



SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

EVERY CHILD - EVERY OPPORTUNITY - HELPING CHILDREN SHINE

Charter Road East
PO Box 243, Sunbury 3429
Telephone: 9744 3377
Facsimile: 9744 5721

Email: sunbury.heights.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Website: www.sunburyheightsps.vic.edu.au

Newsletter No: 28
13th September 2012

TERM CALENDAR

DATE	DETAIL
SEPTEMBER	
Fri 14 th Sept	Grade 5/6 Summer Sport
Wed 19th Sept	Gr 4 Anglesea Camp 2nd Instalment due \$100
Fri 21 st Sept	Term 3 Ends 2.30pm Dismissal
OCTOBER	
Mon 8 th Oct	Term 4 Begins
Mon 8th Oct	School Council Meeting – 6.30pm
Wed 10 th Oct	Gr 4 Anglesea Camp Final Instalment due \$70
Mon - Wed 22nd–24th Oct	Gr 4 Anglesea Camp
Fri 28 th Oct	Non- Uniform Day

**PLEASE SIGN UP TO RECEIVE YOUR ELECTRONIC
NEWSLETTER ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE (ADDRESS ABOVE)**
(Limited printed copies are available from the office.)

EMA CHEQUES

EMA cheques have arrived. For security reasons, we are asking you to come in to collect or sign your cheque over.

**CHEQUES THAT ARE STILL
HERE BY THE 20TH SEPTEMBER
WILL BE CREDITED TO ANY
OUTSTANDING DEBTS TO THE
SCHOOL.**

LAST DAY TERM 3 FRIDAY 21st SEPTEMBER DISMISSAL at 2.30pm



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The Helicopter is Landing

This year has been historic for Sunbury Heights. Last term we were fortunate enough to have the Melbourne Cup winner, Sub Zero, munching grass on the oval and on Wednesday 24th October, at 12.12pm, a helicopter carrying the judges for this year's State Garden Awards will be visiting. The judges will share lunch with representatives of our student body and then take a tour of our school yard focussing particularly on our newly established vegetable garden. I would like to thank Peter de Waart for all the hard work he has put into its establishment. It was and still is a huge task. Peter has involved students and staff from across the school. Some final touches still need to happen and closer to the judging we will hold a working bee, which we hope many of you can attend. Let's hope in November, when the winners are announced our name is amongst them.

Year Book

Once again Nicole Langmaid has taken on the responsibility for the school year book. Nicole and her team of Erica Andersen and Leanne Ratkowski are busy putting together the highlights from across the year. As a school we believe that each student should have a memento of their school year. I still look back on my high school yearbooks and have fun seeing how I have changed (well I am 50 years older for a start), who my friends were, what I was learning and what extra school activities I was participating in. Orders for the yearbook will be taken early next term and the cost should be between \$10 and \$12.

Literature

Students from grades 3-6 have played a major role in suggesting new books that they would like to see in the library. New books of varying genres were presented to the classes and each child developed wish lists. Thanks to Kim Pianura and Nicole Langmaid for collating all the wish lists and coming up with a most popular compilation for us to send off to Natasha at Book Bonding. We have

spent in excess of \$1200 to ensure we keep focussed on developing the students' love of reading.

Pupils seek the ninja within

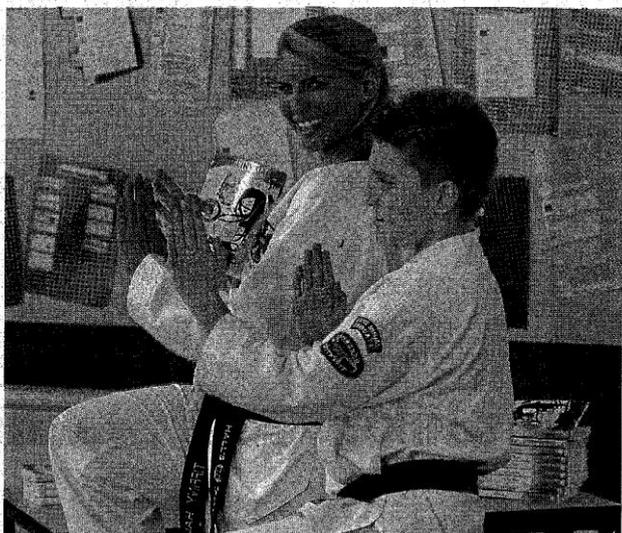
For those families who haven't had the opportunity to see this week's Weekly Times, there is an excellent article and photo of Tiffany Hall and Cameron Symes. Tiffany is an excellent role model for all students, but in particular for our female students as they head towards adolescence. Her message of a healthy lifestyle, diet, saying no to drugs, alcohol and other risk taking behaviours was a bonus to her life as an author and the promotion of her novel *The White Ninja*.

