

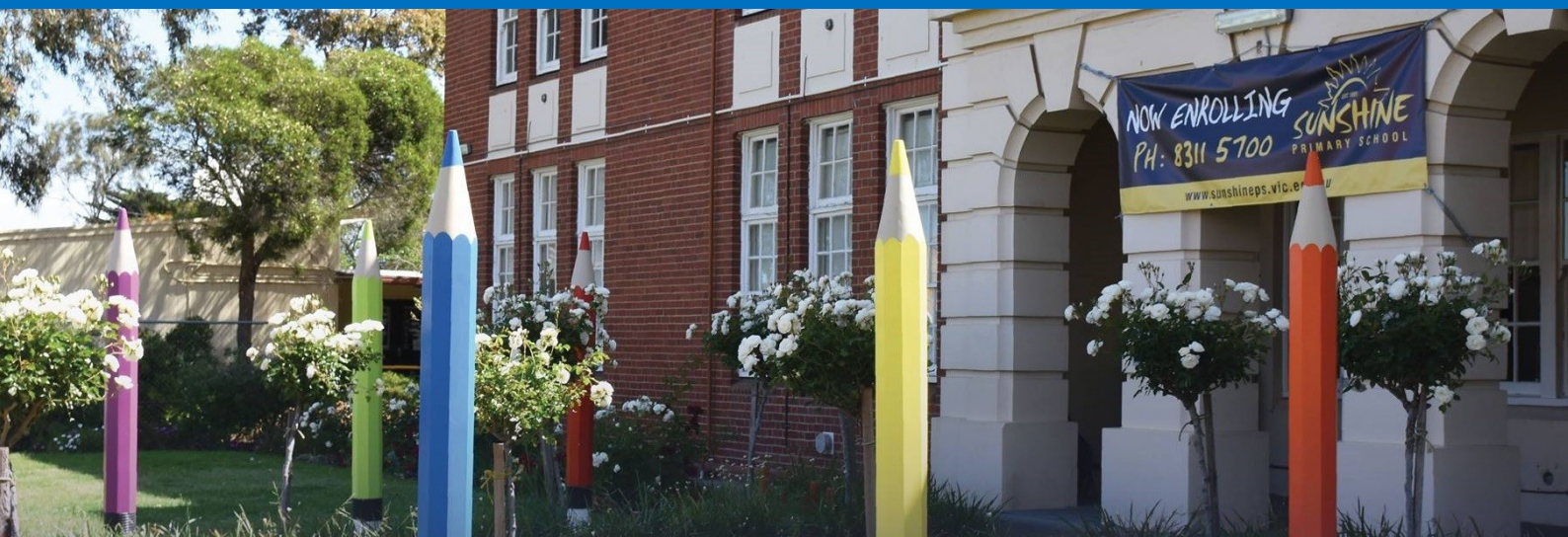
NEWSLETTER

Issue 2 — 22 Feb

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IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

- **Friday 23 February**
Year 5/6 Interschool Sport: Bye (no games)
- **Wednesday 28 February**
Welcome Whole School Picnic from 4:30 – 6:30 pm (held onsite)
- **Friday 1 March**
Year 5/6 Interschool Sport: SUNSHINE PS vs ST PETER'S (away game)
- **Tuesday 5 March**
Coffee & A Chat Morning at 9:00 am (held in the staffroom)
- **Thursday 7 March**
Come & Try School Session at 10:00 am (Booking is essential)
- **Friday 8 March**
Year 5/6 Interschool Sport: SUNSHINE PS vs GLENGALA P.S (away game)
- **Friday 15 March**
Year 5/6 Interschool Sport: SUNSHINE PS vs ALBION NORTH PS (away game)
- **Wednesday 20 March**
Come & Try School Session at 2:30 pm (Booking is essential)
- **Tuesday 22 March**
Year 5/6 Interschool Sport: SUNSHINE PS vs SIRIUS COLLEGE

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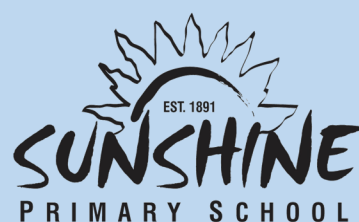
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MEET THE TEACHER INTERVIEWS

We hope you found Meet the Teacher interviews worthwhile and were able to share valuable information about your child/ren. Semester One student reports will be available on Compass in June for parents to view and download. Parent Teacher Interviews will also be held in June giving parents the opportunity to discuss their child's report/learning. If at any time you wish to discuss matters with your child's teacher please send them a Dojo message to arrange a suitable time.

