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SCHOOL SWIMMING
Yellow permission notes were sent home earlier this week. We’re hoping to get a participation rate of 80 % or better. P- 3s will have 2 swimming instructors running two groups & grade 4-6 will have 3 swimming instructors running three groups. Please return forms ASAP so that we can determine whether or not we’ll run the program.

OPEN NIGHT
Our first Open Night for the year will take place on Friday 20th May. We have 3 very big ticket items to share and promote on the night. Our Book fair will be open for presales on the night. Be sure to visit it will be located in the Science room in the multi-purpose room. Our coffee van is back, there will be light refreshments, door prizes & child minding. The agenda for the night is;

- Welcome & School Overview for new families
- Our Artists in Schools Program (Through the Looking Glass) Overview Term 3 & 4
- Launch of our new website, Parent Portal & Facebook page
- eSmart accreditation
- Planning for 140th Anniversary

Please mark this very important school community event on your calendars to ensure you’re available to attend.

SILVAN PRIMARY SCHOOL 140th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
Silvan Primary School is turning 140 years old this year & you’re all invited to celebrate this momentous occasion. Plans are afoot to travel back in time 140 years to commemorate our anniversary. We’re planning a date in November of this year where we’ll be running the school as a Colonial School for the day. Watch this space for more information and further requests for assistance as the big event draws closer.

BOOK FAIR
Scholastic Book Fair will run for one week starting Monday 23rd May – Friday 27th May. Book Sales will run every afternoon during that week. The Book Fair will be open for browsing on
Friday 20th May in the afternoon & during the ‘Open Night’.

NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE
Our new school website is live! Please take the time to visit our new website and explore the ‘New & Coming Soon’ sections. Any feedback concerning the new website would be greatly appreciated.

Go to  www.silvanps.vic.edu.au

FACEBOOK NEWS
Thanks to everyone for "Liking" and "Sharing" our Facebook page. In less than a month we've:

> Had 21 new likes
> Had over 300 page views (!)
> Had over 1500 video views (!!!)
> And reached over 8200 people (!!!!)

COOKING THIS WEEK
Mrs Keller organised vanilla cupcakes, a very popular cooking task this week.

GRADE 6 YEAR 7 TRANSITION FORMS
Please remember that all current grade 6 students need to have their ‘Secondary School Transition’ forms back to Silvan Primary School by Monday 16th May.
**MRS HUGHES’S DIGITAL LITERACY SURVEY**

There’s nothing like an incentive to motivate & encourage greater return rates. Mrs T is now offering a Cadbury chocolate frog to everyone who returns their ‘Digital Literacy’ surveys.

**MID-YEAR 3 WAY CONFERENCES**

3 Way Conferences will be conducted on Tuesday 21\textsuperscript{st} June - starting at 1.30 pm. Available interview times for conferences will be sent home over the coming weeks.

**100 DAYS OF SCHOOL**

Students in grade P-3 have been working on numeracy and literacy activities based around the theme of 100. We have worked on the story of Briar Rose, who slept for 100 years, made walls of 100 cups, written 100 words (our first 100 spelling words) counted in groups of 10 to 100. These activities have been great a reinforcement of counting strategies.

Nichola won our competition about which day will be our 100th day at school, with her guess being May 19th. The actual 100th school day is July 7th. Currently, we have a competition of guessing the number of jelly beans in a jar. Thanks to our pre-service teacher, Briony Crowe, who organised and planned these activities. Attached are some images of students working.

**Hughes News**

**DIARY DATES**

- eSmart Mg Thurs 19\textsuperscript{th} May 2:30
- 5/6 Archery Wed 1\textsuperscript{st}, 8\textsuperscript{th}, 15\textsuperscript{th} and 22\textsuperscript{nd} June

**ART**

P/1/2/3 students followed on with their coloured wheel trees. This is an assessment task for Term 1 and 2.

Students in Grade 4/5/6 engaged in a drawing lesson with Miss Williams.

**ESMART**

By the end of 2016 Silvan will be an eSmart School.

What is an eSmart School?

An eSmart school is a school where the smart, safe and responsible use of information and communications technology is a cultural norm. Students, teachers and the wider school community are equipped to
embrace the best these technologies can offer, while being savvy about the pitfalls. (https://www.esmartschools.org.au/Pages/WhatsAneSmartSchool.aspx)

Grade 4/6 students were involved in their first eSmart meeting where they researched the definition of technology based words. They will report to the school community in the next few weeks. Our next meeting will be on Thursday 19th May at 2:30. Parents are welcome to attend.

Many thanks to those parents who have completed the eSmart survey attached to last week’s newsletter. If you haven’t completed it yet, please do so, and drop it in to the office next week. There is a Freddo Frog waiting for you. For those who have handed their surveys in please collect your frog from Mr T. Many thanks.

Students will use programs such as Padlet and Edublogs to learn about cybersafety. Both websites need parental permission for students to have access. Parents will also be able to log on with a password which will be given out later this term.

**PHYS ED**
Both classes worked on their soccer kicking skills. **Next week both classes will have Phys Ed on Thursday.** Please ensure your child wears runners and brings a drink bottle. **Grade 4/5/6 students will need old clothes and shoes as we will be doing soccer skills training on the oval.**

**ARCHERY PROGRAM**
As this is a small group activity the school requires parents to transport the students. Please see Damian or myself if you are able to assist.

**MISS WILLIAM’S AWARDS**
Art- Aaron  
Phys Ed- Riley

**Mrs H’s Awards**
Art- Ben  
Phys Ed- Bella
Invites you to our

TWILIGHT OPEN NIGHT
Friday 20th May - 6pm onwards

- Tour the facilities - Meet the Team -
- Discover the Difference -

Showcasing on the night:
- Artists in Schools Program
  (Through the Looking Glass)
  with Emma Borland & Mark Ammermann
- Our New Website & Facebook pages
- Our 140th Anniversary program

Refreshments & Coffee Van available on the night.

Where: 269 Lilydale-Monbulk Rd, Silvan

For more information please visit: www.silvanps.vic.edu.au