STRAW BALES FOR SALE
The school has left over straw from the field day which is great for mulching or chickens. $10.00 a bale. See Mr T or Vikki if you’re interested

YEAR PHOTOS
The School Council are creating a year book to showcase at our 140th Birthday on Friday 18th November. A list of missing years will be placed in the newsletter over the next few weeks and online via our Facebook page in an effort to track down any missing years. Please be ready to track down old year photos or old school photos to assist us in our requests.

SECOND HAND ITEMS
Calling all hoarders and anyone currently conducting spring cleaning. The school would like your second hand items to run a second hand stall at the 140th Anniversary on Friday 18th November. We’re more interested in quality than quantity and would appreciate suitable donations for our second hand stall. See Vikki or Mr T if you can help.

SLEEP OVER
On Monday 12th December the school will be having a P-6 Sleep Over at school. All students are invited to pack their camping gear and stay on at school after 3.30 pm. Students will participate in a local bushwalk followed by tea at school, torch games and a camp fire including marshmallow roasting. Grade prepss are invited to stay for the afternoon and go home after tea, whilst the grade1/2s set up their camps inside the multi-purpose room and the grade 3-6s pitch tents on the oval. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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CURRICULUM DAY
The last day of this term will be Monday 19\textsuperscript{th} December finishing at 3.30 pm. Tuesday the 20\textsuperscript{th} December will be a curriculum day. Staff will plan the school’s ‘Inquiry Model Overview 2017’, participate in eSmart training and conduct grade 3 to 4 Transition meetings.

SCHOOL BANKING THURSDAY
School banking is every Thursday.

REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY AT SILVAN WAR MEMORIAL
On Friday 11\textsuperscript{th} November our school will be responsible for running the ceremony at the Silvan War Memorial commencing at 10.30 am. All available parents and friends are invited to attend.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION
In the lead up to our whole school production a matinee viewing of the play will be held in the Silvan Town Hall on Wednesday 7\textsuperscript{th} December at 1.00 pm. Extended families such as grandparents, aunties & uncles are invited to attend that would otherwise not attend on the Friday 9\textsuperscript{th} December. Tickets will be $5.00 each. Tea, coffee & biscuits provided.

ARTISTS IN SCHOOLS
Students continued with a variation on glass tiles by using coloured glass offcuts and created gesture pieces from set offcuts again with different themes.

Our first batch of glass tiles were fired last week and the results are breathtaking.

Emma & Mark test fired their kiln and prepared conditions to ensure high rates of success. This included;

- 4.00 am check (complete with flashlight) on settings during a power outage
- Strategic placement of artwork inside kiln
- Numerous pick-ups and returns

Next week students will have their ‘Artist in Schools’ sessions on Monday and the grade 5/6 students will have a special excursion to Hand Made Glass Studio in Monbulk on Thursday, where they will be able to participate in special glass activities that are unable to be done at school.
SPORTING SCHOOLS
Tennis and Rugby League afterschool classes started last week with plenty of students attending.

BALLROOM DANCING
Grade 5/6 students rehearsing for the Grade 6 Graduation. Dance instructors Gavin & Cassie.

ADULT OLD FASHION CLOTHES
The school is hoping to run a photo booth on our 140th Anniversary Day. If anyone has some old fashioned, adult clothes, that could be used as dress up costumes, could you please snap them up and bring them to school as soon as possible.

140th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
Don’t forget to spread the word about our 140th Birthday coming up on Friday 18th November. The students will be dressing up in old fashioned clothes and playing games, attending the Colonial School Incursion and running fete type stalls. We have the Preservation Society attending and a number of market stalls.

It would be great to have as many past students, families, teachers & friends in attendance on the afternoon.

We also have the honorable James Merlino (Deputy State Premier) awarding the school funding for our Land for Wildlife Frog Bog project and also Tony Smith (Federal member for Casey) attending.

Market stalls are available for $10.00 a stall. See Mr T for more information.

COOKING THIS WEEK
There was no cooking this week due to the Melbourne Cup day holiday. Next week we have Ham & Cheese scrolls
**GARDENING AT THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL**

Last Monday 14 students, Mrs Gardner, Laura, Pat, Mrs Prokopiwskyi, Sam, Michael & I weeded the front herb garden and other front garden beds in readiness for the 140th Anniversary. Mrs Gardner donated some established English box hedges that have been placed along the path adjacent to the herb garden.

Thank you so much for everyone who helped on the day.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES MORNING – WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 9TH**

Even locally, there are a number of species which are endangered in our local area, mainly because of habitat destruction. Most notably, this includes the helmeted honeyeaters and various species of frog.

Grade 4-6 have been working on endangered species as part of their work in Biodiversity. The grades Prep-3 have been introduced to the idea of diminishing habitats as a threat to some animals. On Wednesday November 9th, the whole school will be focusing on endangered species to celebrate their work in this area.

We would like all students to come dressed in clothes which resemble an endangered species they have selected through their work at school. We will have a parade and identify the groups of animals, reptiles or birds that that have been represented. Afterwards, the senior students will be involved in a game, which illustrates how diminishing habitats affect animal species. Finally, students in grades 4-6 will present a PowerPoint presentation about an Australian species of mammal, reptile or bird, which has a threatened /endangered status.

This is designed to be a fun morning I have asked students to improvise and not be too concerned with getting elaborate costumes. As long as the main identifying features of the species they have chosen is present (be that the ears, nose, tail or wings) with a bit of identifying colour (possibly face paint) that should be fine. Teachers are dressing up too! Parents are welcome to join us, preferably in costume too. We look forward to having an informative and enjoyable morning from 9am-11am.
Hughes News

**ICT** Grade P/1 students were taught how to format images. Students in 2/3 continued with their ICT project about animals which will showcase their IT skills. Grade 4/5/6 students looked at online blogs and logged in to Kidblog for the first time and created an avatar for their profile.

**German**
Grade 4/5/6 students completed their ‘Stundenplan’ and wrote simple German sentences using new vocab taught.

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Silvan Primary School invites you to our 140th Birthday Celebration & Open Day Friday 18th November, 1 - 7 pm

Displays & Demonstrations
Games & Activities
Arts & Craft Stalls
Side shows & Carnival stalls
Sausage Sizzle & Devonshire Tea
... and so much more!!!

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

Where: 269 Monbulk Rd, Silvan
For more information please visit: www.silvanps.vic.edu.au
## PREP 2017 TRANSITION PROGRAM

### TERM 3
- **Tuesday August 2nd**
  - 9.00 - 11.00am
  - Phys Ed/ICT/Drama

- **Tuesday September 6th**
  - 9.00 - 11.00am
  - Cooking/Science

### TERM 4
- **Friday October 21st**
  - 9.00 - 11.00am
  - Art/Craft

- **Friday October 28th**
  - 9.00 - 11.00am
  - Kids in the Kitchen

- **Friday November 4th**
  - 9.00 - 11.00am
  - Play is the Way

- **Friday November 11th**
  - 9.00 - 11.00am
  - ICT/Games

- **Friday November 18th**
  - 9.00 - 11.00am
  - Science

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Transition Mornings will be conducted in the Multi-Purpose Room or in our Kitchen/Garden Cooking Centre.