



SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

EVERY CHILD - EVERY OPPORTUNITY - HELPING CHILDREN SHINE

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OCTOBER			DECEMBER			
Friday October	31 st	Non Uniform Day Gold Coin Donation	Friday December	5 th	Prep – 2 Athletics More details to follow	
			Monday December	8 th	School Council – 6.30pm	
		NOVEMBER	Tuesday December	9 th	Whole School Transition	
Tuesday November	4 th	NO SCHOOL – PUBLIC HOLIDAY	Tuesday December	16 th	Grade 6 Graduation More details to follow	
Monday November	10 th	School Council – 6.30pm	Wednesday 17 th December		Prep – 2 Concert More details to follow	
Tuesday November	18 th	2015 Prep Transition			2015	
Tuesday November	25 th	2015 Prep Transition	Wednesday 28 th January		Whole school Pupil Free day	
Thursday November	27 th	Prep Aquarium Excursion	Thursday 29 th January		Whole school Pupil Free day	
Friday November	28 th	Non Uniform Day Gold Coin Donation	Friday January	30 th	Students from grades 3-6 begin school and attend full time. Prep students and 1/2 students testing by appointment	
NON UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 31st OCTOBER GOLD COIN DONATION 			Monday February	2 nd	Students from Grades 1 and 2 begin school and attend fulltime.	
			Monday February	2 nd –	Wednesday 4 th	Students from Grades 1-2 begin school and attend full time. Prep students testing by appointment.
			Thursday February	5 th		Prep Students attend fulltime.

A Message from Kerry Hicks (Business Manager)



Did you know you can pay your school account directly into the school's bank account?

Transferring \$5.00 weekly/fortnightly into your account (layby system) really adds up over the year.

When excursions, camps, etc come up, the money sitting in your account is then credited off the charge. If you are interested, please contact me.

NEWS AND INFORMATION

2015 Education Scholarship Jet Bastos

Jet came to Sunbury Heights when he was in grade two. He came from Clarkefield Primary School and settled in quickly. Jet's favourite specialist subject is art and his favourite in class subject is math. Jet says that he is honoured to be chosen for the Hume Education Scholarship. Jet is an intelligent child who is well deserving of the award. He also displays the other qualities that the recipient needs to display. The scholarship aims to recognise the significant contribution to educational excellence and qualities of good citizenship both at school and in the wider community

A cheque for \$1000 will be forwarded to Sunbury Downs College, the school Jet will attend in 2015. He has been successful in being selected to be part of the school's ACE Program. The grant will assist in meeting expenses such as books, school uniforms and excursions. Jet would like to thank all the teachers in this school who have taught him in the past, and especially Mrs Mills and Mrs Langmaid for selecting him for this wonderful award.



Parent Opinion Survey

Thank you to all the families who took the time to complete the Parent Opinion Survey. It shows us the areas that parents feel we are doing well in and areas for future development. Over the years Sunbury Heights has always taken the results of the survey seriously and put into place school improvement strategies as a result of parent feedback. At our next School Council Meeting we will discuss areas for development. The staff will also have an opportunity to analyse the results and put into place some strategies to address these areas. With Sunbury Heights undertaking a school review in 2015 the survey will assist us to self-evaluate and plan for the future.

Kinder At School Days

The Kinder kids from Claire and Tammy's groups at Learmonth Street loved having their Kinder session at school this week. They visited the library, had PMP in the GP room and enjoyed sessions on the computers, ipads and other classroom activities. Tammy, Claire and Denise were thrilled we were able to offer the experience to the pre-schoolers.

Rebecca Lewis and Sharon Ramunno work very closely with Claire, Denise and Tammy in ensuring that any best practice in regard to transition from kindergarten to school is introduced.

For Next Year's Preps:

This year we are continuing to improve our transition program to ensure that when our Preps start school in 2015, they are as prepared as they can be.

In November, Sharon Ramunno will contact our new Prep parents and make arrangements to meet with our Preps. Sharon will do some initial Prep entry work, chat with parents about reading and give the Preppies some books to look at that are specifically about our school.

These books were written and illustrated by the school staff.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE NEWS

The Premiers' Reading Challenge has now finished and we had 206 students complete the challenge.

