

# 2021



## Springwood Public School

Newsletter 4 – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2021

### *Zone Swimming Champs!*





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THE PLACE TO BE!

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In Darug and Gundungurra Country



Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2021

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to Week 5 of Term 1.

Thank you for remembering to shut all entry gates to the school to ensure the safety of all our students.

This week we will be sending out, via Skoolbag and on our website, the Parent Information Sheets for each Stage. If you have any further questions please contact the school via the usual methods, a helping hand is only a call away.

The fee structure for this year has now been set. We rely on this income to support the programs in the school that we would otherwise not be able to afford to run. These funds give the students the best possible resources to supplement their education.

The **Voluntary Contribution** Fee for 2021 is \$50 for the 1<sup>st</sup> child,  
\$30 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> child  
up to a total of \$80 per family (2 or more children).

**The Resource Fee** is a mandatory payment as we have to pay for these additional supplies for the students. The fee for each stage, which is called a *Resource Fee* is set at \$50 per child. This includes textbooks, exercise books, a resource pack for use in the classroom, subscriptions to different classroom teaching programs as well as other incidentals as required by students e.g. craft materials, etc.

Statements of Account have been emailed out – please note that no invoice will be issued. Thank you.

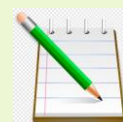
Please keep an eye on the calendar in this newsletter and also on our school website for any new events or for more information regarding events.

*Take care please. Remind your kids everyday how special they are and how much you love them! Hug the ones you love and hold on for an extra second or two, it makes a world of difference.*

**Mr Mehmet**

## Notes from the Office:

*Please ensure your child is aware of their end of day routine – should there be any changes please contact the office before 3pm if possible to assist office staff in locating your child.*



## TERM 1 - 2021

<b>Week 2</b>	1.2.21	2.2.21	3.2.21 Kindergarten Start	4.2.21	5.2.21
<b>Week 3</b>	8.2.21	9.2.21	10.2.21	11.2.21 Swimming Carnival	12.2.21
<b>Week 4</b>	15.2.21	16.2.21	17.2.21 P&C Meeting	18.2.21	19.2.21
<b>Week 5</b>	22.2.21	23.2.21	24.2.21	25.2.21 Springwood High Expo Day	26.2.21
<b>Week 6</b>	1.3.21	2.3.21 Winmalee High Expo Day	3.3.21	4.3.21	5.3.21
<b>Week 7</b>	8.3.21	9.3.21	10.3.21	11.3.21	12.3.21
<b>Week 8</b>	15.3.21	16.3.21	17.3.21	18.3.21	19.3.21
<b>Week 9</b>	22.3.21	23.3.21	24.3.21	25.3.21	26.3.21
<b>Week 10</b>	29.3.21	30.3.21	31.3.21	1.4.21 BILLY CART DERBY Last Day of Term	2.4.21 Good Friday Public Holiday

### Communication

There are many forms of communication at Springwood Public School to inform our community. The main form and most direct is the **SKOOLBAG App**. Information attached.

The school website is the next place to look for information, which can be found at – [www.springwoodpublicschool.com](http://www.springwoodpublicschool.com)

You are also able to email the school at – [springwood-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:springwood-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

The good old fashion phone number is – **4751 1333**

We also have a Twitter account where we announce events with photos - [@SPS\\_placetobe](https://twitter.com/SPS_placetobe)

Some of the class teachers run a **DOJO** account for direct messages to parents. You will be notified by the classroom teacher if this is the case for your child.

Most importantly for communication, please ensure that your contact details are always kept up to date by notifying the office as soon as possible. This goes for address, phone numbers, emergency contact details, most recent court orders, most up to date medical needs of your children and any changes to pick up details or if you are running late, etc.

**As mentioned before, we are not sure what school events we will be able to be run as yet due to Covid restrictions, but as soon as we have this information we will share it with you. Thank you for your ongoing patience and support of our wonderful school and in helping us all keep safe by being covid safe.**

# COVID-19 requirements

for visitors,  
contractors  
and service  
providers



## Stay at home when unwell

Do not attend the school if you are unwell, even with the mildest of symptoms. COVID-19 symptoms include fever, cough, sore or scratchy throat, shortness of breath, or loss of smell or taste.



## Practise good hygiene

- Wash your hands or use hand sanitiser regularly.
- Avoid shaking hands when greeting people.
- Cover your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing with your elbow or a tissue. Put tissues in the bin.
- Clean tools and equipment in between uses and when sharing with others.
- Use personal protective equipment when required.



## Maintain physical distance

Maintain 1.5m physical distance from other people while on the school site at all times.



## Keep our school environment clean

Leave working and learning spaces clean and tidy. Wipe down any high-touch surfaces or workspace area following use with a suitable cleaning product.



## Contractors and service providers

All businesses and organisations delivering services and programs within our school must comply with Public Health Orders and have a COVID-19 Safety Plan as required.

## Acknowledgement

Before visiting school grounds I acknowledge:

- I agree to comply with COVID-19 requirements for visitors, contractors and service providers (as outlined on this page).
- I am well and have no COVID-19 symptoms.
- I have provided my contact details to the school so I can be contacted in the event of a health or other emergency.
- I agree to comply with and follow all safety, policy and procedural requirements in place at the school.
- For **contractors and service providers** – I will work in compliance with the contractor and service provider requirements (identified above).

