HELLO and welcome to this week’s newsletter.

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVERS WERE:

Being SAFE
Early Years: Addison Wade
Middle Years: Anton Safar
Senior Years: Braydon Foley

Being RESPECTFUL
Early Years: Will Sleeth
Middle Years: Harli Howes
Senior Years: Rishari Duwumuremyi

Being RESPONSIBLE
Early Years: Bella Donoghue
Middle Years: Dustin Powles
Senior Years: Aden Hitchcock Powel

MUSIC:
Chace Hodgson
PE:
Taylan Jackson
ART:
Olivia Owen

Kiwanis Terrific Kid Award
Early Years: Coby Carr-Solway
Middle Years: Jhett Knorrp
Senior Years: Jack Sfetcopolous

Congratulations to all outstanding achievers for Term 2, keep up the good work!!

DEBUTANTE BALL 2019-
What an amazing night last night!!!
Congratulations to all debutantes and thank you to all those who volunteered as partners. A special thank you to all of the VRS staff who made this night possible. It truly sums up the dedication of them all. Thank you

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EARN AND LEARN

Well done to everyone who has been collecting earn and learn stickers over the past month and a half! We were able to collect 28,800 stickers in total!!

COLD AND FLU SEASON

Keep in mind the cold and flu season is approaching so make sure you remember to cover your mouth, wash your hands and dispose of tissues in the bin correctly.

GIVE ME 5 FOR KIDS

Today for the last day of term we celebrated with a pyjama day. All donations going toward give me 5 for kids foundation. What a great day!!

STAFFING NEWS

Today sadly we farewell to Kelli Dodman and Francesca Ahearn. Both teachers have made terrific contributions to VRS and will be missed; Kelli in her leadership in the maths and science areas and Francesca most recently in Middle Years.

We wish them both the best for the future.

END OF TERM THANK YOUS

I would like to thank you all for your support in my first term as principal. It has been a busy, but very fulfilling term. Have a safe and happy holiday.
Get the most out of the school holidays

Budgeting sucks, because, let’s be real - it’d be way more fun if you could just buy whatever you wanted all the time - but since most of us aren’t members of the Kardashian clan, it’s just not a reality for us mere mortals. Budgeting for just one or two is hard enough, but when you throw kids into the mix, stretching those hard-earned dollars over the school holiday break is critical.

It can be so easy to blow out the holiday budget with trips to the city, movie outings and other high cost entertainment options. There are plenty of ways to end up spending a fortune all in the name of keeping your kidlets entertained. If you do your research and budget well, you can still keep costs to a minimum while giving your kids (and you) the super fun holiday you deserve.

It’s tempting to think that the school holidays is an opportunity to provide essential downtime for the kids and decompress after the busy school term. The break shouldn’t automatically mean the kids are entitled to spending endless days melting into the couch playing video games, raiding the fridge or endlessly scrolling their thumbs on their phones. An unprepared school holiday coordinator (that’s you) will very quickly transform into a shrieking lunatic threatening their beloved with all kinds of medieval battle when the inevitable tsunami of “I’m bored” complaints. Holidays are a golden opportunity for kids to explore, learn and develop new skills.

It’s important for kids to get the chance the rest up after the school term, but you also want to spend some quality time doing some special holiday-only activities. Sit the kids down and create a calendar that includes some chilled stay-at-home activities as well as a few extra special paid activities such as movies, theme parks, museums or zoos. Pop your calendar in a spot where everyone can see, so it’s easy for everyone to see what's coming up and all the things there are to look forward to. It’s a good reminder that some exciting things are coming up when your kids are having an “off” day. And building a school holiday calendar doesn’t just make economic sense; research shows that anticipation of positive experiences brings more happiness than the experiences themselves.

**Dazza’s pet tip:** Planning is the key to survival. Start scheduling play dates, grandparent days and special day trips before the school holidays hit. Plan just a few paid activities and sprinkle these throughout the holiday period. Work out how much they will cost in advance and check that your budget will accommodate them. Drag the football from the gutter, replace batteries and wash down the cubby house. Kids are fussy creatures: if they see their toys laid out fresh and clean, they’ll be much more attractive to them.

So on that note, I hope you all have a fantastic time away from school and if you get stuck check out the Shepparton Council webpage or facebook page for holiday activities that are both free or inexpensive. And make sure you visit the cows and Kidstown.

