**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

Reminder that our Mothers’ Day breakfast is tomorrow morning with doors opening at 8am! Looking forward to having as many mothers or grandparents attend as possible!

**Being Sun smart!**

As we all know living in Melbourne and trying to predict the weather can at times be impossible! One minute you’re enjoying the day at the park in your shorts and t-shirts, the next you’re pulling on a ski jumper and woollen socks, and three seconds later you’re running for cover to avoid being pelted with hailstones! However, the weather still isn’t finished messing with our heads yet! Five minutes after standing around bruised and soaked, you start to feel beads of sweat dripping down from your forehead! This cycle usually continues for the rest of the day until you have fourteen baskets of washing to clean! This is completely different to the weather I grew up with in Cobram! I think there were only three days each year (slight exaggeration!) when the temperature went below 35 degrees! It was always hot. If it wasn’t hot then it was hotter. If it wasn’t hotter than it was the hottest! Dad used to drive us crazy as he would ask the whole neighbourhood to sit quietly during the weather report of the news so he could once again listen to the weather person announce that tomorrow would be hot with no cool change for 3 and a half months! Not like Melbourne when every second day is a cool change! Not that I’m complaining!

Fortunately and thanks to our clever Prep students I’ve been able to prepare myself perfectly for the weather over the past couple of weeks!

As part of their term two unit of work the Preps are learning about the weather and are making sure as a school that we are not only informed of what to wear each day, but that we are being sun smart! Personally, I have been receiving weather updates every 20 minutes thanks to our enthusiastic Prep meteorologist! I’m so informed that I have been thinking about taking on a part time role with the bureau of meteorology! The other day I was on my way to the toilet when a prep child yelled out to me that tomorrow was now going to be 18 degrees! How up to date is that! However, the most exciting thing that the Preps are learning about is the importance of being Sun Smart! In the past Sun Smart schools required students to only wear hats in Term One and Term Four. Sun Smarter schools know that we need to be sun smart all year round! Knowing when to enjoy the sun and when to avoid the ultraviolet rays is the key to being a sun smart person. This is an important part of our revised Sun Smart Policy, which is knowing about the levels of ultraviolet rays each day. It is also fantastic to see more students bringing sunscreen to school!

Well done once again to our Preps for being such great learners!

**Twilight School fast approaching...**

Thank you to the families that have returned the Twilight Supervision notice and/or the Twilight Food Order! Also, the staff greatly appreciates families finding alternative supervision arrangements for their children on the day! Don’t forget to come along and enjoy the event! Bring the grandparents as well! The purpose of the evening is to allow families to see their child in action and to visit their classroom!

**Student Free Day**

Finally, a reminder to families that the 19th of May is a student free day. On this day no students come to school. Have a great week!

Alex Artavilla
Principal
### STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Presentation at Friday Assembly

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**Sport:** Meyron Kaleab

**ICT:** Suia Wongchiu

**Art:** Jacob Anderson Weston

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**WANTED**

Do you have any knitting wool or knitting needles that you longer want? If so, could you please donate them to the school. Please see Mrs Goldie if you are able to donate any wool or needles – any size or colour!

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**SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSITION 2014-2015**

Information packs and [Applications for Year 7 Placement](#) forms have been sent home with all our Year 6 students. The Placement forms are due back on Friday 23\(^{rd}\) May. The [Frequently Asked Questions](#) hand out in the pack provides helpful advice when considering which school would be more likely to suit your child. If parents have any further questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the Year 6 teachers.

Sara Vaccari, Vicki McMahon, Christine Forrest

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**Braybrook College**

**Year 7 Scholarship Applications 2015**

Applications for scholarships to Braybrook Secondary College are now available for interested parents and students. The scholarships are to the value of $500.00 to go towards school expenses. The areas will be awarded in the areas of:

- Academic Achievement
- Music/Performing Arts
- Sport
- Leadership

Applications must be returned to your child’s Grade 6 teacher by Monday 26\(^{th}\) May 2014.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

*Sara Vaccari, Vicki Mc Mahon, Christine Forrest*

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**Book Fair** is coming....

save the date....

