Message from the Principal

Dear families,

TBall
We are so proud to congratulate our tball team who made it through to the regional final this week. They were outplayed in the grand final, but it was an amazing effort to come 2nd out of over 400 schools. Well done boys, great effort. Thanks to Rosie (Will’s mum) for driving and cheering on a very cold day!

Camp
Next week our year 3-6 students will be heading to Phillip Island for school camp. We have a wonderful itinerary of activities planned and the kids are certainly looking forward to the fun! We have been to this camp a few years ago and I still remember the giant swing, the penguin parade and the koala sanctuary night walk. Thank you in advance to the staff who are leaving behind their own warm beds, Helen Hardy, Chris Lamb, Cindy Asp, Tracey Kelly, Tom Smith and Laura Swift. We also have 3 of our student teachers going, Leon, James and Georgia. We hope you get some sleep! I will also be heading down after school on Wednesday.

Pupil Free days 2015
At our School Council meeting this week we approved the final two pupil free days for this year. They are as follows:

- **Tuesday 8th September** - Professional Learning and Term 4 planning day
- **Monday 16th November** - Strategic Planning and Report Writing day

On both days OSHClub will be available for parents who require student care. Bookings for this will open on Monday. At our first Term 4 School Council meeting, all dates for 2016 will be scheduled to provide parents as much notice as possible for next year.

**To Do**

- Return permission note and $12 for District Athletics Carnival (Athletics team)
- Return permission note and $12 for Book Week (Prep to 6)
- Pay Books & Resources Levy ($62.50 for Term 3 or $125.00 for Semester 2) and any outstanding amounts from Terms 1 & 2
Timetable changes
Over the next few weeks with camp, book week and various other activities, there may be times when your child’s class has their specialist program on a different day. We sometimes have to juggle our program around these events, but should be back to normal in a few weeks.

Get well soon!
If you’ve been in the office this week you will have noticed that something is different! Sharon is away for a few weeks as she recovers from a hip surgery. I spoke to Sharon last night and the operation all went well and she is feeling ok. I’m sure you will all join me in wishing Sharon a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her back soon. Meanwhile we welcome Ms Leah Webster who will be working in the office until Sharon returns.

Jackie Green
Principal

Premiers Reading Challenge
Where Will Your Next Reading Adventure Take You?

This week 2 students completed the Premiers Reading Challenge. Congratulations to Kael (Prep V) and Taj (2/3K).

Kael read 32 books including ‘Harry and the Dinosaurs at the Museum’ by Ian Whybrow and ‘Sebastian Lives in a Hat’ by Thelma Catterwell.

Taj read 16 books including ‘The Magic Finger’ by Roald Dahl and ‘The Magic Faraway Tree’ by Enid Blyton.

This week’s Reading Challenge update:
93 students completed
3,405 books listed
3,220 books finished

The following books have been rated 5 stars by our students – ‘Fantastic Mr Fox’ by Roald Dahl, ‘Poison Island’ by H.I. Larry, ‘How to Cheat a Dragon’s Curse’ by Cressida Cowell, ‘Milly Molly Mandy’ by Joyce Lankester Brisley and ‘On the Way Home’ by Jill Murphy.

The Challenge continues until September 11th.

Fete – Grocery Collection

The Grocery Stall at previous Fetes has been very successful. We need your support with donations for this year’s Fete.

Next week we will be collecting all non-perishable items – Cans, Packets, Jars and Paper Goods.

Cans – cans of vegetables, soup, fruit, baked beans, spaghetti etc.

Packets – packets of rice, pasta, desserts, sauces etc.

Jars – jams, pickles, sauces, condiments, spreads etc.

Some suggestions for Paper Goods are toilet rolls, wrapping paper, serviettes, paper towel etc. Please support us with this collection!
**Earn and Learn!**
Dear Parents/Guardians,

We would like to inform you that our school is participating in the Earn and Learn from Woolworths. If you happen to get some stickers from there, please take them to the office, as these will give us more equipment.

Thanks,

**Junior School Council**

**Raffle Tickets**
A reminder that raffle tickets are available from the office to help Connor with his trip to Adelaide as part of the State School Victoria Softball Team. Tickets are $2 each and first prize is a Suzuki Swift GL Auto valued at $22,727.55 (includes on road costs).

