**Welcome Back**

**We trust you had a lovely Easter /School Holidays/ANZAC Break and are ready for what is already shaping up to be another busy Term at Salt Ash Public School…..**

**We have ‘on the agenda’ this Term so far**

* **NAPLAN (for students in Years Three and Five in Week Three)**
* **Walk Safely to School Day 23rd May**
* **Jump Rope for Heart Launch 9th May and our Jump Off and Healthy Heart Food Day 28th May..**
* **Starstruck….the week of the Long Weekend**
* **Athletics Carnival 18th June….**

**Please find attached to the Newsletter a copy of the Term Calendar….it has all the activities that we are aware of at this stage. Please feel free to add to your copy as additional events/activities are advertised in the Newsletter.**

**As you are aware through a note that went home last Term Miss Collins has left our school as she received a full time position within the NSW DEC.**

**We welcome Miss Riddel as her replacement. Miss Riddel will be working in the 2/3 classrooms on Thursdays and Fridays and in the 5/6 classroom this Term on Wednesdays. We welcome Miss Riddel to Salt Ash Public School.**

**We commence our Term’s events with our Annual ANZAC Service THIS THURSDAY commencing at Midday 1st May in the COLA. We have representatives from the Tilligerry RSL and Legacy as well as a representative from RAAF Base Williamtown attending our service..**

**The senior students will be singing and K-3 students will be reciting poetry. It is a very important day in our school calendar and parents are most welcome to attend.**

**It is also the first opportunity for our School Leaders to ‘shine’ as they lead our assembly. I would like to take this opportunity to AGAIN thank Evelyn Sansom (Ma) for her contribution to our ANZAC Service through the preparation of our wonderful wreaths.**

**I would also like to thank the small band of Salt Ash Public School students and their parents who attended the annual Tilligerry ANZAC Service held at the Tilligerry RSL last Friday.**

**Your participation and your presence was very much appreciated by the members of the RSL.**

**\*\*\*Students are reminded that they are to be in FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM on Thursday.**

**During the school holidays the school underwent its mandatory tree assessment.**

**Some trees in our playground have been tagged and we await the written report to be forwarded to the school upon its completion. At this stage we have been advised that the seats near the Canteen need to be moved away from the tree.**

**Newsletters and Notes…..if your ‘note taker’ is away on Newsletter Day…PLEASE ask your ‘note taker’ to check with their classroom teacher. Each class is given enough copies for each ‘note taker’.**

**The Newsletter is also available on the School Website. We will also be establishing our School Facebook Page this Term !**

**Jump Rope For Heart….we will have our School Launch at 12:30 on Friday 9th May. We will have a Jump Rope co-ordinator here to explain the process and chat to the children. Mrs Fisher has already sent out notes in relation to this Fundraiser. Students will then have time to gain sponsorship before our ‘Jump Off’ on WEDNESDAY 28th May.**

**Walk Safely to School Day FRIDAY 23rd May.**

**Next Tuesday Mrs Hinchey will participate in Training and Development in relation to ‘Walk Safely to School Day’. She will be the co-ordinator for this activity and will be able to inform you of events for this day when she returns from her training.**

**Appointments**

**Parents are reminded that if they have any issues or concerns please contact the school as soon as possible to discuss them. In the first instance please make a time for a phone or face to face interview with the staff member you wish to talk with. Do not arrive at school early in the morning expecting to see a member of staff without a PRIOR appointment.**

**Semester One Reports will be issued in Week Eight with parent/teacher interviews taking place in Week Nine. This Semester staff will take the opportunity to request interviews with parents to discuss any concerns they may have in relation to a student in their classroom.**

**Aussie Bush Camp…. Instalments can be made for this activity….**

**Parents are AGAIN reminded that part of our school uniform is BLACK SHOES. We have had a variety of coloured shoes being worn and BLACK SHOES is the colour to be worn to school. We ask that parents ensure that their child/children wear black shoes to school.**

**Nudie Food Tuesdays….parents and students are reminded that we are encouraging ALL students to bring their ‘nude’ food to school each and every Tuesday.**

**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.**

**All students 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…..**

Week One….

Tue 29th April Newsletter Day

Nudie Food Day

Thurs 1st May ANZAC Service @ Midday

Fri 2nd May Assembly@ 8:55am

Week Two…

Tues 6th May Nudie Food Day

Thurs 8th May Mothers’ Day Stall

Fri 11th April School Assembly @ 8:55

Mother’s Day Stall

Jump Rope for Heart Launch.