# COMPOSTING WORKSHOP

Dear parents/grandparents/carers/interested parties,  
In the coming few weeks we will be holding a FREE composting workshop to place our beautiful, composted scraps onto our kitchen garden. The workshop will take approximately 2 hours and will be during school time. People that attend will be trained in best practice, learning how to create and utilise amazing worm castings from left over scraps. It is hopeful that these people will then be available to continue looking after our school's compost and gardens on a roster basis. If this sounds like your 'cup of tea' (worm castings??)

please email me at [tracey.mcmanus@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:tracey.mcmanus@det.nsw.edu.au) Please indicate if you have any preferences for dates/times and we'll do our best to set up our composting workshop to accommodate as many people as possible.

Forever in sustainability,

Mrs Tracey McManus.



**Thursday February 25, 2021, 6.30pm**  
**2021 Year 6 Expo**  
for students, parents and caregivers

Springwood High School would like to warmly invite current Year 6 students, their parents and caregivers to the Year 6 Expo, taking place from **6.30 pm on February 25, 2021 in the Springwood High School Hall**. The evening will commence with a welcome by the Principal, Mr Stuart Harvie, and will provide guests with opportunities to meet key staff. Following the welcome, SRC students will facilitate tours of the school to showcase the fantastic facilities, resources and specialist spaces in our vibrant school. There will be opportunities to witness High School students in action in their classrooms, and staff will be available to answer questions about our school.

**NOTE:** Year 6 students will participate in a daytime Expo on February 25 from 9.45-12.30. The Expo day will differ from the evening event. Students will participate in taster lessons and lunch will be provided. Students are encouraged to return for the evening event.

For more information contact the school on 47512111 or [springwood-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:springwood-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)



# 5 Easy Steps to Staying Informed

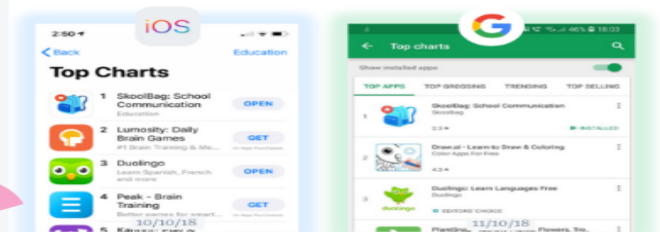
## SkoolBag

SkoolBag is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minute notices, newsletters and all your school's communications.

### 1. Download SkoolBag

Search SkoolBag in the Apple App or Google Play Store, download the FREE app:

SkoolBag: School Communication



### 2. Create an Account

Follow the prompts to create your account in seconds.

### 3. Add your School

Type your school's name and press enter. Tap the plus icon to add.



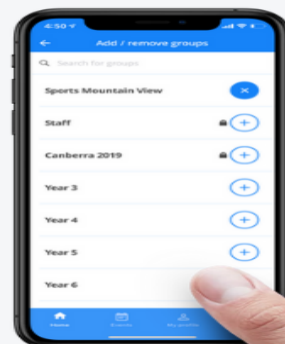
### 4. Allow Notifications

Ensure you Allow SkoolBag to send you push notifications when prompted.



### 5. Subscribe to Groups

Select Year Groups / Sports Teams to appear in your feed.





## Please check in before entering our premises.

We're helping keep our community COVID safe by recording contact details.



### It's easy to check in:

1. Scan the QR code with your smartphone camera or QR code reader.
2. Follow the prompts on the Service NSW app or on the Service NSW webform.
3. Show a staff member that you've signed in.

### We respect your privacy

When you scan the QR code, the only personal information sent to Service NSW is your Customer ID, the location of the business you are visiting, time and the date of your visit. The business will not see or collect this information and it will only be used for contact tracing. We only keep this information for 28 days unless required for contact tracing related to a COVID-19 hotspot. Please refer to the collection notice in the app for more information.

**This QR code is for Springwood Public School, located at Burns Rd  
SPRINGWOOD NSW 2777.**

# Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

education.nsw.gov.au



**On occasion students are absent from school for a number of reasons, mainly for ill health. It is mandatory departmental policy that the school is notified as soon as possible, preferably on the day, if a student will be absent for a school day. Please contact the school office as soon as possible if your child will be absent on 4751 1333. You can also use the Skoolbag App to notify the school of an absence or even by emailing the office on [springwood-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:springwood-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)**

**Thank you for following up on this reminder.**

## Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

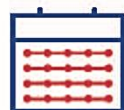
they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life



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**4** weeks



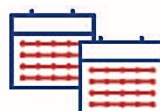
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Over **1** year missed



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**8** weeks



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Over **2.5** years missed

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**Schools Reconciliation Challenge 2019  
Travelling Exhibition  
On show at the Everglades Gallery – Everglades House &  
Gardens, 37 Everglades Ave, Leura**

See the prize-winning work of students from four local schools exploring the theme *Speaking and Listening from the Heart* plus work from talented students across New South Wales.

**Exhibition opening (by invitation):** 2pm – 4pm, Friday 5 March  
**Exhibition on show:** Saturday 6 March to Monday 29 March 2021.  
Everglades House & Garden is open Thursday to Monday, 10am - 3.30pm  
(entry is part of garden ticket)



Organised in partnership with the National Trust, Reconciliation NSW & BM People for Reconciliation  
Contact Lyn for more information: (02) 4759 2078 or Guy: (02) 4784 1938