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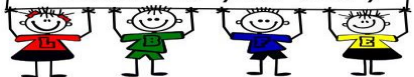


Sunbury Heights

Primary School

TERM 3

'Dates for your diary'



AUGUST 2025

Fri 22 nd	Ride to School – Cancelled – Date to be confirmed in Term 4
Mon 25 th	Curriculum Day – No School
Mon 25 th Fri 29 th	Book Week
Tue 26 th	School Council
Thu 28 th	Book Week Parade @9am
Thu 28 th	Teeth on Wheels
Fri 29 th	Father's Day Stall

Bell Times

Start School: - 8:50am

Recess: - 10:30am - 10:45am

1st Break: - 12:35pm - 1:05pm

2nd Break: - 1:55pm - 2:25pm

End of Day: - 3:15pm



2025 Term Dates

- ◆ Term 3: 21 July – 19 September
- ◆ Term 4: 6 October – 19 December

Curriculum Days

- ◆ Monday 25 August 2025
- ◆ Monday 3 November 2025

2026 Term Dates

- ◆ Curriculum Days: 27th and 28th January 2026
- ◆ Years 1 to 6 Students Start 29th January 2026
- ◆ Foundation Students Start 2 February 2026
- ◆ Term 1: 27th January to Thursday 2nd April
- ◆ Term 2: 20th April to Friday 26th June
- ◆ Term 3: 13th July to Friday 18th September
- ◆ Term 4: 5th October to Friday 18th December

Term 3 – Week 5 – 21/08/2025

What an incredible three days our Year 4 students had at DOXA Camp! From the moment the bus pulled in on Monday morning, the adventure began. After a quick trip, we arrived at 11:00am and wasted no time diving into activities. Students rotated through archery, low ropes, outdoor cooking and teacher-led challenges – testing their balance, patience, teamwork and resilience. By mid-afternoon, we had settled into our cabins, bags unpacked, and beds claimed. Before long, the camp was buzzing with chatter, games and exploring. The evening wrapped up with a hearty dinner in the dining hall, followed by some fun group activities. Following a tasty spaghetti dinner the night before, campers eventually drifted off to sleep (well before midnight... mostly!). The next morning, we woke to a frosty 2° sunrise, but hot breakfasts and plenty of energy quickly warmed us up. The day was jam-packed with outdoor adventures, problem-solving challenges and opportunities to try something new. The sun came out, and the crisp morning turned into a perfect day for camp life. Teachers were blown away by the enthusiasm of our Year 4s – whether balancing on ropes, firing an arrow at the target, or learning new cooking skills, every single student pushed themselves to have a go. Students cheered each other on, supported their friends, and showed exactly why these experiences are so valuable. By the evening, everyone was ready to unwind with movie night – the perfect way to finish such a big day. Our final morning, we squeezed in one more activity before packing up. The camp closed with reflections on all that had been achieved – new friendships formed, fears faced head-on, and challenges conquered. Students boarded the bus home feeling tired but proud of everything they had accomplished. A very big thank you to Ms Marks for her outstanding organisation of camp, and to Mr Gardner, Ms O'Keefe, Ms Andrews, Mrs Cocks and Mrs Walters for their dedication, encouragement and willingness to give up their time (and sleep!) to make camp possible. Our Year 4 DOXA Camp was filled with adventure, challenges, achievements and unforgettable memories. We couldn't be prouder of our students.



In the spirit of reconciliation Sunbury Heights Primary School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respect to their elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.



SHPS Celebrates Book Week 2025 📖 ✨

Get ready, Sunbury Heights – from Monday 25th to Friday 29th August, we'll be celebrating the magic of books with Book Week 2025! This year's theme is: *"Book an Adventure" – "Where Books Can Take You"* Books are powerful – they can transport us anywhere in the world (and even beyond it!). Will you find yourself sailing the high seas on a pirate ship searching for hidden treasure? Or blasting off as an astronaut, exploring galaxies far, far away? Maybe you'll tumble down a rabbit hole, enter a fairy-tale kingdom, or discover a secret garden. The adventures are endless – and that's exactly what we'll be celebrating!

📖 The Book Parade is one of the most exciting parts of Book Week is our Book Parade, which will take place on:

📅 Thursday 28th August

🕒 9:00am

📍 Basketball Court

Students are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book character that links with this year's theme. Whether it's a daring explorer, a magical hero, or a cheeky character from a much-loved picture book – we can't wait to see the creativity shine.

Parents, you are warmly invited to come along, join the fun, and watch as the basketball court transforms into a colourful stage full of storybook characters!

🏆 Prizes & Celebrations

To add even more excitement, prizes will be awarded at Friday's Assembly (29th August) for students who participate in the parade. It's always a highlight of the year to see the effort, imagination, and joy that goes into every costume.

💡 Why We Love Book Week

Book Week is more than just dressing up – it's about celebrating the joy of reading and reminding us of the adventures, lessons, and magic waiting for us inside every book. It encourages students to discover new authors, dive into new stories, and share the books that inspire them.

