



SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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February		March	
Fri 26 th	'Pancake' Canteen Special Casual Clothes Day (See below for more information)	Tues 1 st	Prep Western Water Incursion G3/4 Information Session
Mon 29 th	Division Swimming Sports (selected students) Leap Day Fun (see below for more information)	Wed 2 nd	G1/2 Information Session
		Mon 7 th – Wed 9 th	G5 DOXA Camp
		Wed 9 th – Fri 11 th	G4 DOXA Camp
		Wed 9 th	Regional Swimming
		Mon 14 th	LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY
		Wed 16 th	'Hot Cross Bun' Canteen Special
		Wed 23 rd	G3-6 House Athletics (BBQ Lunch Available at Athletics) NO LUNCH ORDERS
		Thurs 24 th	Last Day of Term – early dismissal

NEWS AND INFORMATION

With our second attempted burglary over the weekend I would just like to thank our closest neighbours for the care and support they have shown our school over the school holidays and on the weekends when staff are not in attendance. The fact that vigilant neighbours dialled 000 when they heard and saw an unusual presence prevented us from losing a great many of our hard earned resources. Police are confident that they have apprehended the culprit and charges will be laid. If in the future anyone does witness anything else that raises alarm bells please dial 000 immediately.

School Improvements

Late last year Sunbury Heights received a maintenance grant of \$180,000. It was specified that the grant be used to improve and update the core building of the school. This includes the outside of the building, the prep wing, the art room, the GP room the library and the school office. After many months of spent planning and prioritising the works to be undertaken we have finally been given approval to engage contractors and proceed. Thank you to Leo Vandevalk, our project manager for all of his hard work during the process. Works will begin immediately. Of course, there will be some disruption and inconvenience but the end result will far outweigh this.



Dental Checks

Thank you to all the families who have taken advantage of the dental check-ups. This is a preventative initiative that will greatly improve your child's dental health. Each child who attended also received a new toothbrush and toothpaste so they can continue to be responsible for and look after their own oral hygiene.

The students who received dental check-ups this week will bring home information in regards to treatment they may or may not require. We have been advised that School Dental contacted those who returned forms but their child was not seen and they will return in the coming weeks to carry out any further dental checks and follow up treatments.

On The Rise and Beehive Playgroups

Our two playgroups have started off extremely well. The Beehive Playgroup began last Friday with children from birth to 5 in attendance. Thank you to Nikki and Lisa for taking on the roles of facilitators. Nikki who has a background in Early Childhood will set up age appropriate activities for parents and carers to share with their children.

Sharon and Denise (Learmonth Street Kindergarten assistant for many years) provide play based activities aimed at supporting preschool children's language, numeracy and social development. Please see Sharon in the Hub if you would like your child or someone who you knows child to attend. It is great fun and gives all children a foundation for when they begin school.



School Council Elections

We currently have 4 vacancies on the Sunbury Heights School Council for parent representation. Please contact Kaye Mills if you would be interested in joining the school council in 2016. **CLOSING DATE FOR NOMINATIONS 25th February – nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.**



House Swimming Sports

All the students were filled with anticipation as they waited for Miss Barnes to reveal who had won last week's House Swimming Sports. A mighty cheer went up when Miss Barnes announced Elliott had "scooped the pool. Congratulations to Chloe and Emily who made a great speech about the Swimming Carnival and thanked everyone who had helped on the day. Dane, the house captain also had the audience cheering when he accepted the perpetual trophy and chanted "Go Elliott." Well done everyone. Now we are waiting to see, who will be announced athletic champions when the House Athletic Sports are held later this term.

Twilight Swimming Sports

Thank you to Ashlea Barnes, Donna Payton, Bev McIntyre and Jenny Caddaye plus other staff and parent helpers for preparing our students and attending the twilight swimming sports on Wednesday evening. All of the students enjoyed the opportunity to represent our school, tried their best and showed outstanding sportsmanship.



Student Accident Insurance and Ambulance Cover

The Education Department has asked Schools to remind families that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs.

Student accident insurance/ambulance cover policies are available from some commercial insurers, and can be obtained by parents/guardians for individual students. Private property brought to school by students, staff or visitors is not insured and the Department does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage.

Casual Clothes Day

Our first casual clothes day will be **Friday 26th February**.


