



## CALENDAR

27 Mar	Last Day Term 2.30pm Finish
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## FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

### COVID-19

As you will have read in the communication sent out earlier this week, a number of our school based events have been postponed following advice to schools with regard to COVID-19. We will continue to keep you as up to date as possible with developments in this space however there are a few things that we wish to highlight:

### SCHOOL IS OPERATING AS NORMAL

Contrary to rumours that are circulating we have not stopped our normal teaching program.

Students who are not at school are missing out on valuable learning. While we have requested students who are not well stay at home, unless this is the case all students should be at school each day.

### HYGIENE

As explained in the note that was posted earlier this week, we have a good supply of soap, hand sanitiser, toilet paper and tissues. We are continuing to encourage and remind all our students about good hygiene practices, including regular washing of hands. Our school and classroom spaces also continue to be thoroughly cleaned each day.

### PREPARATION IN THE EVENT OF SCHOOL CLOSURES

Staff have begun to make preparations for continuity of learning should we be directed by the Department of Education to close. If this does occur we will notify our families via Compass of these arrangements and the process for learning moving forward from that point. In the event of a school closure we will communicate all changes to our normal school operation via the Compass platform. Please ensure that you know your Compass login details and they are working. If you have any difficulties with this please contact the office so we can fix these for you.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Stuart Mills and his family on the safe arrival of baby Olive yesterday. All are doing well and we are looking forward to seeing some photos and meeting Olive in the future.



### CURRICULUM DAY

On Monday our staff worked with our Regional KESOS (Koorie Education Support Officers) to build our knowledge and understanding of Koorie perspectives and history. This was a great opportunity for our staff to build their capacity in including Koorie perspectives in our curriculum planning. We have also begun conversations with them to explore ways in which we can further develop connections between them and our school.

For the second part of the day all staff were updated for their CPR and Anaphylaxis First Aid certificates, following their Level 2 First Aid accreditation last year. This ensures that all our staff remain current with their first aid certificates and know current best practice responses to first aid situations.

### PLANNING WEEK

Next week all our teachers will participate in a planning week where they meet as a whole team to plan the big ideas and learning structure for the coming term. To enable this to happen all classes will have their specialist classes on the one day. This is a valuable time for teachers to review student learning data and the Victorian Curriculum, to ensure that we are continuing to pitch the learning for our students right at their point of need.

### HOUSE CAPTAINS AND VICE CAPTAINS 2020

#### Geyer – Blue House

Captain - Sam T  
Vice - Eve S

#### Whorlow – Orange House

Captain - Mitchell B  
Vice - Chloe Mc

#### Watkins – Green House

Captain - Lilly G  
Vice - Leah H-B

#### McMahon – Yellow House

Captain - Jamieson F  
Vice - Blake A

#### McKinnon – Red House

Captain - Zoe G  
Vice - Maddison M

### THANK YOU

Thank you to all those families who have so generously donated Easter goodies for our upcoming Easter Raffle. Our office is overflowing with chocolate and because of this we have been able to put together

a number of prizes for our Easter Raffle draw next week.

### END OF TERM

As the end of term fast approaches, a reminder that we have an early dismissal on the last day of term. The school will be dismissed at 2:30pm on Friday March 27, and all families are asked to ensure prompt pickup of students.

**Best wishes,  
Michelle and Sue**

## CURRENT NEWS

### STUDENT BANKING

#### Notice from CommBank School Banking

The health, safety and wellbeing of our communities and our people is our first priority. Due to the rapidly developing situation with coronavirus, School Banking has been temporarily paused from 20 March 2020 until the start of Term 2. Please don't bring your deposit book with your weekly banking into school and we will notify you when banking will recommence.

### PARENTING IN THE AGE OF DISRUPTION by Michael Grose

The future your children will inherit will be very different than the world we live in now. For instance, a university degree, once a guarantee of a well-paid job, will no longer ensure your child a career, let alone a steady income. That doesn't mean that we devalue education. Far from it, as all indications about the future of work suggest that your child's ability to take on new knowledge and commit to acquiring new skills will be more important than ever. Continuous learners rather than those who close themselves off to new ideas and concepts will thrive in the future.

So how can we prepare children to thrive in a world where it's estimated that over 20 per cent of today's jobs won't exist in just five years' time? How do we prepare them for a work-life of multiple careers and job changes?

To read the remainder of this article by Michael Grose go to:

[https://www.parentingideas.com.au/blog/parenting-in-the-age-of-disruption/?utm\\_source=Blog+Subscribers&utm\\_campaign=366ac177b7-Parenting+Blog+-+Parenting+in+age+of+disrupti&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_f488c60967-366ac177b7-185781441&goal=0\\_f488c60967-366ac177b7-185781441&mc\\_cid=366ac177b7&mc\\_eid=ca4fd51398](https://www.parentingideas.com.au/blog/parenting-in-the-age-of-disruption/?utm_source=Blog+Subscribers&utm_campaign=366ac177b7-Parenting+Blog+-+Parenting+in+age+of+disrupti&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f488c60967-366ac177b7-185781441&goal=0_f488c60967-366ac177b7-185781441&mc_cid=366ac177b7&mc_eid=ca4fd51398)

### PAYMENTS DUE

**Year 5/6 Term 2 Digital Device:** March 27  
Please note: if digital device payment is not received by the due date, the student will be unable to take their device home on the holidays.

### QKR APP FOR SCHOOL PAYMENTS

Our preferred method of payment for excursions, canteen lunch orders and fundraising activities is QKR.

This easy to use free app by Mastercard gives you flexibility to make your school payments at a time and place that suits you.

No need to find cash to send to school with your child, you will have a QKR receipt on your phone and receipt number for your records.

A brochure on how to set up your account is available from the school office or just follow the simple instructions when you download the app.



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### LOST PROPERTY

Please come along and have a look if your child is missing any clothing. All named items are returned to student classrooms. If unnamed items are not collected by the end of term they will go into our second hand uniform cupboard or be donated to charity.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### SONS OF THE WEST – MENS HEALTH

This free men's health program, run by the Western Bulldogs Football Club and will kick off again in Sunbury in 2020. The Premiership Season is about your mental and physical health. You can join the program at any time – simply come down on a Monday evening.

**When:** Monday March 23 – Monday June 1 2020

**Time:** 6.30pm – 8.30pm

**Location:** Kismet Park Primary School – McEwen Dve

**Who For:** Males living in Sunbury and surrounding suburbs

**What to Bring:** A water bottle and comfortable clothes to exercise in!

Registration and information night: Come along for a cuppa and to hear more about what's in store for our 10 week program. Monday March 16 5.30pm – 6.30pm Sunbury Community Health Centre, Macedon Street, Sunbury. For more information or to register contact Rob Charlesworth ph: 9744 9528 or email [robc@sunburychc.org.au](mailto:robc@sunburychc.org.au) or contact Sons of the West [info@sonsofthewest.org.au](mailto:info@sonsofthewest.org.au) ph: 9680 6355

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