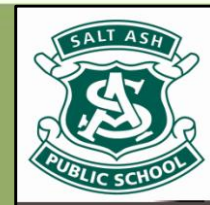


Salt Ash Public School Newsletter



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Issue 1 - Term 1 - Week 8

Thursday, 15 March 2012

Salt Ash Public School returns to the past !!! Despite the very inclement weather last Wednesday students, parents and staff thoroughly enjoyed our Colonial Day. We all learnt about our history up to the Gold Rush of 1851. Students were able to have a 'colonial lunch' and then we had great fun with our whole school joining in the bush dancing in the COLA. The costumes that the children wore on the day were amazing.....many thanks to the parents for their 'creative flair' !!!

Thanks also must go to the mums who organised and fed the hungry hordes.....mmmmmm yum !!!!. There are some great photos on display in the office !!

The students of Salt Ash Public School are also to be congratulated on their resilience and their level of participation on the day....well done kids and thanks you !!!

Staff Leave news.....

The school has been informed that Mrs Robinson has decided to retire from the NSW Department of Education. Her last day of service will be the last day of this Term. We would like to thank Mrs Robinson for her commitment to the students of Salt Ash Public School and we wish her all the very best in retirement.

Miss Moss will continue until week 10 of this term and then unfortunately has a prior commitment for the last 4 days of Term. I am currently in contact with staffing re Mrs Robinsons position and will keep parents fully informed !

Safety Reminders for all parents and students.

Salt Ash Public School has had safety policies in place for many years in relation to the wearing of jewellery to school and how students should wear their shirts. It is school policy that the only jewellery that should be worn to school are 'stud' earrings and watches. All other jewellery is discouraged and students are asked to remove their jewellery for safe keeping and safety reasons. Shirts are to be tucked in out of respect for the school rules and again for safety especially in the playground.

Please check your children for signs of Impetigo (School sores). We have had a couple of cases at School recently. Impetigo is highly infectious and must be treated by a doctor before children can return to school.

Harmony Day 21st March come dressed in Orange.....

PLEASE NOTE, PLEASE NOTE!!!!

The correct date for the School Disco is THIS THURSDAY 15th March. You are invited to come to the disco dressed as something starting with 'S' The disco will run from 6:00-8:00pm !!

PSP Survey.

Families should have received a brochure and information sheet in relation to the Priority Schools Survey last week. This important and **TOTALLY CONFIDENTIAL** survey has been distributed and because of the size of our school **we need 100% of our surveys returned.** If we are to be successful it would mean additional funding for our school. It is very important that families complete and return their surveys. It only takes a short time to complete and we would appreciate your commitment to this program. Thank you to the parents who have been so prompt in returning their surveys. We still have many, many, many surveys outstanding !!! We need **ALL Surveys** to be returned this week please. If you have misplaced the survey we have spare copies at the front office.

Easter Raffle....

Plans are under way for the Annual Easter Raffle. Families are asked to support this great Fundraiser by donating suitable Easter goodies for the baskets that are created each and every year. Donations of baskets suitable for the raffle are also very much appreciated by the Fundraising Committee. The Easter Bunny has been very slow in delivering his donations.....can you please help with this fundraiser with a donation of eggs for the raffle!!

Uniform purchases can be made every 2nd Tuesday at 9am for your convenience. (Please check the Term Calendar for dates)

If you require uniforms please leave your order with money at the office and Mrs Latham will fill the order when she is attending the uniform shop. Please note....As the school year progresses the demands on office staff increase and unfortunately they will no longer be able to help with uniform orders. Please note the change of Date for Uniforms from March 13 to March 15

Week 8 Term 1

Tuesday	13 th	AASS Surfing (Last Day)
Wed	14 th	AASS Taekwondo P and C AGM @ 7:00pm
Thurs	15 th	School Disco 6-8 pm in COLA
Friday	16 th March	Assembly @ 9:00 am 3/4 presentation Crazy Hair Day....supporting Shave for a Cure

Week 9 Term 1

Monday	19 th	Harmony Week commences
Wed	21 st	Harmony Day Fun AASS Taekwondo
Friday	23 rd	Assembly @ 9:00 am Book Club Due

Parking in the Staff Car Park.

The STAFF Car park is in need of renovation!!! We ask that for your own insurance purposes, the safety of students and to allow for repairs to take place parents **no longer use the staff car park to pick up and drop off their students.**

News from K/ 1.

Wow!!!!

How fast time flies when you are having fun. Kindergarten are taking home home readers. If your child hasn't returned their reading folder this needs to be returned before a home reader can go home. Please continue to practise reading word booklets nightly, as well as the new home readers. It makes a real difference. Kindergarten love showing how clever they are and their confidence is boosted when they show you what they have learnt so far. Thank you to all those parents who have been practising spelling with year 1. It is greatly appreciated.

The K/1 room has been busy with preparation for the 'S' themed disco, learning a poem for Anzac Day, as well as having lots of fun learning new sounds and number work. The Premiers Reading Challenge is well underway and K/1's goal for Term 1 is for everyone to have read 10 - 15 books each.

Awards: Merit- Wk 7 Dakota Auld, Ocea Liston-Smith-

Sport- Wk 7- Gabby Rooney, Jedd Toll

Values- wk 7- Patrick Slade, Riley Creedon

2/3 News

Year 2/3 have moved into their new classroom and are settling in nicely. During writing, students have been learning about *expositions*. They have read over many exposition examples and hope to produce their own in the coming weeks. Students have also been learning about the different types of *nouns*, including *common nouns*, *pronouns* and *proper nouns*. In Mathematics, all students have been learning about *place value*. Year 3 is also experimenting with *multiplication*, whilst Year 2 is focusing on *number facts*. Students have now been introduced to their science unit '*The Built Environment*', and will be carrying out many experiments and investigations until the end of term.

Week 6

Merit Awards: Jade House, William West-Kennett

Values: Sharni Toll

Saltie Noah Hannah

Week 7

Merit Awards: Caleb McGregor, Samuel Browne

Values: Bella Rooney

Saltie: Mason Davis

Week 6-7: Cook: 55, Sturt: 81, Shortland: 57
Oxley: 22

3/4 News

Wow, what a busy time of the term we are having with Cricket, Colonial Day, Crazy Hair Day, School Disco, Cross Country Training and Premiers Reading Challenge well under way !! We were all surprised to realise we are over half way through our first term. Some of the students have had 'light bulb' moments with their maths especially in our 'Money' unit. We are focusing on Exposition writing in Literacy, which will reinforce the correct structure of the text type to the Year Three's in their build up to Naplan Testing in May. So much to learn, such little time...

Award winners for weeks 6 and 7

Merit: Zoe Nash, Jaydon Warner, Belle Niki

Values/Salties: Cassi Nixon, Alyssa Hurney,

Bayley Meech-Kirkpatrick, Nakia Vidler

Sport: Felicity Kerr, Jack Kenny

RAYMOND TERRACE COMMUNITY MARKETS

ON 17TH MARCH at Riverside Park "ART & CRAFT EXPO". 9am – 2pm.

Stalls with Fruit and vegie, handmade hair clips, jewellery, handmade craft, pot plants etc.

