

# Salt Ash Public School Newsletter

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Issue One - Term 4 – Week Three

Tuesday 22nd October

## Items in School Office

The school actively discourages children bringing expensive personal items to school. However, if they do, we attempt to keep these items safe in the office. Children are always asked to sign their OWN items in and out and we discourage any student touching anything which does not belong to them.

Bushfire Disco and Spider Fundraiser is on tomorrow (Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>) after recess. Students will need to pay \$2 to enter the disco. Stage 3 will be running the games and making the spider drinks for those who have already placed their orders. Students will wear their school uniforms.

“Safe and Happy Day”: Fun activities, out of uniform with appropriate school wear and Sausage Sizzle for lunch this Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October. Northbridge School Band will be visiting our school on this day and will be joining the children for lunch. The band has 40 members and is doing a tour up the coast and contacted our school because they enjoyed playing here 4 years ago.

School Photo Day is this Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October.  
No Assembly this Friday due to School Photos.

Year 5 students have been given information re: Selective High School Enrolments. Please contact school office if more information is needed.

Reminder Kindergarten Orientation Information Meeting 5:30pm in Kindergarten Room on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October with start of Kindergarten Orientation Days for new students on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

\*\* If there are any parents who can help with covering some new readers the school has bought could you please see Miss Nash.

\*\*Intensive Swimming... will take place in Weeks Eight and Nine. This is for all students from

Years 2-6. It offers non swimmers the opportunity to develop water safety awareness and for swimmers to further develop their stroke technique.

\*\*The P and C would appreciate any donations towards the Christmas Raffle to be left at the office.

**Parents are reminded that students who DO NOT catch the bus to school SHOULD NOT be at school any earlier than 8:25 am. The school gates will remain closed until after 8:00 am....**

\*\*Ma's Delicious Puddings....order forms for Ma's delicious Christmas Puddings will be at school later this Term. They are very delicious and they make a wonderful Christmas Gift !!

Thanks.....to the parents who are working with us to keep your children safe....we simply ask that parents write a note or contact us at school to let us know if you have arranged with another parent to pick your child/children up from school or if your child/children are travelling by the afternoon bus as an alternate to their usual journey home... we appreciate your adherence to Departmental Policies in relation to this issue.

Mrs Melissa Gordon has taken on the role of Canteen Co-ordinator and would love your assistance, especially with maintaining the canteen and having it operate 2 days per week. If you are able to assist next term can you contact Melissa on 0421335185.

Aussie Five Fair Rules....

Parents and students also need to be aware that there are some circumstances in the classroom and

in the playground where students can be placed IMMEDIATELY on an Amber or Red alert should the behaviour or the circumstances warrant. Dangerous or aggressive behaviour can move straight to Amber or Red if deemed appropriate by the staff in the classroom or on playground duty.

Parents wanting to discuss an Amber Alert Notification need to make an appointment via the front office and should NOT expect to discuss the notification with staff prior to school commencing.

Children know our Aussie Five Fair Rules and what is acceptable behaviour in the classroom and the playground. They are also aware of the consequences for not 'sticking to the rules' Traffic Light reminders....

\*Green...warning

\*Amber ...Time out in the Classroom...with a note sent home and the behaviour recorded electronically.

\*Red ...time out of the classroom with a buddy class and a note sent home informing parents of the appropriate time out given at school.

\*\*\*\*Parents are also reminded that students remain out of the playground until the behaviour note is returned....

**Requirements for school...eg. pens, pencils and glue sticks etc. can be purchased at the office. I have also filled the Friday Dilly Basket with these necessities.... Can you please ensure that your child/children have these basics ready to learn each and every day.**

### Week Three ....

<b>Tues 22nd Oct</b>	<b>Newsletter Distributed</b>
<b>Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct</b>	<b>Disco and spiders Fundraiser for bushfires</b>
<b>Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	<b>Safe and Happy Day Northbridge PS Band</b>
<b>Fri 25th Oct</b>	<b>School Photos No Assembly</b>

### Week Four ...

<b>Wed 30th Oct</b>	<b>Kindergarten Information Evening 5.30 Kindy Room</b>
<b>Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Nov</b>	<b>Assembly @ 8:55 am</b>

#### Kindergarten

Kindergarten have had a brilliant start to term 4. Everyone is enthusiastic and eager to complete all tasks, especially after Miss Nash reminded them they only have 7 weeks left of being kindergarten and then they will be big Year 1 people. Their faces shown with excitement!

