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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 2023						
Term Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Notes
Term 1 Week 5			1 Hot Food Day	2	3 Fascination Friday	Preps attend for the full week from Wednesday, March 1 st .
Term 1 Week 6	6 Finance Subcommittee Meeting	7	8	9	10 Assembly	
Term 1 Week 7	13 Labour Day – no school	14	15 NAPLAN (Years 3 & 5)	16 NAPLAN (Years 3 & 5) School Council Meeting	17 InSchool Cross Country Fascination Friday	
Term 1 Week 8	20 NAPLAN (Years 3 & 5) Deadline for Colour Run Forms	21 NAPLAN (Years 3 & 5)	22	23	24 Colour Run Meet & Mingle Afternoon	Clean Up Australia Day is on Sunday, March 5 th . Please see the flyer in this newsletter for more information We will not have an assembly on March 24 th . All parents, carers and family members are invited to join us for our Colour Run.
Term 1 Week 9	27	28	29	30	31 Fascination Friday March Newsletter published	
April 2023						
Term Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Notes
Term 1 Week 10	3	4	5	6 Last day of Term 1	7 School holidays	Term 1 finishes at 2:30pm on Thursday, April 6 th . Our Easter Bonnet Parade will begin at 1:30pm in the Atrium. Prep enrolments for 2024 open on Monday, April 24 th . All parents of current students with younger children due to start school in 2024 are asked to contact the school in Term 1 to advice of the intention to enrol.
School Holidays	10 School holidays	11 School holidays	12 School holidays	13 School holidays	14 School holidays	
School Holidays	17 School holidays	18 School holidays	19 School holidays	20 School holidays	21 School holidays	
Term 2 Week 1	24 First day of Term 2 Prep enrolments open	25 ANZAC Day – no school	26	27	28 Schools' ANZAC Service	The RSL are planning a schools' ANZAC service on Friday, April 28 th . More details to follow.

Please Note: all of the dates listed above are subject to change

LEARNER AT THE CENTRE-DIVERSITY-SOCIAL NATURE OF LEARNING

What a great start we have had to our new school year. The staff worked hard in the last few days of the holidays to get everything ready and organised and the students returned with smiles on their faces and tales of their holidays.

On January 27th, the teachers attended an in-school professional learning session on our new writing program. We welcomed a team from Seven Steps to Writing Success who were interested in hearing how we structure our school and plan on rolling out this new approach. Work began straight away with the students learning all about 'Sizzling Starts'. They recorded their 'Wow' or 'Ouch' moment from their holidays and have been learning about a range of techniques they can engage to capture the reader within 7 seconds. These techniques include starting with an action, a moment of change, a sound, humour, dialogue, a question, or a word picture. The students in Years 5 and 6 have been playing with lots of different options, which you can read through on the next page, along with the sounds that they used as inspiration prompts.

The students have also been enjoying learning how to sign as part of our new Language-Other-Than-English (LOTE) subject, Auslan. Serena Thomas has inspired the students and staff alike to use sign language as part of our everyday communication and I have heard from several parents that their children are coming home from school and teaching them a range of signs. Serena has also started to build a relationship with Tracey, who has been teaching Auslan at Belvedere Community Centre. Their collaboration will ensure that the students experience authentic interactions between fluent speakers and develop a deep understanding of the social importance of knowing how to communicate with all members of our community.

Another change to our schedule has been the extension of our Physical Education program. Grant Oldaker has doubled his time fraction so now, every student at our school attends two Physical Education sessions per week. We have also introduced a Sport rotation into our Fascination Friday activities so there is plenty of movement built into the week.

All of this and we're less than 5 weeks into our school year. 2023 is all set to be very successful.



