

# Salt Ash Public School

## What's On

- School Camp 10th-12th
- Stage 3 fun day 17th
- Rewards Day 18th
- Last day of school for students 19th

## Notes in circulation

- Book Pack requirements
- Stage 3 End of Year Celebration Day

## A message from the Principal

### Presentation Evening

Last Monday Salt Ash Public School held their annual presentation evening assembly. It was a highly successful night. The students consistently showed our PBL values of being Positive, Respectful and Safe Learners.

A big thank you to the P & C for their contributions and organisation with the BBQ and the raffle.

### School Captains

Congratulations to Cooper Donnelly, Annabella Barton, Chloe Bowden and Jackson Wolinski for being elected School Captains for 2019. I know that you will follow closely in the footsteps of our fantastic Student Leaders this year in Gabby Rooney, Joanna Booth, Patrick Slade and Lucian Knight.



Congratulations also to our 2019 House Captains. Oxley – Josh Wolinski and Lily Peters, Sturt – Ethan Swain & Emily Trimmingham, Shortland – Kyle Anderson and Sierra Desjardins, Cook - Shayla Foteff and Phoebe Hardy. Well done to all of our leaders.

### PBL - Pop Up Day

On Wednesday Week 8 we had our first 'Gotcha' pop up day. The day was very successful with the students having a mufti day. We will continue to collect 'Gotchas' and add them to the jar ready for another pop up day next year.



### **Lighting of the Christmas Tree at Raymond Terrace**

On Friday 7th December students attended the lighting of the Christmas Tree at Raymond Terrace. The students sang 4 Christmas songs. Thankyou to all of the students who attended and to Mrs Holt and Mrs Smailes for your organisation and commitment.

### **Swim School**

Congratulations to the students who attended Swimming School. I know they have strengthened their skills whether it be water familiarisation, survival skills, stroke correction or squad technique. Well done everyone. Certificates will be presented at Friday's assembly.

### **Book Packs**

Book Packs for 2019 have been ordered and you should have received a note last week. The cost of these packs are K-Year 2 ~ \$55 and Year 3-6 ~ \$60. The Book Packs are compulsory as they include all workbooks, stationary items e.g. pencils, glue sticks, ruler etc. headphones for laptop use, text books and a variety of online subscriptions. Book Pack payments can also be made before the end of term. During the first week of 2019, Book Packs will be handed out to all students who have paid.

### **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*.

Silver: Joel Partridge

Gold: Lacey Atkinson

Platinum: Izabella Collinson, George Novotny, Sienna Atkinson, Stella Logan and Leo Middleby.

***Danielle Fisher***  
***Relieving Principal.***

### **OFFICE NEWS**

#### **Lost property**

Our lost property bin is again overflowing. The majority of contents are jumpers, jackets and track pants. This bin will be emptied at the end of the year and all contents will be donated to charity. Please call in to the office and have a look through the lost property to make sure we have nothing that belongs to your child.

#### **Statements of account**

Statements of account will again be sent home this week. Please be aware that any book pack fees that are outstanding will carry over into next years fees. Book packs are compulsory and remain on your child's statement until they are paid. We understand that its very close to Christmas however these fees were sent home at the beginning of the year. We would appreciate your assistance in clearing any outstanding payments to the school before the end of the year.

#### **P&C News**

Any parents that would like to order frozen food products from the school canteen need to contact Julie by Wednesday. All goods will be available at cost price.

### ***Summer Reading Challenge***

Research has shown that when children put down the books for their summer break, often their reading ability drops with it. The term "slide" refers to children dropping in their reading ability following a lack of reading over the summer break. When children read over the school holidays they are more likely to leap ahead when they return to school. This is often called the 'summer leap' and our school has made it a priority to keep students skills sharp by encouraging them to read all summer long.

We are encouraging children going into year K-6 in 2019 to borrow up to ten books over the holidays. If you wish your child to participate please sign the attached note and return to our Library on Friday 14th December or the following week.

For those that wish to add an incentive, Scholastic are offering a Challenge with prizes to be won.

For details go to: [scholastic.com.au/summer](http://scholastic.com.au/summer)



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DANCE. FOOD. FUN.

**MEDOWIE  
ARTY  
ATHLETICS**

Sunday 3 February 2019  
Kindlebark Oval  
44 Kindlebark Dr  
Medowie  
11am - 1pm

  

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# Term 4 Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 9</b> <b>10th– 14th December</b>	<b>10</b> Camp	<b>11</b> Camp	<b>12</b> Camp	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Week 10</b> <b>17th–21st December</b>	<b>17</b> Year 6 Celebrations Day	<b>18</b> Rewards Day	<b>19</b> Last day for students	<b>20</b> Staff Development Day	<b>21</b> Staff Development Day

# Term 1 2019

<b>Week 1</b> <b>28th January—1st February</b>	<b>28</b> Public Holiday	<b>29</b> Staff return Staff Development Day	<b>30</b> Students years 1-6 return	<b>31</b> Kindergarten begin	<b>1</b>
<b>Week 2</b> <b>4th–8th February</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Swimming carnival	<b>8</b>
<b>Week 3</b> <b>11th–15th February</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> AECG Meeting	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Week 4</b> <b>18th–22nd February</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1</b>