



SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

EVERY CHILD - EVERY OPPORTUNITY - HELPING CHILDREN SHINE

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Important Dates

FEBRUARY		MARCH	
Thurs 27 th Feb	Interschool Twilight Swimming Sports – Selected Students	Mon 3 rd March	Hume Division Swimming Sports – Selected Students
Fri 28 th Feb	Casual Clothes Day Gold Donation	Mon 3 rd March	Grade 4 & 5 \$30 Camp Deposit
		Thurs 6 th March	Grade 3/4 Parent Information Evening
		Mon 10 th March	Labour Day – Public Holiday NO SCHOOL
		Wed 12 th March	Grade 5/6 Parent Information Evening
		Fri 14 th March	District Athletics Selected Students
		Mon 17 th March	Grade 4 & 5 \$30 Final Camp Payment
		Tues 18 th March	Curriculum Day NO SCHOOL
		Mon 24 th - Wed 26 th March	Grade 4 Doxa Camp
		Wed 26 th - Fri 28 th March	Grade 5 Doxa Camp

LOST PROPERTY

We have a few pairs of lost reading glasses at the office. Please come and see us and check them out. These glasses will be disposed of at the end of the month if not claimed. Thankyou!!



Confidence to connect

**Casual Clothes Day
Friday 28th February 2014
Gold Coin Donation**

NEWS AND INFORMATION

Sometimes in times of need a Principal or an Assistant Principal may be seconded to another school. Earlier this week the Education Department contacted Cathie Morcom and asked if she would be willing to fulfil the role of Principal at Arthur's Creek Primary School until the end of Term 1. Even though the SHPS staff, students and parent community will miss all of Cathie's hard work and efforts we would not want to deny her the opportunity to take on this leadership opportunity. In Cathie's absence Carmel Ross will be working in her classroom Monday – Wednesday and on Thursday – Friday take on responsibilities associated with the role the Assistant Principal. Liz Hill and Rosie Tyers both experienced junior school teachers will ensure the classroom program is followed until the end of Term 1.

“Now they've made it to Grade 1 and 2, What is it that they do?”

It was again, a great opportunity for families to visit the school and see the things their child does in the classroom, how the day goes and to find out about the learning that happens in these year levels.

Thank you to Mrs Ross, Ms Harding and Miss Portelli for all the organisation that went into the evening and to our specialist staff, Mrs Caddaye, Mrs Caddaye and Mrs Hill for coming along and providing a specialist activity so that the 1/2 teaching team could spend time explaining to parents the whys and wherefores of all things Grade 1 and 2.

Feedback from parents who attended the event was very positive. The common feeling was that the group information session gave more of an insight into what the curriculum program looks like in a grade 1/2 classroom and ways that parents can support their child at home.

The Middle School are holding their information evening next Thursday evening at 6.30pm. It will follow a similar format. I hope that all families take the opportunity to come along with their child and learn about the middle school classroom program and special event calendar that is proposed for the 2014 school year.

School Photos

Thank you to Karen Cocks for her coordination and organisation of these years' School Photos. We realise after feedback from our families that in Term 1 there is quite a lot of expense associated with beginning school. **In 2015 our school photos will be taken in Term 2 so that there is not such a financial burden on our school community.**

Sunbury Heights Primary School first prize for Care Works Community Art Project

Last year Sunbury Heights was fortunate to win first prize in the Healthy Together Hume Initiative. The prize was the publication of a beautiful 'Healthy School Recipe Book.' This week a note has gone home asking families to submit family favourite recipes. The book hopefully will be ready to be sold as a Mother's day fundraiser.

Students of families who submit a recipe will be invited to a lunch time cooking class with Mrs Caddaye.

School Nurse

Kala Anderson, our School Nurse has been busy this week conducting the Prep health checks that happen at all schools across the state. If you have children in other grade levels and you have concerns about their eyesight, hearing, nutrition or other general wellbeing enquiries Karla can be contacted through the school office.

School Council

The nomination processes for our 2014 School Council elections have been completed and I am pleased to advise that Kristy Haack, Amanda Beggs and Krystal Twyman have been nominated and elected as Parent Representatives to Council. They will join Sharron Bertram, John Lillywhite, Kylie Stephenson and Carl Ashford as Parent Representatives on School Council. I would like to thank outgoing parent representatives Sean Synan and Audra Rooney for their contributions over many years and pay particular thanks to Sumen Govender who has spent many years on Council in the role of School Council President. Sumen was and remains to be a positive advocate for our school and state school education in general.

