



Safety Bay Primary School

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From the Principal

Newsletter 03
09 March 2016

Principal's Word

Last Thursday 3rd March we held our first School Council Meeting for the year. Three new members were welcomed to the council: Karen Halbert (Parent Rep); Ron Pease (Community Rep) and Carol Nunn (Staff Rep). Elleke Bosworth was elected as Chairperson for 2016. During this meeting the new school dress code was accepted and will be placed on the school website. One of the main discussion points is the move towards students wearing a broad brimmed hat or a 'bucket hat'. We are moving towards being a 'Sun Smart' school and this process supports this.

The other major discussion point was that of becoming an Independent Public School. I attended an IPS briefing last week which discussed what is involved and the process the school is required to undertake. There will be more than 150 schools applying throughout the state with only 50 positions available. The School Council were in favour of the school applying to be involved in the development phase of the process.

Attendance

All parents would be aware of how important school attendance is on student learning. Safety Bay has always had good attendance rates however it is always an area that requires improvement. As a school we have high expectations as the learning in children who are absent from school for long periods of time is affected. As of the next newsletter we will show the attendance for each year level from the previous fortnight. We believe students should attend school a minimum of 95% of the time as research clearly shows that if a student is away from school more than 10% of the time there can be a significant negative impact on that student's ability to learn. Obviously there are often good reasons for children to be kept home from school. However, sometimes we find that students are absent each day for reasons that are often do not warrant staying at home. Absences of a day here and a day there soon add up.

We are also noticing children are arriving at school well after the first siren. Teachers run their daily fitness programs for the first 20 minutes of the day, however we are still finding some students not arriving until after this time. A child often feels embarrassed if they walk into a room where the teaching has already commenced, so please make every effort to ensure your child arrives before the first siren.

Undercover Makeover

On Saturday 19th March members of the P&C, led by Scott and Marleen Cleary, are renovating our assembly area. The three brick walls will be removed and replaced by roller doors to allow greater access for children and parents. We are hopeful that if we make these changes parents will have improved viewing of school events. Thank you to those parents who are assisting us with the alterations.

School Development Day

On Thursday 24th March the school will be having a School Development Day. This means that students are not to attend school on this day. We have done this to enable families to have an extended break during Easter, as Tuesday is a holiday also. It may allow families to get away early on the Thursday if needed. The staff will be undertaking professional learning, a presentation will be made in Humanities and Social Sciences and they will be investigating the structure of a Numeracy block.

Quote: Behold the turtle. He makes progress only when he sticks his neck out.

Wayne McKay
Principal

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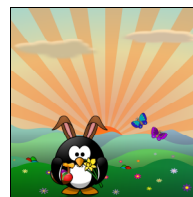


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IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 11th March	Assembly P7 & P8—Group B
Friday 18th March	Easter hat parade and raffle draw
Thursday 24th March	School Development Day—Students do not attend school on this day.
Friday 25th March	Good Friday
Monday 28th March	Easter Monday Public Holiday
Tuesday 29th March	Easter Tuesday—School closed



MERIT CERTIFICATES—GROUP A ASSEMBLY 26TH FEBRUARY

Congratulations go to the following students, the latest recipients of our prestigious Merit Certificates. Well done!!

W8	Jack	Phoebe
W5	Dylan	Matthew
S4	Toby	Jasmine
S3	Kody	Meesha
P10	Thomas	Hamish
P9	Wezley	Annabelle
S7	Jake	Jaiden

W1	Ikatonga	Jaelah
W2	Charlotte Ashton	James
C16	Justin	Samantha
C17	Bella	Jessica
C18	Molly	Tajh

NAPLAN

All students in Years 3 and 5 will bring home a NAPLAN information brochure from their classroom this week. If you require any more information about NAPLAN tests after reading this brochure please feel free to talk to your child's teacher or contact a member of the administration team.

The annual National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) testing for our Year 3 and 5 students will be held from Tuesday 10th May to Friday 13th May. All students (unless they have been formally exempt) will be assessed in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) and Numeracy.

The data from NAPLAN test results gives schools and systems the ability to compare their students achievements against national standards and with student achievement in other states and territories. It also allows the monitoring of student progress over time.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club is held every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8.15am, in Challenger Block.

