

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Mother's Day Stall  
1st May 2024

Mother's Day Breakfast  
10th May 2024



## News from the Principal

Dear Parents and families,



Welcome back to term two. We have had a good start to the term and lots of educational activities planned throughout the term. We welcome Dora Chakraborty as a teacher to our school. Dora was previously employed as an education support officer and has now received her registration to teach. Nicole Sullivan, who is also a teacher will be working with us 3 days per week. As we are approaching the winter months, please ensure that your child has a coat to keep them warm during outside breaks. Please keep your children at home if they are unwell and if they catch the bus, please inform the bus company that they will not require the bus. When your child is well enough to return to school, please let the bus company know.

### Individual Education Plan Goals

Today we will send home the Individual Education Plan Goals for all students. These goals were created in partnership with parents and carers and are the priority goals for each student. The curriculum delivered is much broader than just the priority goals and we cover all the various subject areas. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher after school.



### Mother's Day Stall/Breakfast

This Wednesday the 1<sup>st</sup> of May we will be having a Mother's Day stall run by a group of our parents. All gifts are between \$4.00 to \$10.00. It would be fantastic to see families support this event and to buy something special for mum or someone significant in the family. We are having a Mother's Day breakfast on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> of May at 8:30 am in the staffroom. I look forward to seeing as many mums and significant others as possible to celebrate. Please complete the return slip with numbers attending and any dietary requirements.



### Member for Mulgrave Visit to our School

This Friday the Member for Mulgrave, Eden Foster will be representing the Minister of Education to visit our school regarding our new capital works project as part of the modernisation. The Member for Mulgrave will tour the construction site and turn sod to commence construction on new classrooms and learning spaces.

### Long Service Leave (LSL)



I will be taking LSL from Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of May until Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> of June. I will be travelling overseas with my family. Bronwyn Lokan, assistant principal will be acting principal in my absence. Please contact Bronwyn at the school during this time if you need anything.

### School Leaders 2024



#### SCHOOL CAPTAINS

Dawood Elkasovic      Patrick Srouy

#### VICE CAPTAINS

Hayley Blight      Mikael Soesanto



#### SUSTAINABILITY CAPTAINS

Alex Tran      Lily Taing      Jane Steenweg

#### TECHNOLOGY CAPTAINS

Chloe Lastrina      Thy Tran



## HOUSE CAPTAINS

### BLUE HOUSE

Cooper Crellin    Lina Tran



### RED HOUSE

Salman Hamud    Wahida Atayee



### YELLOW HOUSE

Yisuen Lee    Janet Chay



### GREEN HOUSE

Kathleen Kong    Joshua Sarumpaet



## Principal's Award

This week my Principal's Award goes to Jay M from Room 4.

Jay has settled very well in the EEPs program and has built positive and secure relationships with the staff members in Room 4. He has begun eating and drinking at the table during mealtimes with his peers.

Fantastic work Jay.



**Jackie Lowther**

Principal



# SPSDS VALUES

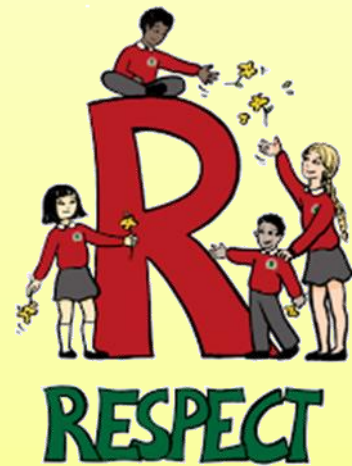


**Compassion**



**Integrity**

**Respect**



# SPSDS VISION

**Our vision at SPSSDS is to empower our students by building independence through functional life skills, communication and to equip them for the world in which they live.**