School Crossing

Police have been notified of speeding motorists during school times who fail to slow down to 40km's.

Police will be patrolling Charter Road East for the rest of Term 3. Please observe the 40km speed limit to ensure our students are safe.

Regards
Kaye Mills
Principal



Sharp moves: Cameron, 9, shows his best moves to taekwondo champion and author Tiffany Hall. Picture: Matthew Furneaux

Pupils seek the ninja within

SUNBURY Heights Primary School pupils have learnt that sometimes the greatest strength comes from an unexpected source: one's self.

They are reading *White Ninja*, which tells the story of 13-year-old Roxy Kan, who thinks she's just an ordinary girl until she's confronted with the school bully.

Author Tiffany Hall, who visited the school last week, said the book was about "empowering children to feel invincible and to be warriors in pursuit of their dreams".

Ms Hall is also a taekwondo champion and television personality.

Principal Kaye Mills said the children took a lot

out of the visit. "It was really fantastic and it's a great message for the kids. She spoke about being resilient and strong, which is an important message with bullying in today's world."

"The book is about a girl who's being bullied and has to walk through [a] separate gate to those who are bullying her."

"It talks about her journey and the development from within."

Ms Mills said the author also spoke about healthy living, which the school had been pushing.

"She came to speak about the book but also spoke about being healthy and looking after your diet and saying no to drugs and alcohol." — Tara Murray

PUPIL OF THE WEEK – WEEK ENDING

14th September 2012

Teacher	Student	Reason
Junior Xuereb (Czyz)	Ellie Pugh	Terrific writing about her three bears picture.
Junior Hill	Caleb Woods	For making efforts to present his work neatly.
Junior Wilson	David Walgers	For being a great role model and always having a positive attitude towards his learning.
Middle Tyers	Matthew McGann Alex Hazelman	For excellent reading work. For excellent work on her profile report.
Middle Knight	Hunter Brough	For completing all of his home learning and reading.
Middle Pianura	Mitchell Maddox	For being a helpful person to Mr Knight and to his 4P classmates.
Senior Andersen	Uriah Matenga	For improving his focus during class and the standard of his work.
Miss Ratkowski PE	Gemma Smith	For her excellent defensive skills in Handball.
Mrs Caddaye Art	Jayleigh Noakes	For being a fantastic helper in Art.

FUN RUN REPORT FROM 4P

The weather is so nice, let's do the Fun Run today!!

We went to our cone and sat behind it in a straight line. Our class went first. We had 30 minutes to do the Fun Run. It was a long time but we were okay with the time we were given. When we had finished I had done 11 laps and was on my way to my 12th. If we had more time, I would have done my 12th one. Cillian beat the record which was 19 laps and Cillian did 20 laps! We were proud of him. I was proud of myself because I was hoping to do 7 or more laps, and I did!

Stephanie 4P

It's a hot day; we're walking to the witches hats getting ready for the Fun Run. We are lining up to run, the teacher yells, "GO!" We all start to run. We're all running across the oval. I walked 8 laps and the person who ran the most was Cillian; he ran 20 laps. When we were all finished we went back to our classes. Then we started our recount about the Fun Run.

Lukas 4P

It's a super-hot day! I'm glad we're doing the fun run today. We're going to run, run, run!

I went very well today. We ran on the oval. When we got up there we sat behind the witches hats. We were the first grade to go. I got 13 laps but last year I only ran 3 laps because I twisted my ankle, but I was okay.

Today we have the school record for the most laps run; the boy from Ireland, his name is Cillian.

I wonder who the best girl runner in the Fun Run was. I wonder what the Fun Run prizes are. Why do we need to do the Fun Run?

But it was very fun. I felt very tired and hot.

