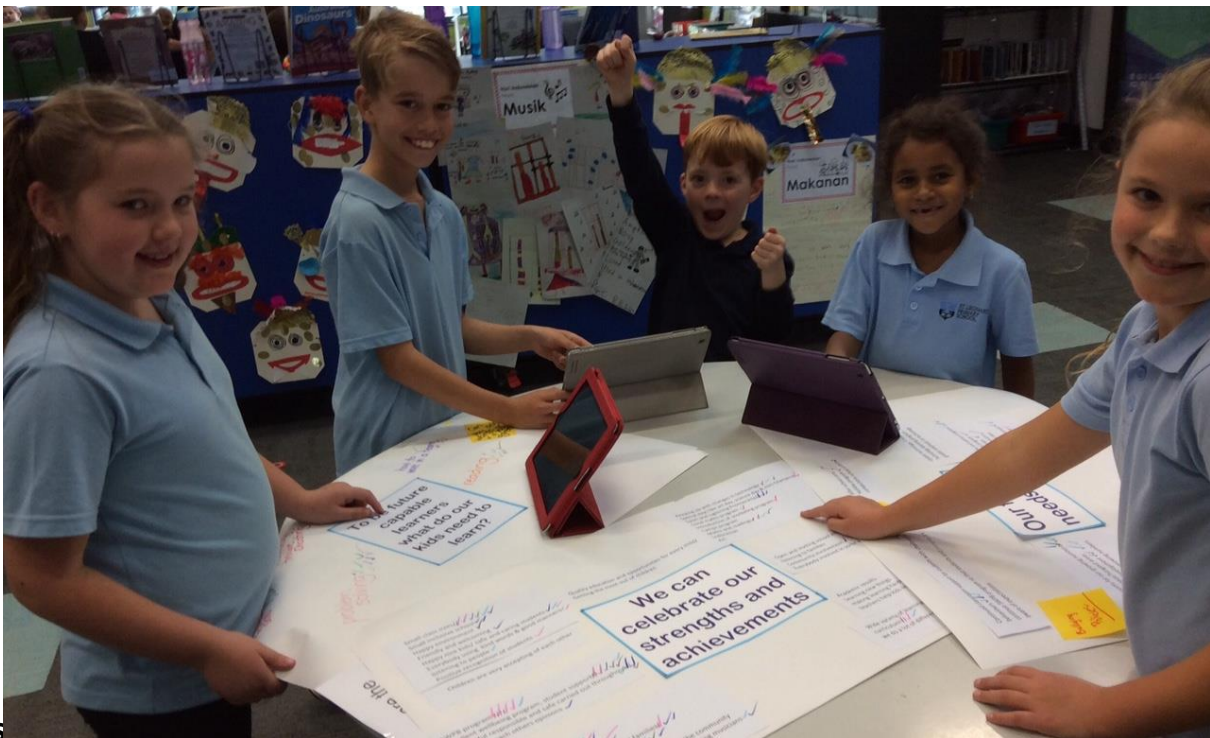




## June 1, 2017 Newsletter No. 9

We were thrilled to share our start to the school day with so many families last Tuesday to celebrate Education Week. It was lovely to see so many parents showing an interest in what their kids are learning and to meet some new Prep parents for 2018. As well as experiencing how we start our day in every classroom with a literacy session, parents enjoyed seeing students sharing their drumming skills and seeing a drumming lesson in action. If you didn't get to see some of the outstanding student made movies that are part of the STEAM program ask to take a look next time you visit. A big thank you to everybody involved for helping us to celebrate Education Week. Thank you too to all families who have completed surveys or added to our feedback charts so that we have evidence of your thoughts and ideas for our school review.



### Assessments and Reporting

Students are currently completing assessments and teachers are beginning to write reports. This year there will be some changes to the report format as we begin reporting using the Victorian Curriculum. Reports will go home on Friday June 23<sup>rd</sup> and Student Led Conferences will be held on Tuesday June 27<sup>th</sup>. The Student Led Conference is an opportunity for your child to share what they have learnt this semester. It is not a 1:1 discussion with the teacher about individual academic, emotional or social progress.

If you wish to have such a discussion with your child's teacher please make a time to do so now, don't leave it til the end of the semester.

### Parenting Ideas Website

You will find a couple of articles from the Parenting Ideas website attached to today's newsletter and you can expect that to be the case in the future. We subscribe to parenting ideas as we believe that the articles are well written and researched and helpful to teachers as well as families. The SLPS subscription is available to all our families:

<https://www.parentingideas.com.au/>

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You will have noticed a few new faces around the school. We'd like to welcome Jessica McDonald who is a student at Federation Uni and welcome back Paul Crowe who is studying education at Deakin. We would also like to thank Paul Jones who has been teaching the Grade 5/6 's while Monique has been away.



## The Veggie Box

Thank you to all the families that placed an order for our very first lot of Veggie Boxes. This is not only a viable fundraiser for our school but promotes healthy eating and is a very sustainable way of shopping. Well done to Jen, Trudi and Aenea and thank you for your time and effort getting our Veggie Boxes off to a great start!

Jenny Cowburn  
Principal

**Enrolments for 2018** – Do you have a child starting Prep next year, or know of friends or neighbours who do? Please let us know.

## School Fees

Overdue notes went home during the week, please check your child's diary. Please call into the office to make payment or if you need more time talk to Janette or Jenny at the office. BPay is available

## Student Banking

Student banking has changed back to Wednesday, please remember to put your yellow dollarmite bank book in the lunch order basket on Wednesdays.

## Mini Lotto

\$2.00 entry, cross off 5 numbers, envelopes available from the office. Drawn at the Bowling Club each Friday at 7.30 pm. Jackpot is \$4906 last week's numbers were 03, 07, 12, 14 & 15.

## Entertainment Books

Entertainment Books are available from the school office, they are great value at \$60 a book, attached to the newsletter is a flyer on some of the offers available.

## Coughs, Colds and Asthma

Coughs, colds and the flu are one of the most common triggers of asthma. The common cold is caused by an upper respiratory tract infection and is a common illness for children and adults in Australia. As we approach the colder months, here are some tips to keep in mind to prevent and reduce the spread of coughs, colds and the flu:

- ☑ Avoid coughing and sneezing on or near others and wash your hands thoroughly to prevent the spread of disease.
- ☑ If your child is not feeling well, it is recommended that they stay home and rest, to reduce the spread of infections and to speed up their recovery process.
- ☑ Everyone should have the annual flu vaccination to ensure they are protected from this disease. You or your child may be eligible for the free flu vaccination. Details about who is eligible can be found here and can also be determined by your doctor.
- ☑ Prior to purchasing any medications or herbal and natural remedies, you should seek the advice of your doctor or pharmacist as some medications can react with asthma medication, such as Aspirin, Ibuprofen/Naproxen. (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications), Beta Blockers tablet and eye drops (used for high blood pressure and glaucoma), and ACE inhibitors (used to control blood pressure).