



SMJ NEWSLETTER

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Caring, Learning, Growing: Every Child, Every Day

Dear Parents and Friends of the SMJ Community,

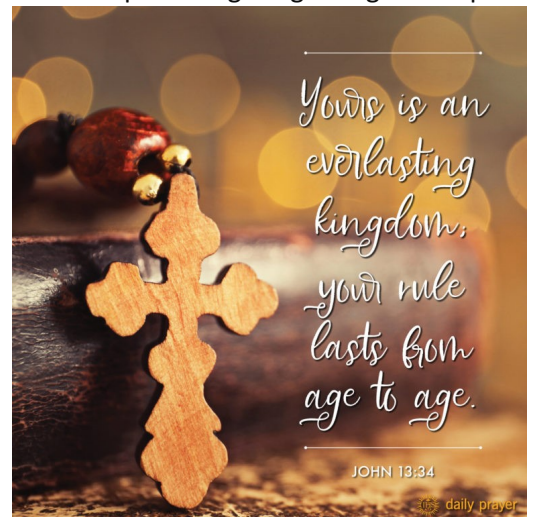
For your information, for the next two to three weeks Mrs Overman is unavailable to work due to jury duty. In her absence we ask that you respect the fact that Mrs Carberry will be covering this position as well as maintaining her responsibilities. We may not answer the phone quickly and the office may at times be unattended. We will all be looking forward to Jane's return in hopefully two, not three, weeks.

This week we farewelled Mr Justin Amor as he began leave. Justin and his wife Louise are awaiting the birth of their second child, a sibling for Charlie. We are currently seeking someone to fill the Pastoral Care role whilst Justin is on leave. This week we also begin the interview process for Miss Murray's position as she will be leaving us at the end of the term. We are fortunate to have had a pool of applicants to short list from and are confident of finding a teacher of the calibre of Miss Murray to maintain the high standards and expectations that she has set.

This week our Grade 3 and Grade 5 students have participated in the Naplan testing. This always seems to raise issues in the press as to the validity and usefulness of the testing. Please remember that they only provide a snapshot of your child on the day of the test. As a school we view the results over time to identify strengths and areas in literacy and numeracy we need to pay further attention to.

Next week is extremely busy so a few reminders, which will also be on our Facebook page.

1. **Monday 20th May** is a pupil free day. The teaching staff will be participating in professional learning in the area of Reading.
2. **Tuesday 21st May** Di Siemon, who is working with us in the area of Numeracy will be here. Di will facilitate professional learning to small groups of teachers across the day. Please be aware that Relief Teachers will be in some Learning Communities across the day to allow for this to happen.
3. **Tuesday 21st May and Wednesday 22nd May** are both grade 5 Human Develop Evenings beginning at 7.00pm. Tuesday is the sons session and Wednesday the daughters. Permission forms and further information has been sent out via CareMonkey. If you haven't done so please respond on CareMonkey ASAP.
4. **Wednesday 22nd** is also our **Taste of Prep** evening beginning at 5.00pm. We encourage ALL families, existing and new to attend the evening with their 2020 Prep. This is a great opportunity to begin the orientation to school process, ask any (and we mean any) questions that you may have and to book in for an interview. Please contact the Office to let us know if you will be attending.
5. **Friday 24th May** ~ **SCHOOL PHOTO DAY**. Please note that our senior students are required to be in full winter uniform. They will need to bring their sports uniform to school and will change into it prior to leaving for Winter Sports that afternoon.



Yours in Christ,
Andrea

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



TO...
Abel C

Dates to remember over the next week...

Tomorrow 17th Assembly 1/2 Mrs Consedine
Winter Sports Years 5 & 6

MONDAY 20th PUPIL FREE DAY

FRIDAY 24TH SCHOOL PHOTO'S

Sherman Learning Community (Foundation)

This week we went outside and blew bubbles using detergent and wire bubble blowers. We then came inside and wrote about it for our language experience writing. Some words the children used to describe the experience were- shiny, iridescent, floating, popping and fun.

Thank you for working with your children on learning the Golden high frequency words. As your child is tested on these, further coloured words will be sent home. We ask if you could please mix up the order that you have your child say the words so that instant recognition is promoted. Thank you for your support.

LYNCH LEARNING COMMUNITY (3/4)

This week the grade the 3 and 5's have been completing Naplan and grade 4's have been practicing for next year. We have been using Adobe spark. We are looking at non- living and living things for our alien Atto. Miss walker brought in her rabbit Honey for us to observe for the alien Atto. People really like Honey the rabbit!

We have been planting flowers and wheat for us to watch grow. They are living things because they need to drink and eat.

In Maths we have been learning about the different ways to add . This can be quite challenging at times but really fun too!

In writing we have been practicing how to join letters together. We also been focusing on writing persuasive texts with a brilliant beginnings.

Tayla, Charley W.

MADDEN LEARNING COMMUNITY (5/6)

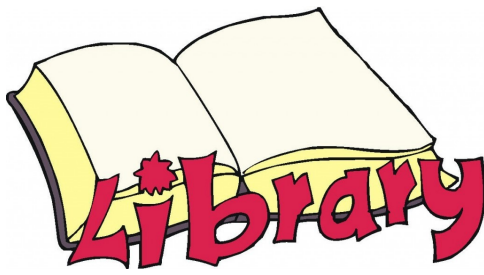
On Monday we worked on converting kgs and gms, giving change and multiply decimals. In the middle block we were introduced to the different inquiry units we can choose from. They are health, engineering, biology and technology and we get to decide which one we want to learn more about. In the afternoon we researched the different types of religion in Australia.