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY -TO YOU-

*Name*

*Date*

*Room*

*Siffat A.*

*25th April*

*Rm 12*

*Dawood E.*

*25th April*

*Rm 34*

*Aaron M.*

*28th April*

*Rm 27*

*Dylan C.*

*28th April*

*Rm 30*

*Jackson T.*

*1st May*

*Rm 11*

*Salman H.*

*3rd May*

*Rm 33*

*Teejay L.*

*5th May*

*Rm 12*



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*Date*

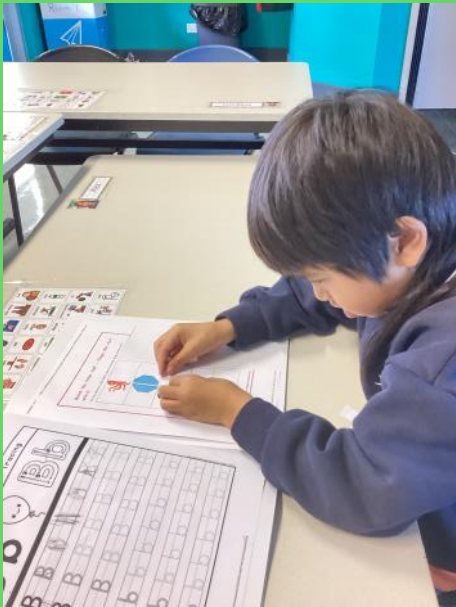
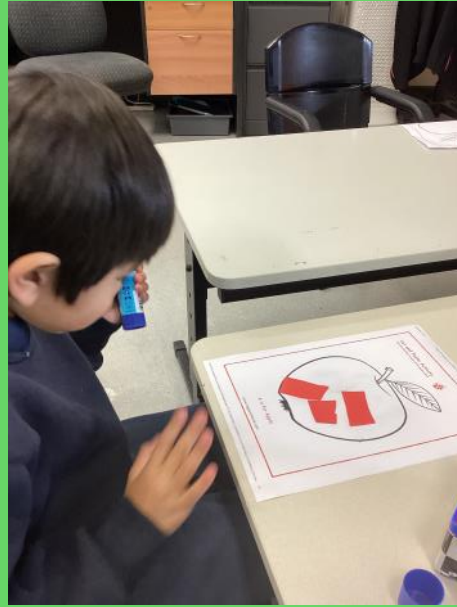
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Mihajla M.  
Collin Leng  
Pat V.  
Daniyal N.  
Vinny D.  
Asma A.*

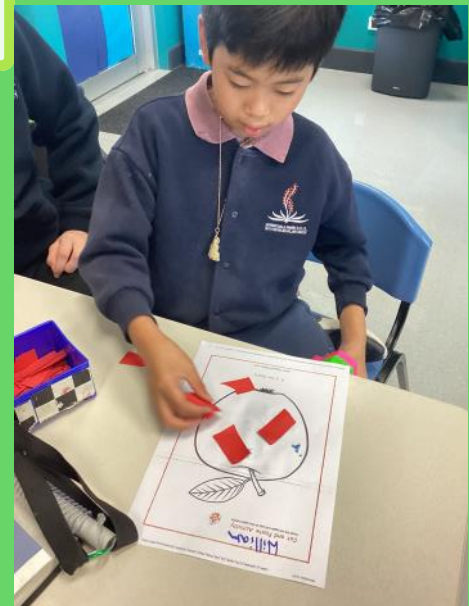
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10th May  
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22nd May*

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Rm 26  
Rm 02*





Everyone in room 9 is so excited to be back at school! We love seeing our friends again. We are settling down and full of energy to play and learn in school.





# ROOM 18



We are having lots of fun and learning many new things in Room 18 this term! We have done some interesting science experiments and even got to make slime! We read stories and learned new topics in maths too!





# SRC NEWS



**Springvale Park SDS**  
With Knowledge, We Grow



It is time to welcome the new Student Voice representatives for 2024. Joining Amach, Christian, Kathleen, Patrick and Salman are Amy, Dawood, Isir, Jane and Razia. You can look forward to new initiatives and lunch order days in the near future. We want us all to have a voice at Springvale Park Special Developmental School and 2024 is sure to be an exciting year full of fun activities, learning and practising skills of independence as well as expanding our personal and social capabilities.

# Sausage Sizzle

On the 27th March, the SRC held a sausage sizzle. Students and staff were able to pre-order sausages in bread and Fruit Boxes. We had over 100 sausage orders and cooked 140 sausages.

Our SRC Members, with the help of Phil and Vera, had a busy day ensuring all orders were fulfilled.



Stay tuned for more student voice initiatives in the future.

# DISCOVER THE CREATIVITY OF GROUP ART THERAPY FOR EARLY EDUCATION PROGRAM (EEPS)



Entire Term 2 ( Every Monday & Friday)



## Group Art Therapy Program

We are thrilled to introduce an exciting Group Art Therapy program tailored for early education students by an Art Therapist (Angie Yang).

In week 1 and 2, our students explored a creative ways of scribbling and painting among their peers and educators in a nurturing space together.

### What is Group Art Therapy program:

Group Art Therapy program is a form of expressive therapy that utilises the creative process of making art for self-discovery, foster connection and personal growth.



### What Makes Our Art Therapy Program Special?

**Foster creativity:** Encourage young children to unleash their imagination and explore various art mediums.

**Emotional Expression:** Provide a safe space for young children to express their feelings through art.

**Engagement:** Develop social interaction, communication and teamwork through group activities and collaborative art projects.

