

TERM 3, WEEK 5 - AUGUST 14 2024

# THE WIRAN

SWAN HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

## From Our Principal

Mrs Hayley Doyle

Next week, our Grade 4 students head off to Billabong Ranch, near Echuca, for their camp. Students will participate in a wide range of activities at this camp, leaving Monday and returning Wednesday. We hope they have a fantastic time!

This week, has been another busy week at SHPS with the school recognising National Science Week, National Week of Action Against Bullying and Violence and sporting activities taking place. Next week, we celebrate Book Week and look forward to seeing everyone's Book Week costumes on Friday 23rd August.

We have started the process of planning for the 2025 school year. If you have a child starting school in 2025, please ensure you have completed an enrolment form. If you know of a family with a student starting school at SHPS next year, please let them know enrolments are due.

Every staff member's  
an asset at SHPS



**Siobhan Considine**

Miss Considine, an experienced teacher who is keen to learn and share her knowledge with the team. She's taken on a new challenge in Auslan and should be proud of the successful program she's created.



**Mitch Croft**

Mr Croft is the king of data! He is always working hard to challenge students in their learning. He is always considerate of others, has a positive attitude and works well with all staff.



## What's On



**Saturday August 10-18**

National Science Week

**Monday August 12 - 16**

National Week of Action

**Monday August 19 - 21**

Grade 4 Camp - Echuca

**Wednesday August 21**

Grade 3 Swimming

**Friday August 23**

Book Week Parade 9.05am

**Monday August 26-28**

Grade 6 Camp - Campaspe Downs

**Tuesday August 27**

ICAS Assessment - Math Gr 3-5

**Friday August 30**

ICAS Assessment - Math Gr 6

Father's Day Stall

**Wednesday September 4**

Grade 3 Swimming

**Thursday September 5 - 6**

Grade 2 Camp - Pioneer Settlement

**Monday September 9 - 11**

Grade 3 Camp - Camp Kookaburra

**Tuesday September 10**

School Council Meeting

FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST  
12:30PM - 2:00PM

## FATHER'S DAY LUNCH

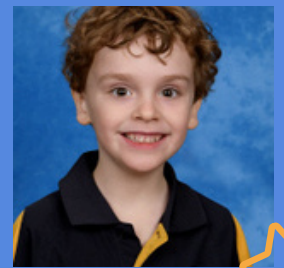
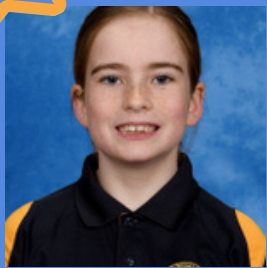
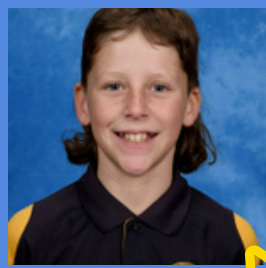
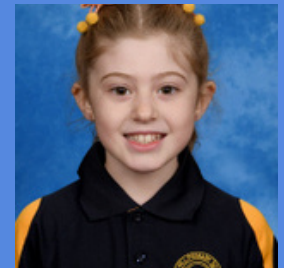
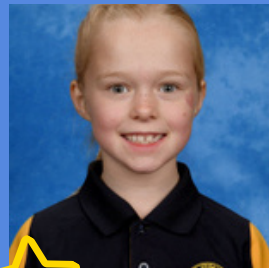
Family and friends are invited to come along to SHPS and visit your child's class and enjoy a special lunch together.

**BYO LUNCH**

# Students of the Week - Term 3 - Week 4

Prep J Ruby  
 Prep M Sophie  
 Prep S Wilder  
 Prep T Matilda  
 1A Myles  
 1B Brodie  
 1L Oliver  
 1M Ally  
 2C Olivia  
 2E Nate  
 2R Aidan  
 2W Andi  
 3D Kalani  
 3H Heath  
 3M Georgia

4B Spensa  
 4G Charles  
 4H Finn  
 4K Hiraani  
 5B Tom  
 5C Maddy  
 5F Eiley  
 6K Jackson  
 6M Blade  
 6T Sands  
 Mental Health Beau  
 Digital Learning Ruby  
 Auslan Kate  
 Music Walter  
 PE Summa  
 Science Raf



## 2024 Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey:

### WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday 29 July to Friday 30 August 2024.**

All families are invited to participate in the survey.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese. Resources are also available in additional languages to assist parents / caregivers / guardians who speak a language other than English at home. Please reach out to your child's teacher, or the school directly for survey guides in your language.

The survey results will be communicated to parents / caregivers / guardians through annual reporting or via Wiran.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

To access the survey, follow the link below:

<https://www.orima.com.au/parent>

All parents / caregivers / guardians at our school **use the same six-digit PIN** to access the survey.

Your school's generic PIN is : **155266**

# Poster Competition

To celebrate Science Week at SHPS, the ELFs (Environmental Leaders of the Future) are running a poster competition. To enter, simply design a poster at home and hand it in to the Science room no later than Thursday 8th of August. Posters will be shortlisted, with the top 5 for each category being displayed in the library during National Science Week where classes can vote for a winner.

The poster categories/topics are:

**Grade Prep**—Colour the Australian Animal (supplied)

**Grade 1 & 2**— Your favourite Australian animal

**Grade 3 & 4**— A threatened or endangered animal

**Grade 5 & 6**—Threatened or endangered animal or ecosystem

Great Prizes to be won!



