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28th July 2016

July	
Thurs 28 th	Prep – The Arts Centre Excursion
Fri 29 th	CASUAL CLOTHES DAY – Careworks
August	
Tues 2 nd	ICAS – English (selected students only)
Wed 3 rd	Parent Occupation Information DUE BACK
Thurs 4 th	Parent Presentation – Resilience 6.00 – 8.00pm (more details to follow)
Fri 5 th	G3/4 – The Arts Centre Excursion
Wed 10 th	Special Lunch - Olympic 'Flavours of the World'
Fri 12 th	Prep – Pet Education Incursion Prep – G2 - P&F Movie Night (3.30 – 5pm)
Tues 16 th	ICAS – Maths
Fri 19 th	Summer Sports G3 – G6 - P&F Movie Night (3.30 – 5pm)
Mon 22 nd	Grade 6 – Camp (FINAL PAYMENT DUE 5th AUGUST)
Tues 23 rd	
Wed 24 th	



Olympic
'Flavours of the World'

Lunch

Wednesday, 10th August, 2016

LAST DAY FOR ORDERS
Friday 5th August 2016



LATE ORDERS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED
NO OTHER LUNCH ORDERS ON THIS DAY

NEWS AND INFORMATION

What a special event Monday's assembly was! The grade one students entered to a fan fair as they paraded in wearing the glasses they had made to celebrate 100 days of school. Each year the 100 days of school celebration focus in the grade 1/2 classrooms provides the students with much maths, reading, writing and creative activities. Through this learning the students also focus on the research that "every day counts."

Primary School Attendance

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

Why it's important

- We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.
- If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.
- There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.
- Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Getting in early

Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years, and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It's vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

What we can do

- The main reasons for absence are sickness – there are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they're ill. It's vital that they're only away on the days they are genuinely sick, and setting good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.
- It's vital that holidays are planned during school holidays where possible, and not during the term if it can be avoided.
- Day off – Think twice before letting your child have a "day off" as they could fall behind their classmates – every day counts. "
- Truancy – This is when students choose not to go to school without their parent's permission. There can be many reasons for truancy. The best way to address this is for schools and parents to work together.

If for any reason your child must miss school, there are things you can do with your school to ensure they don't fall behind:

- Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.
- Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.
- Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.
- Openly communicating with your child's school about all absences is a good way to prevent attendance issues being escalated to a School Attendance Officer. A School Attendance Officer is a Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Regional

- Director who has authority to follow up attendance issues. Attendance issues that are escalated can lead to an Infringement Notice. If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

Further information

For more information and resources to help address attendance issues, visit:

www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/studentattendance.aspx



Class Captains

It was also pleasing to see so many of the family members of our Semester Two class captains present. The students certainly enjoy sharing this good news around and we are certain that they will be great role models and ambassadors for our school in the remainder of the year

ICAS English Test

Congratulations to the final list of students who have been selected to sit the ICAS English test next Tuesday. The test begins at 9.00am. If your child has been selected it is imperative that they are on time.

Grade 4 - Shayla Hendaheva, Kimberly Deeble, Adam Quirke, Kyle Atkinson, Dion Cotis

Grade 5 - Georgia Sciberras, Rakhia Ball, Arnav Saxena, Odin Holt, Emily Guthrie

Grade 6 - Jack Price, Jamie Pender, Tegan Newell, Violet Bastos, Holly Pickering

Parent Opinion Surveys

Parent Opinion Surveys were distributed this week to 45 randomly selected families. I would like to thank all the families who have already returned these to us and those who have not yet returned them, you have until Friday 29th to return them to the office.

Parent Occupations

Today you will have received a letter requesting information about your occupation. This is information which you would have provided on your child's initial enrolment form and information which the department asked us to update every year so they can determine how much funding we receive.

We would therefore ask that this information is returned to us by Wednesday, 3rd August at the latest to give us time to upload this information before carrying out the Department Census on Friday. Thank you in advance for taking the time to do this.

Parent Payments

We advised you late last term that the Department has asked us to ensure that Family accounts are finalised by the end of Term 3. You will therefore be receiving family statements over the next couple of weeks. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the office should you wish to check the balance of your account or make a payment.