Money raised will be used to buy seedling for the vegetable gardens. Students wear casual clothes and bring a gold coin donation.

As part of our resilience program we have learnt that students being involved in projects which make a difference to the local community or the world develop resilience. It shows students that they are part of a wider team/community and that they can have a positive impact.

Some of our 'Very Proud' 2016 Class Captains



Student Birthdays

 <p>HAPPY BIRTHDAY! until 21st February, 2016</p>		
Xander WEBSTER-COX	Mason RUFF	Jai SECOMBE
Paityn COAD	Kaiden MITCHELL	Hailea WOOD
Alexandru CALIN	Rakiah BALL	Odin HOLT



Leap Day Fun Frog Find


Monday 29th February is leap day and we will be celebrating with a Fun Frog Find.

Frogs (mostly just pictures of frogs but possibly some toy ones or garden statues) will be hidden around the school before lunch on the day. At lunch time students can go frog finding. Entry is free. Students get to keep the frogs they find.

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUNDS (CSEF)

CSEF application forms are available at the office.
Concession card holders are eligible for this allowance.
They will be subject to concession cards being successfully validated by Centrelink. This annual payment is paid directly to the school and will be used towards camps, sports and/or excursions.

Application forms and a copy of your current Concession Card must be submitted to the school office by 29th February.



STUDENT INFORMATION

Please can you ensure that you advise us if any of your contact details change – phone numbers, emergency contacts etc.

THANK YOU

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Grade	Student	Reason
PREP K	Isabelle Cotis	For neat writing on lines.
PREP C	Leigh Allen	Always putting 100% into his work.
PREP B	Layla Illidge	For having a go at all tasks and never giving up.
1R	Nyssa Illidge	For giving 100% in her writing.
1P	Rori Webb	For trying her best to spell new words.
2H	Isabella Hall	For 'Gold Medal' presentation of work.
2D	Jaymee Nunn	For trying her best and putting in 100% all the time.
3D	Ben Gilpin	For showing persistence during all activities.
3J	Ayisha Abou-eid	For settling in well at her new school.
4d	Gracie Livermore	Finishing her PM levels Yeah!
4H	Jai Secombe Tyler Draicchio	For a fantastic start the year at a new school.
5K	Matthew Blay	For a brilliant descriptive writing piece about his heart song.
5P	Zoe Ryan	For her enthusiastic approach to her learning....so curious!
6P	Justin Taylor	For an outstanding effort and putting 100% into all class activities and tasks.
SCIENCE	Will Cooper	Excellent research is science.
ART	1P	For an excellent session in art.

Some Lovely Quotes from our Grade 2 Students this week....

Dear Andrew,
I like the way you
make jokes up and
make me smile.
From Geordie

Dear Keira,
I like your kindness
and I like how you do
your hair.
From Yasmin

Dear Brodie C,
How do you get on the
green chair? I like the
pencils you have.
From Michael W

Join School Banking on an outback adventure!

Every year the School Banking program launches a new savings theme and 8 new exclusive School Banking reward items.

This year's program is themed the **Outback Savers** and School Banking is taking students on a wild adventure through the Canyon of Savings, where they'll learn to master smart savings habits.



There are **8 new reward items for 2016**

- Flying Snake Tail
- Wildlife Writer Set
- Mud Splat Handball
- Outback Pat Bag Tag
- Backtrack Eraser Pen
- Jump and Skip Rope
- Bush Fly Fan
- Wriggly Glow Worm

Win a wildlife family adventure holiday to Australia Zoo!

This year School Banking is giving students the chance to win a family trip for up to two adults and three children to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2016 School Banking program information pack from the school office.

SCHOOL BANKING DAY IS EVERY TUESDAY



BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE
AVAILABLE AT
SUNBURY HEIGHTS
Tel: 03 9740 2111



Lego Robotics at Sunbury Library

Build robots using LEGO Mindstorms EV3 robotics kits. Work in groups and program robots that can walk and talk. Ages 10+. We are currently inviting interested students to benefit from this innovative program. Held at Sunbury Library - Wednesdays 4-5pm.

Please book via Hume Library Website
<http://www.humelibraries.vic.gov.au>
and click on Book an Event.

Phone 03 9356 6970 for more details.