

# Respect....Co-operation....Consideration

## Quality Education in a caring, unique environment

What's On Weeks Two and Three Term One		
Monday	31.01.11	
Tuesday	01.02.11	Bring water to school.... Very hot weather expected
Wednesday	02.02.11	Bring water to school.... Very hot weather expected
Thursday	03.02.11	Bring water to school.... Very hot weather expected
Friday	04.02.11	Bring water to school.... Very hot weather expected Assembly @ 9:00 am
Monday	07.02.11	Bring water to school.... Very hot weather expected
Tuesday	08.02.11	Bring water to school.... Very hot weather expected
Wednesday	09.02.11	Bring water to school.... Very hot weather expected
Thursday	10.02.11	Bring water to school.... Very hot weather expected
Friday	11.02.11	Bring water to school.... Very hot weather expected Assembly @ 9:00 am

Welcome to 2011....we trust you have had an enjoyable and safe break and are raring to go for 2011 at Salt Ash Public School.

As of today our class and numbers are as follows

Kindergarten 18  
 Year One 16  
 Year Two 22  
 Years 3/4 20  
 Years 5/6 31

**\*\*We already have a busy calendar as you can see...please keep adding to your calendar as new dates are advertised !!**

**\*\*Thank you to the families that have already purchased their child/children's book packs....they are here at school and ready to be purchased for those who have yet to pick up their packs. If you are experiencing any difficulties with purchasing requirements to commence the school year PLEASE ring and talk to me as soon as possible.**

**\*\*Technology Update....exciting times ahead !!**

The staff have been busy developing their knowledge of Departmental Resources (Notebook). We have also been up-skilled with 'blogging'. We will be further developing our knowledge and expertise throughout Term One with the aim of having class blogs running from Term 2 !!

Our Connected Classroom Program has come to a halt. The infrastructure has been built during the holidays and I am in constant contact with the department re the next phase....fingers crossed that it will be very soon !!

We will also begin this Term offering our students the Departmental 'Notebook' Resource that we as teachers use to create interactive lessons....we will be allowing students (starting with 5/6) to take home a 'thumb-drive' with the Notebook resource for them to load onto their home computer and further develop their technology skills....we will also be offering parents the opportunity to visit classrooms to see how the interactive technology works in our school !!

**\*\*\* HELP !!! Are there any parents/grandparents who have the knowledge skills and expertise to convert a Departmental Video to a DVD ??? If you can assist please see me !!**

### **Newsletter to be revamped !!**

Our Newsletter will soon undergo another transformation... staff will be adding classroom happenings their awards and their house points on an individual basis to inform parents of classroom happenings. Our School Leaders will add to the Newsletter and the P and C will have their own section to advertise P and C Events and happenings. I am hoping this will take place either next Newsletter or the one following depending on how quickly I can learn!!

### **Canteen Issues**

At this stage it looks very much as if the canteen will only be able to operate one day per week !! There are only 8 mothers who have volunteered to operate the canteen. If you can assist PLEASE let the canteen organisers or the school know THIS WEEK !!

### **Swimming Carnival Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February**

Our Annual Swimming School Swimming Carnival will take place on THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> February at the Lakeside Leisure Centre Raymond Terrace. This carnival is for students who turn 8 THIS YEAR and older... students also need to be able to swim 25 metres CONFIDENTLY. Those students who do not attend the carnival are expected to attend school. A note will be going out in relation to this event very soon. We hope that as in previous years to save costs that parents will volunteer to transport the participating students to and from the pool. You are always very generous in your support of our students and we hope this will continue. We also require assistance with time keeping and recording... if you can assist please let Mr. Milne know as soon as possible !!

### **Maroon Day..... Flood Appeal Fundraiser....**

It has been acknowledged by the NSW Dept of Education that we would like to assist in the fundraising appeal for the victims of the recent floods... it has been decided to hold a 'maroon' day on THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> February.... this clashes with our Swimming Carnival so our day will be FRIDAY 18<sup>th</sup> February.... children are encouraged to come dressed in something maroon coloured and to make a donation towards the Flood Appeal!!

### **Active After School Sport....Term One Activities**

We have an exciting few weeks with Active After School Sport this term.... we have cricket and soccer to offer the students as well as SURFING !!! I have negotiated with Adam to have 3 surfing lessons this Term.... HOWEVER the surfing will need to be restricted to our 3-6 students who are CONFIDENT and COMPETENT swimmers. If it is successful we will run this again in Term 4.

To be able to offer this activity we will need support from parents to transport the students to Nelson Bay... our grant from AASS is not enough to support a bus as well !! Once we have numbers of students wishing to participate I will be asking for parents who are willing to assist with transport !!

### **STATIONERY AVAILABLE AT SCHOOL**

Triangle Jumbo Coloured Pencils box of 12 \$6.00

Red and Blue Biro's	50c	Wooden Rulers	55c
Erasers	55c	35g Glue Sticks	\$2.20
Lead Pencils	30c	Steel Sharpeners	\$1.20
Jnr Scissors	\$1.15	Snr Scissors	\$2.50



## SALT ASH PUBLIC SCHOOL - STUDENT ABSENTEE NOTE

Please feel free to use this form note when your child is either LATE or ABSENT from school

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Date/s Absent (Include all dates) : \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Absence (Please indicate reasons for absences to enable the student's record to be altered accordingly):

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