June 2\(^{nd}\) – 6\(^{th}\) in the Library
THE UPLIFT COLLECTIVE

PROUDLY PRESENTS

4 WEEKS OF FREE LUNCHTIME YOGA & MEDITATION

Join us as we take you on a journey of movement, yoga and meditation that will leave you feeling calm, relaxed, inspired and motivated. Jess Hewett, our facilitator and qualified yoga teacher, will leave you with practical tips that you can take away from each session to keep you happy and calm every day.

There will be four FREE weekly sessions:

**Dates:** Thursday 15\(^{th}\) May, Thursday 22\(^{nd}\) May, Thursday 29\(^{th}\) May & Thursday 5\(^{th}\) June 2014

**Times:** 1:40PM-2:10PM (except on Thursday 22\(^{nd}\) May. Due to *Twilight School*, session will run in the recess slot from 3:00-3:30PM)

**Location:** Gymnasium
Intensive Swimming Program Information 2014

Hello everyone, just a brief reminder that the final day Intensive Swimming Program deposits of $50.00 is May 30th. It is on a first come first serve basis, so to ensure your child’s place please pay ASAP. Please also remember that the permission slip needs to accompany the deposit. All money will be refunded if the swimming program does not go ahead due to lack of numbers.

Congratulations Johann Stickland!!!

Once again congratulations goes out to Johann Stickland and his family for the fantastic effort he has put into winning Silver Medals in both the 50 metre Breaststroke and 50 metre freestyle at the recent State Swimming Titles. His wins mean that he will most likely represent our school at the National Swimming Championships later this year. Hopefully he will go on and emulate or better his success from last year. Once again congratulations from all at Sunshine Heights Primary School Johann and the very best of luck at the next level of competition!! We are all very proud of you!!!!

Good Luck and well done to our Regional Basketball and District Cross Country Representatives!

I would like to take a moment to wish Leo Hatzoglou, Alex Hatzoglou and Cameron Svendsen all the best of luck when they participate at the Cross Country Regional Trials. Just as excitingly, Eze Nnadiekwe has been nominated and selected to try out for the Representative Basketball side later this Month. It is a fantastic achievement to qualify for the Cross Country Finals and a huge honour to be nominated for Basketball Representation; I hope their achievements are an inspiration for us all. It demonstrates the depth of talent that attends Sunshine Heights Primary School and the rewards they get for the enthusiasm, skill and ability that they have attained through practice and being part of a sporting club out of school. If you see any of these students out in the yard wish them the best of luck and congratulate them on their efforts to date. Well done Eze, Leo, Alex and Cameron, Good Luck!!!!

Well done to our District Cross Country Representatives!

Congratulations to all the participants of our Cross Country team for an outstanding display of long distance running at the recent District Finals at More Park in Ardeer. The students of Sunshine Heights not only ran extremely well with most runners finishing in the top fifteen (out of 60!!!) but showed other schools how to behave like good sports by clapping and urging on the efforts of all the runners that participated in the race, not just our school. It makes me proud to say that I teach at a school that contains such wonderful humans. A fantastic effort by all those students involved!!!

Interschool Fixtures Second Term 2014

Interschool Sport fixture for Term 2. Please feel free to contact me if you have any queries regarding venues etc. Students for away games will leave at approximately 9.10 and will return to school at approximately 11.00 am.

Friday the 9th of May away against Ardeer South PS (Walking)
Friday the 16th of May away against Sunshine Harvester PS
Friday the 23rd of May home against Sunshine PS
Friday the 30th of May away against Sunshine North PS (Travelling by Bus)
Friday the 6th of June away against Christ the King PS (Travelling by Bus)
Friday the 13th of June away against St Paul’s PS (Walking)
Friday the 20th of June home against Our Lady’s PS

Cheers Leo Damnics
(Sports Coordinator)
Twilight School Organisational Details

Thursday 22nd of May 2014

To showcase and celebrate the learning experiences offered at Sunshine Heights Primary School, on Thursday 22nd of May 1:00pm – 7:15pm the students will have the opportunity to experience a ‘Twilight’ school day. On this day the students will arrive at school at 12:45pm for a 1:00pm start with school finishing at 7:15pm.

Twilight School will give parents/carers/grandparents the opportunity to visit and enjoy their child’s classrooms in action. We will also use this event to invite our kindergarten friends and families!

