



SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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TERM CALENDAR

| DATE | DETAIL |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| 2012 | |
| MAY | |
| Thurs 17 th May | Naplan – Grades 3 & 5 Numeracy |
| Mon 21st May – Fri 25th May | Education Week |
| Mon 21 st May | Anti- Bullying Show |
| Wed 23rd – Fri 26th May | Grade 6 – Phillip Island Camp |
| Tues 29 th May | 2013 Prep Information Session 7pm – 8pm |
| Wed 30th May | 2013 Prep Information Session 9.15am – 10am |
| Thurs 31 st May | 2013 Prep Information Session 9.15am – 10am |
| JUNE | |
| Fri 1 st June | Grade 5/6 Winter Sports |
| Tues 5th | 2nd Hand Uniform Sale 2.15pm-3.15pm |
| Wed 6 th June | ICAS Science |
| Fri 8 th June | Back Up – Winter Sports |
| Mon 11th June | QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY No School |
| Tues 12 th June | School Council Meeting – 6.30pm |
| Mon 19th June | ICAS Writing |
| Tues 19 th June | Grade 5/6 Rugby Gala Day |
| Thurs 21st June | 5/6 Science Excursion |
| Friday 22 nd June | 5/6 Science Excursion |
| Tues 26th June | Parent/Teacher Interviews 1.30pm Dismissal |
| Fri 29 th June | End of Term 2.30pm Dismissal |

**PLEASE SIGN UP TO RECEIVE YOUR ELECTRONIC
NEWSLETTER ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE
(ADDRESS ABOVE)**

(Limited printed copies are available from the office.)

BOOK A BURGER DAY Lunch - \$6.50

Friday 25th May 2012

LAST DAY FOR ORDERS...

MONDAY 21st MAY

Order forms available from the Office

NO OTHER LUNCH ORDERS ON THE DAY



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mothers Day

We hope all our mums enjoyed their Mother's Day with their family. Maybe you even had your breakfast in bed and some housework done for you!

Each year the Sunbury Heights Community try to provide a service to our students by holding a Mother's Day Stall. This provides an opportunity for the students to do their own shopping at reasonable prices for their mums. A lot of work goes into the buying, wrapping and selling of the items and I thank the Playgroup Mums for their efforts.

The profit from the Mother's Day Stall and the raffle was \$1,258.05. Thanks to all parents who helped last Friday.

Canberra Visit

I am off to Canberra next Wednesday to celebrate Public Education Day. I am going as part of a delegation that will inform the government how important Federal Funding is to schools like Sunbury Heights as we try to try to improve quality literacy and numeracy. Research shows Literacy and Numeracy are the essential foundation skills that allow young people to achieve at school, go on to further learning, and participate fully in society and work.

I have been asked to take a piece of art work that reflects the school. Mrs Caddaye (who I thank very much) has put together a collage that is significant in some way.

- The bats represent our work with a local artist and our celebrations in regard to the settlement of Sunbury.
- The students studied the work of famous Australian Artists. The students tried the styles of Jeffrey Smart, Russell Drysdale and Sally Morgan.

Jeffrey Smart did a lot of work in and around Melbourne doing cityscapes etc, Sir Russell Drysdale is famous the world over for his truly Australian art works and Sally Morgan is an Indigenous artist who did a series called "My Place" and included images from her life

- The Fish was linking art for the Preps in with literacy learning. One two three four five, Once I caught a fish alive.
- The poppy represents the commemoration of ANZAC day.
- The Sunbury Heights Express was a whole school piece completed in Term 1. The whole school participated and each grade had a carriage. On the train it says "Sunbury Heights Express, Steaming into 2012. All aboard! Our journey will be safe, comfortable and a great learning experience when we remember our school values and keys to success."



National Solar Schools Program

This week an application has been submitted to the National Government Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency in the hope that we are successful in obtaining a grant to have solar panels installed at Sunbury Heights.

I have called the project **One Tick, Two Ticks, Three Ticks, Four!** We had to describe the benefits under three headings

Environmental Benefit.

