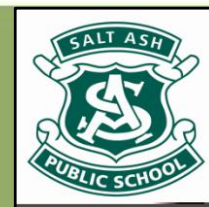


Salt Ash Public School Newsletter



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Issue Three - Term 3 - Weeks 7&8

Tuesday , 28th August 2012

Term Three....

It seems amazing that I am writing the Newsletter for weeks Seven and Eight of Term Three....it only seems like yesterday that the term commenced. Lots of learning and extra- curricular activities have filled the term and we are not finished yet.

We still have Literacy and Numeracy Week to celebrate and we are very much looking forward to our postponed Book Week Parade this Friday...lots of great costumes based on the favourite characters of staff and students!! The Book Week Parade will commence after our morning Assembly.

We also have our Book Fair which will run for the next two weeks. Students will have the opportunity to have a really good look at the book selection before making their choice and taking it to the office.

On the Excursion front....the K-2 students had an 'awesome' time in Sydney last week. Lots of writing and talking and listening activities have resulted from this excursion. Thank you to Mrs Hinchey for organising the excursion and to Miss Nash, Miss Moss and parents who accompanied the students.

On the Athletics front the students from Salt Ash Public School excelled themselves at the recent Zone Carnival. We came 10th overall....a wonderful achievement considering the sizes of other competing schools. We also have two Regional representatives in Leah Nowlan and Will Watters. Well done to all involved. Thanks to Mr Milne for organising the students for the day and to Mrs Young for 'stepping in' and accompanying the students.

A massive thank you to the parents, students and friends of Salt Ash Public School who did such an amazing job with the Coles and Woolworths vouchers and stickers. It will be a while yet until the staff have the opportunity to choose sporting goods and items for their classrooms. A special thank you to Mrs Julie Nixon for her 'deliveries' from Medowie Coles and to KU Preschool in Tanilba for giving us their very much appreciated support. We had many locals including our Fruit and Veg Shop who supported Salt Ash Public School and we certainly do appreciate the level of support shown to the students !!!!

Reminder Reminder Reminder....

Student Banking is available at Salt Ash Public School. Students can bank their money each week.....

Reminder...parents of students with anaphylaxis, asthma and allergies are reminded that their Health Care Plans and associated forms need to be returned to school as soon as possible. As yet none have been returned.

Safety Issues

We have had concerns raised by parents about students crossing Salt Ash Avenue to be picked up in waiting cars. We ask for the safety of our students near the buses and on Salt Ash Avenue that you PLEASE come into the school grounds and collect your children.

Parent Teacher Interviews

The school has had interview protocols in place for a considerable time. This includes contacting the school and organising a suitable time and PLACE to conduct an interview with teachers. If you have a concern please ensure that you follow correct procedure.

Premier's Spelling

Challenge....Congratulations to....

Riley Beaven, Adam Beckett, Declan Wright Bean and Jayb Smith who are our Regional Representatives in the Premiers Spelling Bee to be held later this term. Congratulations to all the students who participated in our school 'Spell Off'

Uniform orders 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. Please note.... Office staff can no longer fill uniform orders.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Week 7, Term 3....Literacy and Numeracy week....

School Book Fair..... Week Seven and Eight

Wed 29 th August	P and C Meeting @ 7:00 pm
	Father's Day Stall
Thurs 30 th August	Father's Day Stall
Fri 31 st August	Assembly @ 9am
	Item Yrs 2/3
	Book Week Parade....
	Dancing

Week 8, Term 3

Tue 4 th September	Uniform Shop
Wed	
Fri 6 th September	Assembly @9:00am
	3/4 Item
	Dancing

P and C Information....

Uniforms....The new cargo style shorts are now available at the cost of \$16 per pair. The old style shorts will be sold at \$10 per pair as a run out.

Father's DayDonations are now DESPERATELY required for our Father's Day Stall to be held on the 30th and 31st August. We have only had one donation so far !

Items suitable for dads can be left at the office for collection by the wrapping fairies who do such a wonderful job!!!