HELPING YOUR CHILD WITH READING SESSIONS

Thank you to those parents that came along to our help your child with Reading workshop yesterday morning. We hope you gained some helpful tips.

COME & TRY SCHOOL SESSIONS

We will be holding some Come and Try School sessions on the dates listed below. If you have or know of a child in 4 year old kinder this year we would appreciate it if you could pass this information on. The sessions have been designed to give Kindergarten children a taste of what school will be like when they start. On the day our dedicated and experienced Foundation Transition Team will be on hand to give your child their first engaging experience of school. An information session will be made available to parents to provide information about what is an important decision in their child's education. A school tour will also be available and led by our principal class.

Sessions will be held on:

- Thursday 7 March at 10:00 am
- Wednesday 20 March at 2:30 pm

[Click here](#) to secure your booking.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTION NOMINATIONS

Sunshine Primary School Council has 10 parent and 5 Department members. These include:

- the principal, who is the executive officer
- parents who are chosen through an election
- school or department staff members

This year we have 5 vacancies to fill. Nomination forms are available from the office or you can request a form via email at sunshine.ps@education.vic.gov.au **The nomination form needs to be returned to the office by 4:00pm Monday 26 February.**

This is a great opportunity for new members of the school community to express their interest in nominating and being a part of the SPS School Council.

Please feel free to contact us or speak to a current Councillor if you require further clarity or information on the role.

FACILITIES UPDATE

Works are continuing this term with the finish line closing in fast. YEAH! Construction of the Basketball Court, Derby Road entrance modification and the development of our Rain Garden is underway this week. We are looking forward to the completion of the project which is scheduled for the end of March.

VALUES/TOKEN BOARD

Unfortunately last year our token rewards board stopped working. Lucky for us we have Finley's Dad (Max) who was able to bring our board back to life with a whole new look. We are so excited to start using the board and hit the target of 16 full marble jars. Thanks Max for all your time and effort. We love it!



SPECIAL EXPERIENCE

It was a very exciting and special experience for Augie and Luke in 5/6 who both play baseball for the Sunshine Eagles under 12 state team. They got to run out with the Australian national baseball team and sing the national anthem at their game at the Melbourne ballpark last week end. Well done boys and congratulations for the amazing achievements you have both made in Baseball.

Lyn Read
Principal





Learning Corner

We have had such a wonderful start to Term One!

We begin each year with a Start Up program. During our Start Up program the teachers establish routines and expectations with the students. Our Start Up Program sets students up for the year. The students and teachers refer back to the routines and expectations throughout the year.

Our Foundation students have only been at school for a couple of weeks and they've already settled in beautifully! They know the routines and always begin their day by getting their tools ready for Sounds Write.

The Years Three and Five students are preparing for NAPLAN. NAPLAN will be in March this year and students sit tests for Reading, Writing, Language Conventions and Numeracy. For our Year Three students, this is the first time they will be sitting a NAPLAN test, so our teachers are showing them what tests look like and how to work through the questions.

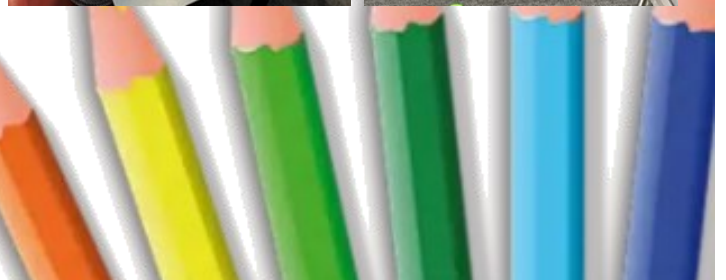
Our Year One students have been working on the English Online Interview with their classroom teacher. The EOI is compulsory for our Foundation and Year One students. Teachers have assessed students' knowledge on Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening and will use the data to inform their teaching.

