

Newsletter Term 1, Week 11



Principal

Amy Johnston



Hi families,

What a great term we have had! There have been lots of exciting events and excursions. Recently we had our Harmony Week celebrations which were excellent and a great reminder of the strong values around diversity and inclusion that we have here at SPPS. We have also had many exciting excursions including Adelaide Fringe, fire station, Adelaide Zoo, aquatics and road safety!

We have been continuing our whole school focus on phonics and spelling and student centred pedagogies. All teachers across R - 6 have implemented a new consistent approach to phonics and spelling using the Department resources. We have had a literacy coach in to support teachers and support staff. We have also had a focus on student centred teaching approaches - teachers have chosen a specific teaching approach to focus on and learn about for the year. We have teachers learning about play based learning, inquiry, project-based learning and book making. Teachers spent the recent Pupil Free Day learning and observing the approaches in action at other schools. Our whole school focus' are aligned with our new Department Strategy - information on the new strategy can be found here: <https://discover.education.sa.gov.au/our-strategy/>

Next term is looking action packed as ever! We have our parent/teacher meetings in week 4. This will be an opportunity to here from your child's teacher about how they going in their learning and wellbeing. Next term is also a reporting term, your child will get a school report with grades, effort and values at the end of the term.

Unfortunately this term we bid farewell to Mr Connor who is one of our most beloved SSOs! Connor has been with us for the last 3 years working with some of our children 1:1 but also in a classroom capacity. Connor has built strong relationships with students and staff since arriving at SPPS and children are always heard calling out to Mr Connor when they see him in the yard and corridor. Connor has worked very hard over his time at SPPS and often goes above and beyond for the children he works with. We wish him well in his new career in real estate! We will miss you Connor!

Please enjoy your holidays and we look forward to seeing you back in term 2.

Thanks,

Amy

Key Events

Assembly

9am Weeks 3 - C10

Be Active Day

Friday 16th May

Parent-teacher interviews

Week 4 (mainstream only)

Governing Council

21st May 4:30pm

Dental for Schools

26th, 27th and 28th May

AFL Schools Gather Round

Our school was invited to take 2 classes to the AFL Schools Gather Round excursion on Friday 11th April 2025. We were also invited to receive free AFL posts, including installation of them, through a partnership between the AFL, SANFL and Department of Education SA. These will hopefully be installed during the school holidays with students able to use them next term! We were also asked for two of our students to be involved in a media shoot with Premier Malinauskas, the CEO of the AFL, Andrew Dillon, Tex Walker from the Adelaide Crows and the captain of Geelong Football Club. I would like to congratulate Dimitri and Quarntaijah for the way they represented our school. We have included a photo below. Keep an eye on the media for them!



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IELP Leader
Thuy Pham

IELP CONNECTION

Congratulations to our graduating students!
Wishing you all the best as you embark on your new journeys.




2025 Harmony Day

Harmony Day is a special day in Australia where we celebrate all the different cultures and people from around the world. It reminds us to be kind, respectful, and accepting of everyone, no matter where they come from.

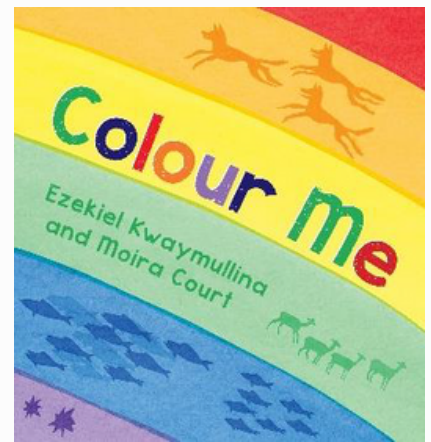
On Harmony Day, people wear orange to show that we can all live together happily, no matter our differences. It's about making everyone feel welcome and included!