We wish to install a 10kWh solar power system. A 10kWh solar unit in the Sunbury locality is expected to generate approximately 15,330kWh annually. This is based on the Bureau of Meteorology daily average sunshine hours in Sunbury and solar units already operating in Sunbury. This amount of electricity generation will avoid the creation of 18.55 tonnes CO2

Value for Money:

Assuming the school pays 22 cents per kwh for their electricity, the 10KW solar unit is expected to save them \$3,372.60 in the first year of installation. Given that the unit costs \$47,000, this translates into a payback of 10.5 years assuming an annual electricity price rise of 7%pa.

Educational Benefit

Our vision at Sunbury Heights is to create a thriving community that uses resources wisely. The project is to add another green tick to what we are already doing in regard to tackling the global challenge of climate change. We want to work in a preventative way to change attitudes and shift behaviors before they become ingrained. We want to promote sustainable practices and behaviors in the school community.

We have applied for a grant of \$50,000 and the outcome will be known to us midyear.

Walking through Sunbury Downs Secondary College

The relationship between Sunbury Heights and Sunbury Downs Secondary College is strong and we want that to continue. Sunbury Downs Secondary College allows students from Sunbury Heights who live on the Ashfield Estate to walk through the grounds on their way home and/or meet older brothers or sisters.

Please remind your children that the same rules apply on the grounds of Sunbury Downs Secondary College as they do here. Students are not to ride bikes through, behave in an inappropriate way and if spoken to by staff they are expected to reply in a respectful manner.

Phillip Island Here We Come

Our camping program continues next Wednesday with our grade 6 students off to Phillip Island. The students will be accompanied by Ms Ratkowski, Mrs Langmaid, Mr de Waart, Mrs Sarbach, our Pre Service teachers Mr Simpson and Mr Johnson as well as School Council representative and parent John Lillywhite.

When staff attend camp they are on duty 24 hours a day and I thank them on your behalf for their willingness to give our year 6 students this experience.

Education Week – Monday 21st May– Friday 25th May

I hope that you all have had an opportunity to see the local paper and the Education Week Supplement which highlights our simultaneous Story time event that will happen next Wednesday for our junior students. It also highlights our school's theme of "Reading Opens Doors to Learning" and encourages our community of parents and friends to come up to school during the week and get involved in the activities that are on offer. It would be fantastic to see as many families as possible during the week.

Regards

Kaye Mills

Principal

Education Week Activities

MONDAY 9am -11am

Stamp Out Bullying Incursion – Whole School Incursion

TUESDAY OPEN EVENING ACTIVITIES 5.45pm - 7.00pm

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| Prep D and Prep X | "Sharing Our School Start" |
| Junior School | "Sleepy Pyjama Time Tales" |
| Middle School | Rotational Literacy and Science activities |
| Senior School | Grade 6 Camp Activities |
| Grade 5 | Persuasive Writing Launch and ICT demonstration |

WEDNESDAY

Junior School Simultaneous Story time Very Cranky Bear with Deb Oatley Sunbury Library
 Footsteps Parent Open Day Grade 3 @12.30pm and Grade 4 @ 2.15pm
 Grade 6 Phillip Island Camp

THURSDAY

Open Morning Prep - 5 9am -10pm

Between 1.20pm and 12.20pm Mr Knight and Mrs Wilson will be running an hour of activities to help show parents some great websites available to support students' learning at home

Grade 6 Phillip Island Camp

FRIDAY

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| Prep D and Prep X | Breakfast at school |
| Grade 6 | Phillip Island Camp |

Prep Enrolments

information sessions that are coming up.

Dates for the tours are:

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| Tuesday | 29 th May | 7.00pm-8.00pm |
| Wednesday | 30 th May | 9.15am-10am |
| Thursday | 31 st May | 9.15am-10am |

If you know of neighbours or friends please encourage them to come to one of the sessions that will be held.

World Vision Fundraising

This month we are raising money for World Vision. Each class will be selecting an item to purchase such as a duck, goat, fresh water or pencils. Students in the class will then go about collecting money to purchase the item. This may involve a special effort by the class or regular contributions of small change. Your child will be able to tell you what their class has decided to do.