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

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<td>David</td>
<td>always being a kind friend who is always willing to help his peers! (and Miss Ball)</td>
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<td>Imogen</td>
<td>making amazing progress with your handwriting! Well done on always trying your best!</td>
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<td>Prep V</td>
<td>Marcus</td>
<td>challenging himself with addition problems and for helping others</td>
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<td>Caterina</td>
<td>working well in a team to solve addition problems</td>
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<td>1/2A</td>
<td>Faniha</td>
<td>her excellent and creative use of adjectives, during her writing</td>
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<td>James T</td>
<td>the excellent contributions you’ve been making during our classroom discussions. It shows you are a keen learner. Well Done!</td>
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<td>1/2KJ</td>
<td>Tenisha</td>
<td>working hard on her Narrative plan. Keep it up!</td>
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<td>Jett</td>
<td>his amazing ‘effort’ planning his Narrative, and getting help when he needed it. Well done!</td>
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<td>Gale</td>
<td>showing determination and persistence when learning the states of Australia</td>
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<td>Ana G</td>
<td>her care and accuracy when learning how to measure length</td>
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<td>2/3K</td>
<td>Mani</td>
<td>being a wonderful class member and having the ability to work happily and effectively with everyone!</td>
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<td>Zoe B</td>
<td>her incredible attitude towards everything related to school, you inspire us all!</td>
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<td>3A</td>
<td>Petra</td>
<td>showing great enthusiasm in her planning of her Narrative writing – good luck! I can’t wait to read it</td>
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<td>Jamie</td>
<td>taking great care and pride in all the work you complete. Super presentation and awesome effort!</td>
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<td>4/5L</td>
<td>Molly H</td>
<td>the care and compassion she shows to all members of our class and school</td>
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<td>Luka T</td>
<td>making such a great start to his time at Spotty. He’s really hit the ground running</td>
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<td>6H</td>
<td>Rebecca</td>
<td>always being helpful and acting responsibly when completing jobs</td>
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<td>Connor</td>
<td>being a ‘perfect gentleman’ who has wonderful manners – you are a lovely boy Connor!</td>
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Plant Stall
Could people please donate old seedling trays, pots and containers for the garden club to grow seedlings for the Fete. We welcome any donations of cuttings from your garden too, contact Dominique d_hes@hotmail.com

• Spotty Calendar •
Monday 10th August
Library meeting (after assembly)
Monday 10th – Friday 14th August
Fete Collection – Groceries/Paper
Wednesday 12th August – Friday 14th August
Grade 3 to 6 Camp
Friday 14th August
Pyjama Day (Prep to Grade 2) *
Monday 17th August
Cricket Clinics (Grades 2 – 5)
Friday 21st August
District Athletics Carnival
Monday 24th – Friday 28th August
Book Week *
Fete Collection – Second-hand Adult Clothes
Monday 7th – Friday 11th September
Fete Collection – Lucky Jars
Friday 23rd October
Fete – Spotty Carnival (3.30pm-8pm)
* more details to follow

Happy Birthday To –

Harper
Kyle
Arabella M
Josie
Amelia

Tree Pruning Needs?
Do you have trees that need pruning? Joe Frisby (Natasha’s Dad) can help. Call Joe for any tree pruning - large or small. Joe is a qualified arborist and can be contacted on 0424 677 592
Spotty Footy Tipping Competition 2015

Leaderboard after Round 18:

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<td>Tigger</td>
<td>111 (695)</td>
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<td>3rd</td>
<td>Stephen Cook</td>
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<td>SuperTim</td>
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<td>James Renkin</td>
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<td>6th</td>
<td>D.T.</td>
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* For the first match of each round, you must predict the winning margin. Your margin gets added up throughout the season and is used to separate tippers who have the same score.

Are you tipping the favourites or maybe going for an upset? Anything goes at this point of the season. Good luck for the next round which starts tonight with the Tigers taking on the Crows at Adelaide Oval. Thanks, Lisa (mum of Wes in 1/2A).