



Salt Ash Public School

Term 2 Week 4

A message from the Principal

What's On

- 21st May-Athletics Carnival
- 22nd May-Official Opening of Playground
- 24th May Year 7 Enrichment Class Test
- 29th May Goori Dooki Civic Theatre Excursion
- 31st May Year 5 STEM Day

Notes in

circulation

- Goori Dooki Civic Theatre Excursion

What a jam-packed beginning to the term already! This coming week is extremely busy with our netball knock out competition on Monday, Athletics Carnival on Tuesday, official playground opening on Wednesday and the GRIP student leadership conference for our captains on Thursday.

We are also aware of the amount of out of pocket expenses we have been asking for this term to support student learning experiences. We as a staff acknowledge this and there will be a concerted effort to keep any other potential costs to a minimum.

Dogs at school

On occasions, Mr Shalalo will bring his Therapy Dog to school to support students in the classroom and playground. 'Costa' is a Department approved therapy dog attending regular dog obedience classes and is being gradually familiarised with the school environment. There is growing research and anecdotal evidence regarding the positive effects of therapy dogs working with students who are experiencing anxiety or stress in school. They can be used to support students or simply to encourage sensible behaviour around animals by teaching children how to approach and care for dogs safely.

Whilst there are appropriate risk management processes in place for when 'Costa' visits Salt Ash Public School, please remember that no other dogs should enter our school grounds. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this.

Student details

Please ensure you notify the office of any change in student or family details. These include home address, phone numbers, emergency contact details and medical information. We require these details to be current at all times so in case of emergency.

School parking zones

In order to keep our students safe when arriving and departing school, the council have placed signs around the school entry zones to indicate 'kiss and drop' only zones. Please see the paragraph below from the Service NSW website.

"Kiss and Ride Zones are designed for your convenience and for your child's safety. Designed for quick entry and exit, these zones minimise congestion and risk when used properly by all parents and carers. These zones operate under the same conditions as no parking zones, which means you may stop to drop off or pick up children for a maximum of 2 minutes. You're required to remain in, or within 3 metres of, your vehicle."

Community PBL

Congratulations to our two Community PBL awardees for the last fortnight, Liam Russell and Joel Partridge. Liam received his award in week 2 for *taking it upon himself to personally thank a parent for assisting him with a school cricket game. He approached the parent, shook his hand and sincerely thanked him for his time.* In week 3 Joel received his for *always being a friend to others. Joel always demonstrates a positive attitude at school and in the community.* Congratulations boys!



NAPLAN

Congratulations to our year 3 and 5 students in completing their NAPLAN tests last week. Students sat the Writing test on Tuesday, Reading on Wednesday with Language Conventions and Numeracy on Thursday. This was our first year of completing the NAPLAN process online. This online process went very smoothly and successful here at Salt Ash Public School. Our devices, infrastructure and Wi-Fi connection all performed as intended during all of these examinations. Catch up tests for students who were absent for any of the tests can be taken until Friday of this week. Results will be available to parents later in the year.

Athletics Carnival

Tomorrow is our Athletics Carnival. Just a reminder that all students must come to school first before catching the bus to the carnival. Student will be allowed to go home from the carnival with parents if they choose, but must report to a teacher to get their name marked off. If your child is going home with another parent, you **MUST provide a written note to the teacher.**

Kindergarten, year 1 and non 8 year old year 2's will participate in novelty events and short races. All other students will participate in 100m, 200m and 800m races, shot put, long jump and possibly in the relay team. High jump will be completed at school. Should students wish to submit a throwing distance for discuss to qualify for zone, please send a copy of their Little Athletics PB to Mrs Deguara.

Students are encouraged to wear their house colours, however they must be sun safe and include a hat (no caps). If you have a shade shelter that the school may be able to borrow for the day, can you please bring it to school in the morning to be put on the bus or drop it directly at the field.

Ribbons will either be handed out at the carnival or at assembly on Friday, depending on time at the carnival.

You Can Do It! Award Recipients

Congratulations go to the following students for receiving their You Can Do It awards for continuing to follow the keys to success of being Confident, Resilient, Persistent, Organised and Getting Along.

