

Springhurst Primary School

Foundation Information Booklet





WELCOME

Dear Parents, Carers & Families,

We extend to you a warm and happy welcome to Springhurst Primary School. We are so pleased that you have chosen SPS for your child and their educational development.

We are committed to making our school a safe, supportive and inclusive environment for all students, staff and members of our community. We seek to actively partner with our families and community and recognise the importance of this partnership to support student learning, engagement and wellbeing. We share a commitment to, and a responsibility for, creating an inclusive and safe school environment for our students.

Included in this booklet is information that may assist you during the early stages of your child's first year of schooling. This additional material is specifically for parents of new Foundation students. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you require any further assistance.

We look forward to celebrating you child's learning with you throughout their Primary School journey.

Teaching Team at Springhurst Primary School

Springhurst Primary School

Principal: Jacqui Cirovic

Classroom Teachers: Olivia Curtis & Aasta Dearnaley

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School Terms 2025		School Terms 2026	
Term 1:	29 th January – 4 th April	Term 1:	28 th January – 2 nd April
Term 2:	22 nd April – 4 th July	Term 2:	20 th April – 26 th June
Term 3:	21 st July – 19 th September	Term 3:	13 th July – 18 th September
Term 4:	6 th October – 19 th December	Term 4:	5 th October – 18 th December

Student Free Days for 2025

- Tuesday 28th February Government scheduled
- Friday 6th June Assessment and Reporting
- *Monday 21st July* Curriculum Day
- Monday 3rd November Common professional practice day
- Wednesday 19th November Curriculum Day and Curriculum Development for 2025 and plan for 2026

Springhurst Primary School Hours for Students

8:45am onwards - Student Preparation: Students ready themselves for the day. They place bags away, give teacher notices, change readers, etc. The students may go back out to play when these organisational tasks are complete. Staff greet and welcome students as they arrive and facilitate morning preparation for school – putting bags away, returning notes to office and joining friends in games.

9:00am – Students and teachers gather in enter classroom ready to learn. Learning is curriculum-focussed and is interspersed with brain and body breaks as well as a fruit snack at 10:00 am.

11:00-11.15am - Eating time

11:15-11:45am: Lunch Break: Outside play

11:45-1:45pm - LEARNING TIME

1:45-1:55pm - Eating time

1:55 - 2:15pm: Recess Break: Outside play

2:15-3.15pm - LEARNING TIME

3:15pm – Dismissal for end of the day (2:30pm dismissal on the final day of each term).

THE FIRST DAY

NOTE: During the month of February, each Wednesday is set aside for English Online Interviews and Mathematics assessment for enrolled Foundation students. For the month of February, Foundation students will not be required at school on Wednesdays but will attend at a booked time to complete testing with the classroom teacher.

What to bring:

- Lunchbox
- Drink Bottle with <u>water only</u>
- School Bag
- Lunch
- Snacks (minimal wrappers)
- 'Munch & Crunch' -an unprocessed fruit or veg snack e.g. carrot sticks, fruit, celery
- SunSmart wide brimmed school hat



Uniform

School uniforms are a great way for students to practise looking after their own belongings and we encourage students attend school in uniform. A broad brimmed hat, preferably navy blue, is compulsory, as per Sun Smart regulations. Uniforms may be purchased from Steers Co. Wangaratta. An order form can be found on our website. Clothing can be purchased from K Mart or Big W and embroidery (new logo) and name on hat can be done at Steers Co.

Steers & Co

Address: 52 Norton St, Wangaratta VIC 3677

Hours: Open Weekdays 9:00 am- 5:30 pm

Phone: (03) 5721 7773

Students can pick from the below items:

Summer:

- Yellow polo shirt and navy/black shorts.
- Checked blue and white summer dress.

Winter:

Yellow polo shirt, navy blue windcheater with logo and black/navy track pants.

Students should wear sensible footwear (no thongs) and clothing to school, and shoes for running (sneakers etc) are great to make playtime and active learning easier. We encourage students to tie their hair back.

Preparing and Supporting Your Child for School

Main Points:

- When children start school, they bring along with them all the things they have learnt with you at home.
- Keep up routines and activities you did with your child before they started school, such as bedtime reading. These equip your child to continue developing skills for organisation, engagement and resilience.
- Talk to your child's teacher if you have concerns about your child's learning.

Preparation for School:

- ✓ Talk to your child in advance about starting school a place where he/she will make friends, play games, sing, paint, draw and learn to read and write. Show by your voice and manner that school is a happy place.
- ✓ Label all belongings clothing, lunch boxes and drink bottles clearly in a way that they can be easily identified by your child. A tag or ribbon works well to identify their school bag.
- ✓ Have a practise "school lunch" with your child to check they can open and close lunch containers and packs
- ✓ Talk about "Lunch" and "Recess" breaks and show your child what food is packed each morning and say when you expect it to be eaten. Healthy food choices are a great way to start your child's learning and development and we will encourage the selection of healthy foods at school. A fruit or vegetable snack is also incorporated into the morning learning session.
- ✓ Ensure that your child can attend to his/her own toilet needs and knows the importance of washing hands after visiting the toilet.

Teaching staff share achievements about student learning in the newsletter and online through apps and email. They will also update you about your child's learning progress or needs and concerns that arise. However, you are welcome to visit, call or email at any time with questions or concerns.





School Experience Dates



Term 2

- Tuesday 29th April9-10am
- Tuesday 20th May9-10am

Term 3

- Tuesday 29th July9-10am
- Tuesday 19th August 9-11am
- Tuesday 2nd September
 9-11am

Term 4

- Tuesday 28th October
 9-11am
- Tuesday 11th November 9am-12:45pm
- Tuesday 25th November
 9am 1:45pm
- Tuesday 9th December
 9am 3:15pm

