**Educating successful leaders, confident and creative individuals and active and informed citizens**

Calendar (new items highlighted in red)

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*(note this is a day earlier than originally advertised)*

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*The website calendar has all the dates for the year and is continually updated.*

### Principal’s Message – week 4

**Healthy eating and “Nude Food”** – It has been wonderful to see so many of our students bringing lovely, healthy fruit and vegie snacks as well as lunches throughout this term – Well Done! Don’t forget that at Skipton we are a “Nude Food” school which means our aim is to bring all of our food in containers in order to limit the amount of rubbish we have at school. This ensures our school is kept neat and tidy as well as having a positive impact on our planet 😊 See if you can bring a “wrapper free” lunch box each day to school until the end of term! Hit the link below for some tasty and easy recipe ideas to make with your kids:


### Speech Pathology in Schools

We are pleased to announce that our school has been selected to participate in the Speech Pathology in Schools initiative for 2020. In addition to the support which already occurs in our school, we will have a speech pathologist working with educators in the early years (F-2) as well as all staff at various times. They will share specialist knowledge and skills with educators to support them to develop strategies and skills to work with children who have speech, language and communication needs. The speech pathologists will also support us to identify appropriate referral pathways to address individual children’s needs if required. Throughout the year we will continue to provide updates to you regarding the initiative and our school’s involvement.
School council - Thank you to those who re-nominated or self-nominated to be a part of school council for 2020. I am pleased to announce our new school council members for the coming year are: Les Meek (returning President), Victoria Kennedy, Anthony Mulcahy, Scott Barr, Natasha Frisby, John Connell, Gemma Malloy, Lisa Wills and Doug Smith (community member).

Swimming – This Friday sees the end of our school swimming program, culminating in a day of swimming fun at our Swimming Sports. The success of this two week program is the result of a lot of hard work from dedicated staff as well as parent volunteers, both before its implementation as well as on a daily basis. I would personally like to take this opportunity to thank Amelia Pollock, Di Brittain and Sarah Meek as well as the many parent volunteers who have braved the water and joined the kids in the pool, or walked classes to and from the pool. Without the dedication of staff and the support of our parents our swimming program simply would not happen.

Kind Regards, Brí.

Garden Roster

We ask that each family take a fortnight to come in when convenient and do some gardening. Jobs include mowing including the nature strip, weeding and sweeping paths.

20th Feb - 4th March: Emma Smith, Amy Sim, Kerrie Mulcahy
5th March – 18th March: Natasha Frisby, Elizabeth Kusanke, Alicia Pettigrew, Hayley Pappin

Parent Club

The Parents Club are again running their annual Easter raffle.
Could each School family please donate an Easter egg or Easter themed gift to the School’s Easter Fundraiser Raffle by Tuesday 10th March. Donations can be left in the school office.
Raffle tickets will be sent out with families on the 13th March. Tickets and money are due back by the 24th March.
The Easter raffle will be drawn at the end of term assembly on Thursday 26th March.

Scholastic Book Club

Please return Book Club orders to school by Tuesday 10th March 2020.
Please ensure that all orders are clearly named with a contact phone number.
If paying by cheque, please make cheques payable to “Skipton Primary School”.
Skipton Primary School earns 20% in Scholastic Rewards from all Book Club orders. These rewards assist our school to obtain free books and additional learning resources

HOT CROSS BUN DRIVE ORDER FORM

BAKERS DELIGHT SEBASTOPOL would like to offer you the opportunity to purchase yummy Hot Cross Buns and make a profit for your School.

For every 6 pack of Hot Cross Buns you order (Traditional Fruit, Chocolate Chip, Mocha, Fruitless or Apple & Cinnamon ), BAKERS DELIGHT SEBASTOPOL will donate $2.00 to Skipton Primary School.

Simply fill the form that was sent home last week and select which Hot Cross Buns you would like to order, ask your friends and family if they would like to order some too.

Bring your order form, together with full CASH payment back to School NO LATER THAN Thursday 12th of March, 2020. Your Hot Cross Buns will be baked fresh and ready to collect from School, on Thursday 19th of March, 2020.

