Dear Families,

It has been a whirlwind first term and the staff and students have been out and about from Cowes to Ballarat!

Thank you to all staff for a wonderful term one. Enjoy Easter with your families and don’t eat too many chocolate eggs. Thank you to Mrs Gifford, Mrs Houston, Col and Shane our parent helpers for a fabulous camp to Sovereign Hill last week. The students were amazing and played their roles beautifully despite the heat. The costumes definitely made the camp just that little bit more special. Congratulations to our 5/6 students whose behaviour whilst at Sovereign Hill was exemplary for the general public to witness.

Congratulations to Marcelle Luz for catching the attention of Shane O’Keefe (Trinity’s dad) who volunteered to help out at the Sovereign Hill Camp last week. She was presented with the gift of an iTunes gift card for showing outstanding leadership by supporting another student at assembly yesterday. It is fantastic to have a parent of the school recognize the School’s Values in a student who has been selected as a school leader and great role model to others. Thanks to Shane for recognizing these attributes and handing me a lovely surprise on Friday to read and then present at assembly. REMEMBER someone is always watching you!

On Friday a letter was sent home to each family as to the Principal position at San Remo Primary School for the remainder of the year. I will remain as Principal for term 2 to replace Ms Bowker whilst she goes on Long Service Leave. Then Ms Bowker will resume at the start of term 3. Now just a “little” list of what we have been getting up to this term at San Remo Primary Primary School

San Remo Primary School has:
- Welcomed 22 preps and 5 other students and their families to our school this year
- Mrs Williams into grade 3/4
- Selected and presented the Student School Leaders with their badges by former students and buddies
- Completed another successful Channel Challenge fundraiser
- Had a BBQ donated from Bunnings
- A fabulous Family BBQ Evening with a mini golf course for all to enjoy
- Had 3-6 swimming
- District Swimming
- Regional Swimming
- Swum in the gym!
- School photos
- Running Club
- OHSC Out of School Hours Care
- School Council elections

SHARYNE’S SNIPPITS

MARCH
- Thurs 24th FREE DRESS DAY
- Last Day Term 1
- 2:30pm dismissal
- ASSEMBLY @ 2:15
- undercover area for Raffle Draw

APRIL
- Mon 11th Term 2 starts
- Tues 19th School Council
- 20th-22nd Gr 3/4 Allambee Camp
- Mon 25th ANZAC Day Public Holiday
- Fri 29th District Athletics

MAY
- Fri 20th District Football/Netball

JUNE
- Thurs 2nd Division Cross Country
- Tues 7th School Council
- Fri 10th District Soccer
- Mon 13th Queen’s B’Day- Pub Hol
- Mon 20-Tues 21 Life Education Van
- Fri 24th Last Day Term 2
- 2:30pm dismissal

JULY
- Mon 11th Term 3 starts
- Fri 29th 5/6 Dist Basketball
School Council meetings
School Council Finance Training at Bass Coast Special School
Parent/Teacher interviews
Bass Coast Young Leaders Award evening
Nit checks
A new safe delivered
Sporting School Communities Activities at lunch time
All staff upgraded their first aid qualifications
Grade 5/6 students have played lawn bowls
Clean Up Australia Day
Had National Ride to School Day
Had the grade 6 students go surfing
Footy Clinic at Cowes
Sovereign Hill Camp
Had a wedding- Miss Truscio
A milestone staff birthday, yes one of those "0" ones
Welcomed Jodie Olden to the school whilst Roz is on LSL.
AND
A full comprehensive curriculum program implemented by dedicated teachers
who are a joy to work with in a safe and nurturing environment.

Keep safe and see you back on Monday 11th April
Happy Easter everyone.

