The first of our parent workshops in 2018 will focus on helping your child to read. Keep the early evening of Thursday 22 March free between 5.00pm and 6.00pm. I urge all families to send at least one parent to the session to find out how you can support your child to become a better reader. The focus is on students up to Year 2, however parents and carers of students in Years 3-6 are welcome to attend.

Click on the link below or register using the link on the school website.


Anyone who reads to their child at home should attend.

3 Way Conferences
Our teachers have been working hard on preparing the children for their 3 way conferences. These conferences are designed to empower the children and increase connection with learning. These conferences will also provide the opportunity to have parents, students and teachers working towards the same learning goals. Details of how to book a conference time are included in this newsletter and have been sent home today to all families with the students. Our teachers and the students look forward to joining you in a 3 way conference over the next few weeks.

The Great Kindness Week
The Wellbeing Councillors have organised a heap of activities as part of The Great Kindness Week. Next week will see the students growing a Tree of Kindness in our hallway, participating in the kindness challenge, participate in lunchtime activities and a free dress day on Thursday with a gold coin donation going to the PMH Starlight Foundation. Classes will be participating in classroom lessons building on resilience, kindness, acceptance and building strong relationships. Thank you to Will and the Wellbeing councillors for organising the week.

House Activities
As part of our growing efforts to build community across the school all students from Pre-primary to Year 6 participated in activities today led by the Year 5 and 6 house captains.
Our houses will meet up regularly each term to build strong connections across year levels and participate in fun activities designed and led by the students. Today our houses participated in some games, learnt about the house captains and planned some future events.

**Uniforms**

In the last week we have seen some cooler weather starting to creep in. Please make sure that only school jumpers are worn to school. It is important that all our students remain in school uniform that complies with our dress code. We have also seen a few caps being worn by students. In order to play outside, students need to be wearing a school hat. Students who arrive in other jumpers or hats will be asked to remove them and put them in their bags.

School jumpers and hats are available through the uniform shop, details of how to order are on the P&C section of our website. Our school dress code is developed by the school board and is available on the website under the Policies section.

*Mr Jason Crofts - Principal*

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**3-Way Conferences**

We would like to invite you to arrange an individual 3-way conference with your class teacher(s) via our online booking facility. Interview times vary, depending on teacher availability, but will take place over the next four weeks.

These conferences are designed to be an opportunity for your child to reflect on their learning, identifying areas of strength and areas for development. With the assistance of the class teacher, your child will share their reflections and then work with both you and the teacher to set learning goals and strategies for progressing towards those goals.

Three-way conferences are recognised as a powerful educational tool and we use them for the following reasons:

- Gives students a voice in their learning and the opportunity to take ownership of their strengths and strategies to progress
- Maintains open communication between home and school about student learning and next steps for learning
- Builds a common vocabulary for discussing strengths and concerns between students, parents and teacher
- Creates a team foundation with parents and teachers so that the student understands that everyone is working with them on their goals

Please take the time to book online for a meeting with your child’s class teacher. When your meeting is booked, you will receive a confirmation by return email. The booking process is explained on page 3 of the newsletter. Access is via the following link or by scanning the QR code below. Our access code is dp9g7. We can assist you at school if you are unable to book this way at home; please come to the front office and ask.


If you have concerns that you would like to raise without your child present, please arrange an alternative time to meet with your class teacher.

*Mrs Erica Salt - Deputy Principal*
Chaplain’s Chat

This year I’ve been lucky enough to welcome some amazing students into the Wellbeing Council. A big focus in our leadership council is providing everyone at school with the opportunity to make and maintain meaningful relationships. One initiative the students have been planning already is scheduled for next week (Week 8) and it’s called the Great Kindness Week. In partnership with the Great Kindness Challenge and our government’s Bullying. No Way! initiative, we have been planning a week jam packed with activities and ideas, to get our students thinking about these topics. Mia and Holly from the Wellbeing Council will share a few of the things that will be happening.

Can I encourage you to start getting ready for next week, by downloading the free The Great Kindness Challenge app from your Android or Apple app store. It’s a great way to see what the students will be taking part in next week, and might even give you the opportunity to join them in it!

Cheers

*Will Veldman—Chaplain*
Great Kindness Week – by Mia and Holly

The Wellbeing council is planning a special week of fun. It is called the Great Kindness Week. There will be a Kindness challenge to tick off throughout the week, involving: smile at 25 people, make a new friend, sit with a new group of people and make a book mark for your friend. For the juniors there will be: give your friend a high five, entertain someone with a happy dance and heaps more..... That’s only some of the things that we will be doing throughout the week!

Some other things we will do are fun activities for all age groups at SPS, like Dress Up Day (Thursday 22nd March), a Kindness Tree project, and some lunch time activities like friendship wristbands.

That’s all from us in the Wellbeing Council 😊

The Scholastic Book Fair will be at our school on Tuesday May 8 and Wednesday May 9 in Term 2.

Our Book Fair theme for 2018 is Paws for Books: Come. Stay. Read a Great Tale! Readers will find purr-fect books and have a dog-gone good time at this season’s Book Fair!

If you have some time to help at our next Book Fair, please complete the form that went home today with the family representative.

Mrs Michelle Cope - Library Officer

Lap-a-thon

When: Thursday 29 March
Where: Scarborough Primary School oval
Time: 2.15pm
What to bring: hilarious hats, googly glasses, silly socks, happening headbands, tinkling tiaras

Walk, run, dance your way around the oval for as many laps as you can in 30 minutes, getting some exercise, having some fun and raising vital funds for our school in the process. Look out for a sponsorship form sent home today. All parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends are welcome to come along and join in the fun.

If you are able to assist with this event please call Jo on 0431 066 494

Jo Robinson - P&C Fundraising
CHURCHLANDS NETWORK of schools presents

WORKSHOP 3:
The sensory needs of children aged 1 to 4 years.

In this workshop Clare Jongeling, senior OT from Gymworks Occupational Therapy talks about the sensory needs of children aged 1 to 4 years. What are they? What to do to assist sensory development? How to identify red flags for concern?

Monday 9th April
6:30 – 8:00pm
City Beach Primary School Library

Please enter the school via the Patonga Road carpark.

To register for this workshop please email Alison.Jenkins@education.wa.edu.au
Write CNPS – Workshop in the subject line and include your name and phone number in the body of the email.
Hockey
New players needed for Hale Hockey Club, boys and girls, age 6 and older. Great fun, no experience necessary, come and learn to play with beautiful club facilities, great coaches and mentors, including Hockeyroos and Kookaburras. Age 9-12 girls especially welcome, join some of our Scarborough PS year 5-6 girls in a development squad.

For info contact Trisha Lee 0419 042 851

Netball
Would you like your child to play netball this year with Doubleview Netball Club? We play at Matthews Netball Centre, usually on Saturday mornings and train on Wednesday afternoons at the same location. We have limited places for players in Years 3 - 6.

Please contact Josie Rivett at doubleviewnetball@gmail.com or on 0430 209 113 for details.