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## Selby Primary School Newsletter

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### DIARY

- Friday 1 May** : Free Dress day - gold coin donation.  
: 3.10 pm Selby's Got Talent.
- Mon. 4 May** : 8.30 am uniform shop open.  
: Grs. 1 & 2 basketball (in school).
- Friday 8 May** : Mothers' Day stall (.50c - \$6.00).
- Sun. 10 May** : Mothers' Day.
- Mon. 11 May** : 8.30 am uniform shop open.
- Thurs. 14 May** : Grs. 3 & 4 basketball (in school).
- Friday 15 May** : New Zealand delegation depart.
- Mon. 18 May** : 8.30 am uniform shop open.
- 18 – 22 May** : Education Week.
- Thurs. 21 May** : 7.30 pm school council meeting.
- Friday 22 May** : Jump Rope for Heart.
- Monday 25 May** : 8.30 am uniform shop open.  
: New Zealand delegation return.
- Monday 1 June** : 8.30 am uniform shop open.
- Monday 8 June** : Queen's Birthday holiday.
- Monday 15 June** : School photos.
- Friday 26 June** : End term 2.
- Monday 13 July** : Commence term 3.



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### **National Schools Pride Funding**

Last week we were delighted to hear that we have received \$125,000.00 funding under the National Schools Pride Program, which is part of the Australian Government's *Building the Education Revolution* Program. In addition to purchasing interactive whiteboards and other ICT equipment for classrooms, we will be doing a number of upgrades and improvements around the school.

### **Books and Requisites**

If you haven't already paid for your child/children's books and requisites it would be greatly appreciated if you could attend to this at your earliest convenience. Statements will be sent home to those parents who still have outstanding amounts in the next few weeks. Payment for books and requisites will allow all our programs to be funded - thank you.

### **Thank You!**

**Car park lines:** Special thanks to Robert Young for painting the new lines in the car park.

We can all park a little straighter now!



**Yard Duty Vests:** We now have our brand new set of "Selby" Yard Duty Vests. Thanks to Janet Saber for selecting such vibrant-coloured vests, and special thanks to Mark Westaway who screen-printed our logo for the vests. They have turned out to be very stylish indeed!

### **ANZAC Day Ceremony**

In addition to the School Captains and Vice Captains attending the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual ANZAC Commemoration Ceremony at Dandenong Ranges National Park last Wednesday, our school held an ANZAC Ceremony on Friday morning to commemorate this very important day in our national history. Some students wore their parents' or grandparents' medals, and many students brought flowers and wreaths to lay at the flagpole. Thank you to all the students, teachers and parents who participated in this special ceremony.

## NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is to be conducted on Tuesday 12, Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 May, 2009. All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in schools across Australia undertake the same tests on the same days. Students have their skills assessed in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar), and Numeracy. National test results provide information on how students are progressing and support improvements in teaching and learning.

The staff have recently completed last year's Year 5 Numeracy Test (in test conditions), which allowed them to experience first-hand the types of questions asked and the way they are asked, how answers are recorded, and the general test literacy skills required by students, for example working to a set time limit and reading and interpreting questions.

There are a number of resources available to help students prepare for the tests, including sample questions and tests from previous years. Here are a few examples of questions:

### YEAR 3 SPELLING

Sample 1

The spelling mistakes in these sentences have been circled.  
Write the correct spelling for each circled word in the box.

1 I love going to toun at the weekend.

 1

2 Sally has grean eyes.

 2

3 I knoe all of my multiplication tables.

 3

4 We jumpt on the trampoline.

 4

5 My sister plaes the piano well.

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# YEAR 5 NUMERACY

Sample 2

- 1 Here is a timetable for volunteers who helped at the Toy Library.

Shade one bubble.

Name	Start	Finish
Meg	8:30 am	3:00 pm
Andrew	11:00 am	6:30 pm
Helen	1:30 pm	8:00 pm
James	4:00 pm	10:30 pm

Which of these volunteers worked for the longest time?

Meg

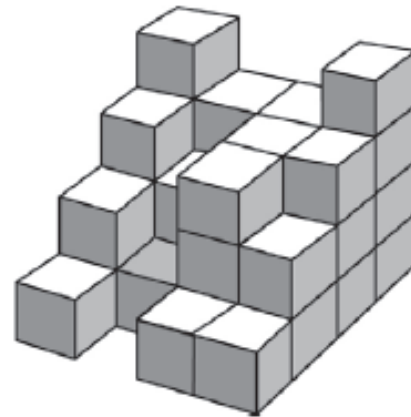
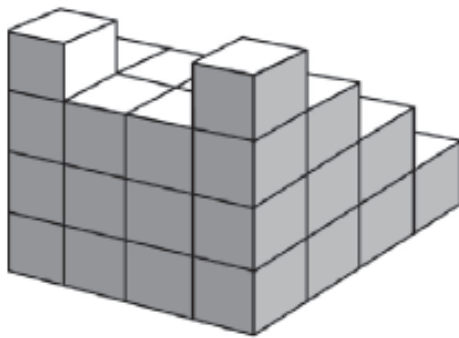
Andrew

Helen

James

- 2 Here is a front view and a back view of a set of blocks.

Write your answer in the box.