On Tuesday the grade fives started NAPLAN. Grade six students worked on resilience, class meetings, and persuasive writing. In the afternoon the grade six students participated in the KIP (Knowledge Is Power) drug education program while the grade five worked on resilience.

On Wednesday the grade five students completed NAPLAN reading and the grade six students spent time on spelling and word work. They also spent time on mindfulness and the link to exercise. In the afternoon students got to move on the homework monopoly board if they had completed their homework and had done their reading.

Today the poor grade fives completed their last NAPLAN, it was math related. The grade sixes designed letters as part of mindfulness as well as identifying things they were grateful for. What a busy week!

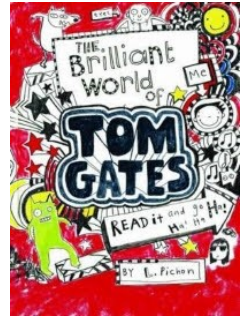




SERIES OF THE WEEK

Tom Gates (Liz Pichon)

Tom Gates is the master of excuses for late homework: dog attacks; spilt water; and, lightning. Tom's exercise book is full of his doodles, cartoons and thoughts, as well as comments from his long-suffering teacher, Mr Fullerton. After gaining five merits for his "Camping Sucks" holiday story, Tom's work starts to go downhill - which is a pity, as he's desperate to impress Amy Porter, who sits next to him in school.



Tags: cartoons, humour, school stories, friendship
Reading Level: 7+
Books in the Series: 13

National Simultaneous Storytime...

Is on next Wednesday 22nd May in the Parish Centre at 11am. Staff will be involved in acting out the book "Alpacas with Maracas" by Mat Cosgrove. All welcome to attend.

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

Wednesday 22 May 2019

alia.org.au/nss #NSS2019 #1millionkidsreading



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MEDIA TEAM...

EVE:

How have you been enjoying school?
 What have you disliked about school?
 What is your favourite subject?

"great"
 " sport because you get puffed."
 " art because you get to be creative."



NYAH:

What is your favourite subject?
 How has school been this year so far?
 What don't you like about school?

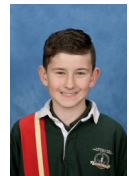
"I like art and Indonesian."
 " It's been pretty good."
 "Not that much."



HENRY:

What have you enjoyed about school?
 What haven't you enjoyed about school?
 What is your favourite subject?

"it has been really good and always fun."
 " nothing"
 " performing arts."



SMJ School Photo Day

Friday 24th May

All photo envelopes need to be returned to the school office by Monday 20th May please.

Family forms are available at the office.



Ss Michael & John's
Primary School
Fundraiser



MUSIC BINGO

FRIDAY
24TH
MAY



COUGHLIN
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CENTRE



7PM START
\$20 PER
ADULT

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**ALL ADULT FAMILY & FRIENDS INVITED
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Important Information for families and children who use the town bus services to get to school.

Have your say on Horsham buses



We're proposing changes to Horsham buses to give you more services, better coverage and easier access to key destinations.

You're invited to an information session to chat with the transport planning team and share your feedback.

Thursday 30 May

Kalkee Road Children's and Community Hub, 24 Kalkee Road
Drop in any time between 8.15am and 9.30am.

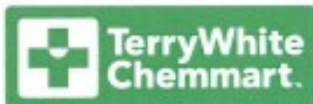
Horsham Plaza Shopping Centre, 36 Darlot Street
Drop in any time between 11am and 2pm.

Horsham RSL, McMillan Room, 36 McLachlan Street
Drop in any time between 4pm and 6pm.

Friday 31 May

Horsham Town Hall Foyer, 71 Pynsent Street
Drop in any time between 10am and 1pm.

Find more info at
getinvolved.transport.vic.gov.au/horsham or call 1800 800 007.



**ART IS...
A FOOTPRINT**

31ST MAY - 9TH JUNE HORSHAM

*June 7-9,
2019*

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Friday 7th

Opening Night - 7pm • Admission - \$30
Drinks & Gourmet style nibbles provided
Tickets Available Online at: www.horshamtownhall.com.au

Saturday 8th

Hours: 10am - 4pm
Admission - \$5

Sunday 9th

Hours: 10am - 3pm
Admission - \$5

Entry Forms available from website: www.hheartfair.com or by contacting Rotarian Gary Green on 0428 821 213

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PREMIUM



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DATES TO REMEMBER AT SMJ

2019

MAY		
FRI 17 th		Assembly 1/2 Mrs Consedine
		Winter Sports Years 5 & 6 students
MON 20 th		PUPIL FREE DAY
TUES 21 st		Greater Western Region Cross Country Championships
WED 22 nd	5.00pm	Taste of Prep 2020
THURS 23 rd		HCPSSA Athletics
FRI 24 th		School Photo Day - NO ASSEMBLY
		Winter Sports Years 5 & 6 students
	6.30pm	Parent social night ~ MUSIC BINGO Coughlin Park
MON 27 th		SCHOOL MASS - more details to follow
TUES 28 th - FRI 31 st		Year 6 Camp to Melbourne
FRI 31 st		Assembly 1/2 Mrs Abbott
JUNE		
THURS 6 th		Junior Hooptime (years 3 & 4)
FRI 7 th		Assembly 5/6 Mrs Hamilton
		Winter Sports Years 5 & 6 students
MON 10 th		PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL
WED 12 th		Alpha Show
THURS 13 th		Senior Hooptime (years 5 & 6)
FRI 28TH	2.30pm	Last of Term 2: 2.30 dismissal
AUG		
12 th - 16 th		Meals on Wheels
OCT		
14 th - 18 th		Meals on Wheels

Deepest Sympathy

Our thoughts and prayers are with Fr Peter Sherman and his family on the passing of their mother Margaret.



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