PIC-COLLAGE

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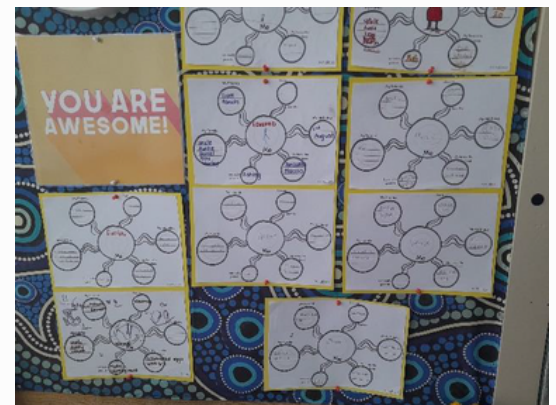
HARMONY WEEK

Sarah worked with all students, sharing the book 'Colour Me' by Indigenous Author Ezekiel Kwaymullina, who is from the Palyku people of the Pilbara region in Western Australia. They then created a drawing of themselves which was turned into a whole school art project - "Every Face Has a Place @ Seaton Park". At the assembly on Friday 21st, Braxton, Hazel, Dalisha, Maia, Braedon, Wayne, Summer, Willow, Taijah, Edward, Patrick & Noah bravely spoke and shared some of their work. We heard about their favourite foods, birthdays, family members and what they are good at. Their work is now on display in the Aboriginal room.



CREATIVE KIDS!

Some lunch times this term the Aboriginal Room has been open for students to come in. We have had lots of things available and it has been good to see what ideas come out.



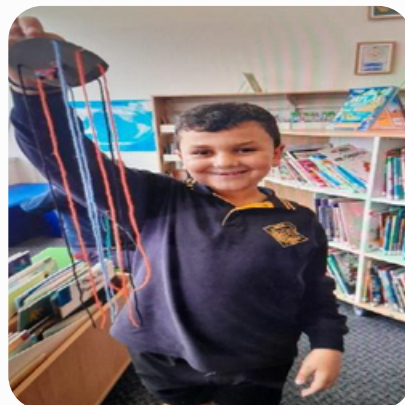
IMPORTANT REMINDERS / DIARY DATES

Reconciliation Week: Tuesday 27th May till Tuesday 3rd June

HARMONY WEEK

This year the theme for Harmony Week was “we all have a role to play” and at Seaton we had so many exciting and fun things going on. Fruit Lovers Market at Findon donated over 100 oranges for students to enjoy every morning for breakfast before school. A big thankyou to the team!

On Monday and Tuesday Sarah worked in all classes to complete a whole school art project, look out for this being displayed in the front office soon. Miss Irene & Nikki ran friendship bracelet sessions on Wednesday and Thursday with lots of students attending and making beautiful creations.



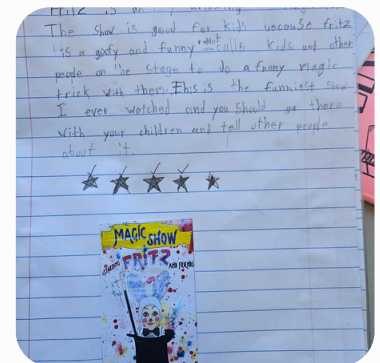
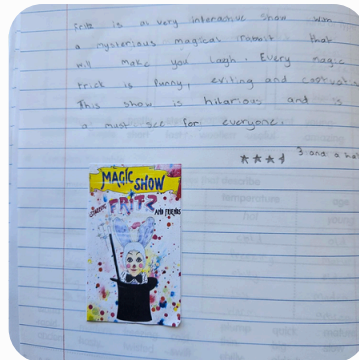
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Friday saw lots of orange around the school and disco day! We saw lots of smiles, groovy dance moves and bendy bodies going under the limbo stick.



Fringe Show

C 20, C 19 and C10 had an unforgettable day as they hopped on a train and headed to the city for a funny Fringe show! The excitement started the moment we boarded the train, with lots of laughs and chatter filling the air. Once at the show, we were all treated to a performance full of magic, clowning surprises, and plenty of giggles. It was a fantastic experience for everyone, as we enjoyed some laughs, made new memories, and had a blast together. The day was a perfect mix of fun, laughter, and a little bit of adventure!