Playground Upgrade

On the weekend works in the 'grave yard area' between the BER and the junior school classrooms will begin in preparation for the laying synthetic turf. Late last week I completed an expression of interest for \$25,000 of funding for a shade shelter or structure. With shelter and shade this would become a very well used recreational and outdoor learning space for our students.

MT BULLER SNOW DAY
Saturday, 13th August 2016
Departs Bunnings Sunbury Carpark at 5.30am
Departs Mountain at 9.00pm

\$99.00 per person

Inclusions:-

- * Five Star Luxury Coach
- * Professional & Qualified Coach Captain
- * Gate entry to Mt Buller

Extras (to be ordered with Driver on the day):-

* Jacket or Pants	\$ 26.00
* Jacket & Pants	\$ 38.00
* Walking Boots—standard	\$ 17.00
* Skis, Boots & Poles	\$ 56.00
* Board, Boots & W/guards	\$ 59.00
* Lift Tickets—Unlimited	\$125.00
* Lift Tickets—Discover Lift & Lesson	\$125.00

For more details contact:-
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SUNBURY Coaches

COMPLETE KIDS - OSHC

Loom bands offer a range of psychological and therapeutic benefits such as building self-esteem and confidence, extending children's attention span & concentration. As well as developing fine motor, social and perceptual skills. This activity to the children was just FUN, especially as our bands were bubblegum fragranced. Blake enjoyed making an arm bracelet for himself and his little brother.



PREP AMBULANCE & ROAD SAFETY INCURSIONS



This term, children in grade Prep are learning about safety in our community.



Last Friday we had two special visitors from Ambulance Victoria. Jake and Stretch came to Sunbury Heights to teach us about how to recognise a medical emergency; learn that Triple Zero (000) is the number to call in an emergency; and identify community members who can help in a medical emergency. The children were able to tour the ambulance and listen to a story exclusively developed for Ambulance Victoria.

On Tuesday our school Crossing Supervisor, Bronwyn visited the Prep rooms to talk about the importance of crossing the road safely. Then, we all went outside and practised crossing the road. Children showed excellent listening skills and successfully demonstrated everything they had learnt from Bronwyn.



hairspray

Our Grade 5/6 students were lucky enough to be invited to Sunbury Downs on Wednesday to watch their production of 'Hairspray the musical'. Some of our students had siblings who starred in the production!





**Leah
INGLIS
Kyana
DUFFIN
Madison
SHAW**

P&F Movie Nights

I would like to Chrissie, Mellisa and Julie for such a great job organising the P&F Movie nights. Forms went out to students this week and we have already received a huge amount of interest.



PREP – GRADE 2
Friday 12th August
3.30 – 5.00pm



GRADE 3 – GRADE 6
Friday 19th August
3.30 – 5.00pm



GRADE	STUDENT	REASON
Prep K	Paityn Coad	For great improvements in writing letter the same size
Prep C	Azile Tuilau	For always trying to sound out new words and having a go!
Prep B	Max Smith	For remembering to put up his hand when contributing to class discussions
1M	Toni Muscat	For your enthusiasm when participating in class discussions
2H	Maddison Street	For being careful and persistent with writing
2D	Michael Webb Hannah Inglis	For amazing descriptions in their narrative writing
3D	Skye Atkinson	For working hard to subtract with re-naming
4d	Mitchell Crossland	For his enthusiastic attitude to his learning
5K	Olivia Clarke	For great work in fractions
6PA	Andre Xerri	For always doing the right thing in class
SCIENCE (Mrs Tyers)	Isabella Sculli	For her fantastic diorama of her volcano
Mrs Dexter	Noah Carey	For using persistence and resilience to improve his reading and writing

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Blue Light

Sunbury BLUE LIGHT

FRIDAY, 26TH AUGUST
FOOTY & SPORTS THEME

SUNBURY MEMORIAL HALL
INT BARKLY & MACEDON STS, SUNBURY
6-8PM | PRIMARY AGE | \$7 ENTRY

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PLEASE ASK YOUR PARENTS IF YOU ARE UNDER 13

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Rupertswood Cricket Club Inc
"Birthplace of The Ashes"

REGISTRATION DAY

Saturday 20th AUGUST 2016
9am - 12 midday

INTERSPORT
Sunbury Square Shopping Centre
Evans Street Sunbury

New Players and Females welcome

Online Registrations and Forms
Available on Club Website
<http://www.rupertswoodcc.org.au>

Or
Email Request
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