Zach Lends a Hand for Gonski!

Thank you to all the parents, staff and students who popped into school on Tuesday morning to sign a petition and show their support for the Gonski funding recommendations. These funds are necessary if we hope to give all children regardless of location or background the opportunity of a first rate public education. As the bus winds its way to Canberra, we hope the Gonski volunteers can engender as much support from other school communities as the concerned parents from SHPS showed.



3 and 4 year old playgroup a Rising Success!



Last Tuesday Rosie Tyers (a recent Sunbury Heights early years teacher) provided a new playgroup for parents of 3 and 4 year olds. When I visited the session the children were busily singing songs that helped them identify their different body parts. The playgroup provides a structured program with a focus on oral language development. Parents will be able to leave their children in Rosie, Sharon, Karen and a parent helper's care. If you didn't come last week and are keen for one of your younger children to attend for the remainder of term 1 please bring along a piece of fruit or vegetable for everyone to share. A drink and hat is required as well. If you have any enquiries please contact Sharon Ramunno on 9744-7866.

TIME: 1:00pm-3:00pm

DAY: TUESDAY

COST: \$5:00

WHERE: Sunbury Heights Community Hub

Student Safety To and From School:

As a school we encourage our students to be active travellers and either walk or ride to school. Each classroom this week has reminded students about the importance of crossing at the crossing (even if they are a little way off) and not accepting lifts or approaching cars of strangers.

Please reinforce these topics at home and if parking on the road opposite the school entrance act as a role model and ensure you and your children walk down to the crossing to cross

YUMMY YUMMY YUMMY!

Riddell's Creek Bakery 82a Main Road Riddell's Creek 3431 Tel: (03) 54286534

Everyone loves a hot cross bun and this year we will take orders for your favourite variety.

The buns this year will be supplied by Riddell's Creek Bakery (courtesy of our grade 1 student, Karlee's dad Graeme) and they are delicious!

Choose from Spiced (without fruit), Traditional or chocolate.

So please help us with our **HOT CROSS BUN** fundraiser and make some money for school.

The more buns you purchase the more money you make for our school.

ONLY \$6.50 per 6 pack of Traditional or Chocolate buns

ONLY \$6.00 per pack of Spiced Buns

For every 6 pack of Hot Cross Buns you order, The Old Firestone Bakery will give \$2 to the school.

Next week simply fill out the form, bring your orders and **FULL** payment back to school by **Friday the 28th March.**

Your orders will be ready to collect from school **Friday the 2nd April** (time to be advised)

Don't forget to ask your family and friends if they would like to order some too.



Mobile Phone Collection

This term, the Junior School Council is collecting old mobile phones.

We are collecting the phones to help save the gorillas.

Mobile phones contain Coltan. Coltan is found in the ground and to get the Coltan out, workers have to cut down trees. These trees are the gorilla's homes.

If you bring along your old mobile phones, we will send them away to have the Coltan taken out and reused in another phone. This will mean that the forests the gorillas live in do not have to cut down.

There will be a box in the atrium for you to put your old phones in.

Please ask all your family and friends to find their old phones and bring them to school. There is a box in the atrium for all your old phones.

You can also help save the gorillas by thinking about whether you really, really, really NEED a new phone when the contract on your phone expires. Often the phone you have will do the job.

Please help us save the gorillas.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

To the following students, until the 2nd March, 2014

Andrew Woods, Caroline Woods, Dane Gifford, Jade Walduck, Christian Ramunno, Taylor Hardstaff, Joshua Partington, Matthew McGann

