



Springwood Public School

Newsletter

The Place To Be !

Term 1 - Week 10

Friday 8th of April, 2022

WHAT'S ON AT SPS...

TERM 1 WEEK 10

Fri 8 April

Last Day of Term

TERM 2 WEEK 1

Tue 26 April

Wed 27 April

Fri 29 April

Staff Return for Term 2

Students Return for Term 2

School Cross Country

TERM 2 WEEK 1

Wed 4th May

Mother's Day Stall P&C

TERM 2 WEEK 3

Mon 9 May

Tue 10 May

Wed 11 May

Fri 13 May

Year 6 Camp Day 1

Year 6 Camp Day 2

Year 6 Camp Day 3

Zone Cross Country

TERM 2 WEEK 4

Friday 20th May

BILLY CART DERBY

TERM 2 WEEK 4

Friday 27th May

School Disco (Year 6 Fundraiser)

Term Dates 2022:

Term 2 – 27 April to 1 July

Term 3 – 19 July to 23 September

Term 4 – 10 October to 16 December

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello everyone,

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

As Term 1 draws to a close we have a couple of staff announcements to share! Firstly, we would like to congratulate Mrs Excell and her husband on the impending arrival of their first child sometime in September! Another bubbly on the way to add to the other lovely SPS Staff Babies that we have welcomed over the last couple of years.

Speaking of new additions... We have just heard that Mrs Honeysett's new baby arrived today, a week early! We welcome Joseph Honeysett to the Springwood family. Mum and bub and dad and sis are all doing well!

As well as happy news we also have some sad news. Our lovely Miss Birney will be finishing up at SPS today. Miss Birney has managed to secure a position at a School in Queensland and will be making the move to live closer to her children and other family members. We wish her well in her new adventures and hope that we will hear from her from time to time. Farewell Miss Birney! You will be missed! The replacement teacher for this class will be advised early next term.

Well! What a term! It seems like a lifetime ago that we began a new term in a new year! We managed to get to the finish line today, even though we sadly had to postpone the billycart derby. Everyone has worked extremely hard to get through the rain and covid and other illnesses and isolations, and we made it!

A huge thank you to our P&C who managed to get the Hot Cross Bun drive done and have just finished barbecuing hundreds of sausages so that the children were fed and happy on the last day of term.

Yesterday we sent home a 5 pack of Rapid Antigen Tests with each student for use with your children. Please check their bags in case they forgot to take them out. Covid has surely had an impact on our school just as it has all over the world! As of today we have had 111 of our students test positive since day one this term. (We have 400 students) With isolation periods and other illnesses we have averaged between 50 and 90 students absent every day. We haven't even hit winter yet so let's see what the future brings! Rest up over the holidays and take care of your families. Please monitor all symptoms and use the RATs if required, we will hopefully have more to distribute in the new term. Term 2 begins on Wednesday 27th of April for all students.

Last week we held our first Honour Assembly since the lockdowns of 2020! Congratulations to all our students who were recognised with a certificate on the day. Keep up the great efforts everyone, we are proud of each and every one of your efforts and achievements.

Term 2 Working Bee

We would like to invite parents and student helpers anytime between 8am and 1pm on **Sunday the 1st of May** to assist us in a Grounds and Gardens Working Bee.



Parents who are able to assist at **school working bees** help maintain the school grounds which helps reduce the overall cost to the school for grounds maintenance. **Working bees** also provide a great opportunity for parents and families to come together as a school community.

We will provide morning tea, lunch and drinks.

The school does a great job with its resources BUT it's a massive job looking after the grounds. Any help we can get puts that extra shine on the school and makes it a much more enjoyable place for us all.

We need help with gardening, weeding and landscaping right across the school.

What to bring

We have a limited supply of brooms, rakes, shovels but would ask where possible that you bring your own tools and gardening gloves. Please bring along any useful gardening tools that you may have, e.g., a Whipper snipper is always a great help.

When

Sunday 1st May – 8am – 1pm (Term 2)

Please RSVP to:

springwood-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to help us with catering for the day.

Thank you in advance for your support.

2022 School Fees

Thank you to the many families that have already paid their school fees for 2022. 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.

Voluntary Contribution Fee is:

\$50 for the 1st child,

\$30 for the 2nd child

up to a total of **\$80 per family** (2 or more children).

The Resource Fee is a **mandatory payment** as the school must 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 has not changed in over five years.

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. If you have not received your statement, please contact the office to request a copy. Thank you.

Have a safe and restful school holidays, we'll see you all back on Wednesday 27th of April. Thank you all for your ongoing support, patience and perseverance for our wonderful school and community.

I'd like to thank all my staff for their wonderful above and beyond efforts this term, I truly do have the best staff of all schools!

***Take care, stay safe.
Mr Mehmet***

Teddy Bears Picnic Fun!



'Intention to apply for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2023'
For metropolitan/regional applicants

Dear Parent/Carer

Opportunity classes cater for intellectually gifted and high potential students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. Students successfully placed will usually have to leave their current school to enrol in a school with an opportunity class for Years 5 and 6.

Testing and assessment

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered on the results of the Opportunity Class Placement Test alone. Students who wish to be considered for opportunity class placement will sit the Opportunity Class Placement Test on **Thursday 28 July 2022**.

How to apply

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2023, you need to apply between **Tuesday 26 April 2022** and **Friday 13 May 2022**. You will need to access the online application at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>. You must **not** use the child's email address. Late applications are not usually accepted.

If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Team for assistance after **Tuesday 26 April 2022**.

You must submit only **ONE application** for each student.

The tear-off slip below is NOT an application and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely

Principal

THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO AN OPPORTUNITY CLASS

This is a notice to your primary school only that you intend to apply.

To apply you will need to register your email and then submit an application through the Department's website at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below by _____

Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for opportunity class placement entry in 2023 for my child through the Department's website between 26 April and 13 May 2022.

Signature of parent/carers: _____ Date: _____

SWOT

SPRINGWOOD WORLD OF TENNIS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY

TENNIS COACHING CLINIC

SPRINGWOOD WORLD OF TENNIS, SPRING STREET, SPRINGWOOD

Mon 11th to Thurs 14th April 2022 (9AM to 3PM)

JUNIORS 5YRS TO 16YRS. BEGINNERS TO ADVANCED. FULL SUPERVISION. FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE RING
47 515383 OR 0416083472.

STUDENTS GRADED INTO GROUPS DEPENDING ON AGE AND ABILITY. COACHING HELD WET OR FINE, RACQUETS AVAILABLE FOR HIRE. LUNCH PROVIDED ON LAST DAY IN CONJUNCTION WITH PRIZE GIVING.

ENTRANCE FEE: \$140

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT



FUN! TOURNAMENTS! TROPHIES! PRIZES

NAME: _____ **AGE:** _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ (please enclose full fee with this form)

EMAIL: _____

PARENTS SIGNATURE: _____

**ENROLMENTS MAY BE MADE AT THE PRO SHOP,
SPRING ST, SPRINGWOOD**