents are reminded that all classes begin at 9am sharp. If your child comes to school earlier than 8:45am or later than 3:45pm they need to attend OSHC.

NO PARKING ZONES  Please note that parking is restricted along Thomas Grove and you are not permitted to park on the grass area behind the Rec centre and Bowling Club. Please do NOT park in the staff car park. Please remember our preferred parking for student drop off is at the top of Wynne Ave in the Rec Centre car park.
A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS for our MUSICAL