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November		December	
Tuesday 17 th	2016 Prep Transition Afternoon	Friday 4 th	Prep – 2 Athletics – more details to follow
Thursday 19 th	Grade 3/4 Song Room Excursion	Tuesday 8 th	Whole School Transition
Thursday 19 th	Rugby State Finals – Girls Tackle Team	Thursday 10 th	Book Sales (8am – 4pm)
Tuesday 24 th	2016 Prep Transition Afternoon	Monday 14 th	Prep – 2 Concert – more details to follow
Thursday 26 th	Prep Aquarium Excursion	Tuesday 15 th	Grade 6 Graduation – more details to follow
Tuesday 17 th	2016 Prep Transition Afternoon	Friday 18th	Last Day Term 4 – 1.30pm Dismissal



Remembrance Day

On Wednesday Mrs Langmaid and I were very proud to accompany the school captains, Samantha, Natalie, Caleb and Rayden to the Sunbury Remembrance Day Ceremony. Our students listened attentively to the service before laying a wreath on the school's behalf. Mrs Langmaid and I were particularly thrilled to hear Stacey Duffy, a former student from Sunbury Heights make the formal address. Speaking to Stacey after the service reminded me of the pride and sense of citizenship that we endeavour to instil in our students from an early age.

Our school commemorative service also focused on the pride we feel in our former students and the members of our Sunbury Heights family who have chosen to serve their country in the Australian Defence Force. Thank you to Carmel Ross for organising our school's commemorative service for the remainder of our student population. Thank you also to the Premiers Reading Challenge Ambassadors for their reading of Pledge of Remembrance.

It is always rewarding to have parents contact us with a positive endorsement of our students and the work of our teachers:

Thank you Sharon Marcuse for this affirmation. "I attended the Remembrance Day service today and I just wanted to say "well done" to the students involved. In fact, the whole school behaved beautifully and were very respectful. At no time, did a teacher have to tell a student to be quiet. "



Sunbury Downs College Transition Day

The students who are attending SDSC in 2016 had their first transition day last Friday and thoroughly enjoyed the experiences. The lava lamps they made in science were certainly among the favourite experiences of the students. Mrs Langmaid, Mr O'Keefe and I were impressed by the resilience of our students who may have been placed in classes yesterday without their friends. They said "it was fine and they had made new friends on the day."

Thank you to the Sunbury Downs staff for their feedback on the way our students were prepared academically, socially and emotionally for the next stage of their schooling. Congratulations to Jamie Clanchy and Caleb Bertram for achieving excellent results in the testing that was administered on the day. Of all the students from our school who sat the testing Jamie scored the highest mark in reading and Caleb in mathematics.

Sing, sing a song

Our School Council representatives were very impressed on Monday evening when Mrs De Young showed a video of our grade 3/4 students performing at the Melbourne Town Hall. The students performed as part of a concert with other schools from around the state as part of the Song Room Program that is currently running at school. Thank you to "Song Room Ben", the classroom teachers and support staff for their preparation of the students. I hope all the parents and supports who attended the concert enjoyed the experience as much as our students obviously did.

Below are three students from Mr de Waart's class reflections of the day

On November 9th Monday, the grade 3/4's went to the Melbourne Town Hall on a bus. We all sang a song called *Sing*. There were up to 400 students and only seven schools. There were drums, a piano and other instruments. The audience was so silent it was like talking to empty chairs.

The drums made an excellent beat and the effect at the end was like a disco and the lights looked like shooting stars. We all joined in and went to the beat of the songs. Ben was so proud of us that he jumped with joy.

At the end we all got to sing a song called *Where Little Things Big Things Grow* with all the song's actions. As soon as we finished we had some lunch. As soon as possible we were on the bus and went back to school. I felt like doing the drums as soon as we got to school - **Nicholas Hooper**

All the grade 3/4's had arrived at school. We were all excited the buses had arrived Yay! We finally arrived at the Melbourne Town Hall and ate our snacks in front of beautiful flower boxes. Then it was time to rehearse. My favourite act was the drums. They drums made me want to dance. Our songs, Boom Chicka Boom, were just as good. We also got to sing *From Little Things Big Things Grow*. Two people played a flute and a cardboard piano. It sounded like magic. We had a disco ball and coloured lights at the Melbourne Town Hall. It was magnificent. Our music teacher, Ben Segal, was most proud of us as were the parents who came.-

Hailea Wood

On Monday, we went to the Melbourne Town Hall to represent the Sunbury Heights Primary School Song Room. Every school and class sang beautifully, but, my favourite performance was the drums. I thought we did a terrific job too! When it was our turn to sing, we all jumped out of our seats with excitement like explosions! I adored the disco ball at the end. **Evan Woolford Fleming**

Sea Creature Revision

The students in Prep Kelly astounded me the other morning when I visited their room they were revising what they had learnt about sharks, manta rays banner fish and stingrays. Here's what they told me they had remembered and were revising:

Sharks have several rows of teeth and when one falls out the other the other one move forward and fills up the gap.

Harry

Sharks have cartilage instead of bone in their skeleton. If you look at their endoskeleton you will see that.

Xavier

Banner fish dart through the water when they are swimming.

Nyssa

When its night time the yellow on the banner fish goes dull. This happens so the predators can't see and kill him.

Jaxon

Stingrays and manta rays mostly swim under the water. They only go up on top to get some food.

Toni

Arriving Too Early For School

Since the beginning of term, I have become aware of the number of students who are arriving prior to, or just after eight o'clock. This is far too early for students to be at school and the yard is unsupervised until 8.40. If there is a need to have your child supervised prior to school may I remind you of the before school program that operates at our school. Please contact Complete Kids if you need care for your child because they are left unsupervised at home.