We are so excited to see where books take our SHPS adventurers this year. Thank you to our families for supporting this special event – whether it's helping with costumes, encouraging reading at home, or coming along to cheer during the parade.

Let's celebrate Book Week in true SHPS style – with imagination, adventure, and a love of reading!

WHERE BOOKS CAN TAKE YOU



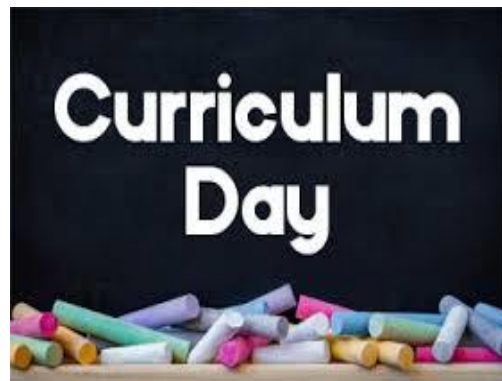
BOOK WEEK

Curriculum Day – Monday 25th August

We would like to remind families that Monday 25th August will be a Curriculum Day at Sunbury Heights. On Curriculum Days, **students do not attend school**. These days are set aside throughout the school year to allow teachers and education support staff to work together on professional learning, curriculum planning, and whole-school improvement. They are an important part of ensuring our staff are up to date with the latest teaching strategies, resources, and approaches that best support student learning and wellbeing. During this Curriculum Day, staff will be: Engaging in professional learning workshops. Reviewing and planning curriculum programs across year Levels. Looking closely at student data to guide next steps in teaching, Collaborating to design engaging and effective learning experiences for students. While these days may feel like a disruption for families, they are vital in making sure our teaching remains current, consistent, and of the highest quality.

Ultimately, Curriculum Days help us provide the very best educational outcomes for our students.

As there will be no classes running on this day, families who require care for their child are encouraged to make a booking with Team Kids, who will be open and operating for the day. Please contact Team Kids directly to arrange care. We thank you for your support and understanding as we continue to invest in our staff and, most importantly, in the learning and growth of our students.



Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey 2025

Sunbury Heights Primary School would like to invite all parents, caregivers and guardians to take part in the 2025 Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey. Your opinions are important to us. The feedback you provide will help our school better understand families' perceptions of our school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement.

This valuable input supports us in planning for continued improvement at SHPS. The survey is conducted online, is anonymous, and takes only 20 minutes to complete. Survey Open: Monday 18th August – Friday 19th September 2025. **How to complete the survey:** Click this link (or copy and

paste into your browser): <https://research.prima.com/parent> Select: **School Name:** Sunbury Heights Primary School **Campus Name:** Sunbury Heights Primary School. Enter the **School PIN:** 678364. When finished, click **'Submit'** to record your responses. (Note: The survey will time out after 60 minutes of inactivity.)

We encourage all families to participate – your voice matters, and your feedback plays a key role in helping us make Sunbury Heights the best place for every student to learn and grow.

A Few Friendly Reminders

As we move through the term, we'd like to remind families of a few important points to help keep our classrooms and school running smoothly:

Toys and Fidgets

We have noticed an increase in toys and fidgets being brought to school. While we understand these can be fun, they have started to cause distractions during teaching and learning. Please support your child by limiting toys and fidgets brought from home. If brought, they must stay in school bags until break times. Items seen out during class time will be kept safely on the teacher's desk until the end of the day. All items from home are the responsibility of the student. Please also remind your child that giving or exchanging items between students is not allowed.

Lunches Brought to the Office

We understand that sometimes families like to drop off a special lunch for their child or drop off a lunch that has been forgotten in the morning. Please note:

- Students begin their **lunch break at 12:20pm**. Lunches will be given to them at this time, and we cannot interrupt classrooms earlier to deliver food.
- Staff must be treated with respect – our routines and schedules are in place to support smooth running across the school.
- While we know children enjoy treats, please be mindful that some items, particularly fast food, can cause disappointment or upset among other students. In these cases, your child may be asked to eat separately to avoid disruption. We thank all families for your cooperation and support in helping us maintain a positive and respectful learning environment for everyone at Sunbury Heights.



SHPS Father's Day @ Sunbury Heights

We have some exciting activities planned to celebrate
Father's Day
at Sunbury Heights:

 Friday 29th August – Father's Day Stall.

Students will have the opportunity to purchase something special
at our Father's Day Stall.

 Gifts range from \$1 to \$10.

 Thursday 4th September – Sports & Snags Afternoon.
From 3:15pm – 4:45pm, join us for an afternoon of fun!

 Enjoy a free sausage sizzle

 Coffee Van and  Ice Cream Van available for families to
purchase drinks and treats.

 Father's Day Raffle - We'll finish off our celebrations with our
Father's Day Raffle – don't forget to return your tickets to be in it
to win!