The exhilarating feeling courses through her veins. Her stomach drops as they enter the gaping mouth. Behind her it slams shut.
Felicity

Kids screaming bloody murder. Bang goes a gun. Teachers panic as someone gets in.
Samantha

As I was flying through the air on my seat of the rollercoaster, I was terrified.
Harper

Ahhh! I screamed as the rollercoaster flew off the rails into a city in clouds.
Benji

I walked past the the rattling sound of the rollercoaster. Screams of children's voices with gushing wind screeched through my ears.
Izac



As I was meditating, I could hear the humming sound of the soft smooth bell jingle.
Lync

Brrrrrr! A low deep sound echoes through the thick mist. I squint my eyes and see a big boat heading my way. Logan
The horn blows as the ship is about to crash. Everyone is going crazy. Owen

Booooooah. Goes the cruise ship as it takes movement. Squawk, as the many birds fly into the bright blue sky. Dingle diddle ding, goes the ???? Wind blows a beautiful, glittery, sparkly sight. Quinn

Honk, Honk! As the boat comes the war is starting. A gun shot flies past my face; I'm in danger. Xavier

Waves crashing. The cargo ship rushing top speed to shore. The moon shimmering bright late at night. Pagan

5/6 Sizzling Starts

So far this term, all students at SPPS have been exploring the structure of 7 Steps to Writing, with specific focus on creating Sizzling Starts for a Narrative.

We have provided QR codes of a selection of sounds that the students used as inspiration prompts for the examples on this page. What images, feelings and ideas do these sounds evoke for you?



As I hear the tornado chime ringing, I run as fast as I can, clenching my fist together. I know I won't make it...
Beau

I could hear the ringing bells as the sleigh approached my house.
Rory

As I was doing my daily walk the bells started ringing. It was finally time. Leona

Birds are flying, chimes are chiming. On days like these I ask myself, 'What could be better?' Then I remember. Harsh realities... Mitchell

The melodic sound of a windchime lightly whispering to the night as if singing a lullaby. Ruby

I lay awake in my bed listening to the twinkling chimes outside my window. Taylah

I knew the bells were a sign that he was coming... Jackson D

STUDENT LEADERS

SCHOOL LEADERS

The School Leaders have been going over and reading through our Schools Student Dress Code Policy. We have been creating a powerpoint to show the students in depth, in classrooms. We are doing this so that all students come to school feeling good about our school uniform, comfortable in it and know what the updated dress code is.

HOUSE CAPTAINS

Every fortnight the school does Fascination Friday rotations. This is a new activity we do, we get into our four different houses: Heath, Wattle, Banksia and Bluegum.

We have four different rotations: mindfulness, Play is the Way, gardening, and sport. Every week each group does something new, then at the end of the term each student gets to pick the activity they want to do. The House Captains go with their designated houses and at the very end they will count the tokens from each house so we can keep a running tally.

COMMUNICATION LEADERS

In the 1/2 cohort, we interviewed 3 students about their new Furniture. 🚗

Firstly, we interviewed Tuscany in Grade1:

- We asked her how do you like your new classroom furniture? She said: she likes it because it's how she would like it.
- What makes it better? She said: she likes the tables being all different colours!!
- She rated it a 6 out of 10!!



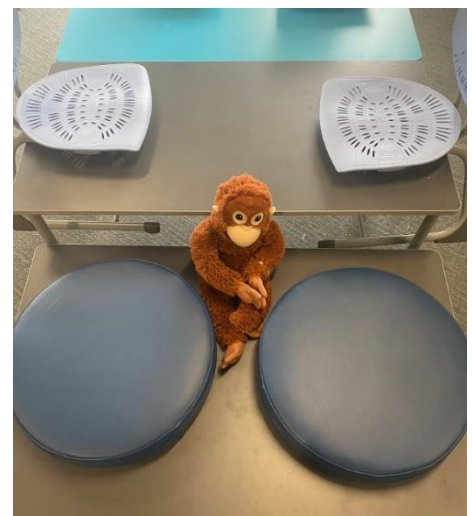
Next, we interviewed Lily in Year 2:

- We asked her how do you like your new classroom furniture?
She said: it was bright and how the chairs are bouncy.
- What makes it better? She said: the chairs are bouncy and lean back more!
- Bonus question!! What's your favourite part about the new furniture? Tables or chairs? She said chairs because they're bouncy!
- She rated it a 10 out of 10



Lastly, we interviewed Nicholas in Grade 2:

- We asked him how does he like his new classroom furniture?
He said: he likes the chairs and tables because the tables are blue and the chairs because he can fall off them!
- Is it better than before? He said: because the new furniture is exciting, and the chairs are a bit wobbly!
- Is that how you like them? He said: yes
- Out of 10? He said 9



PLAY LEADERS

CATCH ME IF YOU CAN

The Play Leaders have been hosting a game called [Catch Me If You Can](#).

