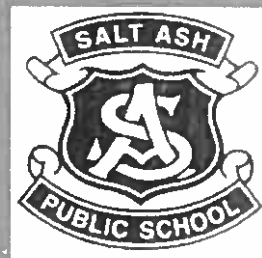


Salt Ash Public School Newsletter

Respect Consideration Co-operation
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Issue Four - Term Four – Week Seven

Tuesday 18th November

Welcome back everyone and a special welcome to our new Kindergarten students and the new families joining Salt Ash Public School for the first time. I hope everyone's Christmas break was enjoyable and you are all feeling rested, relaxed and ready to go for another big year.

Uniform

It is great to see the children of our school in uniform each day. Individually they look great and as a school group they look even better. Please remember black shoes are part of our school uniform.

School Times & Attendance

At Salt Ash Public School classes commence at 8:55am and finish at 2:40pm each day. Children are permitted to be on site at 8:25am when a staff member is allocated a supervision duty. Please do not drop your children at school before this time. If you need to collect your child before 2:40pm please go to the front office first and complete a part day absence slip to take to your child's class teacher when you collect them.

School Attendance is vital for your child's development

Attending school every day makes learning easier for your child and helps build and maintain friendships with other children.

If students miss the basic skills in the early years of school, they may have problems later on.

Regular attendance at school will help your child to succeed in later life.

Must I send my child to school every day?

The Education Act states that it is the responsibility of parents/guardians to ensure that all children between 6 and 17 years of age attend school every day that it is open unless:

- *your child is too sick to go to school
- *your child has been injured

- *your child has to go to a special religious ceremony,
- *your child has an infectious illness (e.g. chicken pox, mumps, or measles),
- *there is a serious family situation which requires their involvement.

Please do not keep your child away from school for:

- *birthdays
- *pension day
- *minding other children
- *hair cuts
- *interpreting for other family members or other less important reasons.

Always try to make children's appointments with people like dentists or doctors before or after school.

What should I do if my child has to stay away from school?

It is important to let the school know when your child will be away and why your child was absent.

The parent or caregiver should telephone the school or provide a written note addressed to the school explaining the child's absence.

Student Medical Conditions

If your child has had a medical condition that needs to be managed at school please provide the office with up to date action plans as soon as possible. Some conditions we need to know about are asthma and allergies but there may be others. If you are not sure please drop in and have a conversation with us about your child's needs.

New Bus Run

A review by Hunter Valley Buses will now allow students from Lemon Tree Passage and Tanilba Bay areas to arrive at school at a more appropriate time in the mornings. Students currently travelling on route 124 will be serviced by bus 137. This bus will service the same bus stops but will pick up in the

mornings approximately 45min later dropping students at school in time for the morning bell. Students are able to access the new service now and as of Monday 16th February bus number 124 will not be available to Salt Ash Public School students. Please note afternoon drop off times will not change. A note with the above information and the latest timetable has been sent home today to all affected families. The information is also available through the Hunter Valley Buses website and on the school's website under notes home.

New Soap Dispensers

Because of a generous parent donation we have been able to install liquid soap dispensers in the student toilets. All classes have explicit instructions on the use of these and the students have responded well. Please take a moment to discuss the appropriate use of these facilities with your children.

Shade Sail

The school has been offered a slightly damaged shade sail that would better cover our picnic table area. For us to use this sail it does need some repairs. If anyone in the community could help with this please let us know.

Annual Swimming Carnival

Next Wednesday the school's annual swimming carnival will be held at the Raymond Terrace Leisure Centre. All students in classes 3 to 6 are expected to attend and contribute to their sports house success and have a great time. Students who are in Year 2 and are turning 8 this year are also invited. It would be great to have parents and friends join us for the day. If you are coming please be ready to cheer, press a stop watch and bring your swimmers so we can challenge the kids.

P&C Meeting Tomorrow 6:00pm

The first P&C meeting for the year will be held tomorrow evening at 6:00pm in the school library. All parents and community members are invited to attend. This meeting will also be the AGM.

MSP PHOTOGRAPHY will be coming to the school on 20th February to take photos of our new Kindergarten children.

Book Club orders are due at school by Friday 13th February.



Education
& Training

Severe Allergies... we have students enrolled at Salt Ash Public School with severe allergies, in particular latex and products containing latex. These include silicone wrist bands and loom bands.

We also have students with a peanut allergy. Our aim is to eliminate, as much as possible, any products containing latex or peanuts from the school environment.

Dance 'n Dazzle Studio

Principal: Corynne Darcy B.Ed. LGTDA. ATOD.



Professional Tuition In:

- ★ Jazz (ATOD)
- ★ Tap (LGTDA)
- ★ Hip Hop
- ★ Classical Ballet (ATOD)
- ★ Modern/Contemporary
- ★ Acrobatics
- ★ Cheerleading (AASCF)

FREE Strength and Conditioning class
for all enrolled students aged 6/0

Celebrating 20 Years in Medowie



We also Offer:

Adult Jazz and Tap Classes | Tiny Dazzler Classes (2yrs+)
Annual Concert | Examinations | Eisteddfods
Scholarships | Public Performances |
Mummy and Me Class – New for 2015

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