

NEWSLETTER

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Thursday 1st March 2018

KEY REMINDERS

- Full Week for Preps starting Next Week
- School Uniform to be purchased on line- Sizes at the office to try on.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 2nd March

Teachers Participating in Professional Practice Days. (Note Prep Teachers will have their day the following week)

Friday 9th March

Parent Helpers Session
Casual Dress Day

Wednesday 21st March

Harmony Day

Wednesday 28th March

Easter Raffle Drawn

Thursday 29th March

End of term One – School
Finishes at 2.30pm. Casual
Dress Day

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's funny to think that one-week you have all the time in the world, and the next you have over 1,023 things to do!

However, despite how busy things are about to become, I feel lucky to work with such a great staff and school community that are always willing to step in and help. Even if it is as simple as helping each other with reminders or contacting the school for clarification. Every little bit helps as we do our best to keep everyone informed. Don't forget to keep an eye on Flexibuzz!

Harmony Day 2018

Not only is there lots happening with the teachers as part of our 2018 learning plan, we also have a number of whole school events, which includes our Harmony Day trip and Ride to School Day.

Our Harmony Day event for 2018 is scheduled for Wednesday 21st of March. This year we are heading into the city to Queensbridge Square where the big orange stage is on Southbank. For those joining us, we are aiming to perform between 10:40am to 11:30am (keep an eye on Flexi Buzz). Permission notices were sent home on Tuesday this week. We will also be seeking two parent helpers per class.

To add to the atmosphere of the day, every student in the school will receive a 'special edition' orange school polo top to wear on the day (yes it will be a beautiful day hovering around 23 degrees all day. Let's all talk nicely of the weather from now until the 21st of March. No negative weather thoughts!).

To make sure we are prepared for the day, we have ordered the orange polo tops and are currently making sure we have enough of the right sizes. We are thinking of giving the polo tops to the students on the day. After the day, the 'special edition' polo top can be worn throughout the year to add a sprinkle of orange to the yard.

Ride to School Day

Ride to School Day is on Friday 23rd of March. Although we hope as many students and families as possible ride, walk, scoot or skate to school (or park a block away) everyday, the Ride to School Day is a great way to promote these many active and healthy lifestyle options.

School Council Election Update

The election process for School Council has concluded. As the number of vacancies equalled the number of nominations received, there is no need for a ballot.

I would like to introduce the 2018 Sunshine Heights Primary School Council members:

- Andrea Radcliffe
- Jessica Gerger
- Kylie Barker

Principal
Alex Artavilla

School Council President
Kylie Barker

School Supervision Times
8.45am - 9.00am
3.15pm - 3.30pm



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- Christina Pham
- Adriana Mulla
- Sharon Noel
- Lorna Russell
- Sarah Weston
- Lisa McCarthy
- Marina Medved
- Michael Dimkopoulos
- Gordon McKenzie
- Jacinta Goldie
- Sonia Papadopoulos

I am looking forward to working with School Council through the year. Don't forget that even though you are not a member of School Council, you can still play an active role via a subcommittee.

Subcommittees include:

- Buildings and Grounds
- Policy
- Canteen
- Out of Hours School Care

The new members of School Council will be meeting Wednesday 21st of March to elect office bearers and convenors of subcommittees.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank outgoing members Carlos Rosado, Glenn Wintringham, Indira Gjoni and Khalad Karim for the contributions they have made to the school and the School Council of Sunshine Heights Primary School. Although not members of School Council, I know that they will all continue to play an active role supporting the school.

Canteen update

Although it would have been fantastic to have the new canteen (True Soul Kitchen) up and running from the start of the year, there have been delays in the process, as we want to ensure it is successfully established from the beginning. The new canteen operators are awaiting a permit from Brimbank Council, which they hope to receive by the time you read this newsletter.

We are also currently discussing the process for ordering food as the new operators (True Soul Kitchen) are providing the students with many fresh food options.

This is exciting and in line with the Department of Education's healthy food guidelines. To ensure that the food options shared with the students is fresh, and that there is limited wastage, the new operators require much more notice in regards to what needs to be prepared each day. This means that they are looking at introducing an online ordering system where families will be required to order lunch the evening/night before or very early the next day. We hope to share more information about this and to share the new menu very, very soon!

I also just wanted to clarify that the food provided by True Soul Kitchen (new operators) is completely different to previous canteen services at the school. True Soul Kitchen will operate as per the Department guidelines and promote healthy eating for the students. It's not just about putting any food into a child's mouth. True Soul Kitchen is about providing the students with food options that help them learn and play.

I'm looking forward to having the team at True Soul Kitchen onsite cooking and working with us in the coming weeks.

Hope everyone had a great week!

Alex Artavilla
Principal

The Uplift Annual Easter Raffle

Don't forget to purchase your Easter Raffle Tickets on QKR. Raffle drawn Wednesday 28th March. Money raised will be used to set up a Buddy System in the playground.

Dates and Venues for interschool sport:

Friday the 2nd of March away against Sunshine Harvester PS – Travelling by Bus
 Friday the 9th of March home against– Sirius College PS - Travelling by Bus
 Friday the 16th of March away against - Sunshine North PS - Travelling by Bus

