



# SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

EVERY CHILD - EVERY OPPORTUNITY - HELPING CHILDREN SHINE

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## Important Dates

AUGUST		SEPTEMBER	
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> August	School Council Meeting - 6.30pm	Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Summer Sports
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Book Week	Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Shopping Tour
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> - Wed 28 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 6 Camp	Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> September	School Council Meeting – 6.30pm
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> August	Casual Clothes Day	Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> & Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> September	Vision Portraits – Info to follow
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> August	Father's Day Stall	Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Last Day Term 3 2.30pm dismissal

## NEWS AND INFORMATION

### Historic Day for Victoria

The announcement by the Victorian and Federal Governments to provide an additional \$12.2 billion dollars to Victorian schools from next year to 2019 is historic.

It allows for funding to grow at an average of 4 per cent per student each year, and provides six years of funding certainty against which schools can better plan.

A summarised version of the School Funding Reform and what it means for Sunbury Heights Primary School is included below

### When do schools get extra funding?

Schools will get more money next year and every year of this agreement, subject to enrolment numbers and the individual needs of their students. The individual needs of students will determine the funding each school gets and we will work with all school sectors to continue to refine our needs funding systems to make it even better. Per student funding will grow in 2014, but it will be a year of limited change as we consult and refine our funding systems.

### What does this mean for individual schools?

Assuming the same student mix and numbers, funding will grow in every school in every year. The individual needs of students will determine the funding each school gets.

### What does this mean for students?

This means that every Victorian student can expect to make accelerated progress in learning, improving on their previous outcomes. Our school system will attract and develop motivated, high performing teachers, who will support and challenge students to become great learners and to develop a lifelong love of learning. Consultation needs to occur on the best use of the additional funding to ensure it is targeted at the things that are going to have the greatest impact. We will consult with schools about how to provide students with the extra support they need.

### What can the extra funding be used for?

Consultation will occur on the best use of the additional funding to ensure it is targeted at the things that are going to have the greatest impact. We will consult with schools about how to provide students with the extra support they need, but this will include things like specialist teachers and intensive support for students with additional needs.

### What does this mean for teachers?

Quality teaching is at the heart of the Victorian education reform agenda. Through consultation we will determine opportunities to apply additional funding to the things that will make the biggest difference to learning outcomes for Victorian students.

### What does this mean for principals?

The Victorian reform agenda is delivering a range of actions aimed at empowering principals to make decisions about the best ways to improve learning outcomes at their schools.

### What it means for Sunbury Heights Primary School

Public funding for your school under the new Schooling Resource Standard in 2014: \$3,611,232

Public funding for your school under the new Schooling Resource Standard in 2019: \$5,274,872

Increase in public funding for your school from 2013 to 2019: \$1,964,584

Percentage increase in public funding per student for your school from 2013 to 2019: 40.8%

## ICAS Mathematics

This year we are again, providing an opportunity for our high performing students in mathematics to test their knowledge and skills through the ICAS program. ICAS is the International Competition and Assessment for Schools and is a program run by the University of New South Wales. The following students from classes have been chosen to sit the ICAS test session.

There is a cost associated with conducting the tests however the school will be covering these costs as we believe it is a wonderful opportunity to recognise the outstanding academic results of these students.

The participating students are:

Grade 6 - Isaac Williams, Lennon Williams, Adam Fearnley, Ciaran Garner and Nathan Crosland

Grade 5 - Kasey Scibberas, Dylan Kelly, Ben Fisher, Blake McDonald, Nicola Vergara and Ben Lillywhite

Grade 4 - Caleb Bertram, Jamie Clanchy, Jordan Ballinger, Samantha Williams and Alyssa Wallace

## Footys4all presentation Monday

Footys4all is a not for profit foundation that hopes to unite the world through the power of sport. Their core values are friendship, teamwork, respect, determination and courage. We have been fortunate to have received a number of balls for distribution. Leanne Ratkowski has looked for students in PE and sporting activities who display the core values of Footys4all and balls will be given to them for use at school and home.

Robbie Lynch our school sporting ambassador and an ex-student will present the balls to selected students at Monday's assembly

## Parent Opinion Survey

Thank you to people who returned their Parent Opinion Survey. They were to be returned to school by Friday, 2nd August 2013. They are being posted off on Monday if anyone still has not handed it in and wishes to do so. Students who return a family survey by the due date will receive a small reward.

## Winter and Parking:

Parking around schools is a time old problem. It seems everyone wants the closest park to the gate of a morning, thinking it's OK to park in the driveway or Staff Carpark because *"it's only quick... we're only dropping the kids off."*

**Please stop to think of the danger you are placing your children in because of these actions.**

In lots of ways we are lucky at this school because there are designated parking bays out in the street, and a considerable number of them available. Please make an extra few minutes available so that you can drop off or pick up your children in safety. We do have a number of people entitled to use the Disabled parking bay, so please be considerate and do not use this bay unless you have the required sticker. It is illegal to do so otherwise. Please be aware of the speed you drive away from the school as well. Yes, it is 40kph and the majority of people observe this speed limit. What is more worrying is how quickly some people are getting to that speed with their acceleration from the school. None of us want to witness an accident involving our students...your children... please help us keep them safe!