Thought of the Week:

Regards Sharyne

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
to
Koda Holmes
Talia Gunn
Zac Gleeson
Kienna Payne
Alana Vanderstaay
Kaiden Thow
Darcy Gorsuch
Maggie Timmins
Izzi Macs

SCHOOL TIMETABLE
MON
Music
Student banking
3pm Assembly
TUES
Music program & Band
WED
Japanese
Gr 5 & 6 Library
Gr 5 & 6 PE
Gr 3 & 4 Art
Sushi orders
THUR
Gr P, 1, 2, 5 & 6 Art,
Gr P-4 PE
MARC Library Gr P-4
Icy-poles 1:45pm

*Easter Raffle tickets and money due back Wednesday 23rd.
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.

TIQBIZ
A reminder that we need ALL families to download the FREE Tiqbiz app on their phone, tablet and/or computer. We upload the newsletter each week to this app. We also use Tiqbiz to contact all families in times of emergency and for letting families know what is happening in the school.

NO STANDING ZONE
Please do NOT stop or park in the No Standing Zone in Thomas Grove. There have been a number of parents using this area to drop off or pick up their child/ren. Please remember our safest and preferred parking area for student drop off or pick up is at the top of Wynne Ave in front of the Recreation Centre.

WORKERS OF THE WEEK  Week Ending 18/3/16

P/1 M  Patika—for great listening and working well with others.
P/1 W  Maya—for her smiling face and happy attitude to learning.
2/3S  Noah—for working very hard on his fantastic narrative—Star Wars!
3/4 M  Paul—for a tremendous music session drumming with Mr Chambers.
5/6 G  Zac—for an excellent snapshot of Sovereign Hill camp.
        Tom—for an excellent snapshot of Sovereign Hill camp.
5/6 T  Emily—for taking her time to improve the presentation of her work.
        Azayah—for adding adjectives to his writing.

Footy Clinic Day at Cowes with St Kilda Football Club
Grade 5/6 Camp at Sovereign Hill

Pantomime by Jordi Vanderkolk
As I walk into the Victoria Theatre I smell the dust. I feel excited as I choose one of seats from the rows and rows of luxurious red velvet chairs. I see beautiful gold leaf with lovely patterns decorating the roof, rails in the dress circle and an old piano in the corner. The actors are on the stage and the footsteps echo on the wooden floor. Children are whispering excitedly. I feel my heart beating out of my chest and I wonder what it is going to be like.

Blood on the Southern Cross by Teia Loughnan-Green
The Eureka Hotel is bursting into flames and the monstrous pitch black smoke flies up, eating the air. The fluorescent flames burst through the windows. I feel the heat on my filthy skin. The crowd cheers and booms, 'Hooray!' and laughs as they watch the hotel obliterate. Bentley gets what he deserves for murdering Scobie. I watch the revenge unfold.

Gold Panning by Charli Wagland
The chance of finding gold is very possible. I hold my rusty pan tightly in my hands and I can smell the dirt and soil from the bottom of the creek. I get my hand ready to scoop up the gravel but then I see it. A tiny, golden, glistening piece of gold. 'Eureka!' I shout loudly. I lick my fingers to get the sample of the beautiful golden metal. I feel my heart beating so fast, as if it’s bursting from my chest. I calm down as I listen to the sound of the water flowing peacefully over the rocks. My goal was to find gold and my goal has been achieved, with just a pan and a creek and my own bare hands.

Sovereign Hill Camp

15/3/16
We got to camp pretty late so we had to rush into our costumes and then we had lunch, it was roast chicken and it was really good! We got to school and had recess. We got to play with cool old toys. After recess we did a spelling activity, it was alright.
We went to the Secret Chamber mine tour after school, it was pretty good. We got to see a Chinese gold rush story. We got to watch Blood on the Southern Cross, it was amazing. When we got back it was 10pm so we went straight to bed.

16/3/16
My room got up early so we started to talk. Sir gave us a tour of Sovereign Hill in the morning and then we had our photos taken, then gold panning. We didn’t pan for that long because we had a gold smelting demonstration, it was awesome.
Father came to visit us after recess, he was a little bit strict but he was cool. After school we went to the Red Hill Mine tour, I didn’t really like this one.
After dinner we went to the Victorian Theatre to see a pantomime. It was really funny, although we didn’t have the best view.

