

# Salt Ash Public School Newsletter

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Issue Five - Term 1 – Week Eleven

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April

Term One has come to an end and we have had another busy term at Salt Ash Public School. I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents and members of our extended Salt Ash Public School ‘family’ for their support and commitment to the students of Salt Ash Public School. We appreciate your commitment to the students through assisting at school, helping with and supporting our daily classroom and sporting activities and for your hard work at home with listening to your children read, talking to them about their school day and for your valuable assistance with homework tasks right across the school. The commitment to the home school partnership leads to improved outcomes for all students...thank you very much.

We also hope you enjoy your “time off” and are ready for a very busy Term Two. Thank you also to the staff for their hard work and dedication to the students of Salt Ash Public School.

Congratulations to the Stage Two students for their very impressive Music Tasks that they completed throughout the term... teachers have thoroughly enjoyed their presentations and appreciate the hard work demonstrated by the students and the knowledge and skills they have displayed. I am very much looking forward to seeing Stage Three’s Rainforest Tasks. Both Mr Milne and I have been impressed by the enthusiasm shown by the Stage Three students.

## Cross Country Success

Congratulations to the students who participated in our recent school Cross Country. It was great to see our students demonstrating resilience and perseverance to complete the course around our school. Well done to Mr Milne for organising the event and many, many thanks to the parents for assisting with their support, manning the checkpoints and supplying the BBQ for the students after the Cross Country.

Individual Age Champions are;

Junior Girl: Hayli Clarke

Junior Boy: Samuel Browne

11Years Girl: Sierra Nowlan

11Years Boy: Jack Grant

Senior Girl: Emily Kenny

Senior Boy: Matthew Tyszyk

Last Friday our school representatives travelled to Raymond Terrace to participate in the Zone Cross Country. The weather proved perfect for the event. Our students are to be congratulated on their participation and their high level of success. We have four students who will represent at the Regional Cross Country.

Lily Hufnagl and Hayli Clarke came in second and third respectively in the Junior Girls Event. Sierra Nowlan was fifth in the Senior Girls and Matthew Tyszyk fifth in the Senior Boys. An excellent result indeed...well done to all our participating students and a big congratulations to our four students who will represent our school at the next level. Thank you to parents for assisting with transport and well done to Mr Milne for his work in preparing our students...

### Term Two Happenings....

Term Two for students commences on WEDNESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> May. Staff will be immersed in Training and Development in relation to the National Curriculum throughout the first two days of Term Two. The NSW Department of Education and Communities has scheduled an extra day of Training and Development to prepare staff and schools for the introduction of the National Curriculum in 2014.

#### On the agenda for Term Two

- Naplan
- Woolworths Earn and Learn
- Nudie Food Tuesday....every week !!
- Starstruck
- Semester One Reports
- School Athletics Carnival for all students held at Nelson Bay.

### ANZAC DAY MARCH

Salt Ash Public School participates in the Tilligerry Peninsula ANZAC DAY March each and every year. All students and their families are invited to represent our School by marching from the gates at Tanilba to the Tilligerry RSL Club where we attend the Service. Students march proudly in their full school uniform. Students should gather near the gates at 9:30 am.

### School ANZAC Day Service.

Our annual School Service will take place on FRIDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> May commencing at Midday. All parents are invited to attend our Service. All classes will be participating in our service with songs and poetry. We are also very fortunate to have representatives from RAAF Base Williamtown and the Tilligerry RSL attend and support our service.

### Early Morning arrivals.....

Students are arriving at school up to one hour before the school teaching day commences. Departmental guidelines advise that staff commence formal supervision 30 minutes before the morning bells rings at 8:25. Staff at Salt Ash Public School choose to arrive before that time to prepare for their teaching

day and are not to be expected to supervise students who arrive before formal supervision starts. The arrival of the school bus at approximately 8:05am is the decision of the bus company NOT the school. This safety issue is one I will be pursuing in earnest next Term. From the start of Term two students will not be able to enter the school grounds before 8:00am.

**The school gates will be closed until 8:00am.**

**The time for students who do not travel on the bus to arrive at school is 8:25 when formal supervision commences....**

Picking students up after school... parents please be aware that staff on Bus duty have a duty of care to ensure the safety of the students. Parents need to come to the gate to collect their child/children. The staff will not let children out of the school gates to go to parents. There are buses and moving vehicles and we need to ensure their safety at all times.

Parents...please be aware we have head lice in the school. We ask that ALL parents check their child/children's hair and treat if required. We also ask that girls wear their hair either plaited or tied back to assist in the prevention of further outbreaks.

Parents...important information reprinted for your convenience....it is a legal requirement for ALL parents to inform the school IN WRITING if your child/children leave the school with another parent or relative. If they are not going home on the bus or with you as per usual a WRITTEN note is to be given in at the office...not to the class teacher or the staff on bus duty.

**Thank you** to those parents who support our school commencement time at 8:55 and ensure a smooth and timely start to each teaching day. Late arrivals are disruptive to the learning of the students and their peers. It also does not allow children to be settled into the morning routine.

#### Parent Teacher Interviews

If you would like to talk to your child's teacher or to the Principal PLEASE contact the school to organise a mutually convenient time....

#### Aussie Five fair Rules....

All classes and even some families have fully adopted our Aussie Five fair Rules. Children are now very aware of the system and what is acceptable behaviour in the classroom and the playground. They are also aware of the consequences for not 'sticking to the rules'

Well done and thank you to **all** the students who **do** display all the Aussie Five Fair Rules each and every day in our Classrooms and our Playground.

#### 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 with appropriate time out given at school.

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

Parents are also reminded that we have our Crunch and Sip operating at Salt Ash Public School...students are encouraged to bring water and 'crunch' food to school each and every day.

**For Sale....Bright and Breezy Library bags at the Front Office (hand made by Mrs Grant)**

**\$ 5....all monies from the sale of these Library bags will be donated to the Library for more library books for students.**

**Pre loved Library Chairs....great for play at home...\$ 5 each....money from the sale of these will also be donated to the Library.**

#### Requirements for Term Two.....

We also ask that students come to school in Term Two each and every day ready to learn.....this includes the basics....PENCILS, COLOURED PENCILS, GLUE STICKS, PENS ERASERS, RULERS and SCISSORS...

#### SCHOOL CALENDAR

##### Week 11 Term 1

Fri	12 <sup>th</sup> April	Assembly @ 8:55 am
Term One Ends.		

##### Week 1 Term Two

Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Term 2 commences for students
Frid 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	School ANZAC Service commencing at Midday

Raymond Terrace Market Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> of April

Riverside Park Hunter Street Raymond Terrace

## Baby and Toddlers Expo

There is a **Prettiest Baby photo Competition** at  
**11.00am**

**Teddy's Bear Picnic** for Toddlers and other children

Starts at at 12.00

New and Preloved toys and clothes for sale

Our Regular Stalls

Come on down

And enjoy the day

For information call Liz 0422144441 or Jennifer on  
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