Road Safety

South Australia Police (SAPOL) visited our school to to show us evidence-based road safety programs , focusing on enhancing the awareness, knowledge, and skills of all road users.



C 20 Aquatics

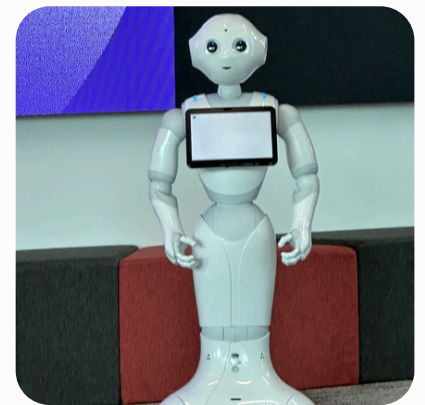
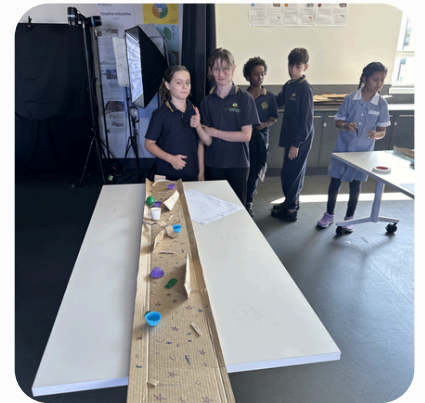
Our Year 6 students recently enjoyed an exhilarating day at Westlakes Aquatics, participating in a variety of fun and engaging water activities. The trip offered an outstanding chance for the students to enhance their skills in kayaking, snorkeling, yachting, and surfing, while also practicing water safety. The day was packed with laughter, teamwork, and lots of splashes. It was a wonderful opportunity to boost confidence in the water while having a great time with friends!



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SPARK

C19 and C20 embarked on an adventure to Findon High School to participate in the SPARK Immersion Program, where they spent a day exploring and discovering through robotic Lego. The students are engaged in an exhilarating marble maze challenge! Their mission? To navigate the marble from beginning to end, featuring a theme, thrilling obstacles, and an impressive trick shot—without dropping the ball! Let's encourage their creativity to shine!





Seaton Park
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Spanish

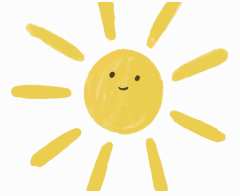
In our Spanish lesson, C9 created some artwork. Students expressed their feelings for the day and then wrote the corresponding words in Spanish with a matching artwork.



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SPARKLE DAY



Sparkle Day was a huge success last Friday the 4th of April. It was fantastic to see all our staff and students embrace dressing in bright and colourful clothing to celebrate neurodiversity & inclusion.

On the day, students enjoyed hair glitter at lunch time & completing 'I make Seaton Sparkle' worksheets.



I make Seaton sparkle!
My name is Almasi

My interests... I like playing with cars like solving maths questions I like learning about geography	My strengths... maths technology being a good friend
Things I find tricky or that frustrate me... Number lines hard maths ART trass	Areas I want to improve in... writing grammar Volleyball drama
My favourite part about school... PE meeting new teachers seeing my art maths	A goal for my future is... Geography Art Prodigy

Announcement

Late slips

We have a new system when children are late to ensure that our attendance is being recorded accurately. Attendance documentation is a legal requirement by schools. If children arrive between 8:30 – 9:00am they can enter the school via the side gate and go straight to class.

Their attendance will be recorded by the class teacher. If children arrive at 9:01 or later, they are required to go through the office and collect a late slip. The child will take the late slip and hand it to their teacher. The teacher knows that the child's attendance will be recorded by the office staff.

If a child comes to class without a late slip, they will be sent down to the office for a late slip so that it is accurately recorded that the child was late. It is really important that children arrive on time to school so that they don't miss important learning and daily routines.