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School Supervision Times:

8.45am - 9.00am - 3.15pm - 3.30pm

Uniform Shop Hours:

Tuesday & Thursday 8.45am - 9.15am / 3.00pm - 3.30pm

**Newsletter will be
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EFTPOS NOW AVAILABLE!**QKR & TIQBIZ APPS****Assembly at 2:30pm every
Friday in the school gym.****DATES TO REMEMBER 2017****Curriculum Days 2017**Friday 2nd JuneMonday 6th November**TERM 1****Preps do not attend
school on Wednesdays
for February and the 1st of
March.**Monday 13th March

Labour Day No School

School Council nominations
close 4:00pm Thursday 23rd
of February - TODAYFriday 17th March

Ride to school day

Tuesday 21st March

Harmony Day

Friday 31st March

End of Term 2.30pm Finish

TERM 2Thursday 18th MayTwilight School 1.00pm -
7.15pm*Key reminders:*

- Ride2School Day March 17th
- Harmony Day Flash-mob March 21st
- Creating your Troll outfit! Even just a Troll hairstyle!
- Rubbish free lunches! Thank you to the families that have been able to support our quest to have rubbish free lunches and snacks, as well as healthy snacks and lunches!

*Please note that as of next week the school newsletter will be provided as a paper copy once a fortnight. On the alternate weeks, the newsletter will be sent to families via Tiqbiz and placed on the website. (Next week the newsletter will be placed online and sent via Tiqbiz.)***PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Twilight School 2017 18th of May 2017
1:00pm to 7:15pm**

After the success of the Twilight School Day over the past few years, we will be having another Twilight School Day in 2017 to once again celebrate Education Week! The Twilight School Day will be held on Thursday 18th of May 2017. On this day students come to school from 1:00pm to 7:15pm. Please note date on your calendars. More information will be sent home over the coming months.

Harmony Day 2017 Tuesday 21st of March

Reminder that we are heading back to the City for Harmony Day this year! We will be performing at the Queensbridge Square at Southbank (which is where the big orange/red stage is). We will be singing Roar by Katy Perry, and dancing to Can't Stop the Feeling by Justin Timberlake. We

Stop the Feeling by Justin Timberlake. We are also having a Troll inspired theme! We are hoping as many students as possible come with a Troll hair-do, Troll outfit, Fluorescent outfit or orange.

Let me take a selfie...

I'm not saying that being a parent was easier when I was a child compared to today. I'm just saying that there were certain ways of life many years ago that I'm sure made things easier when decisions needed to be made by parents.

Just the other day while enjoying a pleasant drive in the car with my 8-year-old daughter, she decides to prepare herself for a challenging conversation that we may need to have in the future years.

'Dad how old will I need to be before I can get a phone?'

Surely this question has caused many heated discussions and sleepless nights for families that have teenage (or closely approaching teenage) children.

Unfortunately, there doesn't seem to be any rule or law or book to assist parents with dealing with this scenario.

'So how old do you think you should be before you get a phone?'

'How old were you?'

'28'

'I'm not waiting until I'm 28 to get a phone!'

It was hard for my daughter to understand that the mobile phone didn't quite take off until I was virtually heading into my 30s.

It also had me thinking about the evolution of the phone and how excited us early users were about the chance to upgrade to some new and improved versions! For me the most exciting thing during an early upgrade was going from a phone that would just fit in the boot of my car, to one that I could actually put into my pocket! The next most exciting thing when I had the chance to upgrade again were the new and improved ring tones! I went from having three ringtones to 8 ringtones – and one even sounded like a fire engine! But things got even better from there! The next upgrade was the most exciting for me as you could use your actual favourite song as a ring tone! Not only could it fit in my pocket but I could answer the phone after listening to 15 seconds of my all-time favourite song 'Wonderwall'! It was like a dream! A dream that I'm sure wouldn't be appreciated by the youth of today that have phone upgrades that have included being able to use your fingerprint to unlock the device!

'So dad, what do you think?'

'How old do you think you need to be?'

'14 or 15?'

You see, something I struggle with is the fact that when I was 14 years old, all I wanted was a new Wilson tennis racquet and a Stefan Edberg t-shirt. That's it! Now, I know that there are a number of parents who have been or are going through this experience with their teenage child at the moment. Seriously, whose idea was it to make phones so interesting! Life was fine when they were just plugged into a wall and you had to turn a dial to make contact with someone outside your house! Maybe I'm overreacting and the idea of when to allow your child to have a phone is one of the minor decisions that you'll need to make in your children's life!

By the way, I never got my Stefan Edberg top and my mum confused a Wilson racquet for an Emrik. But do you know what? Things turned out ok. I took it on the chin. I could still play tennis. Life went on.

