



SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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TERM CALENDAR

DATE	DETAIL
2012	
<u>MAY</u>	
Fri 4 th May	Interschool Cross Country
Mon 7th May	Mother's Day Raffle Tickets & Money due.
Tues 8 th May	School Council Meeting – 6.30pm
Fri 11th May	Mother's Day Stall
Tues 15 th May	Naplan – Grades 3 & 5 Language Conventions and Writing
Wed 16th May	Naplan – Grades 3 & 5 Reading
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
<u>JUNE</u>	
Fri 1 st June	Winter Sports
Wed 6th 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.)

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 4th MAY WILL BE CREDITED TO ANY OUTSTANDING DEBTS TO THE SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Salesian College Visit

On Wednesday we were fortunate to host twenty six students and two staff from Salesian College as part of their Community Service Day.

The students helped in a variety of ways across all grade levels. The students participated in science, art and classroom programs as well as helping with many administrative tasks and playing games with our students in the recess and lunch breaks. By all accounts it was a rewarding experience for all concerned.

I would like to thank Salesian College for involving Sunbury Heights in the day and Damian O'Keefe for his organisation of the event ensuring the day ran successfully and smoothly.

Re-boot Clean Day

My sister Meagan also called in to school yesterday on her way to Salesian as part of the Re-boot Clean day. Meagan, Jenny and Marie, our own Bunning's community liaison person, were cleaning boots with the students at Salesian College and with the lads who had come down from Alice Springs. The Alice Springs community will greatly appreciate the many boxes of clean and ready-to-go football boots.

I would like to thank any of our school community who donated boots for this very worthy cause



Winter Chills

With the commencement of Term 2 and the onset of cooler weather, it's only a matter of time before children catch seasonal coughs, colds and sniffles.

In 2012 Sneezesafe is continuing to fight the good fight against the spread of the bacteria and viruses that cause colds and flu, by providing our school with complementary classroom resources about correct respiratory hygiene.

We want to help children learn "Catch it, Bin it, Kill it" This is the best way to prevent the spread of cold and flu germs in the classroom. Please ensure your child has his own supply of tissues at school and if ill kept at home. If you want to access of the material so that you can reinforce this message at home please visit www.sneezesafe

School Crossing

Our school is serviced by two school crossings. It is important that students use the supervised crossings, even when crossing the road with an adult. This helps children to develop safe habits and keeps everyone safe. Please ensure that as a driver you wait until the Crossing Supervisor is off the crossing and stay behind the line designated will waiting. We are also aware that some parents park a distance away to help ease the traffic around the school. If you do so can you please make sure that your child walks down to the crossing and crosses with our supervisor, Wendy Sparks. Wendy has become concerned about the safety of our students who are crossing the road at other places rather than at the school crossing.

Homework

There are often issues surrounding homework both from a staff and a parenting perception. Michael Grose's article this week gives parents some strategies to help get the homework done.

For many parents homework is that time of the day when they routinely harass, hassle and harangue their child to JUST DO YOUR HOMEWORK! Michael this week provides some ideas that may help. Follow the link to read the complete *article*

Also please follow the link to download May's free parenting magazine at www.parentingideas.com.au/Parents/Parenting-Magazine.

Rotary Spelling Bee

Congratulations to Michael Coates who has taken out our local award and will go on to represent Sunbury Heights at the Sunbury Rotary Spelling Bee on Tuesday May 29.

The Sunbury school community thank Rotary for their commitment to student learning. Rotary Literacy Month that is generally held during the month of May. Michael's teacher, Peter de Waart, Michael's family and I will be among Michael's supports on the night.

District Trials in Football and Netball

Congratulations must go out to 5 of our grade 5 and 6 students whose abilities and skills in a particular field of sport has seen them be selected by Miss Ratkowski and school team coaches to try out for a place in the district representative team. If successful, the students will proceed to regional trials, regional teams, then state trials and state teams.

The students selected are: Kiara Taylor – Netball. Hayden Brown, Koby Watts, Chris Weedon and Adam Fearnley – Football

Connecting Hume PC Award Program" Rewarding young people who have a passion for learning. "

Congratulations to Lauren Dini from 5A.

Lauren is this year's recipient of a personal computer and one year's free internet access. Lauren, her family and Mrs Andersen will attend a presentation evening and celebration at the Hume Global Learning Centre. Lauren was nominated because of persistence, willingness and enthusiasm for all areas of learning.

Computers for All

Thank you to Kerry Scott for advising us about a Computer For All Scheme. The scheme enables families who receive parenting payment, disability support pension, aged pension, carers allowance or Family Tax benefit to either rent or own a PC and accessories. The great thing about the scheme is that people can make small payments from their benefits.