*Darren*

**DARREN MILES**  
SOCIAL WORKER
Communication Tips.

Aided language stimulation creates a supportive communication environment where we recreate the conditions known to stimulate spoken and symbolic (PODD, ALD, KWS) language development for children using aided symbols.

Remember we need to:

- Model language used by others to communicate real messages in daily life.
- Provide opportunities for the child to communicate during interactions.
- Expecting that the students can and will communicate their own messages.
- Pause for the child to take turns in interactions.
- Provide a rich range of experiences that gives the students something to talk about and people to communicate with.
- Ensure that students who have complex communication needs have access to vocabulary they are able to learn to use.

Please see members of the Communication Champions for further tips and strategies.
Senior Years Outings
Rec & Leisure Paddleboarding

Senior Sport

Advance - River Connect
This year we have had five films make it into the Focus on Ability Film Competition.
Year 10 students learn to make Stop Motion Films using plasticine.
Year 11 students learn to make films using other film making techniques, including videoing and special effects.
Support our students by voting for them online @: Focus on Ability

School Entrant Short Films

Look for the Verney Road School entrants & vote!!!!
LANDSCAPE

CAL GUO-QIANG. THE TRANSIENT

GUARDIANS OF IMMORTALITY &

TERACOTTA WARRIORS:

RELAXED MORNINGS

NEW INTERNATIONAL

BOOK NOW

MON 2 SEP 5:30-7:30PM

BOOK NOW

SAT 22 JUN 6:30-10AM

TWO SESSIONS AVAILABLE:

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COLD AND FLU SEASON

GREATER SHEPPARTON COLLEGE

Greater Shepparton College (interim name) - Planning the Next Steps

Shepparton’s four secondary schools merge as of January next year to create the Greater Shepparton College (interim name).
Keep updated through the Greater Shepparton College website or newsletter

Newsletter link: https://mailchi.mp/0a841ea7572b/greater-shepparton-college-interim-name-newsletter-june

Website: www.greatersheppartoncollege.vic.edu.au
# SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

## SENSORY PLAY
**Tuesday 2 July | Aquamoves**
10:30am – 12:00pm & 1:30pm – 3:00pm

Sensory play activities will activate and stimulate children's senses through the use of household products and other items. Children will explore the sensations of touching, smelling and seeing through playing with jellies, silks, pool noodles and much more.

## CLAY TURTLES
**Thursday 4 July | Aquamoves**
10:00am – 11:00am

Children will use clay to create their own unique turtle using different designs and textures. Children will be able to tap into their own ideas and creativity to create a turtle whilst also learning about the significance of turtles to the local Aboriginal communities in Shepparton.

## MINI RIVER OLYMPICS
**Friday 5 July | Victoria Park Lake**
10:00am – 11:30am

Children in teams will participate in a relay of fun environmental mini games, giving them the opportunity to have some fun but also learn about the environment and the important roles nature has to play in everyday life.

## AMAZING RACE
**Wednesday 10 July | KidsTown**
11:30am – 1:00pm

Based on the Amazing Race game show, teams will race against each other in a scavenger hunt across KidsTown. The teams must make specific 'pit stops' where they must complete challenges to gather clues that will help them move forward in the game.

## ACTIVE KIDS
**Monday 8 July | Aquamoves**
10:00am – 11:30am

Aquamoves' Active Kids program provides children with circuit based fun activities to encourage children to be more physically active and lead a healthy lifestyle. Circuit based activities focus on teamwork, building courage to participate in physical activity and working towards targeting different development areas.

## BADJA BAYADERRA – STORY TIME IN THE PARK
**Thursday 11 July | KidsTown**
11:30am – 1:00pm

Ever wanted to know how to understand and speak traditional Yorta Yorta language? Activities in the Park has collaborated with Hadi Knowles to present a special 'Story Time in the Park'. This is a unique and rewarding educational experience providing kids with a fun and engaging story telling session told in Indigenous Yorta Yorta language. Following is an arts and crafts activity based on the characters and themes found in the story.

## TRADITIONAL INDIGENOUS GAMES
**Tuesday 9 July | Victoria Park Lake**
1:00pm – 3:00pm

Participants will learn about Traditional Indigenous Games that have been played throughout Australia for many years. Community members will be teamed up and play a range of Traditional Indigenous Games creating a great learning opportunity and a fun way to celebrate NAIDOC week with the local Aboriginal community.