I'm hoping to use this personal story and scenario with my daughters when they start to reach the age when they are seriously keen on getting a phone.

'Ah, look girls. When I was young I wanted a Stefan Edberg top but it never happened and I still grew up happy. It's just a part of life to wish for things that you may never get. It'll make you a better person to accept the decision of an adult and hope for something that won't encourage you to take a selfie!'

I'm hoping the response I get from daughters is, 'Sure Dad. Is it ok if we get some new socks?'

But there is a possibility, things could go like this, 'Who is Stefan Edberg! That's so unfair! We're being serious about this!'

'So am I! Stefan Edberg was one of the greatest serve and volley players the game has ever seen!'

This leads me nicely (or maybe not...) into our plans for the work we hope to achieve in regards to our school grounds. For our new families to the school, the focus over the past few years has been around the inside of the buildings which has included new carpet, air-conditioning in all rooms, painting, upgrading library, building two new rooms, pin-boards etc. We have also been upgrading and repairing different sections of the school at different stages of the year. This has included painting of the exterior, repairing and painting windows, upgrading down pipes and drains etc. The amount of work that has been completed has been dependant on available funds as learning in the classrooms is our priority. Last year we sought feedback from parents, students and staff about the grounds of the school and we contacted a 'Landscape Architect' to develop a grounds masterplan that matches the vision and values of the school. This plan was finalised last year.

In 2017 I am keen to do everything however there are only a limited amount of funds available. This is why I am keen for the School Council Buildings and Grounds committee to commence working on the front of the school based on the grounds masterplan.

To ensure that we utilise the funds that we have available as best as possible, I am keen to know of any families/parents that could offer their support that have an interest or understanding of landscape gardening. You may even have a friend or family member that would be willing to provide advice.

We are fortunate to have our handy person John who is also a builder to bring our vision to life!

Please contact the school if you have landscape gardening expertise or know of someone that could work with the school in a volunteer capacity (for advice and guidance). I am keen to do this well and as professional as possible for the benefit of the students and school community. If you are keen to be part of the Buildings and Grounds subcommittee (you don't need landscape gardening experience to be a part of this group), please email the school at: sunshine.heights.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Hope everyone has had a great week,

Alex Artavilla

Principal

Sunshine Heights Primary School



Thank you to all of our families for your contributions last night with our Buy a Book for our Library. It was a very successful evening with over \$4,500 worth of books being purchased.

Don't forget to check the Easter Flyer sent out with today's newsletter, this will be our second fundraiser for the year.

Reminder that book packs (\$160.00) are now due to be paid, these can be paid via QKR, EFTPOS or at the office. Your earliest attention would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you

The Uplift Collective will be holding an Easter Raffle this term, raffle tickets will only be available on the QKR App.

Thank you to everyone for supporting our quest to be a rubbish free lunch and snack school! Also it is great to see so many healthy snacks and lunches that the students are enjoying!

If you would like to purchase the 2016 School Magazine, it is available at the office for \$20.

Interschool Sport Draw for Summer Sport 2017

Friday the 24th of February home against Ardeer South

Friday the 3rd of March away against Sunshine Harvester – Travelling by Bus

Friday the 10th of March home against Sunshine North

Friday the 17th of March away against Albion North – Travelling by Bus

Friday the 24th of March home against Our Lady's

NEWSLETTER

STUDENT OF THE WEEK Presentation at Friday 10th June Assembly

Prep:

- A** TBA
B TBA
C Grace Duvcevski

One:

- A** Hyugo Sato
B Rotarsh Seyed Abudi
C Aryaveer Sandhu Singh
D Declan Chesney

Two:

- 2A** Elise Pasquier
2B TBA
2C TBA

Three:

- A** Peter Shizas Yiakoumi
B Sanoz Ghorbani
3/4A TBA

Four:

- A** Kwe K'Paw Ba Aye
B Mara Rico

Five:

- A** Krimzyn-J Monomai
B Allystar Talagi-Monomai

Six:

- A** Dinh Tran
B Lola Murray

Multimedia: Nguyen Nguyen

Art: Kynan Tumibay-Hayes

Sport: Grace Li

Spanish: Jade Duvcevski

Science: Elliott Barker

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DID YOU KNOW..? ¿SABÍAS...?

- Students in **El Club Español** are learning how to dance "**Aserejé**". It is a song by Spanish pop group **Las Ketchup**. It was released in 2002, and became an international hit later. Nowadays, Aserejé is danced in parties and any fun events.



DIBUJATE Y COMPLETA LA FRASE:

Draw yourself next to the bubble and complete the sentence:



BUSCAR LAS PALABRAS:

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- Buenos días
- Buenas tardes
- Hola
- Adiós
- Buenas noches
- Hasta pronto

