KAREN’S CATCH UP

Parent Forum – change of date
Due to a clash with the Art Show, I have changed this week's parent forum from Thursday to Wednesday 7th December. Same time 2.30 - 3.30pm. It’s a chance to have a cuppa, chat with parents and give feedback about our school. There are 3 focus questions for you to comment on: what do you like about SRPS? What could we do better? and What would you like to explore?

It is all discussed and written down in a group atmosphere so you don’t have to get up and talk or answer any questions. What I have found is that everyone has the same ideas and it is a fun activity.

Please come and have your say about our school and your child’s future with us.

Transition
I am looking forward to another great transition session today. It went very smoothly on Friday with everyone excited about going up to the next grade. It was great to have Mr Taylor and Mrs Herman (not Miss Bartlett - sorry) join us in their grades for 2017. Both Mr Taylor and Mrs Herman both commented on how welcomed they felt and how they are looking forward to next year.

Concert at Griffiths Point Lodge
Today I had the pleasure of attending the concert by our band at Griffiths Point Lodge. The band played some great songs for the residents to sing along to and also sang some songs for them. The residents absolutely loved it and so did our children. Thank you to the band and Mr Chambers for such a wonderful event. I have included some pictures of the concert later in the newsletter.

Art Show
It is that time again when then we get to celebrate each student’s art work at the Art Show. Thank you to all the students that have contributed and a big thank you to Virginia Baxter for the wonderful job she does all year as well as the preparation for the show this week. The art show will be open on Thursday from 3.30 - 6pm.

Disco
I am looking forward to the Disco on Friday. Admission is $5, with the disco running from 1.45 - 3.00pm. If you are attending the Disco then it is free dress on Friday in preparation for lunch time. If you are not attending the Disco then it is uniform, lunchtime and end of day classroom activities as usual. Thanks to the parents club for organising this event.
Family Picnic

We will be celebrating the end of the year with a whole school picnic on Monday 19th December down at the beach. All students will be attending with parents and siblings encouraged to join us for this informal event. Students bring their lunch as usual. There will be games and fun for all.

Have a great week, Karen 😊

WORKERS OF THE WEEK Week Ending 2/12/16

P/1 M  Kaiden for trying so hard in reading groups.
P/1 W  Aija for her great writing over this semester.
2/3S  Ruby for going out of her way to help others in reading groups—well done!
3/4 M  Lily for applying herself well to classroom activities.
5/6 G  Brodie for her positive and happy approach to school.
5/6 T  Francesco for working well on his photo story; it looks amazing!

BREAKFAST CLUB

Our LAST breakfast club will be on next week, Tuesday 13th December. It will be a special 'Egg & Bacon Muffin' breakfast for everyone.

GRADE 6 GRADUATION

The grade 6 students will have their graduation dinner on Wednesday 14th December. The graduation ceremony starts PROMPTLY at 5pm in the Recreation Centre. Parents and friends are invited to attend. Parents then take their child to Cape Kitchen for the dinner (students only).

2017 BOOKLISTS ETC

The 2017 Essential and Optional Educational items invoices have gone home. Payments for the books, mathletics, student insurance and the swimming program can be made at any time from now until the beginning of next year. If you pay by direct deposit please include your family name and 2017 as your reference and write the receipt number on the invoice and return to school. Please note that the costings of the Junior excursion and the 3/4 and 5/6 camps are approximate only so that families have a rough idea how much money they will need for these activities.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Once again San Remo PS students have been asked to sing at the carols on the San Remo Foreshore on Friday 16th December. As per flyer on page 4 of the newsletter. SRPS children will be singing their 2 carols at 7pm.
CONCERT AT GRIFFITHS POINT LODGE

PROJECT PENCILS

SRPS have teamed up with a not for profit organisation called Project Pencils. Project Pencils accept pencils, pencil cases, textas, crayons, rulers, erasers, sharpeners, calculators, exercise books and more, old or new, and re-distribute items to 12 countries and over 5000 children in need. There will be a tub at the school office to collect these. All items must be in a usable state as they are reorganised into packs for children in need. This is a great opportunity, especially at the end of the year, to donate your old pencils etc. to children less fortunate than ourselves. The Founder of Pencils Community, Cindy, will be visiting our school on Monday 12th December to tell us about the project and collect the pencils etc. For more information contact the website www.pencilscommunity.com

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

All parents/carers/family and friends that wish to help with school activities must have a Working With Children Check card. A volunteer card is free. If you have updated your card or have newly applied and received one please bring a copy to the school office.

END TERM 4

A reminder that Tuesday 20th December is the last day of the school year. There will be an early dismissal time of 1:30pm. After school care will be run from 1:30-6pm.

STUDENT SUPERVISION

A number of children are arriving at school far too early and not being signed in to Before School Care. Please note that children are supervised in the playground from 8:45am until 3:45pm.

Parents are reminded that all classes begin at 9am sharp. If your child comes to school earlier than 8:45am or later than 3:45pm they need to attend OSHC.

STAFF CAR PARK

The Staff Car park is OUT-OF-BOUNDS to all parents at all times unless prior approval from the Principal. Please do NOT park in or walk through the staff car park to drop off or pick up your child. This is a safety issue.

Please do NOT park in the No Standing Zone in Thomas Grove. Please remember our safest and preferred parking area for student drop off or pick up is the parking area at the top of Wynne Ave in front of the Recreation Centre. The By-Laws officer will check vehicles that are parked illegally from time to time and will be issuing fines.
COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop is open for viewing from 8:45—9:15am each day and from 3:30-3:50pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays only. Purchases can be made at any time by placing your order WITH payment in the box in the office. If you make payment via direct deposit please make note of the receipt number on the order form. Please do not ask to view or purchase outside these times.

STUDENT BANKING

San Remo Bendigo Bank offers student banking for SRPS. Bring your bank book with your deposit to the office each Monday morning by 9am. What a great way to see your savings grow.

Do you want a Hot Air Balloon flight over the Bass Coast?*

Book a No Obligation Market Update with LJ Hooker Phillip Island on 5678 5885 and you will have the chance to secure a seat on a Hot Air Balloon flight for you and a friend. This offer is valid for the month of December & January.

75-77 Phillip Island Road, San Remo 5678 5883 www.phillipisland.ljhooker.com.au

*If your property is currently listed with another agent, please disregard this notice. It is not our intention to solicit listings from other agents. Flight subject to weather conditions.

PRESENTED BY SAN REMO-NEWHAVEN LIONS CLUB

San Remo celebrates Christmas

SAN REMO FORESHORE FRI DEC 16

TRADERS RIDES (5-7pm)
SANTA (6.45pm)

Carols by Candlelight
(from 7pm)

FEATURING: Wonthaggi Citizens Band Newhaven, San Remo & Cowes Primary School Singers, Daisie Manning & Mark Howard, Beth Carroll, Verse Unit plus MORE!