To find out more visit www.computersforall.com.au or phone 1800 877 774

House Cross Country

The Cross Country was rerun for students in grades 3-6 last Friday with Bradman once again showing their skills. Bradman won the event with 193 points. In second place was Laver (165), third place Fraser (159) and fourth place was Elliott (104 points). Individual medal winners in the different age groups were

Age Group	First	Second	Third
Girls 8/9	Abbey McDonald	Jordi Neuwart	Raven Cheriaparamil
Boys 8/9	Joel Brown	Jordan Ballinger	Caleb Bertram
Girls 10	Jemima Sasulu	Jess Bunting	Tegan Doyle
Boys 10	Jackson Neilson	Tyrell Watts	Cillian Quirke
Girls 11	Marijana Stevanja	Alisha Clarke	Lauren Ashford
Boys 11	Cedric Schwalger	Uriah Matenga	Jordan Mc Donald
Girls 12 /13	Hayley Sharrad	Nikita Allan-Reardon	Kiara Taylor
Boys 12/13	Zach Olivieri	Edward Sasulu	Chris Weedon

Congratulations to Abbey McDonald, Jackson Neilson, Cedric Schwalger and Marijana Stevanja for being awarded trophies for the fastest time across two age groups.

Education Week

Education Week is held across Victoria during the week beginning May 21.

The overarching theme is Books Open the Door to Learning. Three of our students from the Junior School; Dane, Matty and Bridie will feature in next week's Leader newspaper article about Education Week. The article promotes the simultaneous story time event that is held across Australia and the Junior School's Education Week events for the students in this section of the school.

A timetable of events which outlines whole school and class events for you to become involved with during Education Week will be sent home early next week.

Please remember that a whole school incursion will be held on Monday May 21st.

The incursion is called **S.T.A.M.P. Out Bullying**.

The inclusion in our school program supports our school values and code of conduct using comedy, magic and ventriloquism. Ben has his young audience in fits of laughter and hanging on his every word as he illustrates the 5 important STAMP principles.

- Stay away** How to avoid bullies.
- Tell someone** Reporting a bully is not being a 'dobber'.
- Always help** The power of peers.
- Make friends** Including students who are easily left out.
- Play nice** Making sure that YOU'RE not being the bully.

Each strategy of the **STAMP** acronym is explored as Ben, his friend Croc, Brice the bully, drawing and numerous illusions keep students entertained as they learn effective strategies to deal with and prevent bullying.

Mothers Day

The Prep teachers and the students have sent out invitations. To a **“Special Mother’s/ Grandma’s Day”** afternoon tea on Friday May 11th, 2012.

The students will perform rhymes and songs that they have been learning. The special guests will also be treated to an afternoon tea in honour of Mother’s Day

Please remember that this year’s Mother’s Day Stall will be held on Friday 11th of May. There are great gifts for your child to buy for you from the stall. The prices of gifts range from \$1.00 to \$5.00

Mothers Day Raffle

We have a fantastic raffle. Raffle books were sent home last week and I encourage you to send back the books as soon as possible. Tickets are 50c each or the book is \$5.00

Raffle money and tickets are due back on Monday 7th May, 2012.

Book a Hamburger Day

On Friday 25th May to celebrate the end of what is looking to be an exciting Education Week Jo Miller will be coordinating a special lunch. The students will be able to choose from a meat, chicken or fish burger either a Strawberry or Chocolate Big M or water. The treat included is either a jam donut or gingerbread man. The cost for the lunch will be \$6.50 and an order form will go out early next week.

Regards
Kaye Mills
Principal

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

ANZAC Day Appeal

Thank you to everyone who purchased a badge, wrist band or bag tag for the ANZAC Day Appeal. We raised a sensational total of \$222.85. The Junior School Councillors showed great responsibility and respect through the organisation and selling of these items. Well done JSC.

Cathie Morcom

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To the following students to the 6th May

Stephanie Williams, Ethan Holley, Jess Bunting, J’Tain Coetzer, Brenden Tringrove-Smith, Michael Bernard.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK – WEEK ENDING 4th MAY

Teacher	Student	Reason
Junior Xuereb	Marcus Tancevski	For great reading.
Junior Danaher	Adam Quirke	For settling in well at Sunbury Heights.
Junior Ross	Nikita Johns	For being keen to learn.
Junior Hill	Matthew Holley	For participating and sharing valuable information during class discussions.
Middle Wilson	Georgia Bull	For enthusiastic reading aloud in group work.
Middle Tyers	Ashleigh Wairau	For doing a very good persuasive plan.
Middle Pianura	Simote Feiloaki	Improved attitude to school and his work.
Middle Laing	Cheyenne Morbey	For working so hard to complete her baby project.
Senior Langmaid	Kaleb Bartlett	For continued effort with his homework and always handing it in.
Miss Ratkowski PE	Prep D	Wonderful small group co operation during PMP.
Mrs Caddaye ART	1H	For enthusiasm and great work in Art.
Mrs Harding SCIENCE	5O	Great descriptions of rocks.

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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.

SAND TOYS

Dear Parents,

We are in search of good quality toys for our sandpit. If you have any toys that you no longer use, it would be greatly appreciated if you could donate them to Sunbury Heights for students to use in the sandpit at lunch time.

Bringing many smiles to our yard, could you please drop them off at the office during or before school hours.

Kind regards
Alisha Clarke
Junior School Council

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.



2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Will be open

1st Tuesday of every month
2.30-3.15pm

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