How we play:

- There are two teams, one is [Rats](#) and the other one is [Cats](#).
- The [Cats](#) will line up on the [Rats'](#) base and the [Rats](#) will line up at the [Cats'](#) base.
- The Play Leaders will say either Team [1](#) or Team [2](#).
- If they say Team [1](#), Team [1](#) will try to get back to their base without getting tagged. If they make it to their base without getting tagged, they go back to where they started and then the Play Leader will say Team [2](#) and so on.
- If you get tagged, you go to the side and watch until whatever Team wins.

We had a lot of people show up and participate in this game and looked like everyone had fun.

LIBRARY LEADERS

BOOK REVIEW: PERCY AND THE LIGHTNING THIEF

Author: Rick Riordan

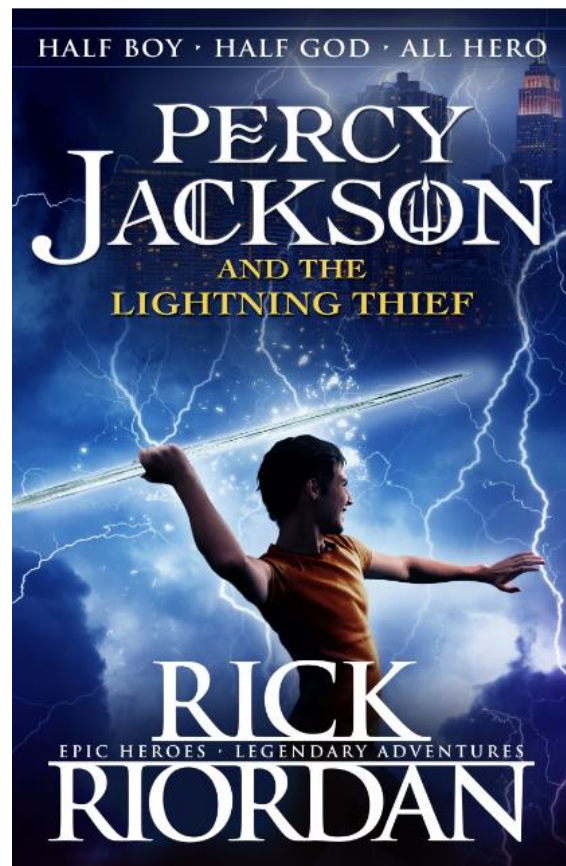
Main Character: Percy Jackson

Age: 12 (in the first book, he ages up throughout the books)

Other Characters: Grover, Annabeth, Chiron, Luke, Clarisse

Genre: Adventure, Action, Mythology, History

Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief is a perfect mix between Greek mythology and the modern world. It's filled with action but you also learn a thing or two about Greek mythology. When Percy finds out he's a Demigod the journey gets harder. During 'capture the flag' Percy finds out he's a son of one of the big three, Zeus, Poseidon, and Hades. He discovers he's the son of Poseidon. Percy is faced with a quest. His friend Grover comes with him and his soon to be friend Annabeth. On the quest Percy, Annabeth and Grover face the terrifying Medusa, go to the underworld to face the god of the dead Hades and at the end, fights the war god Ares. Ultimately Percy is betrayed by someone he thought was a friend. I recommend you read the book for yourselves and follow his adventures.



Suitable for ages 9+ because some younger kids might not understand the topics.

