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<u>August</u>	
Thursday 20 th	Ambulance Visit - Preps
Friday 21 st	Vision Portraits – Please note change of date
Monday 24 th	Grade Six Camp
Tuesday 25 th	Grade Six Camp
Wednesday 26 th	Grade Six Camp
Wednesday 26 th	Grade 1/2 Sleepy Time Tales
Friday 28 th	Casual Clothes Day – World Vision
Friday 28th	Scholastic Book Club due to school

<u>September</u>	
Thursday 3 rd	Father's Day Stall
Friday 4 th	Summer Sport – Years 5 and 6
Friday 4 th	Dads and Donuts – Preps 2.15pm
Wednesday 9 th	Walk to the Post Box - Preps
Friday 11 th	Rugby Gala Day – Years 5 and 6
Friday 11 th	Grade 1/2 Billycart Incursion
Wednesday 16 th	Traffic School Visit – Preps (approx. \$30)

Term Three 2015

August is ES Month.

Education Support Staff are often the unsung heroes of our school. ES Month is an opportunity to highlight the role ES staff play in our schools and to acknowledge their contributions. All staff in schools work together as a team and ES staff are a vital part of that team. They work in incredibly diverse and essential roles. They make a valuable contribution to the daily running of our school. So a big thank you to Kerry Hicks, Karen Cocks, Liz Sarbach, Bev Mc Intyre, Lori Walters, Kerry Dexter, Tracey Baldwin, Seathu Warrior, Kristy Haack, Amanda Beggs and Cathy Williams for their outstanding contribution and the assistance they provide to our students, staff and parents. We appreciate the time and effort you spend in supporting all aspects of school operations. A great team effort!



Week Away Here We Come

Our camping program continues next week with our grade 6 students off to "Weekaway". The students will be accompanied by Miss Morcom, Mrs Langmaid, Mr O'Keefe, Mrs McIntyre and Mrs Payton. Camp is a valuable experience for students but a tiring one for the staff who attend; they are on duty 24 hours a day, away from their own families and I thank them on your behalf for their willingness to give our year 6 students this experience.

Secondary School Placements

Sunbury Downs Secondary College and Sunbury Secondary College through us notified parents of student's placements yesterday. If any parents do not receive information about their child's placement and feel they have completed their obligations in this regard please contact our Transition Coordinator Damian O'Keefe so that he can assist you.

NAPLAN

This week we received the confidential reports for each grade three and five child who participated in NAPLAN 2015 testing. These results will be posted to families today and they should arrive at your home tomorrow or early next week. Accompanying each report is a student information brochure explaining about how to read the results and the achievement scale. The NAPLAN tests provide a snapshot of student performance on the day of the test.

It is important to remember, especially when looking at your own child's result is that where they are now is not as important as how much progress they have made. There are many reasons why students may not have performed to the best of their ability, such as illness or other distractions. Equally, some students may perform much better than expected when compared against their regular classroom, assessment results. If your child's results are either higher or lower than expected or you have any other concerns please make time to discuss the results with your child's teacher.

Were You Ready?

Thank you Michael Sperling and to the following students from Sunbury Downs Secondary College Michael Bernard, Lacey Blake, Jessica Bunting, Casey Carew, Luke Cianter, Letitia Fernandes, Luke Harrison, Kiera Jehu, Shelby Magnone, Jade McLean, Angus Olivieri, Matthew Peet, James Penny, Jazmyn Scharl, Kasey Sciberras, Jade Tomass and Stephanie Williams. The students came over last week to help us with our school review. In particular we wanted to find out if our past students felt we had prepared them academically, socially and emotionally for the next stage of their learning. We also wanted to know what we could have done better. Initially the students took photos of things around the school that they had liked or had inspired them. Observing the photos showed that there was there a good mix of teachers, learning spaces, leadership opportunities, play areas and special projects such as the establishment of the vegetable garden and buddies. The students felt that in most instances they were well prepared academically and had strategies in place if they encountered difficulties at secondary school.



What did they wish we had made them learn? Times tables, world knowledge and exam preparation were on the list as was how to study, drama and musical beats. To finish off we wanted to find out if the students were motivated to keep learning and had an idea of the pathway they would take. Again there was a range of responses a furniture designer, a forensic psychologist, an apprentice a police woman and paramedic were on the list. The maturity of our ex-students, the respect they showed us and the ease in which they communicated certainly made Nicole, Damian and I proud that these young adults started off their schooling at Sunbury Heights.