Jess 4P

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To the following student to the 16th September:

Lauren Ashford, Jarrod Le Breton-Hansen,
Jamie Clancy, Isaac Williams, Jaymee Foss,
Violet Bastos, Amy De Young, Rianan Crowe,
Parker Dawson, Suzanna Pyke

"Run! Run! Run! It's for Fun! Fun!" On Monday 3rd of September it was the Fun Run. It was a clear day, it was 21°.

When it was our turn we went to the oval at 10:00. When we were ready to start, Ms Ratkowski said, "Ready, Set, Go!" When we went I was a little bit fast.

When it was nearly over I was on 11 laps. I was supposed to be on 19 but it was just for fun.

Afterwards it was over. Most of us were sweating good and bad. Then it was snack time; we didn't want to go outside. "It is too hot and sunny!" yelled Mitchell in fear.

I was proud when I did the Fun Run.

Mitchell 4P

Run, run, run as fast as you can, can you catch the fastest man on Earth?

We were called up first to run in the Fun Run. Miss Ratkowski blew the whistle. I ran fast, I was in second, third, fourth, and then I came back to third, then second. I tried beating Cillian but he was too fast. After my first lap I almost had Cillian, but he got away, I said, "Damn it!"

After I finished my fourteenth lap I had a drink then I continued. I ran hard, I almost dropped but I finished my fifteenth lap. I went on to my sixteenth lap; I dropped at the finish line.

When I finished I felt happy for myself.

Caidan 4P

Ready, set, Go! As soon as Miss Ratkowski blew the whistle on the oval, 4P ran like it was the last day of their lives! As soon as we got halfway, Cillian was first, Caidan was second, Jess was third and Justine and I were fourth.

Meanwhile, on the second lap I was puffing with Jess so much it felt like we were going to faint. While we were running I tripped over in the mud. But that didn't stop me running. Nothing would stop me running! I got up and started sprinting. I got a really bad stitch on the tenth lap. I felt really, really sore. Right on the eleventh lap I had a flash before my eyes, maybe it was the sun.

My last lap was tiring. I think I did 12- 13 laps. I was puffing so much, so I and Jess went to lie on the nice spikey grass.

Kasey 4P

"On your marks, get set, go!" went Miss Ratkowski. I was running in the Fun Run. Stephanie, Rachael and I were running together. "Let's go and get a drink." said Rachael. Stephanie kept running with Kasey and Jessica. Rachael and I made a plan; that every 2nd lap we would go and get a drink. Then, because we were walking, I said, "Instead of a Fun Run it should be called a 'Fun Walk'."

On our 8th lap, Cillian went past and said he was on his 19th lap! At the end I got 10 laps altogether.

I was very proud and very puffed out, and it was like 25°c.

Jazzy 4P

"4P! Please step up on the starting line!" announced Miss Ratkowski. "3, 2, 1 GO!!" Everyone ran like crazy- for the first minute.

After that, Lukas and I spoke about games and told jokes while we walked. Another 2 laps later we found Ben lying on the oval. We asked him if he was okay and he was. Ben, Lukas and I walked slowly and spoke about awesome stuff. We jogged 2 more laps. We walked 2 and a half laps. When Miss Ratkowski announced, "One minute to go." we'd just made seven laps...but, Cillian made 20 LAPS!!!

I had a really fun time at the Fun Run.

Jet 4P

Sunbury Downs Production - Aladdin Reviews

Review by Uriah Matenga 5A

Aladdin was performed at Sunbury Downs on Tuesday 11th September. Goonawarra also came down to watch Aladdin.

The props were 10/10 they all looked bright. The story was funny, sad, exciting. Aladdin was Indra, Genie was Alex Fernley a past student from our school. The monkey was a guy he was a good actor. Also I liked Mrs. Dexter's son was one of the highlights for me when he was singing "Funky town" and when Genie came out with the lightning effect.

My favourite character was the gangster DMC because he rapped really well even though everyone was clapping to the beat he also looked cool.

My opinion was props were 10/10 very bright, costumes were creative 10/10, singing was hard to listen 5/10, dancing was well performed so 10/10, Acting is awesome 10/10, and finally performance 10/10.

Review by Cruz Noonan 5A

I've never seen the movie but now I think I have a good picture in my head. Its awesome Sunbury Downs did the play.

