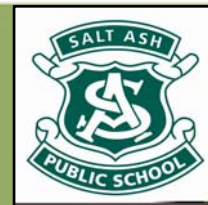


Salt Ash Public School Newsletter



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Issue 1 - Term 2 - Week 2

Monday, 2 May 2011

Welcome Back

Welcome to Term 2. We trust you had an enjoyable Easter Break with friends and family. This second term, as usual, is filled with sporting and cultural activities... we have Zone Athletics, our school athletic carnival and the students are gearing up for Starstruck. This term the Years 3 and 5 students participate in NAPLAN and we discuss student progress through Semester One Reports and interviews.

Please find attached to our Newsletter our calendar for Term Two. It has all the events that we are aware of at this time... additional dates will be published in our Newsletter and can be added to your calendar at your convenience. Please keep your calendar where you can refer to it for weekly happenings at Salt Ash Public School and then you can add additional events as you are made aware of them via the newsletter. The Term Calendar and our Newsletter are also available via the school Website.

NAPLAN INFORMATION

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an annual event for schools since 2008.

On Tuesday 10, Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 May, students will undertake the 2011 NAPLAN tests.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four domains of Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how individual students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australia children. All students are encouraged to participate in the tests. Students with disability may qualify for special provisions that reflect the support normally provided to them in the classroom. An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents may also wish to use their child's results to discuss progress with teachers. More information is available at www.naplan.edu.au

Week 2

Tuesday, May 3 rd	Uniforms @ 9:00 am
Wednesday, May 4 th	P and C Meeting @ 7:00pm in School Library... all welcome Mother's Day Stall in COLA
Thursday, May 5 th	Mother's Day Stall in COLA
Friday, May 6 th	Zone Cross Country

Week 3

Monday, May 9 th	Student Leaders to Newcastle for Conference.
	AASS Commences
Tuesday May 10 th	Naplan... Language Conventions and Writing.
Wednesday May 11 th	Naplan... Reading AASC Cricket
Thursday May 12 th	Naplan... Numeracy

ANZAC Services Thanks

Congratulations to the students and parents who represented Salt Ash Public School at the annual Tilligerry March on ANZAC Day. Despite the inclement weather our students were fine ambassadors for our School and are to be applauded on their commitment. Well done !!

Our Annual ANZAC Service was once again a demonstration of the respect that Salt Ash Public School holds for ANZAC Day.

Congratulations to the School Leaders for leading our ANZAC Service.

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend and support the school.

Congratulations to the students for displaying our core values with their performances and their behaviour. Thank you to Mrs Young and Mr Milne for their assistance with the assembly.

Special thanks to the lovely ladies who assisted in the Staff Room with preparing lunch and cleaning up. And a special thanks also to those Mums and Grandmothers who assisted Ma in the preparation of those wonderful wreaths for our guests and class representatives to proudly lay.

Our Guests have already indicated that they will be returning next year. Our guests were also very generous in donating books and or a sum of

money to our school and we thank them for their generosity.

Zone Cross Country

Friday 6th May

Notes have been distributed and should have been returned to school. Parents willing to transport students need a current Drivers Licence and Comprehensive Insurance...if you can assist please contact Mr Milne.

Mother's Day Stall

**This Wednesday and Thursday...for all students. Presents for Mums and Nans
Prices ranging from 50c to \$5**

Library News**Premier's Reading Challenge**

Wow! You are amazing! Congratulations to all the following students who have now completed the Challenge:

Aaliyah Gordon, Ocea Liston Smith, Heath Trimmingham, Kye Warner, Olivia Pickles, Tom Pickles, Jemma Brown, Mason Davis, Zane Grant, Sam Mahomet, Arnika McCredie, Megan Bowden, Samuel Browne, Sharni Toll, Olivia Cuddy, Tarnie

O'Hanlon-Vidler, Mikayla Rogers, Montana Latham, Jack Toll, Jack Mahomet, Lucinda Kenway, Bailey Toll, Mikayla Anderson, Noah Hannah, Michael Glease, Benjamin Smart, Caleb McGregor, Jaydon Warner, Jack Grant, Sierra Nowlan, Sharni Toll and Cooper West. There are now 40 students who have already met the Challenge! Well done! Mrs Ruth Higginbottom
Teacher Librarian

Connected Classroom Program- Update !!!

I have been notified by the Connected Classroom Program that 'unfortunately' our installation has again been delayed. (NOT HAPPY JAN!!)

It was to have taken place last Thursday however GREMLINS have yet again caused a glitch.

Rest assured I am continuing to pursue this 'vigorously' and have indeed spoken to the Team Leader in Sydney. I will continue to keep you updated on any progress that I make in my endeavours.

Don't forget that the P&C are selling Entertainment Books for \$60.00 as a fundraising effort.

These can be paid for and picked up at the office

The Canteen and Uniforms Price Lists are on the School website for your convenience.

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