



# Snippets

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## Moe South Street Primary



## News from our Principal

Throughout the course of this term, we have been thrilled to welcome the addition of new staff members to our school team and in last week's Snippets, we had the pleasure of formally introducing them to you.

In case you missed it, the following staff have started with us in recent times:

- Kate Meddings – Office
- Isabel Calleja – Education Support
- Milli Tompkins – Education Support
- Owen McCleod-Agland – Education Support

We have also been fortunate enough to work with our Chaplaincy Service provider to extend the hours of our highly valued and incredible school chaplain, Val. Val will now join us on Wednesdays until lunchtime.

This will mean more students and more families will have access to the pastoral care, experience, individual, and group programs that Val offers.

All our new staff have a deep passion for enriching young people's learning environments and academic outcomes. They also have previous experience working with schools and children within the community. If you see them around our school, I encourage you to extend a warm welcome to them so that they continue to feel part of the South Street team.

On the flip side, we also sadly say farewell to a few staff members at the conclusion of this term.

On behalf of the school community, I would like to wish the following staff the best of luck as they begin their exciting new chapters:

- Ainsley James
- Emily Charles
- D'Arcy Jones

Both Emily and D'Arcy are expecting a new arrival to their families and will begin family leave at the beginning of Term 3. We send our happiest of wishes to D'Arcy, Dave and Harriet, as well as to Emily and Mitch who will welcome their first child.

Behind the scenes, we have been working hard to recruit staff and ensure a smooth transition and continuity for student's education. As you may be aware, schools across Victoria are experiencing staffing challenges and shortages.

Remarkably, we have been able to navigate these past situations with limited disruptions, thanks largely to the support of our current staff team and flexibility.

We will be able to announce Ainsley's replacement before the end of term, and I am also pleased to welcome Nicholas Sparkes to our school. Nicholas will join us officially at the start of Term 3 and will be delivering a Drama program, replacing music as a specialist subject.

Nicholas has a wealth of experience teaching drama in primary schools and is looking forward to continuing to build on the momentum gained from our school concert.

We will also continue to keep our families informed of staffing updates for Grade 56B (Ms Charles) as these become available. We appreciate your understanding, patience, and support during this time.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Thank you for your continued trust and partnership.

Take Care,  
Brendan Dawson, Principal



# DATES TO REMEMBER

**Fri 14 Jun**

All day  
09:30AM - 02:30PM

**Grade P-2 Excursion - Old Gipps town**  
**Grades Prep to 2 Old Gipps town Excursion**



**Tue 18 Jun**

All day

**School Coucil - 6:00pm**



**Wed 19 Jun**

All day  
09:00AM - 12:30PM

**Grade 3-6 Excursion - Village Cinemas - Inside Out 2**



**Thu 27 Jun**

All day

**Semester 1 Student Reports Published**

**REPORTS FOUND  
ON COMPASS!**



**Fri 28 Jun**

All day

**Term 2 Ends - 2.30pm Dismissal**



**Mon 15 Jul**

All day

**NAIDOC Week Celebrations at South Street**



**Fri 19 Jul**

All day

**100 Days of School Celebration - Grades P-2**



**Mon 22 Jul**

All day

**Wyn City Bowling Excursion - Grades F1A and F1B**



**Thu 25 Jul**

All day

**Book Fair Starts - Ends 8th Aug**



**Fri 26 Jul**

All day

**Living Safely with Pets Incursion Grades P-2**



**Fri 02 Aug**

All day  
All day

**Principal's Day**  
**Fire Education Program - Session 1 - Grades P-2**



**Fri 09 Aug**

All day

**Grade 2 Sleepover**



**Tue 13 Aug**

All day

**Water Efficiency Program - Gippsland Water - Grades P-2**



**Wed 14 Aug**

All day

**Grade 5-6 Camp**



**Thu 15 Aug**

All day

**Grade 5-6 Camp**



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*Dear students and families/carers,*

*I wanted to let you all know after three years as South St Primary School's school nurse I am sadly leaving at the end of this term, with my last day being Wednesday June 26th.*

*A number of months ago I moved to the beach and have been travelling back and forth from home to school while I continued to support students, staff, and families with anything health related. Although I am very sad to leave South St, I am very excited about my new role which will be based in Wonthaggi supporting kids living in Residential and Out of Home Care.*

*As the school nurse, I have made some great connections with students and their families/carers and have loved being part of the school community. I have especially loved coming in to the classrooms to teach sessions about handwashing, hygiene, puberty, periods, and reproduction. I've enjoyed the genuine curiosity students have about certain topics and the questions they ask. My aim for these sessions was to ensure students have the correct health information so they can make informed choices about themselves. During these sessions we had a few laughs, some awkward giggles, felt relief and reassured, and best of all some really positive conversations. My hope is that those positive conversations and curiosity continue at home and at school.*

*So as I spend my last couple of weeks at school, I would like to thank you all for your support over the years and wish you all the best...and I hope you enjoy the upcoming school holidays!*



# Chaplaincy Chat

Over the last few years the Chaplaincy Program has initiated support for community projects. We will as a school take on board a new project for 2024 supporting our local Anglicare Emergency Relief Foster Care Program. Anglicare Victoria is the states largest provider for out-of-home care services for children and young people. They provide many kinds of alternative homes for those unable to live with their families due to safety or lack of nurturing.