Aladdin was a very good actor. Aladdin falls in love with beautiful Princess but there is a very bad man in the story, this horrible man tries to muck up everything.

The best part of the play was this guy rapping, he was really good at it as well, he was wearing shades and gangster chains and they were gold it was awesome.

The guy who went to the Prom with Bella was awesome because he looked cool in his suit and Aladdin was a very good actor and in the second play he was an awesome actor.

I would rate it 10/10

On the Rise Playgroup

Free ticket Offer for

Pregnancy, Babies & Children's Expo

Come and support Playgroup Victoria

Friday 12th to Sunday 14th October

Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre South Wharf
(formerly Southbank)

Visit www.pbcexpo.com then click on Playgroup Offer
If you would like a ticket or more details please contact

Krystal Twyman 0423 498 213

INTEGRATION AIDE WORKSHOPS TOOLKIT Development

Hands on session to prepare you for practical classroom integration work. Leave this class with prepared activities and strategies in kit form, so you are better equipped for student needs.

Subject: Numeracy Toolkit

When: Thursday 20th September 10.00am -3pm

Cost: \$125.00 Includes tuition, light lunch and all materials.

Tutor: Karen Ralph, Principal of SMIC

During these sessions you will develop learn how to use Integration Aides toolkits which you can continue to add onto once you are working with students.

What is a toolbox?

A toolbox is a kit of activities for Integration Aides use to work with children in a primary school setting. It is made up of at least 20 kits covering various subjects, for example literacy, numeracy, oral language which can be added to and altered to meet individual student & Integration aide requirements.

*For 15 years my role as an Integration aide has required me to work predominantly with students who have Autism Spectrum disorders or intellectual disabilities. In that time I produced a kit of 20 activities based on the learning needs of students that had presented with these disabilities. These activities can be used for many of the students who require extra assistance in class. The kit became a winning submission in the VTC teaching initiatives Program. You will leave this workshop with activities and plans that will be the initial tools in **your** Toolbox for Integration work.*

Please Contact:

Anita Barnard

Sunbury Neighbourhood House Manager

Tel no. 9740 6978

Fax no. 8746 8110

Hours of Operation: Mon 9am - 3pm, Tues 9am - 3pm,

Wed 9am - 7.30pm, Fri 9.30am- 12pm

531 Elizabeth Dve, Sunbury 3429. (no mail)

Postal address: PO Box 2392 Sunbury

3429

School Banking Rewards Update



Attention School Bankers:

The **USB Stick** is now available to order (brought forward from Term 4). If you have banked 10 times just send through the redemption card or a note with your banking so your reward can be orderd for you as soon as possible.

Don't forget School banking day is **Tuesday**

Our local Commonwealth Bank School Banking Specialist is Rachel Manlio, she can be contacted on **0422 116 037** or Rachel.manlio@cba.com.au with any questions or queries

We Need You!

Sunbury Basketball Association is looking for new players of all ages, both boys and girls from 6 to 17.

All players are welcome and if you've never played before we'll teach you how! It's a great way to participate in a family-orientated team sport, learn new skills, get fit, be active, make new friends and have lots of fun.

Games for Under 8 and Under 10 age groups are played after school on Tuesday or Wednesday. Age groups from Under 12 to Under 18 play on Saturday.

The new season commences in the first week of Term 4, but new players are welcome any time.

For more information contact Rick Giannino by email: rick@sunburybasketball.com.au

Please advise interested player's name and DOB as well as contact phone number/s



Sunbury Pirates Softball Club would like to invite you and your family to our:

Season 2012 / 2013

OPEN DAYS!

DATE: Sunday 16th & 23rd September 2012

PLACE: *Goonawarra Recreation Reserve
155 Lancefield Road, Sunbury*

TRY OUT & TRAINING TIMES:

Women: 10am - 11am

T-Ball & Junior: - 11am - 12pm

Men: 1pm - 2pm

If you have any questions about the season, please call Sandra Elgin on 0412 507 885

SUNBURY NETBALL ASSOCIATION JUNIOR 2013 REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

UNDER 11

UNDER 13

UNDER 15

UNDER 17

**DATES: SATURDAY 6TH OCTOBER & 13TH
OCTOBER**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION & APPLICATION
FORM**

PLEASE HEAD TO THE SNA WEBSITE:

<http://www.sunburynetball.org.au/default.asp>