National Science Week –It went off with a bang!

The students certainly had an exciting day yesterday celebrating National Science Week. Science Week is a fantastic opportunity for us to showcase the interest our students and staff have in the world of science. We have offered science as a specialist subject area for the past five or six years and it is certainly something the students look forward to in their weekly class program. Thank you Mrs Payton for organising such a great event and keep a look out in the local paper for our featured scientists.



Giving back to the school

Thank you to 1/2 P and 5P who joined fundraising forces and contributed to buying two garden beds and soil for near the cubby in the area between the 1/2 classrooms and the BER. When the flowers bloom, it will certainly make a pretty picture. Karlee, Luke Sasha and Violet (maybe that could be the flower we plant) certainly look pleased with the results of the hard work that Mrs Pianura, Miss Portelli and Miss Portelli's fiancé Corey put in on the weekend to set them up.




NATIONAL ESMART WEEK 2015

We all know how important it is to be "cyber safe" and that is why once again we are looking forward to taking a team of five Grade 6 students to join Hume Libraries at the Sunbury Library to participate in an inter-school online and cyber safety trivia competition. Teams will take part in a trivia competition, with questions based on online, cyber safety and general internet knowledge. The winning team will receive a \$200 Collins book voucher for their school and character USB drives for participating students. Mr O'Keefe is in the process of selecting the team and will accompany them on the day.

Parent Behaviour Respecting Others

In the interests of all students and staff we ask that parents be mindful of their behaviour in and around the school. As role models we need to always demonstrate courtesy and respect for one another and each other's children in our interactions with others.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK		
Grade	Student	Reason
Prep L	Olivia Coad Kade Kelsell	For a fantastic effort with making tens & ones in maths.
1/2R	Jaymee Nunn	For working hard to blend 3 letter words.
1/2H	Alyssa Denman	For being a vibrant enthusiastic and energetic learner.
3/4d	Kris Riley	For being more attentive in class.
P.E.	Dion Cotis	For displaying great team work in 3/4 sport.
ART	Kade Kelsell	For showing initiative and being helpful in the artroom.
Mrs Warrior	Hayley Farrugia	For working hard and improving in her sounding of words.

	HAPPY BIRTHDAY til 23 rd August				
	Indiannah Campbell	Josh Killeen	Tahlia Tait	Keira Hall-Teuma	Corey Byron
Hannah Watkins	Chloe Turk				

Looking to recharge your batteries but also want to ensure your children are having fun?

Complete Kids Early Learning offers Before and After School Care here at Sunbury Heights. Our Program includes Dance, Sports, Board Games, iPads, D.S games, Water Play, Jewellery Design, Beadoz, Art & Craft, Skipping, Active team games, Yoga, Cooking and Science. Call 9740 2111 to make your enquiry.



Romsey Primary School 150th Anniversary Open Day Saturday October 24th from 10.00am – 4.00pm

All past students, families and staff of Romsey Primary School are invited to our 150th celebration at the current school site in Station Street, Romsey. Visits to the old school will be available, and there will be displays, demonstrations, a mini market day, and gourmet bar-b-cue lunch on the day. An official ceremony will be held at 2.30pm. Other activities in Romsey over that weekend include a special screening of Dusty at the Mechanics Institute with an old time supper afterwards on Saturday evening, a special World Children's Day activity program at Sydney Seymour Cottage (hosted by the Romsey Lancefield Historical Society) on Sunday and a family picnic day at the old school site also on Sunday. Some of the local cafes, restaurants and hotels will be offering special deals for those attending the Open Day at Romsey. All good reasons to come along and catch up with old acquaintances!

For further information visit the Romsey Primary school website www.romseyyps.vic.edu.au or call 03 5429 5099. Email your attendance to romsey.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au



The Sunbury Softball Association Invites You to our Annual Come Try / Open Day

BBQ / T-Ball & Softball Games / Registration on Day
Come meet Lightning McQueen

Date: Sunday the 30th Of August 2015

Time: 9am – 12pm

Location: Goonawarra Recreational Reserve, 155 Lancefield Road,
Sunbury VIC, 3429

All Welcome Boys & Girls 5yrs+ - Open Womens & Men

Please Contact The Below Representatives For Further Information



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