



Strathfieldsaye Primary School get helping hand

A cheque for just over \$1000 is just what the Strath Primary School wanted to develop a parent information library. The books will focus on covering birth right through to adolescence and covering issues such as raising children and children's health and wellbeing. The funds come compliments of the Bendigo UFS Pharmacies 'Building a Healthier Community' program whereby the local pharmacy group donate 50% of the membership fees paid back to the local community school or organisation when they are nominated on the membership form.

Last year the Strathfieldsaye PS received \$580.50 from the same fund and this money was used by the grade 3 & 4 students as part of their vegetable garden, poultry shed and plant nursery. The exciting development of that story is that these projects are almost self funding as the students are selling the eggs and vegies to parents and teachers. This year's cheque of \$1117 will be used to update the classroom printers and photocopiers. This will enable the quality of the work they can take home to mum and dad to be increased.

Principle Greg Bowen said that "The money from the Bendigo UFS Pharmacies is a great asset to the school and we cherish the money we receive." Michael Fleming, CEO of the Bendigo UFS said "It has been great to work with Strathfieldsaye Primary School. From the outset the school led by Greg has embraced this concept and utilised our support to improve the health and wellbeing of their school community."

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