In some super exciting news, we now have a new library! The students are looking forward to visiting the library weekly to read and borrow.

Finally, we held a Reading Workshop on Wednesday for new parents. We had a fantastic turnout and there were some great questions!

I'm looking forward to sharing all the wonderful learning that will happen at Sunshine Primary School this year.

Julie Vella
Leading Teacher



Wellbeing Corner



Welcome back everyone, we have had a wonderful start to the year. The children have returned refreshed and ready to embrace lots of fantastic learning.

In 2022, the Victorian Department of Education updated its framework to hold wellbeing at its core, alongside learning. It now recognises that, as well as teaching knowledge and academic skills, it is the core business of schools to work with families in supporting and teaching students' resilience, wellbeing and positive social attitudes.

Wellbeing means developing the capabilities necessary to connect with others, respond positively to challenges and opportunities, and to feel successful. These capabilities are addressed officially within the curriculum, but also unofficially through various programs and day-to-day interactions.

The Personal and Social curriculum involves students learning to recognise and regulate emotions, develop empathy for others and understand relationships, establish and build a framework for positive relationships, work effectively in teams and develop leadership skills, and handle challenging situations constructively.

Here at school, it is not just in the classroom that these capabilities are learnt and practised, it is also in Specialist classes, in the yard at recess and lunch, and during the many wonderful and important additional activities such as incursions, excursions and special events.

To reinforce the relationship between wellbeing and learning, teachers and children have been working hard to better understand how we learn best. This can be the behaviours we show or the tools and resources we have in our classroom and school. We have been learning the purpose of daily schedules and routines, anchor charts and displays, as well as the many ways we move around and behave to show our school values.

A fantastic representation of this learning was shared by a 5/6 student and will be displayed on our Wellbeing Wall.

We look forward to another fantastic year exploring lots of new thinking and learning, in all things academic AND wellbeing.



**IF YOU ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT
SOMETHING, THE TEACHERS CAN GIVE
YOU A LOT OF SUPPORT BUT IT IS UP TO
YOU.
IT IS MOSTLY YOU BECAUSE YOU ARE
THE MAIN ONE THAT CONTROLS YOUR
LEARNING.**

-Minh 5/6C



Tammy Jones
Leader of Teaching and Learning
Mental Health and Wellbeing





Class	Presented 9 February		Presented 16 February	
Foundation A	Evelyn	Jack	Daisy	Alex
1/2 A	Preston	Anshil	Atticus	Zain
1/2 B	Logan	Tyson	Shinji	Bonnie
1/2 C	Natalie	Kingston	Olive	Tim
3/4 A	My	Aj	Henry	Leon
3/4 B	Rozhin	Dominic	Ali	Pippa
3/4 C	Nhi	Jensen	Tri	
3/4 D	Bryan	Laurence	Kasen	Alayna
5/6 A	Kerrigan	Will	Aderlee	Dibyansh
5/6 B	Roxsith	Eden	Kendra	Jaxson
5/6 C	Jazz	Jaxon	Ioanna	Mia
Art	Class Awards 1/2 A, 1/2 B, 1/2 C		Presley 1/2 C	Peppa 3/4 C
Music	Midas 1/2 A	Adel 3/4 D	Class Award 1/2C	Pippa 3/4 B Zain 1/2 A
Sport	Archie 3/4 A	Class Award 1/2 B	Melina Foundation A	Dibyansh 5/6 A
STEM	Al 3/4 B	Ashriff 5/6 C		
Principal Award			Moustapha 1/2 B	Logan 1/2 B
Happy Birthday To:	January: Eshaal, Jazz, Bhavesh, Kasen, Jensen, Gursehaj, Aurchi, Mahrus, Kendra, Malu, Elliot, Paris, Tyson, Amanuel, Ioanna, Bonnie N, Adel, Ashley, Laszlo, Aria. February: Bryan, Ava, Leo F, Maximillian, Felipe, Autumn, Zain,			

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