Congratulations to the following students from grade 3-6 who finished!

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE HONOUR ROLL

3/4d – Violet Bastos, Ebony Bentley, Dakota Bethune, Alex Braun, Olivia Clarke, Ethan Davies, Nikita Johns, Zachary Lynch, Jamie Pender, Ally Quigley, Aaron Sapac, Jessie Tadd-Lennox, Vanessa Tancevski, Cody Walton

3/4K – Bridey Carew, Rianan Crowe, Amy De Young, Ryan Grose, Odin Holt, Brodie Manton, Jackson Olivieri, Jesse Parmar, Joseph Ring, Zachary Shave, Sasha Wanyama, Shaylee Williamson

34Y – Aljon Banting, Ashleigh Down, Priya Govender, Tyson Mills, Samantha Mogridge, Hayley Rooney

5A – Jordan Ballinger, Blayde Campbell-Ware, Nicholas Diss, Jarrod Douglas, Tamiah Gardiner, Phoebe Hall, Alex Hazelman, Chelsie Hendahewa, Brock Ireland, Kristen Matenga, Hollie Maxfield, Natalie McLean, Antwone Patterson, Will Uili, Ashleigh Wairau, Alyssa Wallace

5P – Annette Ashford, Caleb Bertram, Natarsha Maddox, Lizzie Mercer, Chloe Spiteri, Hannah Watkins

6L – Alexeen Banting, Mauricio Barragan Orea, Jet Bastos, Simote Feiloaki, Varshini Govender, Dylan Kelly, Maddi Lee, Mitchell Maddox, Angus Olivieri, Cillian Quirke, Kasey Sciberras, Bryce Street, Nicola Vergara, Stephanie Williams

6O- Chloe Desira

Premiers Reading Challenge Ambassadors

Each year the staff selects students who have shown a commitment to the Premier's Reading Challenge during their Primary School years.

We are thrilled to be able to advise you that this year the following students have been selected as one of the seven grade six students to receive the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge Champions badges.

Alexeen Banting, Stephanie Williams, Kara Gifford, Varshini Govender, Angus Olivieri, Kasey Sciberras and Simote Feiloaki.

The badges will be presented to the students at the school assembly on Monday 27th October at 2.45 pm.

We hope that you and other family members may be able to join us on the day to help celebrate with us your child's commitment to and participation in the PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE.

We hope the love of reading and the enjoyment your child receives from reading continues on well into the future.

Flavours of the World Food Lunch:

Our Canteen Manager, Jo and her helpers of Anashree, Jacinta and Maria, certainly had their work cut out for them on Wednesday preparing Flavours of the World lunches. The children all enjoyed their lunch and had the opportunity to try food from different cultures. Thank you to Jo and her helpers for all their hard work in preparing and serving the food. A sausage sizzle is the next special canteen event and is coming up 12 November.

Car Parking Fines

A special reminder to all our families to observe the parking signs around the school boundaries and to be respectful when parking in front of and near our neighbours properties. Recently, concerns have been raised by neighbours both in Charter Road East and Leichardt Street. They are centred around parents parking over driveways and children being unsupervised. The police and parking officers have been informed and will begin regularly patrolling the area at drop off and pick up times to issue infringement notices to all vehicles illegally parked.

Educational Maintenance Allowance

In 2014 Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) was made available to families in need to support the costs associated with education. The final payment for the 2014 EMA was made in August 2014. Parents will **not** be able to apply for the Education Maintenance Allowance in 2015.

In place of EMA, money has been allocated to eligible schools. Sunbury Heights is an eligible school.

At Sunbury Heights Primary School we are committed to ensuring our students receive fair and equitable educational opportunities. As such, the school is currently in the process of considering funding supplied through the core operational funding mechanism and the ways in which families in need can be supported. It is anticipated that families with a valid health care card as of the 27th of January, 2015 will still be able to access support from the school in a form that is yet to be decided.

Uniforms

With parents preparing to update their children's uniforms for the 2014 school year may, I just remind you of the great idea of choice that is available for your child.