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Grade	Student	Reason
Prep K	Adrian Pamilacan	For always putting his hand up to answer questions during learning.
Prep D	Luke Williams	For his enthusiasm with his home reading.
1/2R	Marcus Stephenson-Irving	For joining in class discussions.
1/2P	Jaymee Foss	For being extremely helpful during class time.
1/2H	Tyson Lamb	For a positive and enthusiastic attitude to learning.
3/4K	Tyler Kovzan	For a tremendous attitude to his learning at school and home.
3/4W	Mason Duggan	For being an active participant in classroom activities with the rest of his grade.
3/4d	Nikita Johns	For great attendance.
5P	Bailey Verlaque	For his enthusiasm and persistence at the school athletics: Well done!!
5A	Alyssa Wallace	For being a positive classroom role model.
6L	Lukas Stephensen-Irving	For actively contributing to class discussions on the book 'Gallipoli'.
6O	Jasmyn Rain-Hyland	For settling into our school so well.
PE Miss Ratkowski	T-Jay Bartlett	For always being an enthusiastic PE student.
ART Mrs Caddaye	Prep K	For working well in Art.
SCIENCE Mrs Payton	Jamie Clancy Lizzie Mercer	For displaying excellent work habits during Science.
Mrs Warrior	Antwone Patterson	For working very hard and working well.

Welcome back to School Banking for 2014.

TUESDAY is our Banking Day.

Please ensure all yellow wallets are handed into your child's teacher first thing in the morning to ensure their deposit is processed.

All money should be securely enclosed in the Velcro pocket and deposit slips **MUST** be completed.

Save from as little as 5c per week.

Each deposit earns a SILVER TOKEN this should be kept safe at home.....when they collect 10 tokens they can redeem for exciting rewards!

If your child would like to join the program please visit your local Commonwealth Bank with photo ID for yourself and your child's birth certificate – too easy!



- 2014 reward items include a:
- Handball
 - Scented Pencils
 - Penguin and Dolphin Keyrings
 - Whale Shark Pencil Case
 - Tin Moneybox
 - Swimming Bag
 - Projector Cup
 - Sea Streamers

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. The school receives \$5 when children make their first deposit at school and a commission on every deposit made through the School Banking program.

DYSLEXICLEVER

Macedon Ranges - Dyslexia Support and Action Group

Is hosting a presentation evening for parents:

How to Support Your Dyslexic Child at Home and School.

Guest Speaker: Karen Starkiss.

Wednesday 5th March 2014,

7.00pm – 9.00pm

Woodend Community Hub

47 Forest Street, Woodend.

Places are limited. Please book your seat via email dyslexiclever@ymail.com

Entry will be a donation of \$5 per person or 2 people for \$8. Limited places will be available at the door on the night.

DyslexiClever is a volunteer group, supporting families of children with learning disabilities. The DyslexiClever support group holds an informal coffee morning at Ethic Café, 63 Urquhart Street Woodend, on the first Friday of the month from 9.30am. All welcome.

For further information email dyslexiclever@ymail.com or Marg ph 5427 2581



Is your Lollipop person the sweetest?

Nominate your Lollipop person for the 2014/2015 School Crossing Supervisor of the year award.

Pick up a nomination form online at www.schoolcrossingsvictoria.com.au.

Your support of this program will help ensure your School Crossing Supervisor is shown the appreciation they deserve for their commitment to the ongoing safety of our children.

Closes Friday 2nd May 2014

Sunbury Kidz Youth Choir

*Children aged between 8 and 13 welcome.

Sunbury Kidz Youth Choir is directed by **Adam Przewlocki**

Our repertoire includes Disney soundtracks, Broadway hits and much more.

Performance opportunities throughout the year

We aim to learn performance skills, work as a team, practise self-discipline and develop self-esteem.

Rehearsals:

Tuesday during school terms

4.45-5.45pm

Fee: \$80 per Term

Adam's Studio

Flashdance Performing Arts School,

3 Commerce Crt, Sunbury.

Please contact sunbury.cantare@gmail.com

Or Adam on 0419 506 067

S.O.L.D Fundraiser

Register at www.sold.org.au

Trivia Night

Sunbury Football Club, Riddell Road Sunbury

Saturday 15 March 2014

7pm till late

Finger food and nibbles provided

Drinks at bar prices

\$20 per head

Tables of 10

Spaces limited

Silent Auction / Raffles

Lots of games and fun

Prizes to be won

Money raised from the Trivia night will help S.O.L.D (Support and Opportunities for Learning Disabilities) pay for a tutoring Program and Learning Lounge for children with Learning Disabilities around the Sunbury area..

JUNIOR NETBALL

Rupertswood Football Netball club are introducing Junior Netball this season with U13 and U15 age groups. The games will be played on Sundays around 11:00am-12:30pm commencing on April 6th, anyone interested please email David Kane at juniorfootyops@rupo.com.au