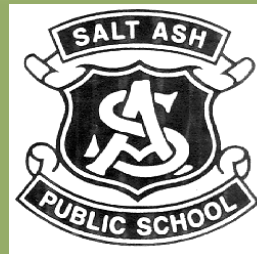


Salt Ash Public School Newsletter

Positive, Respectful and Safe Learners



Term 1 – Week 10

Wednesday 29th March, 2017

Newsletter by Email

If you would prefer our newsletter to be sent to you by email please contact the school office and we will add you to our mailing list.

Student Leadership

Our Year 6 students are in action and doing a great job. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays they are running activities for our younger kids and everyone is having a great time.

We are very proud of the way our senior kids want to make our school the best place it can be. They truly are Positive, Safe and Respectful Learners.

Award Recipients

Congratulations to the following students on their recent Bronze and Silver awards. These kids are really showing the keys to success of, GETTING ALONG, PERSISTENCE, RESILLIENCE and CONFIDENCE.

Bronze: Lacey Atkinson, Sienna Atkinson, Teleah Britton, Fern Gray, Letaya King, Stella Logan, Leo Middleby, Liam Mitchell, Riley Moyle, Taylor Phillips-Mckendry, Mia Pine, Zali Plumridge, Jylan Sampson, Travis Stair, Luke Towers, Nate Verschoor, Sebastian Barton, Jack Catford-Jones, Kobi House, Gemma Parkinson, Chelsea Pine, Chloe Anderson, Annabelle Barton, Aleisha Hockey, Maddeline Logan, Emily Trimmingham, Xavier Knight, William Cutmore, Sophie Wyatt, Jamison Marshall, Sienna Donnell, Dominic Rooney, Jack Moyle, Jack McKendry.

Silver: Lacey Atkinson, Sienna Atkinson, Teleah Britton, Fern Gray, Letaya King, Stella Logan, Leo Middleby, Mia Pine, Zali Plumridge, Sienna Donnelly.

Easter Hat Parade 2017

Our Easter Hat Parade this year will be held on the last day of term (Next Friday 7th April). For those families who are new to our school this parade involves all students from Kindergarten to Year 6. Children are encouraged to make hats at home and bring them on the day to parade in front of the rest of the school, with their class members.

This parade will take place at approximately 1:30pm, after our recess break. Parents are invited to attend. The P&C Easter raffle will be drawn after the parade.

PBL Focus

PBL Term 1

Positive Respectful Learning and Safe Learners. Our school is consolidating its PBL practices through student focused lessons, staff development and community interaction.

Students have been guided through specific lessons on what Positive, Respectful and safe behaviour looks like in settings such as:

- Assembly's
- Moving through the school
- Verandahs &
- Bus lines

All staff contributed to the development of our 'Behavioural Consistency Guide'. This highlights expectations and promotes staff to actively supervise our no classroom settings. All staff members received training and practice in correcting behaviours, with a specific focus on communication. When necessary, school values are 'Re-Stated, Re-Taught & Repeated'.

Several staff members have interacted with the PBL community through video-conferencing with the State PBL Team and conversations with our Port Stephens Community Hub. Staff will continue to attend scheduled training via these resources.

Finally, as PBL is a whole school – evidence based systems approach, a review of school data has been completed by PBL team members and will be presented to staff at our next PBL team meeting.

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Education
& Training

Head Lice

We have had some incidents of head lice in the school over the last couple of weeks. To prevent further outbreaks we need everyone's help.

The school holidays is a great time to break these pesky creatures life cycle. The following information may help.

The facts about head lice

Head lice infestations are a common occurrence, particularly in primary schools.

* About 23% of primary students have head lice at any one time

* Anyone can catch head lice regardless of their age, sex, or how clean their hair is

* Head lice move from one person's head to another via hair

* Head lice do not survive long when they are off a human head

* Head lice do not live on furniture, hats, bedding or carpet

* Head lice have built up some resistance to head lice treatments

Treatment

* Daily combing of white hair conditioner using a fine tooth comb is effective in getting rid of head lice and eggs (nits)

* School communities may need to hold 'check and treat' or Nitbuster days where everyone learns about and starts treatment on the same day.

Tips for parents in reducing the spread of head lice
As infestations are particularly common in primary schools, it is best to choose a treatment that can be used over time. There is no single solution to eradication, only persistence.

* Regularly check your children's hair

* Teach older children to check their own hair

* Tie back and braid long hair

* Keep a fine tooth head lice comb in the bathroom and encourage all family members to use it when they wash their hair.

Some tips for treating head lice if you find them are.

1. Go to chemist and obtain treatment.
2. Follow directions very carefully and at the same time treat all people in the household.
3. While hair is damp, comb hair upwards from the scalp with a fine tooth comb, until nits

are removed. The nits may come out more easily if the comb is dipped in vinegar.

4. Check all family's hair at least twice a week for further outbreaks.
5. Brush and comb hair daily and wash it often. If hair is long, keep it tied or plaited.

Upcoming Dates:

Below are our upcoming dates. A term Calendar will come home first day of Term 2.

Reg Kelly Shield Cricket

Tomorrow Thursday 30th March

Lakeside Sporting Complex, Raymond Terrace

Please note change of location

P&C Disco

Next Wednesday 5th April

6:00pm Start

Country V Rock Theme

Easter Hat Parade

Next Friday 7th April

1:30pm start

All welcome

Term 1 Ends

Friday 7th April

ANZAC Day

25th April

Students are invited to march in the Tilligerry RSL service.

We are still waiting on details from the RSL but they have asked that the students and staff who attend from our school and Tanilba Bay Public School lead the National Anthem on the day.

A special note with specific details will be sent out as soon as RSL details are confirmed.

Terms 2 Starts

Wednesday 26th April

School Cross-Country

Friday 5th May

Zone Cross-Country

Friday 12th May

P & C News

Hot Cross Buns Orders

Orders are due back to school by this **Friday 31st March.**

Easter Raffle

Donations for the raffle are still being taken. The committee are busy building terrific hampers. Remember to put a post it note on your donations so you can go into the donors draw.

The raffle will be drawn at the school Easter Hat Parade on Friday 7th April.

Disco

The disco will be held next Wednesday 5th April from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

A sausage sizzle will be on sale as well as drinks and some lollies and snacks.

Disco Chris will be on deck and the theme chosen by our senior students is Country V Pop. Ocea is already planning a combined outfit. Who else is brave enough???

Uniform Shop

The next opening of the P&C uniform shop will be on Friday 7th April.

If you are unable to make it on this day please organise an order form through the office and Cherie will get it organised for you to collect. Don't forget you can pay for your uniform online BSB 032-515 ACCOUNT NUMBER 282381.

Fundraising

Money raised from our fundraising efforts goes toward a fixed playground for our kids. We currently have \$13682 with a target of \$50000. Thankyou for supporting our P&C and our school.