SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL
EVERY CHILD - EVERY OPPORTUNITY - HELPING CHILDREN SHINE

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22nd November 2012

TERM CALENDAR

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(Limited printed copies are available from the office.)

Book Pack Payment/Collection Dates

| Tuesday       | 12th December 2012 8am - 4pm
|               | PSW Uniform Shop 9am - 1pm |
| Tuesday       | 29th January 2013 8am - 4pm
|               | PSW Uniform Shop 8am - 11am |

(Payment can be made by: EFTPOS, Cash, Cheque OR Credit Card)

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Rosie Tyers Retirement
On Friday evening our school staff, former colleagues, and family of Rosie Tyers will celebrate Rosie’s contribution to education, and in particular her contribution to Sunbury Heights, with a retirement function.

Rosie has taught at Sunbury Heights since 1990 and has had a positive influence across the school. Rosie worked tirelessly with colleagues across Sunbury to improve the delivery of the mathematics curriculum and her passion for music has seen her give many students a love of music, she involved our students, year after year, in Carols by Candlelight at the Village Green.

On a camp Rosie would have the whole place humming with her organisation. These are only some small highlights of Rosie’s contributions and I am sure on Friday night everyone will have their own “Rosie” memories.

It is always a measure of a good teacher when former students remember them fondly.

The following was written by Vicki Merry who was in Rosie’s class in 1992.

In 1992 Mrs Tyers, welcomed me into her year 3 classroom, where I quickly learnt what a passionate teacher she was. She taught us many interesting things, whilst ensuring we mastered our writing in grey lead, in order to get our pen licence.

As years went by, and 2012 became the present, Mrs Tyers, once again welcomed me into her classroom, this time as a pre service teacher. Stepping back in time, I felt right where I did, all those years ago. Her witty ways, keep the students laughing, and it is obvious how much they adore her teaching style.

I wish her all the very best for her future and hope that my future children have a passionate and warm teacher like Rosie.

Hume Education Scholarship 2012
It is with pleasure that I write to inform our school community that Keira Jehu has been awarded a Hume City Council Education Scholarship. The scholarship has been awarded because Keira is an active member of the school community and is keen to help in any way she can.

Keira shows communal responsibility in all areas of the school and is a valuable member of anything in which she participates Keira is a dedicated and conscientious student, who always tries her best. She has achieved excellent results during the year. She is keen to improve her own learning and shows curiosity in all areas of schooling. In maths, Keira has worked hard to improve her results.
and is keen to learn new concepts that will support her in secondary school. She asks for help when needed, encourages her peers, and supports them wherever possible. Keira has shown improvement in all academic areas of her schooling and again completed all tasks with a smile.

Keira is a pleasure to have in the classroom and has been a valuable member of Mr de Waart’s class. Keira was nominated by her class teacher, Peter de Waart, and the senior school teaching team and I keenly agreed with their recommendation. Keira will receive her scholarship in front of her family and our school staff at a presentation ceremony which will be held at the Craigieburn Global Learning Centre on Wednesday 12 December. The $500 scholarship can be used to help Keira’s family with expenses associated with school uniform, books and excursions.

Other Awards and Scholarships
As the grade 6 year draws to a close, other students in grade 6 will be selected as recipients of academic, sporting, and citizenship scholarships. These students will be presented with their awards at the Grade 6 Graduation which is to be held at the Sunbury Bowling Club on Tuesday 18 December.

Victorian School’s Garden Awards
On 29th November Keira Jehu, Luke Harrison and Kiah Woolford Searle will travel with Mr de Waart to the Botanical Gardens for the State Award. Let’s keep our green thumbs crossed that we are a lucky recipient.

Transition afternoon
It was fantastic to see all our eager new Preps and meet their mums and dads last Tuesday for our first full transition afternoon. When the Preps were whisked away to become involved in the Prep classroom, the parents and I had a chance to relax over a cup of coffee and a piece of cake. We talked about what, as parents, they wanted from Sunbury Heights. The responses seemed to be what we all want as parents and I have included them for your interest.

What do you want for your child from Sunbury Heights?
Safe and understanding school experience
Have fun, be safe and have the best start to her education a great educational start and a range of different experiences free from bullying
Safe secure positive environment
To be safe to be encouraged
Social skills, increased confidence, work on strengths accept weaknesses aim to improve them
For the school to remain a school which is accepting and a positive experience for the kids
I want my kids to be comfortable with the school and teachers
Kids to be happy to go to school
Enjoy learning
Good education
Fun time while learning
More maths fun activities
Safe enjoyable environment
More reading
A fun and safe place to be

What would you like the school to provide?
To understand the uniqueness of each child’s differences and learning abilities
Develop confidence
Good resources
Feedback on child’s development
3 RRR’s
Diverse music program
Confidence boosting activities
Anti-Bullying programs
Friendship

Opportunity to help in the classroom
Supervision at recess and lunchtime
Learning to be fun
Help build students self esteem
Give the kids more work if they want it
Homework club
Social skills programs
Out of school hours classes in sport dance and music
Anger management classes
Swimming lessons
For my child to reach their full potential
Promotion of healthy eating habits, fitness health awareness
Different learning experiences to make the learning fun and interesting
School performances
An enjoyable time for her first start at school
Safe environment
Learn about different subjects and cultures
Cooking classes
Fun comfortable environment
Staff who the kids feel they can go to at any time
Bullying policies
Open communication aware of issues

What do we need to do for you to make sure these things happen?
A lot of communication between teachers and parents
No toleration of bullies
Adult classes re homework curriculum
Keep me informed
Make sure there is constant supervision at breaks
Learning is fun and enjoyable
If issues arise make sure they are dealt with accordingly and communicated.

