



SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

EVERY CHILD - EVERY OPPORTUNITY - HELPING CHILDREN SHINE

Charter Road East
P.O. Box 243, Sunbury 3429
Telephone: 9744 3377
Facsimile: 9744 5721

Email: sunbury.heights.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Website: www.sunburyheightsps.vic.edu.au

Newsletter No 12
10th May, 2012

TERM CALENDAR

DATE	DETAIL
2012	
MAY	
Fri 11th May	Mother's Day Stall
Fri 11th May	Grade 6 Final Camp Payment due
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
JUNE	
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.)

BOOK A BURGER DAY Lunch - \$6.50

Friday 25th May 2012

LAST DAY FOR ORDERS...

MONDAY 21st MAY

Order forms available from the Office



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Cousins Galore!

I am not sure whether this is a record but I have never taught at a school where six cousins attend. Evan (Prep), Ava (Grade 2), Riley (Grade 2), Josh (Grade 4), Kiah and Alana (Grade 6). All their mum's are sisters and with Josh leaving our school to head to Maryborough we thought it was an opportune time to take a photo and wish him well as he heads off.



Staff Leave

Mrs Wilson will be on leave from Friday of this week until Friday of next week. In her absence the class will be taken by Anne Czyz.

Mrs Xuereb will also be on leave for the next two weeks and Lynn Hubbard will take her Prep class.

If any parents have any concerns about their child or medical information that needs to be passed on please make contact with either Anne or Lyn.

Education Week

There are many exciting things happening during Education Week On Thursday the 24th of May as part of Education Week Mr Knight and Mrs Wilson will be running an hour of activities to help show parents some great websites available to support students' learning at home

Time: 11.20am-12.20pm

Venue: This will be run in our new ICT area so spaces are limited!

Booking: contact the school and speak to Mr Knight or Mrs Wilson and they will save you a seat. Hope to see you there!

Prep for Parents Online Forum on Reading

Prep for Parents is a free weekly subscription email for parents of prep students.

During Education Week, *Prep for Parents* will host two online forums on reading.

The forums are open to all parents but are designed for parents of prep students. Parents do not have to subscribe to *Prep for Parents* to participate in a forum.

Do you have questions about reading with or to your child?

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development's *Prep for Parents* Forums will focus on reading and parents are encouraged to participate.

There will be experts on standby to answer your questions and to provide practical tips and advice.

Alison Lester, children's author and Premiers' Reading Challenge Ambassador

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc/keypeople/ambassadors/lester.htm>

will give tips on reading via video.

The forum will be held during Education Week on Thursday 24 May - Session 1: 11.00 am and 12 noon, and Session 2: 8.30pm to 9.30pm.

For more information, Facebook members can visit: <https://www.facebook.com/prepforparents>

Other Education Week activities that you can become involved with include:

MONDAY 9-11

Stamp Out Bullying Incursion – Whole School Incursion

TUESDAY OPEN EVENING ACTIVITIES 5.45 - 7.00

Prep D and Prep X "Sharing Our School Start"
Junior School "Sleepy Pyjama Time Tales"
Middle School Rotational Literacy and Science activities
Senior School Grade 6 Camp Activities
Grade 5 Persuasive Writing Launch and ICT demonstration

WEDNESDAY

Junior School Simultaneous Story time Very Cranky Bear with Deb Oatley Sunbury Library
Footsteps Parent Open Day Grade 3 @12.30pm and Grade 4 @ 2.15pm
Grade 6 Phillip Island camp

THURSDAY

Open Morning Prep - 5 9am -10pm
Grade 6 Phillip Island Camp

FRIDAY

Prep D and Prep X Breakfast at school
Grade 6 Phillip Island Camp

Bring A Coat

Students all love to be outside playing during the recess and lunch breaks. Please make sure your child has clothes suitable for the weather conditions and they bring a coat to school so that they can get outside to play wherever possible.

Prep Enrolments

Many new families have contacted the school about the school tours and information sessions that are coming up.

Dates for the tours are:

Tuesday	29 th May	7.00pm-8.00pm
Wednesday	30 th May	9.15am-10am
Thursday	31 st May	9.15am-10am

If you know of neighbours or friends please encourage them to come to one of the sessions that will be held.

Mothers Day Stall

Please remember that this year's Mothers Day Stall will be held tomorrow Friday 11th of May. There are great gifts for your child to buy from the stall. The prices of gifts range from \$1.00 to \$5.00 We also have a fantastic raffle. Raffle books have been sent home and the books need to come back tomorrow to be eligible for the draw.

Tickets are 50c each or \$5.00 for the book. Tickets will be sold at the Mother's Day Stall.

Twenty One Day Challenge

Do you remember last year when Andrew Knight wore a tie and suit for 21 days? This was a big challenge for the normally casual Mr Knight but he has once again decided to be involved in raising funds for Open Family Australia. The challenge is geared around raising money for the Open Families' charity, which supports homeless youth throughout Australia.