By Benji

ENVIRONMENT LEADERS

Each classroom will be given their own compost bin, although the 5/6 classrooms will be given one to share, since 5/6 W and 5/6 A share the portable. There will be a poster which will explain what can and can't go in the compost bins. This will go out to each classroom. Some things that can go in the compost bins are stuff people wouldn't bring to school.

There will also be other posters, such as a poster for Gardening Club explaining when it's on, the rules and information about safety when you're outside. We have made another poster about what should go in the rubbish bins.

As almost everyone knows, there is a contest to pick a sign for the garden. The designs will be judged by the teachers and the winner will be able to paint their design on a board. That design will then go on the wall of the garden and will stay there permanently.

On the 5th of March there will be an event held called Clean up Australia day. We would like to encourage everyone to participate but if you decide not to don't feel bad. It is your choice whether you would like to do it or not, if you do want to double check with your parents to see if you are free.



3198 Seaford Beach Patrol



Join 3198 Seaford Beach Patrol to clean up the beach at Seaford Pier on Clean Up Australia Day!

Sunday 5th of March - 9.30-11.30am

Meet at the BBQ's at the Seaford Pier Carpark -

Parking can be tricky - try to walk or train :)

Meet at the BBQs & sign in from 9.30am, have a safety briefing & get your equipment

If you haven't yet - please sign up to join 3198 and receive clean date notifications,
<https://www.beachpatrol.com.au/register> and choose the 3198 Seaford group

You contact us via email at 3198@beachpatrol.com.au or facebook www.facebook.com/3198BeachPatrol/ or by contacting group managers Amy 0466 821 992 and Jaqui 0468 683 224

AWARD WINNERS



SOCCER X

A small group of students have signed up to attend soccer training after school once per week. The team demonstrate our school value of Social Nature of Learning by working together and supporting each other.

SCHOOLWIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORTS

The student leaders are currently supporting the work of the Wellbeing & Engagement Subcommittee of School Council by reviewing our behaviour responses flowchart. Please have a look at our agreed processes and provide feedback to any staff member by email or to one of our student leaders.



IGNITE THE SPARK

Over the past 12 months, we have raised over \$65,000 locally as part of our Ignite the SPark campaign. We have used the money raised to :

- Install the shade sail over the Indigenous Garden
- Install a heating and cooling system in the BER building
- Cover the costs of completing the ground marking, which will be carried out in 2023
- Replace the furniture in two more classrooms
- Replace the goal posts on the oval



- Upgrade our reading resources in the classrooms and in the school library

Our shade sail was returned to us just on time for the students to return to school at the beginning of the year. Graeme and Linda spent time in the Indigenous Garden over the holidays and have agreed to continue to work with us to ensure our grounds are well maintained. This allows us to begin organising the official opening of the Indigenous Garden so keep an eye out for more details.

As the student leaders mentioned above, the bulk of the furniture in the Year 1 and 2 classrooms arrived in February and looks great. There are a few last pieces that we are waiting for (ottomans and cushions) and we will then start the process of ordering furniture for the Year 3 and 4 classrooms. We are about half-way through our fundraising for this project and hope that the upcoming Colour Explosion Fun Run puts us over the line.

We are very grateful to all families who have supported our efforts.

MEET & MINGLE

Join us on March 24th for our Colour Explosion Fun Run followed directly by our community Meet & Mingle evening. Enjoy a sausage and a chat with the other parents and family members and build your network of friends and supports. Please see the flyer below for more information and share the word.



MEET & MINGLE

Join us between 3:20 and 5pm on Friday, March 24th to meet and mingle with other parents, carers and families in our school community.

THIS EVENT WILL FOLLOW OUR COLOUR EXPLOSION FUN RUN

All students who register online for the Colour Explosion Fun Run and raise at least \$10 in donations will receive a free sausage in bread.

Families are invited to bring a picnic or grab a sausage in bread (\$3⁺). We will also have drinks and icy poles on sale.

*Early bird offer: \$2.50. Please return your order by 9am on Monday, March 20th.

 **EARLY BIRD SPECIALS FOR OUR UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEET & MINGLE AFTERNOON**
FRIDAY 24TH MARCH
3.30PM – 5.00PM



Purchase your food tickets early at the special prices below.