At next week’s Transition afternoon I will use these responses to inform our new parents of what we have in place that addresses or support, their feedback and queries.

Year Book
I was in Mr de Waart’s grade yesterday afternoon and saw the final copy of the Yearbook that Zach Olivieri had ordered.
The year book certainly is a celebration of our year and congratulations to Mrs Langmaid for ensuring the Yearbook is of the highest quality.
Order forms went out Monday so get your orders in now if your family wants a permanent record of the 2012 year at Sunbury Heights.

Congratulations Abbey McDonald
We wish you well Abbey as you head off with your little Athletics Relay team to the State Championships

Regards
Kaye Mills
Principal
WANTED: TOY CATALOGUES
The Year 1 and 2 classrooms are in need of TOY CATALOGUES to support our writing program. Please send any toy catalogues to Carmel Ross in Room 3 so that class sets can be created.
If you could spread the word amongst your neighbours and other family members, we would be very grateful.
Thank you for not sending other catalogues.
Carmel, Liz, Penny.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
To the following students til the 25th November
Nikita Johns, Olivia Ballinger, Jordan Ballinger, Lauren Dini

PUPIL OF THE WEEK – WEEK ENDING
23rd November 2012

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<td>Audrey Sasulu</td>
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<td>Kim Deeble</td>
<td>Great report about her holiday.</td>
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<td><strong>Junior Ross</strong></td>
<td>Jack Harrison</td>
<td>For having the courage to be the only Junior School student at the Chess competition.</td>
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<td>Zachary Lynch</td>
<td>For completing the 200 “M100W” words.</td>
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<td><strong>Middle Tyers</strong></td>
<td>Rayden Yob</td>
<td>For great work in class all the time.</td>
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<td>Caleb Bertram</td>
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<td>Will Uili</td>
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<td><strong>Middle Knight</strong></td>
<td>Kristen Matenga</td>
<td>For great contributions to class discussions.</td>
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<td>Ben Lillywhite</td>
<td>For working hard to achieve his pen licence.</td>
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<td>Maddi Lee</td>
<td>For being a kind and helpful class member.</td>
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<td><strong>Senior de Waart</strong></td>
<td>Jordan Dent</td>
<td>Voted by their peers for excellent work in Mr D’s absence.</td>
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<td>Strickland Lesoa</td>
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<td><strong>Miss Ratkowski PE</strong></td>
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<td>For overall outstanding effort in PE.</td>
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<td><strong>Mrs McIntyre Library</strong></td>
<td>Jayson Parmar</td>
<td>For their enthusiasm towards reading.</td>
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Christmas Tree Decorating
Students from Grades 3 and 4 are welcome to help decorate our Christmas Tree at Sunbury Square Shopping Centre with the wonderful decorations we have been making over several weeks. The decorating will take place on Thursday 29th of November at 4pm.
A Parent or carer who will need to attend with you. Please let Mrs Caddaye know if you wish to attend as numbers are limited.
Jenny Caddaye (Art Teacher)

PSW UNIFORM SHOP
PSW are offering 5% off all uniforms sold for the month of November only! All laybys must be finalised by the Friday 14th December 2012!
The Uniform Shop will be open as normal on Fridays 8:30am-10:30am.
As requested the Uniform Shop will open for extra days on Wednesday 12th December 2012, 9am-1pm and on Tuesday 29th January 2013 8am-11am!

Jenny Caddaye (Art Teacher)

PRINCESS, FAIRY & ELF PARTY WITH AUTHOR ANNA PIGNATARO
Kids’ author Anna will read from her new picture book “Princess and Fairy: Enchanting Carnival” & lead little games
**Date:** Sunday 2nd December 11am
**Age:** 3-8yo
**Cost:** $2 but redeemable on book purchase.

SANTA VISITS BOOK BONDING
Santa and his helper will visit for songs, stories and special small gift
**Date:** Sunday 9th December
**3 Session Times:** 9am or 10am or 11am
**Cost:** $2 per child
**Age:** 2-8yo

**Venue:** All held in store at Book Bonding 409 Keilor Road, Niddrie
**Bookings essential:** 9374 4458 or email info@bookbonding.com.au
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: Literacy Toolkit
When: Monday 3rd December 2012 10am -3pm
Cost: $125.00 Includes tuition 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.

SUNBURY LIONS BASKETBALL CLUB
FREE BASKETBALL CLINIC
UNDER 8’S-UNDER 14’S
BRING YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILY ALONG
FUN FOR EVERYONE
LEARN SOME NEW SKILLS
MAKE SOME NEW FRIENDS
OUR A GRADE MEN WILL BE THERE TO SHOW EVERYONE THEIR MOVES THAT HAVE SEEN THEM WIN 8 GRAND FINALS IN A ROW!
WHEN: SUNDAY 25TH NOVEMBER, 2012
WHAT TIME: 10AM - 12 NOON WITH A SAUSAGE SIZZLE & DRINKS AFTERWARDS
WHERE: CLARKE OVAL STADIUM, MACEDON ST SUNBURY
BYO: BALL IF YOU HAVE ONE!