



SUNBURY HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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July	
18 th – 20 th	Y3 – DOXA Camp
August	
Fri 3 rd	Y1/2 – Western Water Incursion
Fri 10 th	Y3-6 – SoccerCops
13 th – 17 th	Whole School – Science Week
Tues 21 st	School Council Meeting, 6.30pm
Fri 31 st	Y3-6 – Summer Sports
September	
5 th – 7 th	G5 - DOXA City Camp
10 th – 12 th	G6 - DOXA City Camp
Mon 17 th	Y3-6 – Summer Sports (back-up date)
Tues 18 th	School Council Meeting, 6.30pm
Fri 21 st	END OF TERM 3 Casual Clothes Day Early Dismissal – 2.30pm



19th – 25th July

Nevaeh, Jayden B, Noah W, Charlee



A note from the Principal

Whilst we have been snuggling down these last few nights, spare a thought for the staff and parents who have accompanied students to a very cold part of the Macedon Ranges, Malmsbury.

The Year Fours returned yesterday and, according to everyone, they all had a great time and were exceptionally resilient, adventurous and well mannered to boot.

Mrs Marks did send me a message to say the Year Threes had enjoyed the train trip and were settling in for their first school camp experience.

The staff and parents who allow the students to have this great opportunity leave their own families during this time and are on duty 24/7. A big thank you to Damian, Lauren, Ashlea, Narelle, Ben, Mandy, Lori, Malcolm, Mel B, Bev as well as parent helpers Jacinta and Gary.

People say Term Three is the quiet one but for us it doesn't seem to be so.

Our Wakakirri students are in the final throes of rehearsals for their big night at The ClockTower in Essendon next Tuesday. Thank you to all the families who attended the information session on Tuesday. It was great that so many of you could make it and get the information from our organisers first hand.

The day will start with a Wakakirri Breakfast, rehearsal and lunch at school before the students and staff head off on the bus for their dress rehearsal at the actual ClockTower. They will share a meal together before their performance. Thank you to Mel Brand, Ashlea Barnes and Jo Harding for putting the whole extravaganza together and to School Council for ensuring all students have the opportunity to participate.

Keeping you up to date

At times we need to inform a large number of families of important information. The quickest and most effective way to communicate to a large audiences is via email.



It is therefore imperative that the contact details we have for you are up-to-date, including a current phone number and email address.

Thank you to all the families who have updated and returned their child's student enrolment data. If you haven't already done so or anything changes in the future, please let the school office know immediately.

'Working Bee'

We are very fortunate to have organisations in the community who truly want to support our school. On Saturday Sunbury Baptist Church will be holding a working bee at school to do all those jobs that we don't have the man power to get done.

As the saying goes 'many hands make light work', that's why we are calling all dads, mums, grandparents, aunts, uncles and students to help. The working bee will be on Saturday 21 July. It will start at 8:30am and conclude around 12:00pm with a bbq lunch. Tools will be provided or you can bring your own. If you could help even for half an hour or so it would be greatly appreciated.



There will be a variety of jobs, inside and out. They might include jobs such as guerny outdoor areas, mulching, pruning, painting, artwork preparation etc. If you see this is a way you can see yourself giving back to the school we would love to see you.



Frozen Cups

As of Friday, frozen cups will be unavailable until Term 4.

Care on the roads

Once again, I remind parents to talk to their children about the safe crossing of roads. A community member has notified the office about three of our older girls dodging out from behind a car and nearly being hit. In slippery, wet conditions the roads can become treacherous. It is worth the extra couple of metres to cross at the nearest crossing.



Keeping winter germs to a minimum....

Even though the days are getting longer, the days are still very cold. And what comes with cold days...is runny noses!

We are therefore asking families if they could donate a box of tissues to their child's grade.



WILL RETURN NEXT WEEK

Parent Opinion Survey

WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 23rd July to Sunday 26th August**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **10-15 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Greek, Turkish, Somali and Punjabi.

The survey results will be reported back to the school at the end of September. Last year we used the survey results to plan for school wide programs and improvements that our parents felt would be valuable. Please speak to me if you would like further information.

Free Speech Pathology Drop-in Clinic for residents of Hume 2018
- for children under school age

- Bring your child to the drop-in clinic to discuss questions or concerns about your child's communication skills.
- For children aged birth to school entry.
- Priority will be given to children who are not already on a waitlist to see a speech pathologist.
- No appointment or referral is required; however, you may be required to wait, or asked to attend another clinic date.
- A 20-30 minute timeslot will be allocated to you, and a Speech Pathologist will talk to you about ways to help your child's communication, and may refer you to another service.

When	Where (Drop-In Clinic)	Time
Tuesday 27 March	Coolaroo South Primary School	9.00am – 12.00pm
Wednesday 18 April	Roxburgh Rise Primary School	9.00am – 12.00pm
Wednesday 16 May	Dallas Brooks Community Primary School	9.00am – 12.00pm
Tuesday 12 June	Craigieburn South Primary School <i>*new location</i>	9.00am – 12.00pm
Tuesday 24 July	Sunbury Heights Primary School	9.00am – 12.00pm

Macedon Ranges Interscholar Chess Tournament

MONDAY AUG 6 2018

Division : Primary, Middle Years, Open Secondary

9:15 am - 2:00 pm at Alice Miller School

School teams of all sizes welcome

For Enquiries please email us at events@chesskids.com.au or call Tim at 0421 164 677