We have jumped straight into revising our sounds and diagraphs and have even been learning short vowel spelling rules. Next week we will be taking home homework about spelling rules.

We have also been very busy writing lots of creative sentences. There were some wonderful descriptions of farms and jobs that they would do on the farm written for homework.

In maths we have been practicing counting by two's and three's. We have been racing each other to see who will be the champion at dice addition and the competition was fiercely contested and is sure to continue next week so keep practising.

There are a few home readers I haven't seen for a while, could you please return them ASAP.

Some students have returned to school but their pencil cases and lead pencils have not, please check your child's pencil case, as much time can be wasted while students borrow and sharpen pencils.

#### Year 1/2 Report

What a busy, and eventful, start to the term. I hope all families have survived the bushfires without too much loss and damage to properties. The children have been very resilient and have coped quite well at school during this eventful time. Homepacks have been reorganised and were sent home last week. Once again please make sure worksheets are wiped clean ready for the next child and packs are returned EVERY Friday whether they have been done or not. This will be a busy term with lots of things happening and final reports being sent home. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns about your child's progress.

Awards:

Merit: Jakob May, Kye Warner, Lucian Knight,  
Nicolas Nicholson  
Salties: William Liston-Smith,  
Hayley Parnell Sport: Mitchell Cox, Riley Creedon

**2/3**

The weeks just seem to fly by, I can't believe it is term 4 already and we are in week 2. We have a very busy term ahead of us. In week 1 we completed our pre spelling test as well as our pre maths test. In literacy we continued writing our information reports and are currently researching our own animals during reading groups using the computers and as a class we are writing a report about pandas. Also in reading groups we have started our new books and look forward to completing various activities that go with books.

In maths we finished off our unit from last term have started our new topic of chance and are talking about things that are certain, impossible, possible, likely and unlikely to happen.

Finally in creative arts we have been doing some free drawing with some wonderful results.

**Year 4**

Students have settled well and have a great week after the worrying start. They have enjoyed the lessons and activities Mr Nuss has undertaken in the class. Our Literacy focus has been Procedure and we have learnt the process in 'How to make Fried Rice.' The Grammar and Punctuation lesson had students a little stumped and vying for house points which saw Hayli Clarke contribute 50 house points for Cook.

In Maths we have looked at Angles and made an Angle Tester with Mr Nuss to help identify a right angle, an acute angle and an obtuse angle. Some students have enjoyed a challenge put up by Mrs Young to complete all work correctly gaining or losing house points. This saw Sturt relinquish the lead in the class to Cook. In Science and Technology we enjoyed watching the creation of Mickey Mouse in 1927 and how he has changed over time. Although he has remained looking the same since 1955. We also got to draw our own Mickey Mouse and Mrs Young was super impressed with our sketches.

Award winners for weeks 1 and 2. Merit: Cassi Nixon, Connor Bell, Nakia Vidler, William Gilbert.

Salties/Values: Evvy Hutchinson, Brooke Nicholson, Samuel Browne, Nathan Booth. Sport: Caleb McGregor, William Gilbert

**Stage 3**

A busy week in Stage 3 and fantastic to see the class getting behind the idea of 'doing something for others'. Thanks to the Stage 3 girls who have worked on Grace Hyde's idea of holding a fundraising disco for the recent bushfire tragedy.

Good luck with your effort, I hope the DJ you hired is worth his fee.

Great work in class with Ms Maunder, the maturity demonstrated by the students has been impressive as they discuss sensitive issues related to cultural diversity.

Don't forget our emphasis on chapter books this term! All students should be reading and absorbing themselves in novels...utilise our library and librarian to find something appropriate.