

Salt Ash Public School Newsletter

Positive, Respectful and Safe Learners



Term 4 – Week 3

Wednesday 26th October, 2016

PBL Is Coming!!!

You have heard of it and now you will see us living it.

IT! What is IT?

IT, is our school agreeing that at Salt Ash Public School we are **POSITIVE, RESPECTFUL** and **SAFE LEARNERS** and all of us should expect that everyone who comes into our school should behave in a way that shows this.

At school we take this further. We are developing lessons and practises that explicitly show how to act in a **POSITIVE, RESPECTFUL** and **SAFE** way in all sorts of situations. We will share these with you.

Confidence, Confidence, Confidence, Confidence

That's the Key to Success we are studying this term. Confidence means knowing that you will likely be successful and that people will like you. It means not being afraid to make mistakes or try something new. It means looking and sounding confident.

Examples of confident behaviour are raising your hand in class to have a go at a difficult question, having a go at hard work without asking for help, sharing a new idea with the teacher or class, starting a conversation with a new classmate or someone you don't usually spend a lot of time with.

Community Wellbeing Program

Last week students brought home a survey seeking thoughts from the school community in relation to wellbeing activities that can support people who live and work in the area that has been identified as having contaminated ground water.

We hope to have all surveys returned by this Friday, 28th October.

Award Recipients

Silver: Justin Russell and Kaelan Maloney

Gold: Jacques Gray and Jade House

Platinum: Libby Vogtmann, Ally Davison and Joshua Wolinski

Super Dooper: Stella Logan, Sienna Donnelly, Maddison Mitchell, Dominic Rooney, Jackson Wolinski and Lucian Knight

Super Dooper 1: Zoe-Beth Carter-Bennett, Leo Middleby, Xavier Knight, Lily Peters, Deakan Watters and Jakob May

Super Dooper 2: Aleisha Hockey and Ethan Swain.

Upcoming Dates:

Basketball K-6

Each Tuesday

Careers through Reading

Stage 3 each Wednesday

Kinder Orientation Days

Tuesday 1st November, 8th November and 15th November.

Application for Year 7 Selective High School 2018

Parents wishing to apply for their child to attend a Selective High School in 2018 must apply on line at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement before the **14th November 2016.**

All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 9th March 2017. Further information is available from the school.

Swimming Scheme

21st November – 2nd December

Presentation Evening

Tuesday 13th December

Bathurst & Central West Excursion

Wednesday 16th November to Friday 18th November.

Bathurst & Central West Excursion

A detailed itinerary, consent and medical form came home last week for those students who are attending the Stages 2 & 3 excursion through the Central West of NSW.

Please return the medical and consent forms by **Friday 11th November and remember final payment is due on Friday 4th November.**

Veggies

Our veggies are jumping out of the ground.

Last week our senior students indulged in spinach frittatas' - thanks to the bumper crop of spinach in our school veggie garden.

Our junior students pigged out on snow peas and we hope to get another flush of the delicious green lollies after an application of potash.

The beetroot is going gang busters and it is time for Stage 2 students to enjoy the produce. Anyone have a yummy beetroot recipe they can share?

We have heaps of lettuce that the canteen is using but there is plenty to spare if you would like some. We can even spare some spinach.

P & C News

At our recent P & C meeting, the future of our canteen was discussed.

We are unable to fill all our rostered days due to a lack of volunteers. In the last few years we have only added one new Kindergarten parent to our team, while we have lost five of our long term volunteers. Some of our current volunteers are doing 7 or more days each term. This is not fair and not sustainable. WE NEED SOME NEW HELPERS!!!! A canteen shift starts around 8.30 and finishes around Noon; recess is only open if volunteers are available. The lunches are not difficult to prepare

and the money side of things is very simple. No ordering is required. Your children just LOVE seeing you in the canteen.

Our canteen currently makes a profit of between \$4,000-\$5,000 per year (that's more than HALF of our annual P & C income) If we have to close one day per week then this will reduce our income significantly. Here is a list of SOME of the things our P & C have raised funds for: basketball ring, concrete, laptops, headphones, smartboards, buying \$10,000 worth of new uniform items, \$300-\$400 to each teacher yearly for classroom resources, sport uniforms, buses to sporting events, contributions to school rewards. We are currently trying to raise funds for a Soft fall playground for the students. We need a minimum \$30,000.

Next year we will need a new canteen coordinator. If you have a passion for food, are keen to supply our kids with healthy delicious lunch and snack items and are able to do simple ordering and rostering, this is a position for you!!!! Training and guidance provided. It's a great way to be involved in the school and make a difference in a part of your child's life that THEY consider to be important. Not to mention how much you will be able to contribute to fundraising for our school. For those mums looking for school hours, a canteen manager position is a great one. While you are only paid in love and gratitude at our school, it is a great training experience if you wish to pursue employment in the food industry. If you think you may be interested in this position, please contact Natalie Creedon 0414 985 906 or via email at creedos5000@gmail.com

Unfortunately, if we are unable to find anyone for this position, we will be unable to operate the canteen next year.

Careers through Reading

Our Uni friends are back. This time it is Careers through Reading showing our kids it is important to aim high and understand how important reading is to all of us every day.

Our awesome veggies!!



Careers through Reading!!

