



SUNBURY WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL



17th April, 2008

ELIZABETH DRIVE
SUNBURY 3429

No. 10

Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

Secondary School Forum

Last night, the majority of State Primary School Staff from the Sunbury schools assembled in our gym, for an information session regarding the proposed secondary school merger. While there are many smaller issues to clarify, the educational opportunity this presents to our children is tremendous. I encourage parents to seek information as required so they are fully informed of this exciting proposal.

Allergies

We have 9 children currently enrolled who have life threatening allergic reactions should they contact nuts or even make contact with people who have handled products containing nuts. We have minimised the risks in our canteen by not selling peanut butter sandwiches or nut contaminated products. Teachers speak to their children about allergies in general and relate that conversation to specifics within the room where appropriate.

Other parents can help by supporting our nut free environment. This means avoiding or minimising lunch fillings or snacks which contain nuts or nut residue and also ensuring Art room donations aren't boxes or packaging of similar products.

Parking

It is important that all parents follow car parking restrictions around the school. When parking restrictions are followed (such as the 2 minute **DROP OFF** zone) parents are ensuring the safety of their child/ren and all children in the school.

Late Arrivals

Parents are reminded that if their child is late, you must come to the office for a late pass and you need to take your child to their room. This is to ensure the safety of your child. Please remember, that you need to leave via the office and not the side gate (Cornish Street) as this gate is often left open, placing our children at risk.

Lost Property

Due to a large amount of both lost property and donations of uniforms to the school, we currently have an excess of uniforms. We will display these in the undercover area of the Cornish Street building on Monday(21/4/08) morning. The uniforms will be displayed for the remainder of the day. Please feel free to take any of the clothing displayed, with the winter months coming on it may be a good time to pick up a few spares. We will have a marker pen on hand to write in names. The clothes that remain will be donated to a charity.

Grade Six Camp

Monday morning is the beginning of the Grade 6 Camp to Kangarooie via Warrnambool. We wish them all well as they begin their much anticipated four days. Thanks to teachers and parents for their commitment to this program. Staff attending are: Ben Payton, Wendy Dunstan, Sharon Moore and Tim Field. Parents attending are: Colin Wilkinson, Fiona Darminin, Warren Tingley and Elena Millazzi.

Stephen Taylor
Principal

TIMELINE TERM TWO

APRIL		MAY	
23rd	Preps—Botanic Gardens	2nd	Interscholar Sports
21st—24th	Yr 6 Camp- Kangarooie	19—23rd	Yr 3/4 Swimming
24th	Yr 3 Immigration Museum	JUNE	
25th	Anzac Day—No School	6th	Winter Sports—Yr 5-6
28th—2nd	Yr 1/2 Swimming	9th	Queens Birthday (Public Holiday)
		26th	Yr 1 Aladdin Performance 7.15pm.
		27th	Term Two Ends 2.30pm.

Community Software Plan 2008

This is the last chance ever to purchase these titles at **\$10.00** each.

Please return the order form clearly labelled with your order, child's name and grade to school by Friday May 9th. Please note payment can be made by cheque, cash or money order.

Unfortunately no late orders can be accepted.

FOSW NEWS

SHOPPING TOUR

This year's shopping tour is with Tartan Tours on Saturday 11th October 2008. Mark this date in your calendar. More details will follow in Term Two.

UNIFORM SHOP 8.45am—9.45am

Tuesday 22nd April

When ordering please choose sizes carefully as we are unable to refund money or exchange. Please allow 3 - 4 weeks for delivery.

Please feel free to visit the Uniform Shop on Tuesday mornings, to have a look or discuss sizes.

Marie Warchulski.
Uniform Co-ordinator



Community news

Aqua Wolves Swimming Club

Come and join Abbey Wright (5RN) and Romy Bogdanovic(4PL) at Aqua Wolves!!

Monday nights at 7.30pm at the Sunbury Aquatic Centre. New season starts in May 2008.

Enquiries: **Andrea Sutton on 0417 524 825**
We welcome all swimmers to our Club nights. Come along and have a swim with us!

Would you like to play basketball

Sunbury Basketball Association is commencing a new basketball season.

We need players of all ages, both boys and girls from 6-17. All ages catered for. All players welcome and if you've never played before we'll teach you how! It's a great way to participate in a team sport, learn new skills, get fit, be active, make new friends and have lots of fun.

Contact Rick Giannino Operations Support—
Sunbury Basketball Association on **03 9744 4762**

DON'T MISS OUT, JOIN THE FUN TODAY!!

Working Bee

Last Saturday the school held a working bee. Even though only a few parents were in attendance a great deal was achieved. Some of the achievements for the day were:

- Fixing up all playground equipment borders.
- Cleaning up of the Cornish Street garden beds.
- Cleaning of the Woodlands staff car park garden beds.
- Pruning of shrubs and trees around the school.

Special Thanks to: **Penelope, Hayden and Declan Pearson, Ross, Ben and Mathew Scott, Mark Chatman, Scott, Carina and Jay Laker, Christine Kaeser, David and Christopher Owens.**

Your efforts help to make Sunbury West Primary a school which the students and staff can be proud of.

