## Junior Journal

Hi everyone,

On the 26th October the SEAT organisation came to the school and gave a presentation on spinal awareness. Anita spoke to the children on the importance of their spine. She answered the students questions and presented a power point about spinal safety. Things such as: not jumping into water before checking the depth and looking for foreign objects. NOT rocking on chairs or pulling them out from under another child.

The students were engaged in this presentation asking a lot of relevant questions.

Friday the 28th October was World Teacher’s Day; due to a number of issues we were unable to celebrate our Teacher Aides and so made this day Teacher Team Day.

In Week 5 the homework for the Junior Class will be reading mainly with some maths concepts to refresh what they have learnt. Mrs Pascoe, Miss Murray and Mrs Dodson.

### Senior Stories

Hello all!

We are now in the business end of term. The students have begun working on their persuasive speeches, with most of our current Year 5 students writing about how they would make a great school captain. These speeches will be presented this Friday 4th of November at 9am if you wish to come to the assembly and watch. The year 4 and 6 students will present their speeches in class next week.

The students are working collaboratively on two assessment tasks this term for Geography and Technology. In Geography they are working in teams of 4 and transforming into weather experts and presenting to the class on a chosen topic - cyclones, bushfire, flood or earthquake. In Technology the students are working to create an automatic chook feeder or waterer. Some of the designs so far look really good.

**Homework** – I’ve had some parents come to me recently about homework… The tasks that the students complete for homework are concepts they have been taught in class throughout the year. Nothing should be unfamiliar to them, if they are having trouble please encourage them to come and talk to me or pop a note/sticky tab in their homework and I’ll take a look at it with them.

Year 6 Parents - look out for an invitation to the Graduation Dinner which will be held on Friday 2nd of December at Di Sapore Italia. Please be aware that due to occupancy constraints this dinner is for students and their immediate family only. Any questions - please come and see me!

Till next time!

Mrs Bradey and Mrs Saro

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### News and Notes

Jessie, Grace and Rueben have been enjoying their pre-prep days in the Junior classroom. Soon they will be flying the Playgroup coup and attending school.

We have done some amazing craft this term including our robot, cheeky feathered friends and fireworks art. All of these pieces were created using recycled materials that were saved from going into waste. We have also read the book ‘Smile Crocodile Smile’ to encourage healthy teeth. The children were all very excited to receive a toothbrush on the day.

Our last day of 2016 for Playgroup will be Thursday 1st December. We will be visiting Warinja Nursing Home to sing some Christmas songs for the residents and to spend time with them. Afterwards we will be having a little picnic at Warinja Lakes.

SJSS is a sun smart school so the children must wear a hat to play outside. Please bring a healthy snack and drink for morning tea.

**PLAYGROUP IS THURSDAY MORNINGS 8.30AM TO 10.30AM. COST IS $2 DONATION.**
Christmas Play

Only 25 days to go!
All welcome at the Con Theatre.
Gold Coin donation at the door and a light supper is available for purchase.
Doors open at 5:30pm for a 6:00pm start!

A HUGE thank you to Deb Koop, Kellie Harrison, and Adrian Darveniza for volunteering their time to help out at the P&C BBQ for the SJ Mill Centenary on Sunday 30 October. Thanks also to the students who helped out – Ashleigh, Matthew and Marshall Koop, Rhianne and Shelby Harrison, Oliver Prins, Kai, Sam and Hamish Darveniza. The BBQ was a joint effort with St Rita’s School and was a great success. Thank you also to the staff at St Rita’s – it was a great opportunity for the two schools to collaborate and not only was it great fun working with you, I think we worked well together. All proceeds from the BBQ (our half) will be used for the school community for the benefit of the children.

The P&C welcomes all parents and our next meeting will be on Wednesday 16 November at 3pm.

Tracy Darveniza
President

Erica won her age category in the South Johnstone Mill Centenary Colouring Competition. Congrats Erica!

Chappy Sharon days are on Tuesdays! We love Tuesdays!