Dates to Remember

February
- Tuesday February 14: Junior School Information Night
- Wednesday February 15: No school for prep students
- 6.45pm School Council Building and Grounds Meeting
- 7.00pm School Council Finance Meeting
- 7.30pm School Council Meeting
- Scholastic Book Club Orders close today at 3.30pm
- Thursday February 16: 7.30pm Garden Party Meeting (Everyone is welcome)
- Senior School Information Night
- Monday February 20:
  - @ 545 House Swimming Carnival
  - 4pm School Council Elections close
- Wednesday February 22: No School for prep students
- Thursday February 23:
  - 7.30pm Garden Party Meeting (Everyone is welcome)
- Monday February 27: Middle School Information Night

March
- Wednesday March 1:
  - Prep students commence full time
  - Prep (Foundation) School Information Night

April
- Tuesday 18:
  - First day of Term 2

Our School Values
Respect, Honesty, Enjoyment, Resilience & Success

Principals Report - Brad Evans

Great Start
As mentioned at yesterday’s Assembly, the students at 545 were given positive feedback on their efforts in starting the year off in such a positive way. Of particular note was the students’ enthusiasm towards their learning and their efforts in being nice to each other in the yard!

New Students
On Friday, I had the pleasure of meeting all of the new students to 545 throughout Grades 1-6. Over 15 students met with me for morning tea with the key focus being on how they have settled in. I was delighted that all students appeared positive and happy in their new surroundings with the most popular highlights being:
- Making new friends
- Nice teachers
- Specialist Programs (Art, Music, PE and Japanese)
- Learning activities

Information Nights
In 2017, Sale Primary School aims to engage further with our parent community. We want to increase communication and develop a mutual understanding around how we can work together as a team to give our students an optimum learning experience.

As part of this initiative, all sub-schools will be conducting Information Nights as follows:
- **TONIGHT Tuesday 14th February:** Junior School (Grades 1 & 2)
- **Thursday 16th February:** Senior School (Grades 5 & 6)
- **Monday 27th February:** Junior School (Grades 1 & 2)
- **Wednesday 1st March:** Prep School

Challenging Learning
A major focus of the school this year is to engage in the language of Challenge and Growth Mindset. This is all about installing in our students (and staff/parents) the ideas of struggle being a good thing, challenge with work being expected and making mistakes being the first step to learning.

Classrooms have already begun developing the language of challenge and growth mindset including the phrase I can’t do ....????... yet! Words like resilience and perseverance are also being part of these discussions.

At Sale Primary School, we want the students to be challenged, we want them to struggle at their point of learning and we want them to make mistakes to enhance their learning and we encourage all parents to be positive in their conversations with their children around this work.
As an example of challenge and growth mindset, I have introduced to the school community, a challenge that I have undertaken and that is ‘learning to play the saxophone.’ I need a growth mindset, I will certainly be challenged and I hope Mr Dorber has the strength to teach me because I am not very good at the playing the saxophone……yet! Hopefully my sharing of the journey will instil motivation amongst our students in taking up challenges and having a growth mindset (positive) in their work at school.

Parent Participation at Sale Primary School
A feature of an effective school can be measured in part on parent participation and input. At 545 we welcome and encourage parent participation as it supports everything we do. As the year progresses, parents will be given many opportunities to be involved in the school and I encourage all parents to offer their assistance where and when possible. Please consider your involvement as follows:
- Class Representative Program
- Parents and Friends Committee
- School Council
- Garden Party Committee
- Canteen
- Camps and Excursions
- Sporting Events
- Classroom Programs (as negotiated with classroom teachers)
- School Events (Concerts / Theme Days / Family Nights etc.)

Parents and Friends
Congratulations to our Parents and Friends Committee who completed their AGM yesterday. It was fantastic to see so many in attendance; including some new faces and thank-you to the Parents and Friends Committee of 2016!
Office Bearers were elected for the 2017 school year and I congratulate all members of the Executive. I look forward to working with them and I encourage all members of the school community to get behind our Parents and Friends Committee in 2017 in support of the great work that they do.