Andrew wants to continue supporting our World Vision Fundraising, therefore he choose something where people can help out, and be a part of it in ways other than donating money.

So this year Andrew and his class have come up with 21 quick and simple things they can do to improve somebody's day. (For example, give 21 high fives, say thank you to 21 people we forgot to say it to for something, etc). Each day they will pick something at random and try to do the daily challenge. Andrew will also write the daily challenge on a notice board outside of his room for anyone not in his grade who wants to get involved.

It seems that the organisers liked Andrew and his class' idea and there will be some media coverage. There is a chance it may even be covered on the Channel Ten news.

The challenge will be starting on June 1st. For anyone interested in donating, or simply having a look at what its all about, go to <http://www.openfamilyfundraising.org.au/personalPage.aspx?registrationID=446897&langPref=en-CA>

Lobbying for Public Education

On Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th May I am joining a delegation and going to Canberra.

Victoria's delegation includes Principals, teachers and parents from the seats of Deakin, Latrobe, McEwen, Corangamite and Melbourne. There are three representatives from each electorate.

I am not sure of the finer details at this stage but a brief outline is that the AEU nationally is lobbying the Federal Government to adopt the Gonski Review recommendations and regards this as a priority.

The 23rd May is Public Education Day –we will arrive in Canberra in the morning and there will be some training for delegates and then later in the day a forum celebrating Public Education Day.

On Thursday morning we will undertake further training and then late morning meet with the respective politicians. When I come back I will be able to inform you more of what happens but be assured I will certainly lobbying for improvements for our school and all forms of public education.

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

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE NEWS

Our Premier's Reading Challenge started first term and we now have 10 students who have completed the challenge. Congratulations to the following students for being the first students to complete the challenge –**Shezad Mohamed (5A) and Isabella Tancevski (6D)**

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE HONOUR ROLL

5A - Shehzad Mohamed
6D - Brittney Braun, Alisha Clarke, Finn Gregor, Hannah Hamilton, Kiera Jehu, Strickland Lesoa, Isabella Tancevski
6L - Luke Hannah, Eddie Sasulu

Have you returned your child's permission note for the Premier's Reading Challenge?

If it is still on the fridge or the kitchen bench, **please sign and return the form TOMORROW.**

There is no cost involved in the challenge and the benefits are that your child is practising their reading and discovering new ideas and information through that reading.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB DUE BACK – Friday 11th May, 2012

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. Please place your order in an envelope, marked Scholastic Book Club.

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
Liz Hill

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To the following students to the 13th May
Justin Salluzzo, Lizzie Mercer, Sally De Young,
Riley Woolford-Grinham

PUPIL OF THE WEEK – WEEK ENDING 10th MAY

Teacher	Student	Reason
Junior Xuereb	Ellie Pugh	For working hard in class.
Junior Hill	Odin Holt	For neat book work, consistently sized and shaped letter
Middle Wilson	Riley Woolford Grinham	For improved concentration during group work.
Middle Pianura	Cillian Quirke	Great effort at Interschool Cross Country and settling in well to SHPS.
Middle Laing	Tamara Tichy	Tamara demonstrates a helpful attitude and good common sense.
Senior O'Keefe	Suzanna Pyke	For excellent attitude to learning.
Senior Langmaid	Jonathon Long	For showing such enthusiasm towards learning apostrophes.
Senior de Waart	Max Horkings	Making great progress with his hand writing.
Miss Ratkowski PE	Shelby Magnone	For working well with others in PE.
Mrs Caddaye ART	4P	For their best in Art so far this year.
Mrs Harding SCIENCE	5A	Setting up a turtle tank for "Lemonade".

Family and Children's Services:

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE – Sunbury Heights will be closed on MONDAY 4th June as staff will be attending a training day.

Prime Tutoring

"Helping children reach their Prime with maths"

Prime Tutoring assists with:

- Primary School literacy and numeracy (Grades 3 – 6)
- Mathematics (Years 7 – 11)
- VCE Accounting
- Introductory, Financial and Computerised Accounting (MYOB)

I come to you! Servicing Sunbury and district.

0430 270 487

www.primemathstutoring.com

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 Dollarmites consolation prizes for the students.

A flyer with all competition details will be issued soon.



Commonwealth Bank School Banking Information Day



Where: Sunbury branch 75-77 Evans street Sunbury.

When: Friday the 18th May from 9.30-5pm

If you open an account for your child you

will receive a FREE showbag with some cool stuff!



Do you have one of these

Don't forget if you already have an account you can start banking at school and we will earn money for cool stuff! Just bring your bank book on our school banking day!!!!

How many tokens do you have???



2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP
Will be open TUESDAY 5th JUNE
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