Premiers Reading Challenge



This picture is of the seven grade six students to who received the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge Champions badges on the 9th November. Congratulations to you all!!!

**Raven Cheriyaparambil, Nicholas Diss, Alexandra Hazelman
Chelsie Hendaheva, Will Uili, Alyssa Wallace, Samantha Williams**

Anaphylaxis

Last night as part of our commitment to ensure we are well versed in issues that may affect the wellbeing of our students; our staff received Anaphylaxis Training with Lydia from St Johns. The training was very comprehensive and it made us all more aware of the differences between an allergic reaction and anaphylaxis. It also gave us current knowledge about what are the best practices we need to put in place to ensure we are being preventative and inclusive in our dealings with students who have these medical conditions.

Thank you to Karen Cocks for organising it for our staff and other staff from neighbouring schools who attended.

ARTIST OF THE MONTH



The winners of Mrs Caddaye 'Artist of the Month' Competition are:

-  Chloe Morgan
-  Ben Allan Reardon
-  Ebony Bentley
-  Skye Atkinson
-  Montanna Oliver

Grade 6 Jackets

Over the past years, we have offered Grade 6 students the opportunity to purchase a Grade 6 Jacket. The garments are navy blue with the school logo on the front and the names of the students and Grade 6 teachers on the back.

Students have already tried on sample sizes, so the correct size will be ordered for them.

Delivery of the order will be in Term 1, 2016.

TO ENSURE THIS EARLY DELIVERY, IT IS IMPERATIVE ORDERS BE IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

A \$20 DEPOSIT WILL BE REQUIRED AS CONFIRMATION OF YOUR ORDER. THIS MUST BE PAID NO LATER THAN MONDAY 14th of DECEMBER 2015



PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Grade	Student	Reason
PREP K	Iu Toalua	For putting 100% with his writing.
PREP B	Jacob Candiloro	For being confident and having a go at writing unfamiliar words.
1/2R	Charlotte Price Alejo Banting	For being able to spell 200 M100W words.
1/2P	Jack O'Donovan	For always listening attentively in class.
3/4K	Hayley Farrugia	For great improvements in her spelling.
3/4D	William Vergara	Wow!!! What a spelling champion!
5P	Shynelle Duffin	For showing confidence and resilience in learning.
6L	Jordan Ballinger	For a great result on his reading exam.
6O	Hunter Brough	For an enthusiastic approach to Geography sessions.
Science	Enzo Marino Montanna Oliver	For being considerate members of the class.
ART	Caroline Woods	For a fantastic effort with her candy train artwork.
Mrs Sarbach	Lilly Rowbottom	For finishing 100RL program. Well Done!!

HOLIDAY HELPER INITIATIVE

It always gives me great joy when members of the school community have ideas about how they can help support our families. They realise that feeding children and keeping them entertained over the long Summer Vacation can put added pressure on families once the Christmas Festive season is over. They thought putting together "Holiday Helper Hampers" would be a good way to provide some of our families with some holiday goodies. They are currently seeking donations from local businesses and will shortly put a basket outside the office for our community to place donations in.

"A note from Krystal and Tracy"

If you would like to help by donating items, Tracy and Krystal have made a suggested list below in order to keep all hampers similar. All items must be non-perishable new and in date please. Helping us could be as simple as adding an extra item to your shopping list over the next few weeks or even as a once off, every donation, big or small will be appreciated.

Breakfast Cereals

Uht Custard

Biscuits (savoury and sweet)

Icy poles e.g. Zooper Doopers

Juice and Cordial

Toiletries (deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo and conditioner)

Stationary e.g. Exercise books, Scrapbooks, pens, pencils, textas, colouring in books)

Craft items

Uht milk

Cakes (lamingtons etc.)

Chips and Popcorn

Muesli bars

Chocolate and Lollies

DVDs – Family titles

Toys and gifts

Alternatively if you would like to donate money or gift cards, to be used in the purchase of the above items that would also be appreciated and can be placed in an envelope with your name and child's name and class and we will provide you with a receipt for your kind donation.

CERT 3 EDUCATION SUPPORT

Certificate 3 in Education Support will be running in the Community Hub again next year. Kelly Butler is an enthusiastic and passionate trainer that will be facilitating the course. There is government funding available for those recipients that are eligible.

Dates and times to be advised.

If you are interested and would like more information please contact Sharon Ramunno on 9744-3377



**Sunbury Uniting Church's 12th Annual
Giant Car Boot Sale
& Craft Market** 

 **Saturday 21st November**
from 8.30am
Uniting Church Hall & Village Green
Cnr Brook & O'Shanassy Streets

Stalls selling:
jewellery baby gifts confectionery
soy candles hand-painted glass
Christmas gifts artwork
... lots more !

Fun for the kids!
jumping castle pony rides
fairy floss show bags popcorn
Thomas for littlies craft activities
sno-cones sausage sizzle lucky dips

 Over 60 cars !!
Handcraft stalls
inside and
outside

Live music!
also - our Devonshire Tea/Coffee café inside
and don't miss - our huge second-hand book stall !

 The Leprosy Mission
The '4 Winds Cambodia Project' (inside)
Sunbury Divas (outside)

This is a great Christmas shopping opportunity!
Enquiries to Helen on 0407 506 507



BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL Program

Have Fun - Learn - Make Friends
Music, Art, Sport, Relaxation, Cooking,
Technology, Role Play, Games & many more
Fun Activities.

If you would like more information, please call our office on 9740 2111
or Rowena (OSHC Co-ordinator) on 0428 005 709 or email
oshc@completekids.net