



SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

EVERY CHILD - EVERY OPPORTUNITY - HELPING CHILDREN SHINE

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Important Dates

AUGUST		SEPTEMBER	
Mon 19 th - Fri 23 rd	Book Week	Fri 6 th September	Summer Sports
Mon 26 th - Wed 28 th	Grade 6 Camp	Sat 7 th September	Shopping Tour
Friday 30 th August	Casual Clothes Day	Mon 9 th September	School Council Meeting – 6.30pm
Friday 30 th August	Father's Day Stall	Fri 13 th & Sat 14 th September	Vision Portraits – Friday 13 th September from 4:30 pm till 9:00pm Saturday 14 th September from 9:00am till 5:00pm
		Fri 20 th September	Last Day Term 3 2.30pm dismissal

NEWS AND INFORMATION

Dear Parents,

We are well into the throws of Winter and some of the students and staff are experiencing winter chills, bouts of gastro and the odd case or two of Chickenpox!

The best place for sick children to be is at home. Please ensure that if your children are unwell, they remain at home to recover. They cannot do their best at school if they are not performing on all cylinders and we don't want other students and staff catching whatever is going around in the Community at the moment.

If you have not been affected by Chickenpox in the past I have included the following information:

Chickenpox is spread by air-borne droplets from the upper respiratory tract (when the infected person coughs or sneezes) or from touching the fluid in the skin blisters (lesions). An infected person is contagious for 1–2 days (possibly five days) before the onset of the rash and remains infectious until the blisters form scabs (usually around day five of the illness).

The time from infection to appearance of the rash (incubation period) for Chickenpox is around 14–16 days. A few days prior to the rash appears, the person may feel feverish with a sore throat and headache. Their skin may be marked for some months after the rash has cleared.

The symptoms of Chickenpox include:

- The person develops a low-grade fever.
- The person experiences general discomfort, illness or lack of wellbeing (malaise).
- A skin rash appears as little blisters surrounded by irregular-shaped patches of inflamed skin ('dew drop on a rose petal').
- The rash usually starts on the body, then progresses to include the head and limbs.
- Ulcers may develop in certain areas, including the mouth and vagina.
- The rash is intensely itchy.
- The little blisters burst and develop crusts, usually about day five.

Children with Chickenpox should not attend school until the last blister has dried. This takes usually between 7 and 10 days. You should inform us if your child gets Chickenpox, so that we can inform other parents about possible symptoms to look out for.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Sunbury Heights Primary School has had a long and successful association with the Premier's Reading Challenge. The aim of the Challenge is to promote a love of reading. It is not a competition, but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely. The challenge finishes on 12th September and no more data can be entered. Please support your child in this last month to finish the challenge. Remember reading opens the door to everything.

Footys4all

Congratulations to the students from Grades Prep-6 who were worthy recipients of this month's Footys4all presentation. The students selected by Miss Ratkowski chose either a football, rugby or soccer ball. Another round of winners will be announced later in the term. Keep displaying the qualities of tolerance, team work and participation if you would like to be considered in the future.

Car/Bike Swap Meet Show and Car Boot Sale

In conjunction with PCYC (Police Community Youth Club) Sunbury Heights Primary School will be holding a Car/ Bike Swap Meet and Show on Sunday 27th October on the school grounds.

A great day's entertainment and carnival atmosphere is planned.

- Swap Meet Site or Car Boot Site \$20.00
- Car or bike display \$10.00
- Adult entry price \$5.00
- Children free

To book a site or enter a vehicle please contact Stuart on 0404 131 271

If anyone would like to organise a child friendly fundraising activity or has any ideas for activities and events to keep the kids amused and entertained please contact Sharon in the Community Hub or myself at the front office.

Outstanding Writing Results

Not only do students at Sunbury Heights enjoy writing, they are extremely good at it as well.

This has been confirmed by results in the ICAS writing test.

Chelsea Houston was our top performer in year six. She received a **Distinction** and was ranked in the top ten percent of students who sat the test. Adam Fearnley and Jamie Woodham both achieved **Credits**, while Ruby Ryan, Lauren Ashford and Marijana Stevenja received certificates for participation.