17/3/16
My room was up earlier than before but we just talked for an hour and a ½ then got ready to split into groups.
I bought a cane from the saddlers shop, a drink from the grocers, a flute thing and a fountain pen from the Waterloo store and a bag of lollies from the confectionary store. We saw a weapon demonstration and the trooper was really funny.
We stopped at Maccas for a wrap and then came home.
By Blake
**Sovereign Hill Camp**

**Tuesday 15th March**
We went to the Secret Chamber mine tour today. It was near 8.00pm when we went to the Blood on the Southern Cross show, which was awesome! The Blood on the Southern Cross was a very sad story, it was about the Eureka Stockade.

**Wednesday 16th March**
Sir took us for a tour around Sovereign Hill, then we went to school. Sir took us to see the gold smelting demonstration. It was interesting when the man put the really, really hot block of gold in the water to cool down.
After school we went to the Red Hill mine tour. When it was nearly bed time, we went to the theatre. Some of the actors we saw were Tim and Holly. The shows they did were Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs and the other one was an introduction.

**Thursday 17th March**
I was in a group with Charlotte, Izzy and Syanna to have a look around Sovereign Hill. We went gold panning, then we went to the shop up top of the gold panning and I bought a cane and a sharpener.

Sovereign Hill camp was fantastic! I really enjoyed Blood on the Southern Cross. I would definitely go back.
By Emily

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**Sovereign Hill**

**Tuesday 15th March**
Today was our first day at Sovereign Hill. The first thing we did was meet our teacher and he made us be in a line of girls and a line of boys. Once we did that we went into the costumes room and our teachers sorted out costumes for us. We went to school and there were people watching us. When we finished school we went into a mine, it was called The Secret Chamber. I think it was pretty cool because there were some interesting things in the mine like a mine shaft pumping water.
That night we went to a show called Blood on the Southern Cross. I liked it because it was all about the history of Sovereign Hill and they made it look like the 1850's.

**Wednesday 16th March**
Today we got a tour of Sovereign Hill with Sir before school. When we got to school we wrote with ink pens. The priest came in and he tested us is our 12 and 16 times tables and I think we all had some trouble with them. We also had to say an Irish poem to him.
We all got excited when we were off to go gold panning but most of us didn't find any gold. Then we went to see the gold smelting. The Blacksmith melted a rock, when the rock finished melting he poured it into a mould and let it dry. Then he hit it out with a hammer and put it in a tub of water. When it cooled down the teachers chose 3 students to go hold the block of gold.
Later on we went to the Red Hill Mine. There were ladders we had to climb up to get to the next place. When we were walking there were voices that we could hear. There was one bit in the mine that was cool, it was two people projected onto a wall mining and they found a big, gold nugget. After that we went to the pantomime and it was funny because they played old fairy tales.

**Thursday 17th March**
Today is our last day at Sovereign Hill and our real teachers said we could spend our money. I bought lollies of course but some other people bought walking sticks, bottles of gold and food that was around in the 1850s. On our way out we saw a gun demonstration and the trooper showed us how they work.
I'd love to go to Sovereign Hill again!
By Mitch
Once upon time there was a guy called Paul Giarrusso. He was going to Queensland for a holiday. He had a monster truck. He couldn’t fit his monster truck on the Freeway so he had to go on the dirt track. Finally he had arrived at Queensland and he had found a carpark.

Paul Giarrusso 6th.
WALK FOR THE KIDS

Distance: 8km
Time: 110 minutes
(approx.)
Walk starts from Kilcunda at 10:30am on Good Friday.
Either park at Shelley Beach Car Park or at the San Remo Hotel and jump on the shuttle bus which will depart San Remo at 10:00am.
If you have parked at Kilcunda, the shuttle will take you back to your car at the conclusion of the walk.

BOOK LAUNCH
at the Nobbie Centre
Friday 1st April 10:30am
Meet the author
Hear about penguin protection
View a new Antarctica display

HAPPY EASTER!