

Solly Serial

Term 3 ~ Friday 30th August ~ Week 6



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VISION & VALUES

A Proud Past, A Bright Future

Respect
Responsibility
Confidence
Persistence



**Monday 2nd Sept -
Wednesday 4th Sept
Room 18 and 16 camp**

**Friday 6th Sept -
School Closure**

**Friday 27th Sept -
Last day Term 3**

What a great start to the week for our staff. On Monday, the team from Berry St came to school to deliver part 1 of a 4-day training program to help our school incorporate trauma aware informed teaching practices. Berry St is a Department for Education recommended program, that helps staff incorporate strategies that foster self-regulation and wellbeing, in order to reach a 'ready to learn' state. It was a great day with some wonderful takeaways that you will start seeing and hearing about soon. We will share more in the wellbeing section as new strategies and processes are introduced.

Last week we also celebrated Book Week in truly magnificent style. You can check out all the great pictures on our social page and in this edition of the newsletter. A true highlight was the treasure hunt, where our older students buddied up with a younger student to read clues and find tokens. A big thank you to Colleen Jebb for all her work setting this up and to Martel for patiently checking each token collector as they finished.

I would also like to take a moment to thank Solomontown Football Club. They kindly donated the proceeds from bingo to our playground fundraiser, with \$2725 raised on the night. Some special mentions go to:

- ◇ Helen Jacobs and Dianne Dodd, the talented callers
- ◇ Debbie and Wendy Harmer, for working for the Football Club
- ◇ Jenny Martlew, for supplying extra raffle tickets to sell
- ◇ Sarah, Latitia, Cynthia, Amanda and Tracey for their efforts supplying supper and sourcing donations for the raffle
- ◇ Abby and Rose Finlayson: the night simply would not have been possible without all your support!

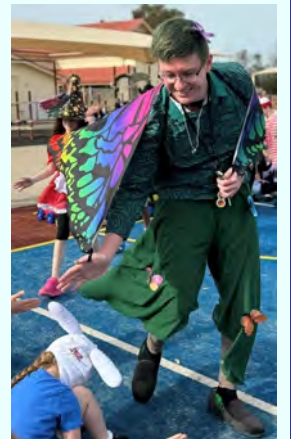
We did not expect such a fast sellout of tickets, so keep your eye out for a potential repeat event, returning early term 4.

Next week we also celebrate our wonderful SSO's. Our school would not be the amazing place that it is without their support. Each and every one of them are dedicated to helping our learners and we are forever grateful for the kindness and patience they show every day. Thank you!

It's been a busy term and continues to remain so with our 5/6's heading off on camp, Sports Day and the Solomontown Kindergarten Art Show. Mrs Crawford's 3/4's have been helping with a big art piece and will also have some of their work showcased. If you can, please come along and support them on opening night.

As always, take care!

Kelly Heading



BINGO Playground Fundraiser Night

On behalf of the staff and students at Solomontown Primary School, we would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who supported our BINGO night last Wednesday. We raised a total of a little over \$2600. An incredible result which couldn't have been done without the Solomontown Football club, SPS staff and parents on the GC who organised the event, and the support from local business's and the community.



Play Buddies

At Solomontown Primary School we are proud of how caring our students are that they never hesitate to lend a hand to other students. A notable example of this is our large team of Play Buddies from upper and middle primary, who volunteer during Lunch or Recess to support other students. The Play Buddies encourage and assist younger students to broaden their friendship groups, whilst having fun and learning new social skills.

Several Play Buddies recently shared that "by being kind and helping other students, they felt good about ourselves as well." The Buddies had discovered an important positive 'lifetime strategy' that by being kind and helping other people improves their own wellbeing and happiness!

Research highlights that the health benefits of showing kindness and being kind to others include: -

- ◇ Helping others feels good. ...
- ◇ It creates a sense of belonging and reduces isolation. ...
- ◇ It helps to keep things in perspective. ...
- ◇ It helps to make the world a happier place – one act of kindness can often lead to more! ...
- ◇ The more you do for others, the more you do for yourself.

Mental Health Foundation

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk> > explore-mental-health

“No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.” – Aesop

Take Care.

Zherie Bouwman

Wellbeing Leader



Flu season - Influenza A

We have recently had numerous reported cases of influenza A. Please monitor your children for symptoms and keep them home if they are unwell. Influenza is a highly infectious virus and is much more serious than the common cold.

Symptoms include: rapid onset of fever, headache, muscle aches, fatigue, sneezing, runny nose, sore throat, cough, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea.

Friday 6th September SCHOOL CLOSURE

Solomontown Kindergarten

Presents

Together

An exhibition of beautiful work created by the children from our kindergarten.

In collaboration with.

Ms Crawford's Yr. 3/4 class Solomontown Primary

Kindy families

Residents from Spencer House, Barunga Village.

Opening Monday 2nd September 2024. 4pm- 5.30pm

70 Main Road, Port Pirie

(Old Bike Shop across from boat ramp)

And Weeknights from 3.30pm – 4.30pm until Friday 6th

Week 8 lunch special

Spaghetti bolognese **OR**
mac'N'cheese with **either** a bottle
of water, strawberry milk,
chocolate milk or a fruit box

Please return order, with money
to the front office by Wednesday
11th September

Week 10 lunch special

Hot dog **OR** a bucket of chips
with **either** a bottle of water,
strawberry milk, chocolate
milk or a fruit box.