Frank Devlin

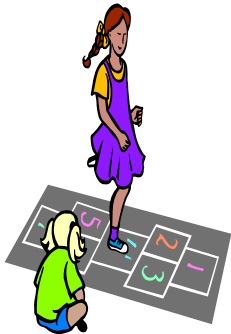


Importance of friends

Friendships help children develop emotionally and ethically. When interacting with friends, children learn many social skills, including how to communicate, cooperate, and solve problems. Friendship in childhood provides companionship, stimulation, and opportunities for social comparison. This interaction is essential to children's understanding of fairness, self-esteem, for their tendencies toward pro-social behaviour and the acquisition of role-taking and communication skills.

The most important thing parents can do for their child is lead by example. By developing a loving, accepting, and respectful relationship with their child, parents set the standard for other relationships. In addition, parents can help children make friends by:

- Providing them with opportunities to spend time with other children e.g. joining clubs or sporting teams.
- Setting clear rules for appropriate behaviour.
- Teaching them how to handle different social situations and points of view e.g. sharing with other children and respecting opinions.
- Helping them learn how to manage negative feelings and solve problems.
- Helping them learn conversation skills i.e. having daily conversations with them.



Children, and adults often have different social styles. For example, one person might prefer one of two close friends while others like a wider social circle. One style is not better than another. What matters is that the person is comfortable and happy with their friends.

LUNCH BOX NEWS



Please Note: There is a charge of 5c per lunch bag. Items will be deleted from orders where a bag is not provided.

Thank you to our volunteers for next week.

The roster is as follows:

APRIL	10.00-12.00	12.00 -2.00	10.0 -2.00
Mon 21st	Assistance	Required	
Tues 22nd	J. Brown-scombe	R. Theodore	
Wed 23rd	S. Hope	A. Williams	
Thur 24th	M. Whitehorn	W. Stewart	
Fri 25th	ANZAC	DAY	



Library Assistance Required

If any parents would like to assist for an hour or two in the library.

Please contact either Frank Devlin or Erin Stewart on 9740 8666



Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Classroom Helpers Program.

Congratulations to the following parents who have just completed the "Classroom Helpers Program". We look forward to you practising what you've learnt in a classroom in the new future. Thanks to Merrill Jackman and Inga Wilson for conducting these sessions again this year.

The participants were:

Melissa Delaveris, Carole Slade, Penni Sunderland, Tracey Fermaner, Nicole Jones, Amanda Chatman, Sandra Brydson, Melanie Higgins, Sharon Bird, Sally Hope, Kellie Spencer, Samantha Young, Rebecca McConnell, Tracey Vandenharn and Julie Mills.



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Sunbury West

Environmental Excellence Program

ENVIRONMENTAL TIP of the WEEK from the keen environmentalist

James Glanville of 5DT.

Turn appliances off at the power point

DON'T FORGET TO PULL THE PLUG

A great tip! Thank you James.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK Monday 14/4/2008

PREP DA	Grace Vandenharn Kirrily Spencer	For being friendly, helpful class members.
PREP RH	Nathan Williams James Hall	Improved work habits.
PREP CD	Samuel Bird Jeremy Hall	For their fantastic effort in writing.
1RS	Lachlan Betts Tess Oakley Kairangi Hunt-Nathan Kelsey Drill	Wonderful listening and fabulous manners.
1EM	Amber Moore Chedelle Niki	For trying very hard to make their writing neat and tidy.
1JC	Kristy Smith Mason Gamble	A great start to Term Two.
2LM	James Brown	For being a good sport and trying very hard to improve his writing.
2WT	Crystal Cirona- Phillips	For a wonderful holiday journal.
2TH	Shaun Freeman Caleb Perceval	For a great start to Term Two. For being an enthusiastic learner.
3NS	Daniel Askew Bessie Dimery	For his improved application to all tasks. For her excellent input to writing a Quest.
3DE	Haydn Millardship Jasmine Davis	Working hard in language. Quiet, hardworking student.
3/4SM	Caitlin Broadfoot Abbi Corcoran Chloe Belleville	For terrific problem solving throughout their maths investigation.
4BS	Jesse James Liam Abdilla Brittany Jackson	For great math inquiry and learning and sensational play-ground designs.
4PL	Liam Beamer Sam Rowe	For their great sense of humour they are showing.
5DT	Damon Armstrong	For increased participation in class.
5RN	Abbi Wright Chelsea Kukola	For trying really hard with maths problem solving.
5DB	Brooke Lamaire Scott Nash	Fabulous creative writing.
6SM	Laura-Jane Drill	Being so brave and positive with her broken ankle.
6BP	Liam Kane	For his excellent work habits and his willingness to try new things.
6WD	Michael Fleming	For displaying honesty and responsibility.
MUSIC	5DT, 5DB,5RN	For excellent singing—Bravo!
LOTE	6SM, 6WD,6BP	You are outstanding students—you display terrific co operative skills.
ART	6SM, 6WD,6BP	For their outstanding work with their paintings.
A.P	Hayden Pearson, Scott Laker, Ben & Matthew Scott	For assisting at the working bee.