

Salt Ash Public School Newsletter

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Issue Three - Term 4 – Week Five

Tuesday 5th November

Week Five has arrived... and we are in busy mode as we head to the end of the 2013 School Year. I would like to thank Miss Nash for 'holding the reins' in my absence. The school was in very good hands ! Thanks very much Miss Nash.

The new school uniform has been distributed last week... many thanks to Mrs Kenny and her band of helpers for their hard work last week.

We would all like to wish Riley Beaven all the very best as he heads to Sydney this week to represent Salt Ash Public School and the Region in the State Final of the Premier's Spelling Challenge. This is a WONDERFUL achievement for Riley and as a whole school community we wish him luck. Riley is the ONLY student in this area to be competing at State level..... all the very best Riley.

Our postponed visit from Northbridge School Band will now take place on Unfortunately due to the roads being compromised by bushfires they were forced to delay their trip. We look forward to their visit.

The majority of our Stage Two Students spent last Thursday developing their skills and knowledge in relation to the art of animation. They learnt just how many 'frames' it takes to produce just 3 seconds of film... we look forward to seeing their efforts in the next few weeks. Thanks to Miss Turnbull for organising this activity.

Our Kindergarten Orientation Program commences this THURSDAY. We look forward to meeting our new Kindergarten students and welcoming them to the first day at 'big school' Their 'buddies' are just as eager to help them settle into our School. We would also like to thank the parents who were able to participate in our Parent Information Session held last Wednesday night.

School Photos will be delivered in approximately 3-4 weeks.

It is a very busy time ahead for all at Salt Ash Public School. It is final assessment time... Semester Two Reports are being prepared and staff are making those hard decisions regarding their choices for end of year awards.

Intensive Swimming is fast approaching. Mr Milne has organised the notes for our Swimming Program... should you need any further details please do not hesitate to contact Mr Milne.

Mrs Sheppard Mrs Watson and I are very busy organising book packs and finalising details for the 2014 School Year.
Kerrie Jamieson
Principal

****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 has/ have these basics ready to learn each and every day.

Week Five ... Riley Beaven to Premier's Spelling Challenge State Final !!

Tue	5 th Nov	Newsletter Day
Thurs	7 th Nov	Kindergarten Orientation
Friday	8 th Nov	Assembly@ 8:55am 5/6 and Year Four Item

Week Six ...

News from Kindergarten

Kindergarten has been very busy this week. They have been writing so many stories that Miss Nash thinks they should all become famous authors. Their descriptions of a scary, haunted house were sooooo scary that they might have to sleep with the lights on. In maths they were so clever. Their adding skills are really getting better and on Thursday Kindergarten were adding up 6 dice. Their art work is nearly ready for the Tilligerry Art Show... just a few more pieces to go. They have started planning a special Christmas surprise. But it's a secret, sh, sh, sh. Everybody really enjoyed completing the new homework and some even thought that doing their spelling test was fun. What a great attitude to have towards showing what they have learnt.

Year 1/2 Report

In Literacy this term Year 1/2 have been writing Information Reports and Descriptions. Mrs Hinchey read a book called "Boris Monster" and the class wrote descriptions of Boris. They also wrote "What Am I?" descriptions and published them into books for our class library.

Last Thursday the children wrote a report on "What is Halloween?" It was very interesting to read what the children's thoughts were.

Do you know how Halloween originated ?

In Maths we have been learning all about lines and angles and are getting really clever at playing the game Multo with our 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Getting Along is our topic in PD/H/PE and we have been having fun doing gymnastic exercises in our classroom for sport on Fridays.

Awards: Merit: Jay Carr Sport: Jakob May, Mikayla Anderson Salties: Elsie Niki, Heath Trimmingham Happygrams: Nicolas Nicholson, Lucian Knight

News from 2/3

In week 4 we have been busily working on information reports. Some of the students wrote some wonderful reports on penguins. In talking and listening, our topic for the week was information reports where the students needed to pick an animal and report to the class about that animal. We have heard some great reports from the students.

In numeracy we have finished off our work on chance and are ready to move on to addition and subtraction next week.

We had a day full of learning about making movies out of clay and are amazed how long it takes to make a 30 second movie. We will be able to show everyone the products of our hard work for the year 2/3 assembly item.

In personal development we are learning about what a 'true blue' friend is and that we need to treat everyone with the same respect as if they were true friends.

This week we also welcomed Miss Herbert to our class who is going to working with 2/3 for the next 3 weeks.

News from 5/6

A busy week as usual, even more so as Ms Maunder had the students under the pump. The Stage 3 students enjoyed their trip to Kindergarten to share their narratives, and I am assured that the Kindy enjoyed them too. A lot of work is being completed in maths and the students have enjoyed looking at our science unit of Products and Services. Some wild wind was welcomed as the class looked at the service provided by the Bureau of Meterology and constructed a weather vane.

Awards

Merit: Erin Bell; Jared Robinson
Salties/Values: Tarnie O'Hanlon Vidler; Belle Niki; Breanna Nicholson

Sport: Jade Radford; Riley Beavan

Raymond Terrace Market

Riverside Park, Hunter Street

RAYMOND TERRACE 9th November 2013.

Jacaranda Celebration

Come along and have fun!!

There will be an Art Competition register at 10.45am for 11.00am

Also a Talent Quest register at 11.30am for 12.00

New and Preloved toys and clothes for sale plus our Regular Stalls

Come and join us and enjoy the day.

For information call Liz on 0422144441 or Jennifer on 0412721723.