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Principal's Message:

So, without any clichés on how this term has flown by, here we are coming into Easter at the end of the first term.

We have had some outstanding highlights of the term, including our swimming carnival (remember how cold that was!) our BER recognition assembly, the working bee and in this final week, both the Easter Hat parade and the Cross Country carnival.

It is important to recognise and appreciate the hard working staff and community members who have helped provide and support not just these special events, but all of the other day to day activities as well. Thank you.

I spoke briefly at the Easter Hat parade about changes to bell times. Starting next term we are implementing these new innovative changes. **Start and finish times remain the same, the amounts of teaching time and break time remains the same,** but we are changing the length of the teaching sessions and break times.

The quick breakdown is:

9am - first session

10:45 - first recess

11:05 - second session

12:05 - 10min eating and 25 min play (main lunch)

12:40 - third session

1:40 - second recess

2pm - fourth session

3pm - home

Thank you to those twenty people who "like" us on Facebook. The school's Facebook page is up, and if you haven't had the chance yet, you can find us through searching "Speers Point Public School" which shows the school's emblem as the profile picture. This is just another way that we hope to communicate better and share information more quickly and readily.

[The principal's blog](#) has continued and is just shy of 300 visits (and that's without me hitting the refresh button too many times.) We have a few class blogs that now have their link on the school website (under communication) and I can see some fantastic things happening in [KB with Miss Bissett](#) through their blog. For students, school resumes on Tuesday 24th of April. Teachers and staff are back a day earlier, undergoing professional learning on our second Staff Development day for the year. Have a wonderful break over the holidays and we look forward to seeing you all on return

Chris Payne
Principal

Easter Celebrations

Congratulations to all students and their families who designed and made fantastic hats for the Easter hat parade. Thanks to your efforts the day was a huge success, with hats demonstrating the vast creative talents of students at Speers Point Public School. Students rose to the challenge of using recycled materials, spending less than \$5 representing Australian culture, and making sure their hats fit their heads!



A Snapshot of Infants "Speers Point Cross Country 2012"

This morning a group of extremely keen and excited student participated in the School Cross Country. Congratulation to each of the children who ran today, they all were a credit to the school and themselves, showing it's not all about winning, it's about doing your best and having some fun!

Mrs Cobcroft



Speers Point Cross Country 2012
Primary Students



The following students will receive their 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th ribbons at morning assembly tomorrow Thursday 5th April. Students will receive a note tomorrow if they are successful in representing Speers Point Public School at the Westlakes Zone Cross Country.

Girls -8/9yrs

1. Holly Keeble
2. Ebony Demir
3. Kayla Rutherford
4. Rebecca Clifford

Girls -10 yrs

1. Sophie Keeble
2. Haylee Moffitt
3. Taylah Winter
4. Abbey Broderick

Girls - 11 yrs

1. Jacynta Brittain
2. Kristina Poles

Girls 12/13yrs

1. Tikardia Molenaar
2. Kaitlyn Morris
3. Brinly Baxter

Boys 8/9yrs

1. Nick Cherry
2. Aidan Hughes
3. Roman Kershaw
4. Jet Black

Boys - 10yr

1. Daniel Clapham
2. Lomano Crichton
3. Brandan McKernan
4. Sebastian Spagnolo

Boys - 11yr

1. Thomas Mulley
2. Cooper Jaques
3. Tyson Gall-Strauss
4. Tylar Merritt

Boys - 12/13yr

1. Kye Jordan
2. Jack Oaten
3. Malli Atkin

Well done!

P & C News

A big thank you to everyone who donated Easter eggs for our annual school raffle, once again it was a great success!

Tracey Pettigrew
P & C President

Entertainment books

Pre ordered Entertainment books are now available \$60.00 great savings "see attached flyer"