**MY HERO**

# FATHER'S DAY Stall

**FRIDAY / 30TH / AUGUST**  
**9:00AM - 11:00AM**

**PLEASE SEND  
ALONG A SMALL  
AMOUNT OF MONEY  
TO PURCHASE GIFTS**

**GIFTS RANGE FROM \$1 - \$6**

**WE ♥ DAD**

# Mr Carroll's



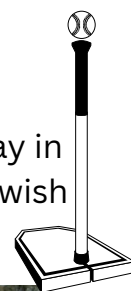
## Senior Athletics

Senior Athletics for grade 3-6 students was held today. In hot conditions it was great to see the kids trying so hard.



## T-Ball

Our girls T-Ball team will play in Bendigo next Thursday. We wish them well.



## Grade 3 Swimming

Dates:	10.55 am	11.35 am	12.10 pm
Wed 21st Aug	3M	3D	3H
Wed 4th Sept	3H	3M	3D



# BOOK WEEK PARADE

FRIDAY 23RD AUGUST AT 9.05AM

It is time to start getting your costumes sorted. Perhaps you can come as something magical or your favourite book character.

All parents and guardians are welcome to attend in the courtyard.



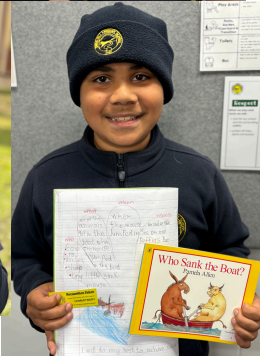
# YOUR Wellbeing MATTERS

# Wellbeing Term 3, Week 5

## School Wide Positive Behaviour Support...



Term 3 has seen some AMAZING Token numbers already! Thanks to students and staff for the phenomenal effort put into displaying positive behaviours and recognising them! Bravo! Check out some of these fantastic students with their Tokens.



**RESILIENCE RIGHTS & RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS**

## Respectful Relationships...

Respectful Relationships topic for weeks 5,6,7 & 8 is Gender and Identity

Research shows that children become aware of gender norms and make efforts to fit within gendered expectations by the time they are in kindergarten.

As children learn about gender, they may also begin to enact sexist values, beliefs and attitudes. They may, for example, insist that some games are for boys and others for girls, and actively reject peers from certain games.

This means that it is important to start work on building positive gender relationships within these early years.

Gender means how you experience your own gender. It is how you perceive your gender, how you show this to others, and how you want others to treat you.

Identity encompasses the values people hold, which dictate the choices they make. These choices reflect who we are and what we value.



**EVERYONE  
BELONGS**

**Bullying No Way  
National week of action  
12-16 August 2024**

# Bullying No Way National week of action

Swan Hill Primary School is participating in the Bullying No Way: National week of action – 12 to 16 August 2024.

By working collaboratively within our community, we can collectively help reduce bullying.

Parents and carers play an important role in helping your child understand bullying, and know how to respond to it.

If your child tells you about things at school, or you observe something in public that involves conflict or bullying, take the opportunity to talk about what bullying is. You can learn more about what defines bullying at [bullyingnoway.gov.au](https://bullyingnoway.gov.au).

Questions you could ask:

- What do you think bullying is?
- Have you seen it? How did you feel?
- Have you ever felt scared at school because of bullying?
- As well as me, who are the other adults you would talk to when it comes to things like bullying?
- Have you or your friends left other kids out on purpose? Do you think that was bullying? Why or why not?
- Have you ever tried to help someone who is being bullied? What happened? What would you do if it happens again?

Remind your child that bullying is never okay and discuss how they can respond safely if they experience or witness it.

Encourage them to seek help from a trusted adult and keep seeking support if needed.

By promoting open communication, we empower children to stand up against bullying and create a safer environment where everyone can feel that they belong.

For more information, visit [bullyingnoway.gov.au](https://bullyingnoway.gov.au).







**come find your awesome**

**SWAN HILL PRIMARY**

**TERM 3 AUSKICK CENTRE**

Time: Lunch Break (1:05pm - 1:55pm) on the school oval

Starting Wednesday 28th August for 5 weeks

 [play.afl/auskick](https://play.afl/auskick) 



**JUNIORS WANTED EXPRESS INTEREST NOW!**



**Juniors Wanted 2024/25 Cricket Season**

We are seeking players to join our junior grade competitions

Are you aged between 9 - 13, passionate about trying a new sport? Want to join a supportive and competitive club?

Under 11's is played on Friday Nights  
Under 13's is played on Saturday Mornings

Commencing in October!

If that is you or someone you know, Please click on the link below and fill out the form!

<https://www.jotform.com/form/212707256719056>



**Rural Youth Awards 2024**

**Celebrate your community:**

**Nominate for a Rural Youth Award!**

**Do you know someone who's done amazing things for mental health, disaster resilience, media, or something else in your community?**

The 2024 YACVic Rural Youth Awards recognise the incredible achievements and stories of young people and youth workers in rural and regional Victoria.

Winners get a cash prize of **\$1000!**

**Who can you nominate?**

Anyone from rural or regional Victoria who is:

- A young person (age 12-25)
- A youth worker
- A group who created a project for young people

You can also nominate yourself!

**How do you nominate someone?**

Nominations open on Monday 1 July and close on Sunday 14 July. Submit your nominees at [YACVic.org.au/nominate](https://YACVic.org.au/nominate) – or scan the QR code!



**RURAL**

**Dad's Riverside Coffee Stay and Play**

**For Dads and male carers with children from birth to 6 years.**

Join us for fun mat play and ball activities for you and your children.

Meet other dads and enjoy a FREE hot drink!

**Time:** 12pm to 1pm  
**Dates:** Thursdays 5th September, 12th September, 19th September




**Venue:** Grass area outside House + Bean Cafe  
Riverside Park, 1 Monash Drive, Swan Hill.

**For more information please contact Courtney at 0418 157 923.**

**Weather disclaimer:** If there is bad weather stay and play with move inside House + Bean Cafe for kids story and colouring in activity.

