



HEIGHTS HEADLINES

Term 1 | Week 3 | 2025

NEWS

Every Day Counts

Getting children to school every day can sometimes be challenging, but regular attendance is essential for their learning, social development, and overall wellbeing. Establishing good attendance habits early helps students feel more engaged and connected to their school community. If your child is reluctant to attend school, we encourage you to reach out. Our Teachers and Student Engagement and Wellbeing Team are here to support you and your child in overcoming any barriers to attendance.

The start and end of the school day are just as important as the time in between. Ensuring that students are at school for the full day, 8:50 am – 3:15 pm, is vital for their success. Every hour or day that your child misses adds up and can have a significant impact on their educational outcomes.

For example:

- ♦ Missing 1 day per fortnight = 20 days / 4 weeks per year
- ♦ Over 13 years of school, that adds up to almost 1.5 years of missed learning. It's important to work together to ensure every student gets the most out of their education—because every day counts!

Attendance MATTERS

5 OR LESS DAYS 6-9 DAYS 10+ DAYS



REASONABLE CONCERNING TOO MANY +

EVENTS

School Council Elections

All government schools in Victoria have a School Council, a legally constituted body responsible for setting key directions within centrally provided guidelines. By being part of the School Council members can directly influence the quality of education and school experience for our students. Our 2025 School Council Election process has begun, with nominations now open. This year there are vacancies for 2 parent representatives, we encourage interested parents to get involved. *How to Nominate:* Nomination forms are available at the school office. Becoming a School Council member is a fantastic opportunity to contribute to the future of Sunbury Heights.



REMINDERS

Action Required: Compass

We kindly ask all families to log in to Compass and complete a few important forms available under the Insight Tab:

- ♦ Annual Consent Form – This covers permission for local walks, movies, photos, media, and Yearbook inclusion.
- ♦ School Saving Bonus (SSB) Questionnaire – A short survey regarding the School Saving Bonus.
- ♦ Course Confirmation Tab, parents will find the 2025 ICT (Information and Communication Technology) Agreement. This must be read and signed by both parents and students. These forms are essential for ensuring your child's participation in various school activities. Please complete them as soon as possible. If you need assistance, feel free to contact the school office on 9744 3377.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February

- ♦ 18 – Swimming Trials
- ♦ 21 – School Council Nominations Due
- ♦ 26 – Interschool Swimming

March

- ♦ 04 – Student Leaders Excursion

2025 Term Dates

- ♦ Term 1: Tuesday 30 January – Friday 4 April
- ♦ Term 2: Tuesday 22 April – Friday 4 July
- ♦ Term 3: Monday 21 July – Friday 19 September
- ♦ Term 4: Monday 6 October – Friday 19 December

Bell Times

- 8:50am Start of School
- 10:30am Recess
- 12:35 pm 1st Break
- 1:55pm 2nd Break
- 3:15pm Finish



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FA	Cooper W	For an outstanding start to your schooling journey. Congratulations on displaying your amazing effort in FA!
FB	Isla E	For an amazing transition to Foundation and displaying the school value of kindness.
FC	Axel S	For a fabulous transition to Foundation. I love how you always show great listening and respectful behaviours.
FD	Lachie H	For demonstrating the school values from his very first day of Foundation. Fantastic start Lachie, well done!
1/2A	Evie S-I	For making a smooth transition to SHPS this year. Welcome Evie!
1/2B	Brynlee Q	For writing such a great piece about a star sheep and doing her best to add as much detail to her writing! Keep up the good work.
1/2C	Connor S	For being respectful and consistently following teacher instructions the first time. You're a star!
1/2D	Jazmina P	For providing details in her writing about her gymnastics sheep.
1/2E	Harrison C	For settling well into Sunbury Heights Primary School.
3/4A	Charli S	For being brave and presenting her speech to the class.
3/4B	Olivia B	For showing respect, kindness, and responsibility while settling in so well at Sunbury Heights Primary.
3/4C	Lucious C	For making a positive start to the year and showing responsibility for his learning.
3/4D	Evie S	For showing bravery and resilience during her class captain speech
3/4E	Rexine M	For being voted for her kindness and respect in the classroom and with others.
3/4F	Logan T	For being a super star helper to his teacher and classmates with all things technology!
5/6A	Levi B	For listing his favourite narrative topics and sharing these with the class.
5/6B	Tyler D	For starting at a new school with a positive attitude and excellent manners!
5/6C	Toby M	For using classtime wisely, following instructions and completing all tasks on time. A great start to the year.
5/6D	Levent B	For displaying all of the school values to an exceptional standard to start 2025. Keep up the amazing work Levent!
5/6E	Mia J-M	For starting the year off with a positive attitude towards her learning. Keep up the great work Mia



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THE ARTS	Hudson H 3/4C	For improvising a very funny story and sharing it with the class
ITALIAN	Aiden L FC	For great looking and listening and being able to say 'my name is Aiden' in Italian.
PE	Lyla G 1/2E	For being responsible in PE by using the gym equipment with care.
STEAM	Jackson S 3/4D	For being eager to explore how magnets work and participating in class discussion.
Heights Star of the week	Kaylee G-D 5/6D	For consistently displaying the school values of Respect, Responsibility and Kindness.
Indigenous Deadly Award	Scarlett X 1/2B	For caring for others and showing respect to all.
Staff of the Week	Tom Collins	For being a patient and caring teacher and always finding the best ways for students to learn.

🌟 Student & Staff of the Week – Celebrating Our Legends! 🌟

Each week, our students take on the important job of selecting our **Staff of the Week** and the **Indigenous Deadly Award** winner. It's their way of celebrating the amazing people who make our school such a great place to learn and grow!

🇺🇸 We like to celebrate efforts of hard work, kindness, and dedication to making Sunbury Heights a better place.

Whether it's helping out a friend, showing resilience, or simply bringing a smile to everyone's face, they've earned their spot in the spotlight!

This is our chance to give a special shout-out to those that have been chosen by our students as **Staff of the Week**!

We love seeing our students recognize the incredible efforts of our teachers and staff who go above and beyond every day.

And let's not forget our **Indigenous Deadly Award** for those who embody strength, culture, and community spirit! 🌿 🔥

This tradition is just one of the many ways we celebrate **respect, Responsible and Kindness** at Sunbury Heights.

Well done to all our winners – who will be next? 🧐 ✨