From The Principal

Today we conducted an emergency evacuation drill in line with our school’s emergency management policy. While a separate note has gone home to all families today explaining the process followed, I wanted to acknowledge how calmly our staff and students evacuated their classrooms to the far side of the oval. The drill went smoothly and as part of our evaluation process, all staff will discuss the practice during an upcoming staff meeting. As mentioned in the note that has gone home, if you hear the emergency siren going at our school please do not come down to the school to find out what is going on. Doing so may put you and others at risk and if we need to contact you to collect your children we will do so when we are sure that it is safe for everyone to do so.

At the end of assembly last week our students had the opportunity to vote for our School Captains for this year. Congratulations to Redya Mudesir and Dan Nguyen who were successful in achieving this leadership position. Now that we have determined our School Captains we hope to finalise our House Captains and Vice – Captains by the end of next week.

Students in Grade 5/6 will also get the opportunity over the next week or so to vote on a representative from their class to join our Student Lighthouse Team, with representatives from the 3/4 classes joining them some time later in the term. The Student Lighthouse Team will be responsible for providing student feedback and input into our school’s implementation of The Leader in Me. This is one of the many ways we are including students in the way our school operates on a daily basis.

Tomorrow a group of our Grade 5/6 boys will represent our school at the Soccer Gala Day. We know that they will be great ambassadors of our school and wish them all the best for the games they will play. Thank you to Tania Crook, our PE teacher for organising this event and for organising the boys to have practise sessions during school time.

Don’t forget that next Monday is a Public Holiday for ANZAC Day so no students are required at school. We look forward to seeing you all back first thing Tuesday morning.

Regards,
Michelle Huggan
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Term 1 Program - New Families Welcome!

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Prep Enrolment 2017

It is now time to enrol your child in school for 2017. Stevensville Primary School has a wide range of excellent student and staff resources to support the curriculum.

Our programs endeavour to cater for the individual needs of all students and provide assistance for students with special needs, including those from non-English speaking backgrounds.

A Vietnamese Teacher Aide is available on Tuesday & Thursday to assist Vietnamese families with their enrolments.

Enrolment packs are available at the office.

Mother’s Day Stall

When: Friday 6th May
Time: 11.30am - 1.30pm
Where: BER Building (Library)
Prices: From $1.00 to $5.00

Don’t forget to bring a plastic bag to put your purchases in.

Canteen Reminder

Lunch orders are to be written on a paper bag with the money placed inside.

Please write your child’s full name and room number on the bag.

If you do not have a lunch order bag please add $0.10 to the total of your order and a bag will be provided.
Reporting Student Absences

If your child is going to be absent from school parents need to either:

- Phone the school on 9366 1381,
- Tell someone in the office, or
- Send a note or medical certificate to the class teacher when the child returns to school.

If you are your child / children are going to be away in the future (e.g. family holidays), please send a note or contact the office as soon as dates are confirmed.

Each month we are sending home absence letters for students who have unexplained absences. If you receive one of these letters please write the reasons for the absences, sign the letter and return it to school.
LETS GET PHYSICAL!
Week Two is happening and in Physical Education this week we are flat out with loads of fitness and programs for the students. On Thursday the boys Soccer Gala will be held at Green Gully Reserve and we wish the team all the very best in their pursuit for a flag.

On Tuesday Victoria University students will be in to work with two of our grades (3/4Y and 5/6B) from 10.15 -11.00. This program has been very successful over the last 4 weeks and the children have covered Dance, Agility, Skipping and Game Sense so far. I rotate the grades so that it gives the best opportunity to all of our children.

On Friday we begin our winter Interschool Sports Carnival. The games this term are Tchoukball, Softball (boys and girls), Netball (boys and Girls) and Lawn bowls.

The fixture for the term is:
22nd April  v's St Albans       HOME
29th April  v's St Albans North  HOME
6th May     v's St Albans Heights AWAY
13th May    v's St Albans East    AWAY
20th May    v's Sacred Heart    HOME
27th May    v's St Pauls        AWAY
3rd June    BYE

Remember to keep Active this April with 30 minutes of exercise everyday!

Tania Crook
Physical Education Specialist

Parent Helpers Course - Expression of Interest
Jo, our Assistant Principal, would love you to join her on Wednesday 4th May in the Community Hub at 9:15am after you drop your child/children off at school. The session will run for just over an hour and you will learn how you can assist your child with their learning in Reading and Maths. Completing this short course will also enable you to help out in your child’s classroom as well.

Date: Wednesday 4th May       Time: 9.15am - 10.15am     Where: Community Hub

Please return this slip to the school office

Parent Helpers Course - Expression of Interest
I would like to take part in the Parent Helpers Course.

Parent Name:__________________________________________  Phone No: __________________

Student Name:__________________________________________  Grade:____________