Staffing 2016

Even though 2015 is still not over, we had a little glimpse into 2016 when students all visited today with their new classes for next year. There was an excited buzz around the school at lunch time today! Our staff for 2016 is as follows:

Principal  Miss Jackie Green
Business Manager  Mrs Sharon Morassi
Prep V  Ms Melanie Voigt
Prep B  Miss Tianne Ball
1/2T  Mrs Tracey Kelly
1/2H  Miss Hanna Kiely
1/2SC  Ms Sandra Ristic Keena / Mrs Cindy Asp
1/2B  Mr Ben Anstey
3/4H  Mrs Helen Hardy
3/4L  Mr Chris Lamb
3/4E  Miss Jessica Evans
5/6R  Mrs Jessica Richards
Japanese  Ms Radmila Jojic
ART  Mrs Cindy Asp
PE  Mr Tom Smith

As you will see, we are delighted to be welcoming two new teachers to Spotswood Primary School next year. Miss Evans and Miss Kiely are both joining us from other schools. It was great that they were able to be here to meet with their students today. We will also be farewelling Ms Ryan at the end of the year. Ms Ryan has been with us in 2015 in the Art room and has brought much colour and vibrancy to our school. Thank you Raine, for being an important part of our school in 2015 and for the creative experiences our students have enjoyed with you.

To Do  Notes / Forms / Reminders

- Return Grade 6 Graduation RSVP and $15.00
- Return Grade 6 ‘Big Day Out’ excursion form and $20.00
- Return Cherry Lake excursion form and $8.00 (Prep to 6)
- Pay Term 3 & 4 Keyboard Fees
- Pay Term 4 Guitar Fees
- Pay Term 4 Books & Resources Levy ($62.50) and any outstanding charges from Terms 1 to 3

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We will also be saying farewell to Mrs Swift who has been with us for the past two years assisting in our classrooms. We will miss her friendly smile each morning and wish her all the best at her new school next year.

**Cherry Lake**

Fingers are crossed for a nice day next week on Wednesday as we plan to head to Cherry Lake for our whole school picnic. Parents are welcome to join us there, please understand that you will however need to make your own arrangements regarding transport, as the bus will be full of students! We will have the bus on standby to bring us back a little earlier if necessary, depending on the weather. Please ensure your child has sunscreen and a hat. We will have sunscreen available for top ups at the park, and there are shaded areas for children to play in.

**Missing Cymbal**

At our carnival earlier this term, we had some wonderful entertainment items on our stage area. We are trying to track down a percussion cymbal that seems to have gone missing since the event. It had been stored in the eLearning Centre during the carnival. If anyone has moved it or knows where it may be, could you please let us know. It has great sentimental value.

Jackie Green
Principal

**The Hour Of Code**

**What is it?**

_The hour of code is an organisation for classes around the world to learn coding and software engineering._

**Why is it done?**

_For kids to learn coding for future jobs because in 10 years’ time some of the jobs we have now will not be around anymore. That’s why these little programs made by code.org are helping kids get to the next level for coding._

**What we did**

4/5L used a coding on a program called Scratch. We learnt how to animate our name. We made letters in our name change colour, glide, play music, and much more.

**What did we think of it?**

_We think code.org did an amazing job at making little tutorials for us to learn to animate our name using codes and it’s not the easiest thing to do either, but overall code is really fun and we can’t wait to do it next year thanks code.org._

_By Nathan and Mitchell_
**Happy Birthday**

Happy Birthday to:

- Georgie Mann
- Brodie
- Molly F

**Student Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at assembly on Monday:

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<td>Prep V</td>
<td><strong>Liila</strong> – her beautiful reading during both independent reading and guided reading! <strong>Caterina</strong> – her confidence in the mornings at school and for doing her best!</td>
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| 1/2A    | **Lucie** – always being a positive role model and setting an excellent example to her peers  
**Max I** – your always caring and thoughtful personality, you are a great friend to your peers in 1/2A |
| 1/2KJ   | **Anais** – working hard in Numeracy, and having a great data display about the cars on Melbourne Road  
**Jett** – sharing how he represented data |
| 1/2R    | **Luka J** – always being a mature and responsible class captain  
**Maddie** – being a wonderful, responsible and reliable class captain |
| 2/3K    | **Taj** – his wonderful attitude towards tackling all maths activities. Fantastic Taj!  
**Izzy B** – always trying her hardest and being enthusiastic about all we do. Wonderful attitude Izzy! |
| 3A      | **Flynn** – your enthusiasm at our ACMI excursion and sharing your knowledge on animation |
| 4/5L    | **Georgie Meager** – her amazing attitude all year towards everything. Georgie you’re a star!  
**Nathan** – showing confidence and courage by choosing to write and perform a song for our Communication Unit |
| 6H      | **Sarah** – always being herself and being a terrific class member  
**Will B** – welcoming his teacher back and always being happy |

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**Spotty Calendar**

- Friday 11th December: Volunteers Afternoon Tea (3pm in the Japanese room)  
Year 6 Graduation (6.30pm)
- Monday 14th December: Year 6 Excursion
- Tuesday 15th December: Tinsel Party
- Wednesday 16th December: Whole School Picnic at Cherry Lake
- Friday 18th December: Last day of Term 1 (1.30pm dismissal)

**2016**

- Wednesday 27th January: Teachers return
- Friday 29th January: Students commence (Prep to 6)
Spotswood Primary School
MONDAY 21ST DECEMBER to THURSDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2015

Your fees are from:
$5.00 - $6.50 per day
Block entry at $35.00 per applicant for booking 7 days or less
Contact us for group rates.
As mentioned by letter on 14th November 2015 all the day care places are full.

Address: Melbourne Road, Spotswood VIC

Monday 21st Dec

Summertime Fun
Summer may be short, but it sure is sweet! Come along and celebrate the warmer weather.
Activities:
*Cosmic Suncatchers
*Ship Shark Shore Game
*Water Balloon Pinata

Wednesday 23rd Dec

Christmas Spice
Making homemade Christmas decorations is a fun way to get excited about the holiday season!
Activities:
*Make a Christmas Star
*Carol Karaoke
*Reindeer Dash

Incursion: Tie Dye Christmas Stockings
Additional Cost: $15.00

Tuesday 22nd Dec

EXCURSION TODAY!
Enjoy the thrill of the rides at Wonderland Fun Park in Docklands today!
Please arrive by 8.45am
For updated departure and return times please confirm with the program coordinator a few days prior.

Additional cost: $25.00

Thursday 24th Dec

Program will close at 4pm today

Holiday Party
Making homemade Christmas decorations and playing games is a fun way to get excited about the holiday season!
Activities:
*Pin the Nose on Rudolph
*Carol Contest
*Christmas Chairs
*Santa Relay
*Origami Gift boxes
*Christmas trees and make your own Christmas Stocking

As it is Christmas Eve the program will close at 4pm today and the daily fee reduced to $4.00. Program will only run if there is a minimum of 15 children booked in by the 10th December. Families will be notified on the 10th December if program is not going to run.