In many cases children are removed from homes or court for placement in another home having only the clothes they are standing up in. They not only require continued emotional support but emergency provisions too.

At school we are aiming to engage any family members who are able to assist in providing some new essential items for all ages ....babies, younger or older children.

Suggested items :

BABY ITEMS

T-SHIRTS

UNDERWEAR

SOCKS

SHORTS

JUMPERS

TOILETRIES

A CUDDLE TOY

A FIDGET TOY.

These item would be passed onto Anglicare for Foster carers when the need arises.

If you are a sewer or know someone and can help make some cotton material Care bags with a draw string for us to place items in that would be awesome!!!

I will leave a bag in the school office as an example if you would like to check the size.

Bright coloured material would be great and appeal to children. Op shops are a good place to look for material.

We will have collection boxes available at school the week of **September 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>**.

If you require any clarification on anything. Please contact school. I am available Tuesdays/ Wednesdays/Fridays.

What these children are going through in life is tough. We want them to know that there are people out there who do care about them.

Lets do this together.



**Val Hemmings**  
School Chaplain

# School News



Lost Property

We are having more and more students coming up to the Office upset because they have lost "treasured items".

Please consider if it is appropriate for your child/ren to bring these treasured possessions to school.

**We thank you for your co-operation.**

If I'm too precious to live without,  
leave me at home.

## No School Bus

Mon 17th June  
Fri 28th June  
Fri 29th Sept  
Mon 4th Nov  
Fri 29th Nov  
Wed 10th Dec



## SNACK ATTACK NEEDS YOU!

Snack Attack is still searching for some **more volunteers** to help keep Snack Attack open and running. If you have spare time on a Friday we would love your help!!.

# Before & After School Care

## In 2 Learn South Street - Outside School Hours Care

In 2 Learn South Street (I2L) provide a safe and secure environment for the care of school-aged children (5 - 12 years) through a structured and well-balanced program.

I2L is excited to be part of the South Street Community. We offer Before School Care and After School Care sessions.

We are passionate about creating entertaining and educational programs for our children. We create and deliver clever, customised collaborative services via a fun structured engaging program.

Our program will challenge all to reach to higher aspirations and partner closely with the school community.

Our communication and programs engage, collaborate and align with national guidelines to deliver a well-resourced and inclusive program reinforcing or extending the school curriculum.

**In 2 Learn provides quality care for school aged children.**

### OSHC Philosophy

At In 2 Learn we believe that children should be exposed to unique opportunities to progress in their physical and emotional wellbeing. Our aim is to create a warm, inviting atmosphere where children feel welcome and safe, a place where children can relax, have fun with their friends, make new friends and be empowered to shape and control their world; a place where they belong, a place that belongs to them. All children are treated with gentleness, honesty and respect: all staff model this and encourage children to treat others in this manner.

### OSHC Enrolment

All children using OSHC must be enrolled with the service prior to attending. An enrolment form must be completed by each family for each child and updated.

Access to the enrolment form at

[https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment\\_v2/centre/Rporyx9FOCGK55NqpEDQrQ](https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment_v2/centre/Rporyx9FOCGK55NqpEDQrQ)



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# Enrolment for 2025



- Focus on Achievement and Excellence in Learning
- Modern Facilities including Indoor Gym
- Extensive Specialist Programs: Visual Arts, Physical Education, Multimedia and Music
- Camping Program for Grades 3-6
- School Nurse, Chaplain and Wellbeing Supports
- Daily Breakfast Club
- Before and After School Care
- Extended Prep Transition Program

**FEE FREE  
IN 2025**

**Contact our team  
on 5127 1512 to  
enrol today**

**SOUTH STREET  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Safe, Respectful Learners



Relive the magic of the Tale Fairy by buying a USB copy of the live recording!

\$20.00 each.

- Google: [Compasstix.com.au](https://www.compasstix.com.au)
  - Search events:

*South Street Primary School  
presents - The Tale Fairy | Concert  
Video*



# Award Winners



Excellence in education to achieve personal growth and academic success.



**Ally F/IB**



**Bailey F/IA**



**Harlen 3/4A**



**Hunter 3/4A**

**WELL DONE!**



**Aria 3/4C**



**Joyce 5/6C**



**Hudson 1/2A**