NOTE: Items must be ordered in packets of 6. Each 6 pack of Hot Cross Buns is $7.50
**Skipton Photography Show 17th May 2020.**
Skipton Photography Show lunchtime meeting for students.
Wednesday 11th March and Wednesday 18th March in the Mackinnon Hall.
Come along and find out what you need to do to enter this year’s Competition.
Thank you, Karen Crosbie

**EMU CREEK CAFE AND DELI LUNCH ORDERS 2020**

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(chicken, avocado, onion, cheese, spinach)

Please place orders at school on Tuesdays or message me on 0439 359605 for a Wednesday delivery.
Thanks, Kim.

**Grade 4 Report:**

We have had a busy start to the term in Grade 4. We are very tired from swimming everyday but are looking forward to our sports tomorrow!

We have been learning:

- reading strategies to improve our ability to remember what we have read
- how to structure and write a narrative
- how to tell the time
- about integrity

We have a written a narrative together as a grade and now we are working on our own. We thought you’d like to read it.

**Skipton Primary School’s Worst Teacher EVER!**

*By Grade 4*

*Did you know Skipton Primary School is the **WORST** Primary School in the world? No? Let us tell you about it...*

Skipton Primary School **WAS** a beautiful, green, clean and neat school with amazing children until the Grade 4 students had the worst teacher in the world... Miss Pollock!
Miss Pollock was an ugly lady with green frizzy hair and red eyes. She wore whale t-shirts that were bigger than real whales. She was mean, grumpy and thought she was strict.

“GET OUT!” Miss Pollock would yell even when her students were doing the right thing. She would steal their lunch and eat it. One day, the Grade 4 students had had enough and this is where our story begins...

“Class meeting at lunchtime” whispered Sam. “Tell the next person.”
The whisper spread around like a bushfire that was out of control. The bell went and the Grade 4 students all met on the big kids playground.
“I’ve had enough of this!” yelled Grace.
“Yeah!” agreed the other students.
“I’ve had enough of my delicious lunch being taken!” screamed Steph.
“Yeah!” yelled the students.
George stood up on the bridge and the Grade 4 students stood below.
“Listen up!” shouted George and the Grade 4 students turned to listen. “We have to get rid of Miss Pollock and fast!”
“Yes!” chanted the students.
“We have to make her quit or get fired!” screeched George.
“Yes! Yes! Yes!” chanted the students again.
“How are we going to do that?” asked Violet.
“Let’s make a plan!” said Noah seriously. “Brainstorm your ideas and we will meet tomorrow!”

The next day the Grade 4 students gathered at the oval. They put all their ideas together. “Whoa!” exclaimed Olivia. “This is sure to get Miss Pollock fired!”

The Grade 4 students, the following day, arrived at school dressed in suits, ties and dresses. Ms Folkes greeted the students as they got off the bus. “What is all of this?” she asked, her voice so angry it was louder than the fireworks on New Year’s Eve. “Miss Pollock told us we could wear casual dress, every day until the end of the year.” Noah lied. “Wait until I see Miss Pollock” snarled Ms Folkes. The Grade 4 students walked away grinning.

At recess, the next day, the Grade 4 students decided to pop popcorn in the microwave. Each student came to school with four bags and put them all in the microwave at once. BANG! BANG! BANNNNGGGG!
The door flew off the microwave and smashed a hole into Ms Folkes’ office. “RIGHT!” Ms Folkes screamed. “What is going on?”
“Miss Pollock told us we could” said Gracie with a smile. “Wait until I see Miss Pollock!” snarled Ms Folkes.

At lunchtime, the Grade 4 students knew it was the right time to play the biggest prank yet and get Miss Pollock fired. All of the students waited with their lunch. Miss Pollock started to walk around and look at the lunches. “Mmmm! That looks delicious!” she commented.
WHACK! Miss Pollock coped an apple to the back of the head.
THUMP! Miss Pollock got a pickle sandwich to the eye!
“STOP! STOP! STOP!” screamed Miss Pollock.
“AIM! FIRE!” yelled George. All of the Grade 4 students threw their lunch at Miss Pollock. Cakes, fruit, pasta and sandwiches were flying at Miss Pollock. The Grade 4 students were yelling.
“STOP! ENOUGH!” yelled Miss Pollock. “I QUIT!”
“HOORAY!” cheered the students.

Ms Folkes came in to see what the noise was all about as Miss Pollock stormed out of the classroom. “Where are you going?” asked Ms Folkes.
“Out of here! I’m never coming back!” Miss Pollock screamed.
“Good!” said Ms Folkes. “I was going to fire you anyway!”