School Council Uniform Policy is included for your reference:

-  navy windcheater, hooded windcheater, navy bomber jacket
-  Grade Six students have the option of purchasing a 'special' jumper each year.
-  red or pale blue polo shirt, pale blue polo with navy trim for
-  school tartan skirt
-  school summer dress
-  navy shorts (no stripes, pictures or logos)
-  navy track pants (no stripes, flairs, logos etc.)
-  navy netball skirt or skort (no stripes, pictures or logos)
-  navy or white socks (may be long or short)
-  navy, broad rimmed or bucket hat must be worn in terms 1 & 4
-  blue, white or red beanies may be worn outside in terms 2 & 3
-  blue, white or red scarves may be worn outside in terms 2 & 3

Jewellery

Stud earrings or small sleepers worn in the ears, plus watches are the only acceptable jewellery.

Hair Accessories

Hair accessories must be in the school colours (red, white or navy blue) and should be unobtrusive.

Hair

Extreme hair colours (eg. green, pink or purple) and/or extreme hair styles (e.g. patches of colour, Mohawks or shaved designs) are not permitted.

Cosmetics

Other than clear nail polish, cosmetics may not be worn at school.

Footwear

Shoes may have Velcro or laces, however must fully enclose the foot.
Sports shoes must be worn on days children will be involved in PE or sport.

Drink Bottles:

With the warmer weather creeping in we encourage students to stay hydrated and make sure they bring a water bottle to school for use within the classroom. Individual teachers have classroom rules about whether bottles are on tables, on the sink or kept in a bag. We encourage you to send along water for your child to drink from during the day. Students wanting to leave the classroom for a drink interrupt their own and their classmates learning

Pupil Free Days for 2015.

January

Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th

Whole school Pupil Free days – No students attend school.

Friday 30th

Students from grades 3-6 begin school and attend full time.
Prep students and 1/2 students testing by appointment.

February

Monday 2nd - Wednesday 4th

Students from grades 1-2 begin school and attend full time.
Prep students testing by appointment.

Thursday 5th

Prep students attend full time.



Congratulations to all our students and families for a wonderful effort in raising money for World Vision.

Each class came up with an original idea to raise money and the children were fully involved in the process; organising and implementing a number of terrific activities. In addition to the money raised from their 'special effort', class contributions from the August casual day were added to the total for each class.

Here's what each class purchased ...

Prep D \$33

Guess the number of lollies



Piglet

Prep K \$33

Guess the number of lollies



Duck

1/2R \$52.20

Lucky spot competition



Chickens



Pencils

aid support assist

1/2P \$138.40

Bags of Lollies



Piglet



Water



Chickens



**Mosquito
Nets**

1/2H \$56.30

Money tin in classroom



Lamb

give contribute donate

3/4Y \$73.00

Movie and Slinky Apples



Water



Chickens

3/4D \$82.35

Sports Activity Day



Lamb



Chickens

3/4K \$293.95

Movie Day



Seeds
Pencils

Chickens

Lunches

Piglet

Lamb

Mosquito

Books

Nets

Bestow provide share

5A \$52.50

Colouring Competition



Piglet



Goat



Mosquito



Chickens



Ducks



Blankets

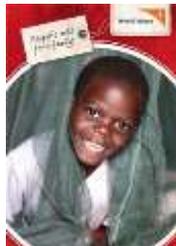
5P \$134.90

Guess the Number Competition

care help comfort ease

6L \$44.00

Donations



Mosquito



Chickens



Pencils

6O \$14.00

Donations



Chickens



Pencils

Congratulations to our students, staff, families and our Junior School Council.

This was a remarkable effort.

Pupil Free Days for 2015

Wednesday 18th March

Friday 14 August

Grade 6 Farewell

While it only seems like yesterday that your child was beginning primary school, soon their seven years of primary school education will be drawing to a close.

To celebrate this achievement, a farewell event for students, teachers and their parents has been organised.

This farewell gives the students a sense of closure and allows them to leave primary school in a meaningful way, before taking the next big step in their education.

The date for this year's celebration is Tuesday 16th of December and plans are in place to make it special for the students. The evening will be held at the Sunbury Bowling Club where students will enjoy a special dinner with their teachers and peers, as well as a disco before parents arrive for a final presentation.

The format of the evening is as follows.

- the evening will commence at 5:45pm with a meal for students and teachers
- a reminiscing disco for students and staff will follow the meal
- parents and family are invited to the formal presentation for students, which will begin at 8pm. Parents will not be required before this time.