Bronze: Tasman Marshall, Braxton Keen, Lacey Atkinson, Axton Kisi, Aylira-Jayde Cregan, Chelsea Pine, Aleisha Hockey, Emily Trimmingham, Chloe Bowden, Riley Zammit-Winmill

Silver: Zoey Catford-Jones, George Novotny, Izabella Collinson, Evilyn Knight, Crystal Watson, Cooper Donnelly

Holly Deguara

Principal

What's Been Happening in our Classrooms?

K/1F

This week in K/1F we have been exploring new technology with the VR STEMshare kits. The students have learnt how to load the phone into the head sets, turn the phones on, switch the Wi-Fi to the router and open and close apps.

We have begun to explore Google Expeditions where kindergarten students took a trip The Great Barrier Reef where we discovered many animals including turtles, manta rays and many different kind of fish.

Year one have also discovered The Great Barrier Reef, they have looked at the reef from space and discovered that the reefs needs sunlight to survive. They have begun writing information reports using information gathered from their explorations.



Office news

Payments to school

Payments can be made in cash at the office or online on the school website. Please remember that we do not accept credit card or eftpos payments at the office. All online payments must be made before 5pm the day before payment is due.

Woolworths Earn & Learn

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program for schools is running again & please support our school by collecting! Collection Boxes are at located at our school, Medowie Woolworths, Salamander Bay Woolworths, Raymond Terrace (both Woolworths stores) & Saxby's Bakery.



Library News

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to **Aleisha Hockey** who is the first student at our school to complete the Challenge.

She read the required 20 books showing a positive attitude to learning.

How is your child progressing? You can support them in meeting the Challenge by encouraging reading at home, regular borrowing and discussing their book selection with them. Books read at home from personal collection, our library and public library all count towards the Challenge. Simply write them down with title and author and I will record them. 5/6 have been shown how to do their own recording.

Mrs Ruth Higginbottom - Teacher Librarian

Good for Kids good for life

EVERYDAY FOODS IN THE CANTEEN

Our canteen is working towards aligning with the new NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy! Instead of Green, Amber and Red categories, there are now Everyday and Occasional foods and drinks. We are aiming to provide a large range of delicious and nutritious Everyday foods and drinks for your children.

Everyday foods and drinks can include:

- Fruit and vegetables
- Sandwiches/wraps/rolls, sushi and salads
- Toasties, soup, pasta, jacket potatoes and lean burgers
- Reduced fat dairy, cheese and wholegrain crackers, air popped popcorn and pikelets
- Water, 99% fruit juice and reduced fat milk.



POSITIVE RESPECTFUL AND SAFE LEARNERS



SALT ASH PUBLIC SCHOOL

WE WOULD BE DELIGHTED IF YOU COULD JOIN
US FOR OUR OFFICIAL OPENING OF OUR NEW
PLAYGROUND

ON

WEDNESDAY 22 MAY, 2019

AT

10:00AM

PLEASE R.S.V.P. TO TRUDY BY 17 MAY
BY EMAIL: saltash-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

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Term 2 Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 4 20th –24th May	20 Netball knockout	21 Athletics Carnival	22 Official Opening of Playground	23 GRIP Leadership Conference	24 Yr 7 Enrichment class test
Week 5 27th-31st May	27	28	29 Goori Dooki Excursion Civic Theatre	30	31 Year 5 STEM Day
Week 6 3rd—7th June	3	4	5	6	7 Star Struck rehearsal
Week 7 10th-14th June	10 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	11	12 AECG Meeting @ RTPS	13 Star Struck performance	14 Star Struck performance
Week 8 17th-21st June	17 P&C Meeting	18 Community PBL P&C Meeting Stage 2 Koala Visit	19	20 Premier's Spelling Bee	21
Week 9 24th-28th June	24	25	26	27	28
Week 10 1st-5th July	1	2	3	4 Rewards Day	5 Last Day of term
<h2>Term 3</h2>					
Week 1 22nd-26th July	22 Staff Development Day	23 Students Return	24	25	26