## Lost Property

The lost uniform box is overflowing. If your child is missing items of clothing please take some time to come up to school and have a look through the items yourself. Please help us return items of clothing to the correct child by labelling your child's uniform with a permanent marker.

## XO Arrival

Our XOs finally arrived last week and within hours of their arrival they were distributed to our very excited students. It was fantastic to see the students going home on Thursday afternoon with their XOs.

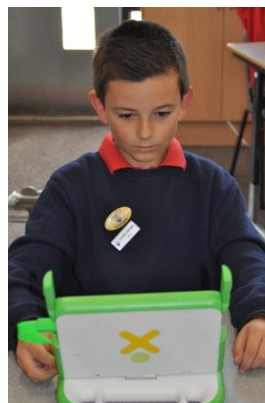
Comments from both students and parents have been extremely positive. Teachers have started to use the XOs for a variety of purposes. Some students have started to create art portfolios while others are using their XO for spelling, reading and mathematics.



Setting up an art portfolio.



Using the XO to take notes from books.



Updating software.



Showing off our new technology.

## RED STAR AWARDS

Three more students have been presented with their RED STAR badges. Samantha, Jack and Chelsie (picture below) have shown great organisation and responsibility to complete all the required tasks. Students in years three and four have been working towards this award since term one and have displayed remarkable dedication and persistence over a long period of time. We would encourage those who are yet to complete all the challenges to keep going.



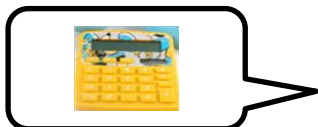
### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

To the following students, until the 11th August 2013 – Sophie Parry, Marijana Stevanja, Claire Diss, Bridey Carew, Isabelle O’Shannessy, Liam Rooney, Marcus Stephenson-Irving

### PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Grade	Student	Reason
1/2R	Georgia Sciberias	For finishing her first IXL task sheet
	Alex Gambera	For finishing his first IXL task sheet
	Kurt Oehms	For a great effort on IXL
1/2P	Cody Walton	For being an excellent listener during class time
1/2H	Audrey Sasulu	For trying hard with reading and writing
3/4K	Madison Shaw-Barton	For showing great maturity and responsibility in her learning
3/4W	Jackson Olivieri	For always having a positive attitude towards learning
5P	Cillian Quirke	For being an awesome classmate by helping others to understand math concepts recently
6L	Ruby Ryan	For an excellent story about the 'XO Fiasco!'
ART	Briony Williams	For a great effort in ART with her mask
SCIENCE Mrs Payton	Kaiden Mitchell	For designing a fantastic spaghetti tower
Mrs Sarbach	Eboney Bentley	For completing the 100 Reading Lessons. Well Done !!!!

### SCHOOL BANKING REMINDER:



### 2013 REWARDS



### SCHOOL BANKING DAY IS TUESDAY



The very popular calculator is now available!!!!!!

### SHOPPING TOUR

#### PLEASE NOTE: CHANGE OF DATE DUE TO FEDERAL ELECTIONS

The next fundraising event will be our school shopping tour. This is a terrific opportunity to get a start on the Christmas shopping while raising much needed funds for our school. At this stage, the money raised by the school community is going towards paying for the replacement shade sails over the playgrounds.

Details - Shopping Tour by Tartan Tours

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2013    7.30am departing school    6pm returning to school  
 \$70 per person, including lunch    \$35 deposit due by 20<sup>th</sup> September    Final payment by 25<sup>th</sup> October  
 Contact – Kylie Gifford (0448 440 075 or [kyliejifford@bigpond.com](mailto:kyliejifford@bigpond.com))

Sunbury Cricket Club - Milo in2cricket and Junior Registration day Sunbury Cricket Club is holding a Registration Day for all junior teams (under 11,12, 14 and 16) and Milo in2cricket (ages 5-10) at Sunbury Football Social Club - Clarke Oval Riddell Road Sunbury on Monday 12 August 2013 between 5.30pm and 7.30 pm.

Cost - Milo in2cricket \$75.00

Junior Registration: New players \$120

Current players \$100

Contact: Travis Botten – 0417 101 595 [travbotten@hotmail.com](mailto:travbotten@hotmail.com) Shayne Lewis – 0402 547 002

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**SUNBURY  
NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC  
Eric Boardman Stadium  
Wilsons Lane  
Sunbury**

SNA Junior Netball is seeking interested players in the following Programs and Age groups:

Net Set Go: Ages 5 (Grade Prep) to 7

Netta: Ages 8 to 10

13 & Under Competitions

Grade 6's on Saturdays 12 pm & Year 7/8 on Thursday's 6pm.

Anyone who is interested in playing and further information please email:

Lisa Taylor-Jones - [taylorjones.lisa.m@gmail.com](mailto:taylorjones.lisa.m@gmail.com)

**Rupertswood Cricket Club Inc**  
*"Birthplace of The Ashes"*

**REGISTRATION DAY**

**Saturday 24th AUGUST 2013**

**9am - 12noon**

**SportsCo**

**Sunbury Square Shopping Centre**

**Evans Street Sunbury**

**Registration Forms**

**Available on Club Website**

**<http://rupertswoodcc.org.au>**

**Or**

**Email Request**

**[rupocc@optusnet.com.au](mailto:rupocc@optusnet.com.au)**

**Enquires**

**0459 098 664 or 0421 991 519**