How many cubes is it made of?

cubes

SAMPLE MATERIAL ONLY

Further information about NAPLAN can be found at:  
<http://www.naplan.edu.au/>

## **New Zealand Delegation**

As we are all aware, there has been an outbreak of swine flu in Mexico, and cases are now being reported in other parts of the world. This morning I have been in touch with the regional office, Emergency Management and the Commonwealth Health Hotline for Swine Influenza to seek advice about our upcoming trip to New Zealand.

The advice from the Commonwealth Health Hotline for Swine Influenza has been to monitor a number of websites to check for health and travel advisory warnings. These websites include:

Smart Traveller: [www.smartraveller.gov.au](http://www.smartraveller.gov.au)

World Health organisation: <http://www.who.int/en/>

Pandemic Influenza:

<http://www.flupandemic.gov.au/internet/panflu/publishing.nsf>

I will be closely monitoring the situation over the next week and will keep parents advised by letter.

Kind regards,




*Wendy Worrell*

**Principal**



## **MS READATHON**

Since 1979 schools across Australia have united to help change the lives of people living with multiple sclerosis (MS). Students, siblings, parents and grandparents can get involved.

-  Click online for free registration and receive a very cool MS Readathon wristband.
-  Flick through books during the month of June (you can count books from other reading programs too).
-  Collect sponsorship donations from family and friends and collect some terrific rewards.

Visit [www.msreadathon.org.au](http://www.msreadathon.org.au) or call 1300 677 323 for more details. Bonus! Once 20 students from our school have registered online for the MS Readathon, the school will receive a book pack for the library – it's free to register online, just check with mum or dad first. Entry forms can also be collected from Mrs Abbott.



Heart Foundation

Jump Rope for Heart



## **JUMP ROPE FOR HEART**

In 2008 we decided, as a school, to participate in the Jump Rope for Heart program for this year. This is an activity that we have been involved in every few years and has several worthwhile advantages:

- provides sporting equipment for our school
- emphasizes fitness and a healthy lifestyle
- raises money for the heart foundation which goes to much needed research.

Obviously the decision was taken prior to the events of Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> with equipment and organisation material sent in term 4, 2008. We hope that all families will still be able to support this fitness and fundraising activity. Forms will be coming home shortly.

## **ANZAC DAY ASSEMBLY**

At the assembly we were thinking about all the soldiers that died. Many kids came with flowers.

**Alex, 2H**

At the assembly I thought about the soldiers that fought in war.

**Callum, 2H**

When I heard the music called "The Last Post" I felt sorry for the soldiers.

**Payton, 2H**

At the Anzac day assembly I saw the flag being raised. During the minute's silence I thought about the soldiers fighting the others.

**Sonia, 2H**

Before we did the ceremony we did a story about Simpson and his donkey. We did the ceremony after play lunch. I like the bit when they put the flag up.

**Emily T, 2/3V**

At the Anzac minute of silence I thought about all the people that had participated in World War. One that had died or come back hurt or come back healthy. We listened to the Last Post and sang Advance Australia Fair.

**Mitchell, 2/3V**

## **SELBY'S GOT TALENT**

The final for Selby's got talent will be on this Friday, 1 May in the hall. It will commence at around 3:10 pm and will feature the final three acts. All the very talented people who entered the competition will be awarded with a certificate on the day.

The competition has already raised money for the RSPCA's bushfire appeal and there will be a **free dress day on Friday the 1st of May** to raise further funds. A gold coin donation can be made on the day.

**Steve Arnold**

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

### **For Sale**

Yamaha Pee Wee 50 motorbike in good working order (very old).

A good learning bike kids outgrown, \$350.

Phone Amanda Birch 9754 3361.

### **Emerald Secondary College Open Day and Information Night**

Information night, Wed. 6 May, 7.00 pm. Open day, Sat. 9 May, 10.00 am – 1.00 pm, sessions 9.30 am and 11.30 am.

Evening tours 6.00, 6.15 & 6.30 pm. Phone Franca Mosca 5968 5388.

### **Attention Year 6 Parents**

Berwick Grammer (a new boys college in Berwick) and St Margarets in Berwick are offering scholarships for year 7 students. There are a variety of scholarships being offered – academic, general excellence and music. If you are interested in obtaining further information and the appropriate forms re these scholarships please contact Jan Abbott at school.

### **Billanook College Tour**

Sat. 2 May, 10.15 am for a 10.30 am start.

RSVP essential, registrar 9724 1179 or registrar@billanook.vic.edu.au

### **Cross Country – Cockatoo Little Aths Winter Season**

Starts Sat. 25 April, 10 am at Cockatoo Little Aths track, Mountain Rd Reserve, Cockatoo. Enquiries phone Wendy Neagle 0413 512 123.

### **Aussie Hoops Basketball**

For kids aged 5 – 12 years. Commencing Sat. 9 May to 1 August, 11.00 am to 12.00 pm. Cost \$55 for 10 weeks 45 minute session each week. Phone Pamela Ball 0401 996 046 or 9754 3961.

Registrations forms at the school office.

### **Basketball at Monbulk**

Saturdays 2 & 30 May and 4 July, 12.30 – 2.30 pm. See brochures at school office or phone Pamela Ball 0401 996 046 or 9754 3961.

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