## ALL ABOARD – SKATEBOARDING WORKSHOP
**Friday 12 July | Shepparton Skate Park**
10:30am – 2:30pm

The activity will help children learn about skateboarding and build the skills and confidence in skating. This fun workshop provides support for both beginners and those who have already developed skills in skateboarding.

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For more information and location details on any listed activity go to

[WWW.GETMOOVINGSHEPPARTON.COM.AU/APP](http://WWW.GETMOOVINGSHEPPARTON.COM.AU/APP)
Mischievous Me on a Plate
Portrait Clay Play
Monday 1 July
10.30am-12.00pm or 1.30pm-3.00pm at SAM.
Primary School Years. $15.
2019 Sidney Myer Fund Australian Ceramic Award finalist Stephen Bird makes quirky portraits of his family, friends and even characters in folk tales. Make your own clay portrait plate and serve up your cheeky face at family dinners! Using slab building technique kids will make a plate and apply tissue transfers, glaze and sculptural forms to create a clay portrait of their likeness. Families will be notified to collect their artwork after it is has been fired.

Slippery When Wet
Sensory Play
Tuesday 2 July
10.30am-12.00pm or 1.30pm-3.00pm at Aquamoves.
Families. FREE but bookings essentials via Healthy Communities on 5832 9431.
SAM and Aquamoves are teaming up for a day of splashy water play fun. Join us for a circuit of sensory play with a whole lot of pool noodles, shaving cream, oobleck and more! This activity will be held outdoors, kids should wear wet weather gear including raincoats and gumboots.

Part of the Fold
Origami Workshop
Thursday 4 July from 10:30am – 4:00pm at the Shepparton Mall
Kids 6+, FREE
Learn the methods of origami in this free workshop! Kids will make an origami figure that they are encouraged to model after and gift to, an important female figure in their life. This workshop is held in celebration of the exhibition ‘A Finer Grain’, which highlights women in the SAM collection.

BLU-atTACK
With artist Alex Pittendrigh
Friday 5 July from 10:30am – 4:00pm at the Shepparton Mall
Kids 6+, FREE
Get your hands stick with SAM Drawing Wall artist Alex Pittendrigh. Kids will build small artworks with the everyday medium of blu-tack to help shape a giant blu-tack artwork in the mall.

From SAM to Versailles
Rococo Art with artist Alex Pittendrigh
Saturday 6 July from 10:30am – 12:00pm at SAM
Kids 7+, $15
Channelling their inner monarchs, kids will learn about the lavish decorations that cover the Versailles palace. Learning from the history of these motifs, kids will create their own unique decorative artwork out of blu-tack to take home.
Please note ages 5-6 must be accompanied by an adult.

Don’t miss out again! Visit our Facebook page or website to make a booking.

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Gas Main Relocation – 1 July to 12 July 2019
Council has been working with the gas service authority to confirm scheduling in line with the school holidays of the two gas main relocations across Verney Road and Hawdon Street. It has now been confirmed that these works will commence Monday 1 July 2019. This work is anticipated to take approximately two weeks; however, Council is hopeful that it will be completed earlier.
Please note that during these works the south end of the Verney / Balaclava Road roundabout will be closed. Balaclava Road traffic utilising the roundabout will only be able to travel east or north. Traffic from New Dookie Road and Hawdon Street will not be able to access the roundabout and will need to follow detour signs. Verney Road traffic travelling south will only be able to turn east onto New Dookie road. Please refer to the plan attached to this update for more information.

Construction Contract - Traffic Management Plans
Council and Jarvis Delahey Contractors have recently met with Regional Roads Victoria (RRV) to discuss the traffic management plans for the Balaclava / Verney Road intersection upgrade. During this meeting it was addressed additional RRV works would be occurring at the Doyles Road roundabout, therefore Council and RRV are currently working together to create a traffic management plan for both of the projects to allow for minimal disruptions to road users during the works. Council will provide further updates on the construction staging once plans are completed.

Water Main Replacement Works
The Tender for the remaining water main replacement works is now closed. These works were required as the result of the inclusion of indented parking on Balaclava and New Dookie Roads. Council is currently in the process of evaluating submissions in accordance with its policies and procedures.

Do you know someone who would like to be kept up-to-date with this project?