### Upcoming Group Art Therapy sessions:

- Special Mother's day creation
- Autumn Collage
- Nature art
- Making fantastic sculpture artwork



### Stay connected:

We will provide more information about the Group Art Therapy program for Prep and Intern students in the following weeks.





# Mother's Day Stall 1st May

@ 10.00am

Prices: \$4.00—\$10.00



Soaps

Candles

Pots

Photo Frames

And More!

If you would like your child to purchase from our  
Mother's Day Stall, please send cash in a  
named envelope on the day



# Mother's Day Breakfast



Friday  
10th May 2024  
@ 8.30am



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RSVP Mother's Day Breakfast  
by Tuesday 7th May 2024



(by Seesaw, by telephoning the school or printing and returning this form)

No. of Attendees:.....

Student's Name:.....

Dietary Requirements:.....

# Teens & Beyond

ARE YOU RAISING A TEENAGER WITH DISABILITY AGED 13+?  
THEN REGISTER FOR TEENS AND BEYOND. A FREE ONLINE WORKSHOP SERIES FROM ASSOCIATION FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITY (ACD).

This popular three-part series will give you practical information and skills to navigate your child's teen years with confidence and better support them to make decisions.

[Watch this short video to learn more](#)

Teens and Beyond is the only workshop that covers the full range of information relating to teenagers with disability in one place.

## Topics include:

- Financial support
- Getting the right NDIS support for your teen
- School and post-school options
- Wellbeing: friendships, communication, behaviour support and good mental health

## Workshop dates:

- Monday 13, 20 & 27 May 10:00 am
- Monday 13, 20 & 27 May 7:00 pm
- Tuesday 14, 21 & 28 May 10:00 am
- Wednesday 15, 22 & 29 May 7:00 pm

Workshops are led by ACD's professional facilitators who are parents of young people with disability and who have personal experience of navigating the teenage years.

Register now to secure your place.

[bit.ly/TEENSmay24](http://bit.ly/TEENSmay24)

## FACEBOOK POST

Calling all parents and carers of teens with disability! 🧑🏻‍🦧

@AssociationforChildrenwithaDisability(ACDVic) invites you to attend a FREE online workshop series called Teens and Beyond.

Aimed at families of teenagers with disability aged 13+, topics include financial support for your teen, getting the right NDIS support, school and post-school options, and ways to support their general wellbeing.

To learn more about this popular workshop and how to book, click here [👉](#)

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#teenswithdisability #disabilityworkshops #childrenwithdisability #ADHD #IntellectualDisability #autism



Association for  
Children with a  
Disability

**Free online  
workshop**



**Teens  
and Beyond**



Association for  
Children with a  
Disability

## Free online workshop



## Teens and Beyond

### Do you have a child with disability aged 13+?

Then this FREE workshop is for you!

This popular series will give you practical information, skills and confidence to navigate the teenage years.

This is the only workshop that covers the full range of information relating to teenagers with disability in one place.

#### More information:

- A three-part workshop. Each session is 2 hours.
- Content is intended for families of children with disability in Victoria only
- Bookings are essential
- Professional workshop facilitators are parents of young people with disability

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#### Read more and register now



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#### Contact us

- ✉ [educate@acd.org.au](mailto:educate@acd.org.au)  
03 9880 7000 or
- ☎ 1800 654 013 (regional callers)

[www.acd.org.au](http://www.acd.org.au)





CELEBRATING

150<sup>TH</sup>

ANNIVERSARY

**OPEN DAY**

Don't Miss This Historic Celebration!  
School Tours and Student Work Showcase  
High Tea and Coffee

Date: May 4th, 2024

Time: 10:30am-2pm

Official Proceedings From Midday

Where: 174-182 Foster St, Dandenong VIC 3175

Dandenong Primary School acknowledges that our school is on Country of the Bunurong people of the South-Eastern Kulin Nation.

# ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR CSEF FUNDING?

I have one of the two cards below.  
The card is in a parent's name (not child's name).  
The card is still currently valid.

If you answered yes to the above,  
please come in to the School Office to enquire further.

Please ensure you have the relevant card  
on you when you visit the office.



Pensioner Concession Card



Health Care Card

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

If you applied for CSEF Funding in 2023  
and your circumstances have not changed,  
you do not need to do anything further.

# Please

## KEEP THE GATE CLOSED AT ALL TIMES



For the safety of all our students,  
please close the front gate after yourself.

If you prefer, there is a pedestrian gate  
immediately in front of the School Office.

Please drive slowly through the carpark  
and beware of students and staff.