Studies show that making School Breakfast Program's available to all students - regardless of socio-economic status - is associated with improved nutrient intake and academic, social and emotional outcomes. It also provides the opportunity to model healthy breakfast food choices and eating behaviours which they may not get from home. Eating breakfast also positively influences the happiness and mental health of students.



Breakfast Club is open to all students, so come along and join in the fun!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Parent help is needed to help run the Commonwealth Student School Banking.

If you can spare one hour on a Thursday morning before school 8.00am to 9.00am your help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Joy on 0466 540 559 or email pjmikulandra@yahoo.com.au , or you can pop down to see Joy and Tamara in person on Thursday morning outside the canteen.



The joy that you give to others is the joy that comes back to you.

John Greenleaf Whittier

2016 STUDENT LEADERS

PREFECTS

Lilly Maggs
Emily Henegan
Eloise Deven
James Sione
Rex Burton
Tearly Kamana
Charlie Hann
Saraiah Broodkoorn



DANCE CAPTAINS

Alex Osborn
Logan Franz
Helina Lawson
Millana Noakes



STUDENT COUNCILLORS

Griffin Davenport
Emijhin Paora

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FACTION CAPTAINS

BLUE

Jai Smart
Michael Carter

GOLD

Zak Allan
Alicia Allen

GREEN

Tyson Gilmour
Faye Court

RED

Charles Smith
James Jacobs



MUSIC CAPTAINS

Aaliyah Murray
Mackenzie Barber



P&C NEWS

I would like to first say a couple of thanks to the school community.

Thank you to all the parents that showed up to our first P&C meeting of the year...all your support is greatly appreciated!

Thank you for all the Easter Egg donations! I can tell it's going to be a very successful 2016 Easter Egg Raffle.

Thank you to everyone that is volunteering in the canteen...the canteen depends on volunteers so once again this support is greatly appreciated!

Easter Egg Raffle tickets will be on sale before school starts on 16th, 17th and 18th March. Also, in your child's school bag, be on the look out for a sheet of raffle tickets...you can buy the whole sheet of tickets or just one but make sure you drop the tickets and money off at the canteen in the Easter raffle locked box.

Our next meeting is an evening meeting for all those parents that would like an excuse to escape the dreaded bedtime routine. It will be held in the staffroom on **Wednesday 23rd March at 7.00pm**. As always new members are welcome.

Lastly, if you are a bit nervous about turning up to a P&C meeting the following is our new 2016 P&C Executive Committee so feel free to ask them questions about what's involved and ask them how rewarding it feels to be involved with the P&C.

Jill Erikssen - President
David Murray - Vice President
Sue Pizzuto - Treasurer
Elleke Bosworth - Secretary

Executive Committee

Jill Perfect
Viv Blycha
Carmen McSporran
Marleen Cleary (fundraiser coordinator)

Jill Erikssen
P&C President



CHANGE OF DATE

NEXT P&C MEETING

WEDNESDAY 23RD MARCH

7.00PM IN STAFF ROOM

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Clean Up School Day

On Friday 4th March, the KidsMatter team organised a clean up afternoon around the school. This was to tie in with Clean Up Australia Day. Students were all given an area to clean and they did a fantastic job.

In 1989 an 'average Australian bloke' had a simple idea to make a difference in his own backyard - Sydney Harbour. This simple idea has now become the nation's largest community-based environmental event, Clean Up Australia Day.

As an avid sailor, Ian had always dreamt of sailing around the world. In 1987 his dream came true when he competed in the BOC Challenge Solo Round-the-World Yacht Race. As he sailed through the oceans of the world in his yacht 'Spirit of Sydney' he was shocked and disgusted by the pollution and rubbish that he continually encountered in areas such as the Sargasso Sea in the Caribbean.

Once back in Sydney Ian organised a community event with the support of a committee of friends, including Clean Up co-founder Kim McKay AO - Clean Up Sydney Harbour. Clean Up Sydney Harbour Day in 1989 received an enormous public response, with more than 40,000 Sydneysiders donating their time and energy to clean up the harbour.