Students will be limited to one present from the stall if there are no further donations...

Reminder.....all Fundraising related to the P and C 'Marathon' should be returned to school as soon as possible. All monies are required and all forms must be finalised BEFORE prizes can be ordered !!

A reminder to parents to notify the school about your child's health

We welcome information from parents about your child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child's health care needs change or if a new health condition develops. Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents.

Please provide this information in writing to the Principal.

******Parents who have recently received Health Care Plans and or Allergy Alerts need to return these to school as soon as possible.**

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts.

Year 1/2 Report

Children in Year 1/2 had a great time on the excursion to Sydney last week. They wrote some great recounts. Mrs Hinchey was very surprised that they lasted the distance. Only one child fell asleep (and some adults) on the way home. Thanks to all children for being co-operative, considerate and showing respect at all times. This makes excursions enjoyable for all those concerned. Thanks also to those parents who came along and helped with supervision. This week Year1/2 have been doing lots of work for Book Week about the book "The Last Viking" by Norman Jorgensen. The children have learnt lots of things about vikings and about having the courage to face their fears. They can write and interpret a message using

Runes (Viking writing) and their motto is now **'ONWARD TO GLORY!'**

We can't wait for the book character parade next week!

Awards

Merit: Jorja McCredie, Lucinda Kenway Values: Elie Niki, Zane Grant Salties: Danny Harges, Jarcara Bindon-Bates

Year 2/3

During week 5 and 6 have been continuing to write information reports. They have been writing reports on tigers, penguins and the Olympics, and have started to publish their reports on the computer, focusing on inserting pictures and using spell check.

During Math, Year 2 have been learning about subtraction and measurement, and looking at 'more than' and 'less than.' They now have a better understanding of how heavy one kilo is, and have been comparing one kilo to everyday items.

Year 3 have been focusing on different subtraction strategies and have discovered that different methods can be used to get the same answer. They have also been working with equations, finding out if numbers are 'equal to' or 'not equal.'

During Science and Technology students have completed an experiment on growing Alfalfa sprouts and have found that they grow greener and faster when watered twice a day. Students have been busy learning about Minibeasts and are in the process of painting some special beasts, which will be presented at the assembly in week 7.

Miss Moss was most impressed with the Year 2 presentations on Australian animals and looks forward to the Year 3 presentations on Minibeasts. Thank you to parents and family members that have assisted their child/ children to create such detailed and well-presented assignments!

Merit Awards: Bella Rooney, Kye Disney, Cooper West, Hayley Keers

Values: William West-Kennett, Connor Bell Salties: Sam Mahomet, Noah Hannah

Stage 3

Stage 3 are doing well to complete most of their set work with continual interruption of extra- curricular activities. The Milo cricket blast was a well- run day that gave all students a chance to enjoy a sport that they may otherwise never get the opportunity to. Zone Athletics was well represented by Stage 3 across both days of competition, and some students even surprised themselves with their achievement.

Merit Awards- Leah Nowlan, Bradley Arnold- Crooks

Salty & Value- Ebonie Vogtmann

Sports- Ebony Stewart, Joshua Franks

This week students in **3/4** have been working incredibly hard in Maths. Year 3 have been concentrating on greater than, less than and equal to in relation to factor sentences. Year 4 have also been working with great than, less than and equal to in comparing different weights. We have also been busy working to complete all the art works that were started in week 5. We have worked on everything from our 'Mini beast Menageries' 'Crunch and Sip fruit bowls' and 'Spring rain umbrellas.' The pieces of art are fantastic with a lot of talent emerging from the students.

Raymond Terrace Markets are held on the third Saturday of every month until 2pm at Riverside Park Hunter Street:

15th September....

Pets Day Out (Take your pet to the Park).

20th OctoberYouth Adventures

17th November ... Jacaranda Celebration

15th DecemberTwilight Markets and Carols by the river.

If you are interested in having a stall at the markets please ring Jenny on 0412721723.