There will be a cost of approximately \$25-\$30 per student and further notices regarding payment will be sent home closer to graduation. There is no cost for parents and family to attend the presentation.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

SCHOOL BANKING

- Remember School Banking is **Tuesday**
- You can bank as much as you like every week, School Banking is about frequency not value.

Every time a student makes a deposit at school they receive a silver  Dollarmite token. Once they have individually collected 10 tokens they can be redeemed for an exclusive Dollarmite reward item shown below.

Open your child's account at The Commonwealth Bank (any branch)

If your child already has a YOUTHSaver account at home simply bring that in on banking day and hand to their teacher with their \$ safely enclosed inside

2014 Rewards



2014 reward items include a:

- Handball
- Scented Pencils
- Penguin and Dolphin Keyrings
- Whale Shark Pencil Case
- Tin Moneybox
- Swimming Bag
- Projector Cup
- Sea Streamers



Any questions please call our local School Banking Specialist:
Rachel Manlio / Rachel.manliol@cba.com.au

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

To the following students, until the 26th October
Ally Quigley, Jayden Peters, Hayden DeYoung

Sunbury Heights Primary School YEARBOOKS for sale.

Did you miss out on buying a Sunbury Heights Primary School Yearbook?

We still have stock available from the last 4 years.

If you would like to buy a yearbook please enclose the correct money in an envelope with students name, grade and the year you would like to buy. Please refer to the pricing and copies available below.

YEAR	Copies available	Price
2013	26	\$5.00 each
2012	39	\$2.00 each
2011	82	\$2.00 each
2010	66	\$2.00 each

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Grade	Student	Reason
PREP K	Blaise Gledhill	For a great simile about the elephant's trousers.
PREP L	Prezli Verma	For his great sentence writing.
1/2R	Karlee Semmens	For following instructions to the best of her ability.
1/2P	Ariel Juric	For great work retelling fairytales.
1/2H	Hunter Walton	For application to writing and presentation.
3/4K	Jesse Parmar	For writing great writing strategies.
3/4Y	Skye Pendlebury	For being a great helper within the grade.
3/4d	Hailea Wood	For continued enthusiasm with her learning.
5P	Shannen Davison	For showing great confidence when taking a group Health lesson.
P.E.	6L & 6O	For a great session in P.E. with all students wearing their hats.
ART	3/4K	For focusing well in ART.
Mrs Adams SUPPORT	Maddison Street Brodie Carton	For creating a lovely dance and working together.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

DUE BACK – Tuesday 28th October 2014

If your child would like to make a purchase, please fill out the order form on the back of the brochure you are ordering from. If you are ordering from a few brochures, please fill out each order form and place in an envelope with correct money marked scholastic book club.

If you would like to pay by credit card, payments can be made online at www.scholastic.com.au/payment or free call 1800557908 with your credit card details. Please make sure you record your 11 digit receipt number on the back of your order form. You only need to make one credit card payment for all your order forms.

This is a great opportunity to purchase quality books at reasonable prices. All orders will earn our school free books and resources.

Thanking you
Bev McIntyre

JOB READINESS COURSE

On the 29/10/14 a job readiness course is starting in the Community Hub.

This will be facilitated by Banksia Gardens.

The w/shop shall run for 8 weeks.

TOPICS COVERED ARE:

- Resume Writing
- Job Requirements and Job Ads
- Interviews and Mock Interviews
- Job Hunting Techniques
- Work Place Manners & Etiquettes
- Teamwork and Communication in the Work Place
- Conflict and Resolution in the Workplace
- OH&S

Please feel free to contact Sharon Ramunno on 9744-3377 or email me using the link below
ramunno.sharon.s@edumail.vic.gov.au

DATE: 29TH October

TIME: 1:00-3:00

WHERE: Sunbury Heights Community Hub

DURATION: 8 Weeks

COST: FREE

COMPLETE KIDS

We are taking expressions of interest for a 3 & 4 year old sessional Kindergarten Program to be run within Sunbury Heights Primary School.

Contact: 03 9740 2111
75 Phillip Drive,
Sunbury 3429
www.completekids.net



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