Clean Up Australia Day was born in 1990. Ian Kieman and his committee believed that if a capital city could be mobilised into action, then so could the whole nation. Almost 300,000 volunteers turned out on the first Clean Up Australia Day in 1990 and that involvement has steadily increased ever since.

In the past 25 years, Australians have devoted more than 27.2 million hours towards the environment through Clean Up Australia Day and collected over 288,650 tonnes of rubbish.

The next step for Ian and Kim was to take the concept of Clean Up Australia Day to the rest of the world. After gaining the support of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Clean Up the World was launched in 1993. In its inaugural year, Clean Up the World involved approximately 30 million people in 80 countries.

The appeal of Clean Up the World (an estimated 40 million people from 130 countries annually take part) has demonstrated that this simple Australian idea has universal appeal and the health of the environment is of concern to people and communities worldwide.

In 2015 an estimated 536,423 volunteers removed 15,915 tonnes of rubbish at 7,232 sites across the country. So far in 2016 around 682,245 volunteers have already removed an estimated 16,657.4 tonnes from 7,117 registered locations.



Faction Shirts

The KidsMatter team would like to clarify to parents about faction shirts. Starting in **term 2**, we will be reintroducing faction points as part of a whole school reward system. We will be asking students to wear their faction t-shirts on a Wednesday and Friday. This is about promoting being part of a team and faction points will be provided for those wearing their shirts on those days.

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OSHClub News

Before School / After School Care Program



Hello Safety Bay

Stephen, Bree and Erin here from your friendly neighbourhood OSHClub.

Last week the children focused their learning on sustainability and recycling by participating in collecting recycled materials for their school projects, nature walks, and engaging in Clean Up Australia Day. Because of their interest we decided to further encourage them and their families to identify how sustainable they are, and to collect materials for the recycled robots. Thank you to Jai and his mum Steph for making his robot over the weekend; Barry and his children Eli, Shae and Enola for bringing in recycled materials to create the robots with; and all the other children at OSHClub for continuing to participate in our Recycled Robots challenge.

This week at OSHClub we are going to further encourage the children about sustainability and recycling. Please if you wish to further encourage the children in this initiative could you please drop off any recyclable materials to the Staff at OSHClub between the hours of 7.00am – 9.00am and 2.30pm-6.00pm at the undercover area.

Thank you and we hope you enjoy rest of the week.

Stephen, Bree and Erin



OSHC program phone: 0419695783

Coordinator: Bree-Anna Hamilton / Stephen Snowdon

Assistants: Erin Rawlinson

OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

REPEATED NEWS

MultiLit



As part of Safety Bay Primary School's focus on improving Literacy for all students, we are continuing to run a program called Multilit. This stands for Making Up Lost Time In Literacy. Multilit is an intensive word attack and reading program designed to improve children's progress in reading and comprehension.

We are very enthusiastic about this program, as research has shown that children can make up to 18 months' gain in their reading progress, in just two school terms.

The program is delivered by volunteer tutors who are trained in the program. Each child attends 3 – 4 x 30 minute sessions per week. To enable the program to continue successfully, we require the assistance of more volunteers. If you have 30 minutes to spare per week, on a regular basis, then we would love to hear from you. You can contact Katrina Muirhead at the school on 9528 3680 or email Katrina.Muirhead@education.wa.edu.au

Katrina Muirhead
Multilit Co-ordinator

CANTEEN

Safety Bay Primary School canteen is open Monday to Friday from 8.00am to 1.00pm. The canteen follows Department of Education and WA School Canteen Association Inc. healthy eating guidelines. There are lots of tasty and nutritious options to choose from so why not use the canteen to order lunch and snacks for your child/ren. You can now order your child's lunch order online. Click on the link [On Line Canteen Ordering](#). **You will need to register first.**

Our canteen is run solely by the Safety Bay Primary School P&C and volunteer parents. When you help out in the canteen you will receive a complimentary lunch or a voucher for your child and an endless supply of tea and coffee. Our canteen cannot run successfully without the help of volunteers. If you would like to be involved, please come in and see us at the canteen.



Your help will be gratefully appreciated. If every family in the school donated just 1 day each our roster would be full.

[Canteen Summer Menu Term 1 2016](#)

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