Please place the number of tickets you would like in the boxes and return this notice with payment no later than Monday 20th March. Tickets are also available for sale from the office until 9.00am Monday 20th March.

☐ Sausage in bread – BBQ Sausage with or without onions - \$2.50

☐ Cans of soft drink - \$ 1.50

☐ Icy poles and Ice creams - \$ 2.00

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

Name: _____

Student's Name: _____ Class: _____

☐ Please send tickets home with my eldest child on Friday 24th March.

☐ I will collect my tickets from the office.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Congratulations to the nominees who have been elected to School Council without the need to hold an election. The members of our council for the next 12 months are:

Member	Category
Sarah Argles	Parent
Emma Dodson	
Kylie Tomlinson	
James Kershaw	
Colm Browne	Community
Jan Gallagher	
Ron Jones	Employee
Melanie French	
Patrick Halpin	

We want to thank all of the outgoing members who have dedicated so much of their time and energy since joining our council to help make the school the best that it can be.

- Nicole Kovach (Parent)
- Troy Collins (Parent)
- Meredith McKenzie (Community: Manager of Belvedere Community Centre)

The first meeting of our new council will be held on March 16th, at which time office bearers will be elected.

SOCCKER X

A small group of students have signed up to attend soccer training after school once per week. The team demonstrate our school value of Social Nature of Learning by working together and supporting each other.

WE WANT YOUR INPUT

We are seeking information from you in relation to your expectations of communication you receive from your child's teacher. We aim to find the right balance between the teachers spending their time engaging in international research, collaborating and planning high quality learning sequences for your child(ren) so please consider the workload of the teachers as you respond to these questions.



The School Improvement Team will use the information gathered through this process to build a communication strategy, which will be shared with you later in the term.

We appreciate your support and input.

[To access the Google Form, please click here or scan the QR code.](#)

PHOTO OF THE MONTH



TEAMKIDS

HELLO TERM 1 

JOIN US FOR FUN!



Term 1 FUN has already begun at TeamKids and there's so much more in store! Let's flock together to celebrate and learn all about all creatures great and small during TeamKids GOES WILD Week.

Coming Soon!

 **WORLD WILDLIFE DAY**
9 MARCH

MON, 27TH FEB
- FRI, 3RD MAR



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NOTICES

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AT SEAFORD PARK
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



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OPEN NIGHT

Tuesday March 21
5:30pm - 7:00pm

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FREE FAMILY BBQ

ICE CREAM TRUCK

**FRANKSTON
RAIDERS**
Rugby League Club



WE'RE RECRUITING!

***TEEN BOYS & GIRLS 13 - 16 YRS**

***BOYS & GIRLS AGED 5- 12 YRS**

JOIN US IN 2023!

INTERESTED IN PLAYING LEAGUE IN 2023?

*U13s, U14s, U15s & U16s TRAINING TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 6:30pm

*U6s, U7s, U8s, U9s, U10s, U11s, U12s TRAINING THURSDAYS 5:30PM

HAVANA RESERVE, FRANKSTON - ALL WELCOME!



PLAY RUGBY LEAGUE IN 2023! TEAMS
FROM U6s TO SENIOR MEN

Simply scan the QR code below to register!

2023 Club Fees \$120 Juniors \$170 Seniors 18+ (plus insurance)
Fees includes shorts & socks



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**WE ARE MOVING TO
HEALTHY FUTURES HUB
IN APRIL 2023!**




CHILDREN AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

- Playgroups - Wednesday & Thursday
- Story Time - Wednesday
- Thriving Families



EXERCISE CLASSES


- Functional fitness
- Power Bar Pilates



ADULT EDUCATION

Everyday Literacy
Auslan - level 1 & 2
Introduction to Community Services
Digital Literacy
Gardening for food and fun

ADULT PROGRAMS



arts & crafts


- Social Art Class
- Cake decorating
- Patchwork sewing group
- Evening book club
- Craft N Cuppa
- Rummy-O



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