The school day times on our Twilight School Day will be as follows:

1:00 – 3:00pm Session 1 and 2
3:00 – 3:30pm RECESS
3:30 – 4:30pm Session 3
4:30 – 4:40pm Eating time
4:40 – 5:30pm OUTSIDE TIME (this may vary depending on the time that the sun will be setting)
5:30 – 7:15pm Session 4 and 5

Students will be expected to arrive at class/school at 12:45pm. At the end of the school day parents will be asked to pick their child up from the classroom. No child will be allowed to walk home from school – this is the same policy that applies for school concert nights. Parents will also be asked to inform the class teacher in writing prior to the day of alternative picking up arrangements (e.g. uncle/friend picking up student).

Parents/carers are encouraged to arrive at any time of the day for as long as they would like to stay. However, it will be important for parents to remember that it is a normal school day and that students will be expected to stay at school until the end of the day (unless they have after school sports/music session - the decision to attend the session is up to the parent/student – parents are encouraged to pick up their child from school at any time to attend the training session/lesson).

We have contacted ‘World 4 Kids’ and before care will be provided on the morning of the Twilight School Day from 6:45am – 8:45am. We are providing parents with extensive notice to allow them the opportunity to make arrangements prior to the start of the school day. Parents are asked to contact the school closer to the date if they are unable to make arrangements for their child/ren.

Other important information:

- Police will be contacted to support at school crossings if official school crossing personnel are unable to man crossings before school starts – between 12:30 – 1:10pm.
- Staff members will man all school crossings (not just the ones around the school boundary) used by students before school starts. Crossings supervision will commence at 12:30pm. It would also be good to have parent volunteers assist with school crossings.
- A map of the school crossings that will be manned between 12:30pm and 1:10pm will be provided to all families.
- Parents will be required to sign in at the school office prior to visiting their child’s classroom.

Twilight School will prove to be an exciting day for the students and the whole school community!

Please contact the school if you have any further questions regarding ‘Twilight School’
Around the world on a plate

An International Cookbook
by Sunshine Heights Primary School

We are requesting one recipe from each student's family. Ideally, the recipe will represent your culture, country of origin, or a family favourite recipe.

Any photos or drawings of the dish, or of your family enjoying making or eating it are also welcome.

Submit recipes & return forms by:
Friday
30 May

You choose the easiest way to send in your recipe:

email:
liz_dalgleish@optusnet.com.au

OR: Fill out the attached form or print it out and give it to the office or your teacher

OR: Take a photo with your smartphone and sms it to Liz: 0423 206 932

Have a look at the preview copy at the office!

To secure your copy, fill in the cookbook order form and return with your payment.

Discounts apply for 3 or more, so why not order multiple copies as gifts for your friends and family.

• Price per book: $15 ea
• Discount price for 3 or more: $10 ea
recipe title

________________________________________

introductory notes

What makes this recipe special to you or your culture, any cultural significance, or any tips or suggestions for preparing the recipe?

ingredients

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method

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order form

- Price per book
  $15 ea
- Discount price for 3 or more:
  $10 ea

name:

class:

no. of books:

$ enclosed:

Please submit by Friday 30 May
TERM 2 NEWS

A straw-necked Ibis checking out our native plants. Usually they are on the oval looking for bugs.

The last tomatoes of the season.

Greek basil loves the warm weather.

Propagating succulents and lavender.

Pots & watering cans needed!

We're looking for donations:
- plastic pots (30cm high to very large)
- plastic containers for storage, e.g. bins (large to very large)
- watering cans (8/9 litre)

Fridays 9-10 am. Meet outside the uniform shop, or if raining in Conference room A for a cuppa.
Lisa 0423 329 734 vinlisa@optusnet.com.au

Our aim is to enhance the school grounds using sustainable plants and methods. Run by parents, we will help to reconnect the students with nature and become environmentally responsible.

Follow us:
www.pinterest.com/sunnybees/

what to plant in April:
broad beans
cabbage
cauliflower
Instrumental Lessons at School

Did you know that Music:
- Develops mind, hand & eye coordination
- Enhances listening skills
- Improves self esteem
- Is fun!

Lessons starting from $14.00
5% Discount to Parents wishing to enrol more than 1 child.

Enrolment forms are available from the School Office or contact Genesis Music School Direct on 0421 426 674.

NO JOB TO BIG OR TO SMALL:
PAINTING, GARDENING, FIXING
GIVE JOHN A CALL!