In year five, Jet Bastos improved on a Credit from last year with a **Distinction** and both Simote Feiloaki and Kasey Sciberras achieved **Credits**. Kara Gifford, Cillian Quirke and Mitchell Maddox wrote very good pieces and received participation certificates.

The results for year four were quite remarkable. Sally De Young was ranked in the top 15 percent of students which gave her a **Credit** for her efforts. Rayden Yob, Chelsea Hendaheva, Caleb Bertram and Alyssa Wallace **ALL received Distinctions** while Jamie Clanchy achieved a **High Distinction**.

Red Star Award

Hollie Pickering was presented with her RED Star badge at assembly this week. Hollie has been a very enthusiastic participant in the program and was delighted to finally receive her badge. For the citizenship section of the award, students need to know about Australia. Hollie was able to name the Prime Minister and the Premier of Victoria. Great work Hollie!



Grade 6 Transition News

After a meeting today with the Principals of Sunbury Downs Secondary College and Sunbury Secondary College, Mr Brett Moore and Mr Stephen Smith, I am pleased to advise parents of our exiting Grade 6 students that they will be advised early next week of their child's placement. The enrolment packages from each College will be mailed to your home address so please keep an eye out for these as they will contain much information that will help both you and your child make a smooth transition to the Secondary College setting.

SWAP A BOOK IN BOOK WEEK

Next week is Book Week. Our school library will be having a book swap.

With Spring just around the corner, this is a good time to have a clean out of the bookshelves.

The Book Swap starts on Tuesday 20 August and finishes on Friday 23 August.

From Tuesday, there will be a table outside the library from 8:30am until 3:30pm.

Please note this is a children's book swap so please only books suitable for children in primary school.

We will be unable to swap books that are not in reasonable condition.

So bring a book, take a book.

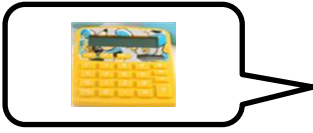
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

To the following students, until the 18th August 2013 – Tyson Lamb, Jaiden Manton, Jesse Parmar, Mia Wills-Jehu, Joshua Woods

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Grade	Student	Reason
Prep H	Ben Allan-Reardon	For making good efforts to sound out words when writing.
1/2P	Hayden De Young	For being a fantastic helper in the classroom.
1/2H	Caleb Woods	For responsibility and care of class XO's.
5P	Hayley Rooney	For reaching PM level 30.
5A	Brayden Varapodio	For persistent with his narrative writing.
6L	Lauren Dini	For an enthusiastic approach to all things XO.
P.E.	3/4W	For a great session in P.E.
ART	Kieralee Crook	For always being polite and helpful in ART.
SCIENCE Mrs Adams	3/4A	For being a settled, interested class during Science activities.
SCIENCE Mrs Payton	Skye James	For excellent scientific predictions.

SCHOOL BANKING REMINDER:



2013 REWARDS



SCHOOL BANKING DAY IS TUESDAY



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

Family Portraits Fundraiser DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY

Vision Portraits are coming to Sunbury Heights Primary on Friday 13th September from 4:30 pm till 9:00pm and Saturday 14th September from 9:00am till 5:00pm

Great opportunity to purchase a family portrait (10x13) for only \$15:00 which goes directly to the school. There will be other packages available on the day to choose from.

Supporting this fundraiser will enable our XO program to grow and keep running

Provide access points for internet

Purchase power charges and repair kits

Teacher's professional development

Enable all students to participate more fully in the program

Attached to the Newsletter is a voucher you need to complete and return to the school with your \$15:00 and details before Friday 6th September.

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 16th November, 2013 7.30am departing school 6pm returning to school

\$70 per person, including lunch \$35 deposit due by 20th September Final payment by 25th October

Contact – Kylie Gifford (0448 440 075 or kyliejifford@bigpond.com)

Salesian College

Families with a Year 7 student attending Salesian College in 2014 are encouraged to phone Dobsons Uniform Shop over the next few weeks on 9740 4831 during regular trading hours (Mon 8am-11am, Wed 8.30am-11.30am, Thur 10.45am-1.45pm) to book a fitting appointment in October, to take advantage of early bird specials that have been on offer in past years.

Please take note the Uniform Shop is not open during the school/public holidays.

Regards

Kind Regards

Paula Giuliano

Salesian College Uniform shop