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## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Welcome back to Term 4. This will be an 11 week period with a Curriculum Day on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November (the day after the Melbourne Cup holiday). The last day for students in Term 4 will be Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> December.

There are many building works happening at the moment across both campuses that have made building access a challenge. Thank you to all students, staff and families for managing these temporary changes.

Our Stage Two modernization project is quickly taking shape. The drone photo below taken by Tristan Hope, our Instrumental Music staff member, shows the enormous size of our Wood and Automotive Technology Wing that is quickly growing behind our two storey Stage One building. These new facilities will offer amazing opportunities to our current and future students.

***John Mooney***  
***Principal***



## **DIARY DATES 2024/2025**

<b>WEDNESDAY 30TH OCTOBER</b> - School Production	<b>THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER</b> - Last day of Term 4 for students
<b>TUESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER</b> - Melbourne Cup ( <b>NO SCHOOL</b> )	<b>FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER</b> - Last day of Term 4 for staff
<b>WEDNESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER</b> - Curriculum Day ( <b>NO SCHOOL</b> )	<b>WEDNESDAY 29TH JANUARY</b> - First day of Term 1 for students

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## **VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT**

We will continue our study of the value, Determination, next week.

The Brisbane Lions AFL Team is a perfect example of how powerful determination is in achieving success. The Lions were 13<sup>th</sup> on the ladder in Round 14 and looked like they could not make the final 8. However, no one estimated how determined the Brisbane Lions' players and their coach were.

They were determined to secure this year's premiership! They ended up 5<sup>th</sup> at the end of the home and away games. Brisbane never gave up and beat Carlton, GWS, Geelong and finally, Sydney, to take the 2024 Premiership Trophy.

***Dianne Wright***  
***Campus Principal, Middle School***



## **SCHOOL SAVING BONUS INFORMATION**

Dear parents and carers,

As shared with you previously, parents and carers of every child enrolled in a Victorian government school in 2025 will receive the one-off School Saving Bonus \$400 support.

In the coming months, the Department of Education will send you 2 email communications for each of your children enrolled in Victorian government schools.

By Friday 18 October 2024, please ensure that your child's 2025 enrolment is completed and that your contact information is up to date.

The 2 emails from the Department of Education will:

- Confirm your email address between mid-October and late-November.
- Provide you with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code by the end of November.

If you do not receive a confirmation email from the department by late-November, please check your spam or junk folders and contact our office on 9791 8900 if needed.

You can read more about the School Saving Bonus on the Department of Education website, <https://www.vic.gov.au/school-saving-bonus>, with key information now available in 14 different languages.

Kind Regards,  
John Mooney

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## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS—TERM 4 NO HAT, NO PLAY

A reminder that all students (and staff!) are required to wear a sun-safe hat (preferably navy blue) whilst outside during Term 4 and Term 1. This includes playtimes, physical education classes and school excursions.

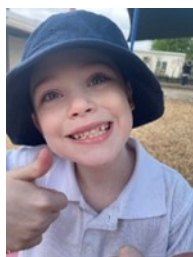
Most of our Junior School students are wearing their sun-safe hats outside as you can see in the photos. If a student is not wearing a hat outside they will be asked to sit in an undercover area.

*Types of sun-safe hats include:*

**Broad-brimmed hat:** The brim should be proportional to the size of the child's head and provide shade for the whole face.



**Bucket hat:** Bucket or surfer-style hats should have a deep crown and sit low on the head. It should shade the face, ears and back of the neck.



**Legionnaire-style hat:** Legionnaire-style hats should have a flap that covers the neck. The side flap and front peak (brim) should meet to protect the sides of the face.



*Please Note:* Baseball caps and sun visors do not protect the cheeks, ears and back of the neck and are not recommended.

**Leanne Russell**  
*Head of Junior School*

## CASUAL DRESS DAY

Thank you for supporting our Casual Dress Day at the end of Term 3.

We donated \$270 to Canteen Australia, supporting childhood cancer.



## JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEKAWARDS

**READING**  
**ROCKSTAR**

**Michael JSE**

**EXCEPTIONAL**  
**EFFORT**

**Jackson JSA**

**Alaya JSB**

**Justin JSC**

**MATH**  
**MAGICIAN**

**Eliza JSJ**

**SPECTACULAR**  
**CITIZEN**

**Mohamed JSL**

**HARDWORKING**  
**HERO**

**Charity JSF**

**Ashhal JSG**

**AMAZING**  
**ATTENDANCE**

**Isabella JSI**



**EXCEPTIONAL**  
**EFFORT**

**Sarah JSD**

**Jason M**

**Annabella O**





## **SANDOWN COBRAS ALL ABILITIES SPORTS. INC. FOOTBALL**

**OUR CLUB IS A MEMBER OF THE F.I.D.A. LEAGUE VIC. WHICH  
PROVIDES FOOTY FOR THOSE WITH A DISABILITY.  
PLAYER'S WANTED FOR SEASON 2025**

**Our Club is seeking MALE/FEMALE persons aged between 12-30+ years of age who enjoy the game and want to try out their skills for footy season.**

**Our season is on Sunday's from April to August, games played at our home ground, Edinburgh Reserve, Springvale with away games played at our competitors ground.**

**All Abilities footy players eligible that he/she must meet 2 of the following points:**

- A. Have attended a Specialist School,**
- B. Have proof of a disability pension for an intellectual disability,**
- C. Be registered with a disability service.**

**We train on Monday & Wednesdays at the ground between 5.00pm until 7.00pm, and some Sunday's when we don't have a game. Training will be starting on Wednesday January 22, 2025. Great fun, enjoy the thrill of playing for the Cobras.**

**\*\*\*\*\*PLAYED UNDER MODIFIED RULES\*\*\*\*\***

**We are also interested in Sponsorship for Volunteers/goal umpires/runners/water and trainers with 1<sup>st</sup> aid experience.**

**If you are interested in any of the above, please contact us and we will be happy to answer your questions.**

### **CONTACTS:**

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## **GO COBRAS**