Join us on Thursday, 4th September from
3:15pm - 4:45pm for our special
Sports & Snags
afternoon to celebrate
Father's Day

Families are invited to enjoy friendly games of sport
followed by a free sausage sizzle.

A Coffee Van and Mr. Whippy Van will also be on-site for
families to purchase a treat.

Soft drinks will be available for purchase.

We look forward to celebrating with you!

FATHER'S DAY Sports & Snags

THURSDAY 4TH
SEPTEMBER



FOOTY COLOURS DAY



Monday September 8th, 2025

AFL Roadshow Inflatables - \$13

Footy Lunch - Sausage in bread,
jam donut and a can \$6**

**Will be available to order on Compass.

Students are invited to wear their
Footy/Rugby/Soccer colours



FOOTY COLOURS DAY

On Monday September 8th, students are invited to wear their
Footy/Soccer/Rugby colours for Footy Colours Day.

The AFL Inflatable Roadshow will be in attendance.

They will bring 2 big inflatables and 4 small.

The cost is \$13.

There will also be a footy lunch available to purchase.

It will be a Hotdog, Jam Donut and a Can of Drink.

The cost will be \$6

Please check Compass for ordering, payment and permission.

Looking forward to a fantastic day!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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FA	Kara S	For expertly showing off her part part whole knowledge during our Numeracy learning task - you are a star, Kara! Keep it up.
FB	Kiana W	For her excellent work in Maths when writing addition problems to match part-part-whole models. Well done!
FC	Darcy C	For her amazing effort when writing independently.
FD	Elijaah T	For coming to school each day this week, ready to learn and eager to show off his learning to his friends. Well Done Elijaah, very proud!
1/2A	Evie S-I	For being at school, working hard and enjoying break times with her friends.
1/2B	Holly B	For trying her hardest in every learning task. Keep up the good work.
1/2C	Francine G	For writing descriptive and detailed sentences that make her writing shine! Fantastic work Francine!
1/2D	Evelina H	For showing responsibility when she completes her class jobs and offers to help around the classroom. Thank you Evelina.
1/2E	Orlando O	For following the steps of the Writing Process to plan and draft a narrative story. Orlando included a character, a setting, a problem and a solution in his story. Well done Orlando!
3/4A	Keiarah T	For including all aspects to keep her realistic fiction believable and entertaining.
3/4B	Noah W	For demonstrating our school values at Year 4 Camp through a positive attitude, a willingness to help others, and enthusiastic participation in all activities. Well done Noah!
3/4C	Brodie G	For showing our school values on Year 4 Camp with a positive attitude, helping others, and enthusiasm for all activities. Well done Brodie!
3/4E	Lucas T	For his outstanding achievements on camp!
5/6A	Eadie L	For confidently sharing her Mathematical thinking during our work on Division.
5/6B	Indiana C	For always being a kind and respectful student in 56B! Well done for being a great role model.
5/6C	Niharika K	For showing initiative and taking on responsibility with her leadership role of Junior School Council.
5/6D	Aniyah B	For displaying great kindness and patience when supporting her peers. Keep up the amazing work!
5/6E	Noah A	For his improved handwriting skills during Writing and Word Study. Keep up the neat writing Noah!
5/6F	Ryan L	For displaying resilience and determination when completing challenging Division problems. Well done!

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THE ARTS	Jet L 5/6A	For working so hard on his 'street art name tag' and producing a great piece of work that he should be very proud of. Well done!
PE	Deegan R 1/2A	For being respectful during the basketball clinic.
STEAM	Isyana C 3/4B	For showing responsibility in our experiment by packing up all the materials carefully and helping other groups to do so also. Well done!
Premiers' Reading Challenge	Nessie R 1/2C Eddie H 3/4D Leo M 3/4B Dylan H 5/6B	For their collective efforts to read a range of genres for the Premiers' Reading Challenge.
Heights Star of the week	Lola V	For consistently displaying the school values.
Indigenous Deadly Award	5/6A & 5/6B	For their proactive approach in weeding our school garden.
Staff of the Week	Mrs Walters	For supporting our campers and helping all students to be the best learners they can be.



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**TUESDAY
26 AUGUST**

8:00 – 8:45AM

DULAP WILIM HUB



Mums & bubs yoga

Mums & bubs pilates

Expression of Interest

- Next term at DWH, we're starting Mums & Bubs Yoga and Mums & Bubs Pilates classes!
- Tuesday and Wednesday mornings during school terms.
- \$50 per school term.
- Classes will be led by Kate Gibbs from Kind Practice Yoga.

For More Information / Registration

Call or message
DWH on
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Hi I'm Kate. I specialise in supporting women through all stages of life through my qualifications in Yoga, Pilates and my certificate in Safe Return to Exercise for women. With a focus on Prenatal, early postpartum and mums and bubs classes, I help women move through life in a way that feels best for them. My aim is to create a nurturing space for women to connect with themselves and others. I'm all about supporting you to feel strong, connected and empowered.



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