Junior School Council

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To the following students to the 20th May

Nicholas Diss, Keiralee Crook, Hunter-J Brough, Joshua Lee, Nikita Allan-Reardon, Grace Shaw-Barton, Rayden Yob

PUPIL OF THE WEEK – WEEK ENDING 18th MAY

| Teacher | Student | Reason |
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| Junior Xuereb | Kris Riley | For focussing well in class. |
| Junior Hill | Connor Johnson | For focussing well during class discussions. |
| Middle Knight | Shannen Davison | For her positive attitude to school. |
| Middle Pianura | Adam Foster | Bringing a positive attitude to school each day. |
| Senior Andersen | 5A | For having an outstanding attitude during Naplan. |
| Senior Langmaid | Renee Thomas | For her conscientious effort when learning to add and subtract decimals. |
| Senior de Waart | Dee Hamilton | For a mature approach to her work. |
| Miss Ratkowski PE | 3T | For a great PE session focussing on striking and fielding games. |
| Mrs Caddaye ART | Ally Barnden | For displaying a more co operative attitude in Art |
| Mrs Harding SCIENCE/MUSIC | 3K Musicians | Great recorder playing. |

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Hume City Council's next Training Day for all Family and Children's Services staff is scheduled for **Monday 4th June 2012.**

The Sunbury Heights Out of School Hours Care Program will be closed on this date and will resume as normal from Tuesday 5th June 2012.

If you have any questions concerning this matter please contact the program on 9746-3264 or 0419 334 648.

Regards,

Matt Welsh
Program Supervisor
Sunbury Heights O.S.H.C.

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ART ROOM

Donation of the following items would be appreciated for activities in art: old hardcover books, wool, clean takeaway food containers, ice cream containers, jar lids and plastic shopping bags.

SCHOOL BANKING DAY IS TUESDAY

Who will be the new Dollarmite?

As part of the Commonwealth Bank's centenary celebrations we want to find Australia's best School Banking Saver! As such between 16 April and 30 June 2012, we are running a fun and exciting School Banking competition with the winning child being transformed into their very own Dollarmite character.

Being part of the competition is easy. A student simply needs to make 5 deposits at school during the competition period and then provide us with their best savings tip.

The winning school/class will receive **25 iPads** and a **\$1500 excursion!** For the winning student, as well as being 'Dollarmized', they will receive an annual movie pass for their family.

There also 50 runner up prize packs that include iPads, excursions, movie tickets and thousands of Dollarmite consolation prizes for the students.

A flyer with all competition details will be issued soon.



Commonwealth Bank School Banking Information Day



Where: Sunbury branch 75-77 Evans street Sunbury.

When: Friday the 18th May from 9.30-5pm

If you open an account for your child you

will receive a FREE showbag with some cool stuff!



Do you have one of these

Don't forget if you already have an account you can start banking at school and we will earn money for cool stuff! Just bring your bank book on our school banking day!!!!



2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP
Will be open TUESDAY 5th JUNE
1st Tuesday of every month
2.30pm - 3.15pm
For more details please contact
Angela on 0432 038 224

PLAYGROUP FRIDAY MORNINGS 9.00am – 11.00am

Come along Mums, Dads and Bubs, have a coffee and share experiences with our kids.

Kids can play and parents can have a chance to be with others.

Don't be shy; it's great fun for all.

Join us on a **FRIDAY** from 9-11am. Cost \$2.00

SHOPPING TOUR

Parents and Friends Committee have organised a Shopping Tour with "**Tartan Tours**"

When: Saturday November 10th, 2012.

Costs: \$65.00 per person with a \$30 deposit per person
These prices include Coach, Driver and Hostess; Home baked morning and afternoon tea,
2 course restaurant meal, complimentary iced water, sweets and nuts.

Free Shopping bags supplied and everyone receives a price in the lucky draw.

Examples of places we could go are:

- * Kids Clothing
- * Manchester
- * Books
- * Toys
- * Sports Outlets
- * Chocolate and Lolly Factory
- * Gifts – Homeware
- * Leather Goods
- * Ladies fashions
- * **AND LOTS, LOTS MORE**

If you are interested in coming along and joining the fun with us please fill out the form that was sent home or you can collect one from the office with your Name, Number of people attending and a \$30 deposit per person (non refundable) to secure your seat by **NO LATER than Friday 27th July.**

Full payment will be due by Friday 12th October, 2012.

Any queries please contact Kylie Gifford on 9746-3338 or 0448440075 or giffysgirl@gmail.com or kyliejifford@bigpond.com