Garden Party
The Garden Party is just under 5 weeks away and I encourage all staff, parents and students to get involve with this wonderful whole school event on Friday 17th March (4:00 – 8:00 p.m.) Lots of opportunities to be involved exist including being a member of the Garden Party Committee (meeting on Thursday Nights at the school – starting at 7:30 pm) and / or enlisting as a volunteer during the night!
Michael Peverill (School Councillor & Garden Party Committee Member) spoke at Assembly yesterday and outlined a number of positive changes that are to be enacted this year, please keep your eyes out for all Garden Party information that will come out via Newslines / the SKOOLBAG App and special notices sent home with students.

Road Safety
Every year we remind all members of our school community to be safe on our roads especially when coming to school in the mornings and returning home in the afternoons.
I urge all parents to speak with their children about road safety that includes:
- Crossing the road (especially using school crossings that are in Macalister and Cunningham Streets).
- Riding bikes / scooters / skateboards (especially obeying road rules and behaving sensibly on these modes of transport).
- Getting into and out of parked cars.
I also ask that parents engage in the utmost of care when dropping off and picking up their children. Children can be unpredictable and every precaution must be made when parking, reversing and driving around the school.
Everyone’s support in this matter is appreciated.

Parent-Teacher Interviews
To further enhance our communication with and engagement of parents, the school will also be conducting Parent-Teacher Interviews on Monday, 20th March. These interviews will be supported by an Interim Report that identifies each student’s Social Relationships and Work Habits and their Attendance Data for Term 1. Normal programs will not run on this day, students will only be expected to attend these Parent-Teacher Interviews with their parents. Online booking information for these interviews will be sent out shortly.

School Council Elections
School Council elections are held in Term 1 of each school year. Nominations for the School Council of the Sale Primary School No. 545 opened last week and will close at 4.00pm next Monday February 20.
We have four elected parent category members up for re-election, as well as two elected DE&T employee category members and one community member.
If you would like to stand for School Council, or would like to nominate someone, please contact the school office for further information.
**Important Dates**

In an attempt to assist parents and students in organising their busy schedules, accompanying next week’s Newsline will be a list of Key Dates for the School Year. Whilst every effort is made to make these dates accurate, they will be subject to change.

**Parents and Friends – Miranda Peverill**

**Canteen**

The canteen is closed at the moment. More information will be available shortly with regard to the long term operation of the canteen.

**Garden Party 2017**

This year’s Garden Party will be held on **Friday March 17.**

The next Garden Party meeting will be held this **THURSDAY FEBRUARY 16, at 7.30pm,** in the Parents Room here at school. Many hands make light work!! Everyone is most welcome to offer any suggestions on how we can make this fundraiser even better. See you there!

**Swimming Carnival – Bree Courtney**

Our annual **545 House Swimming Carnival** is being held next **Monday February 20.** In the next couple of days I will be sending home information regarding the the 545 House Swimming Carnival for Grades 3-6 students.

A return slip is also included with this Newsline seeking parental help with the House Swimming Carnival on **Monday February 20.** If you are able to assist, please return that slip to the school office as soon as possible.

**Instrumental Music – Robert Dorber**

**Let’s make music!**

I am looking forward to an exciting year of singing, dancing, creating and playing music together. Once again, Mrs. Julie Ward and I will be teaching instrumental music this year. The following information will inform you about some of the different types of musical experiences children can have at 545 this year.

**Choir**

The Middle Choir (Grades 3/4) and Senior Choir (Grades 5/6) will begin with ‘Give it a go’ sessions this week to give each interested child the opportunity to see what singing in a choir is like. Choir does not involve a fee and is a terrific way for children to experience the pleasure of making music with a group, learning good vocal technique, the discipline of rehearsal and the excitement of performance. In Week 4, children will be asked to choose whether they would like to **commit to participating in choir for the rest of Semester 1.**

**Band**

The band is open to students in Grades 5 and 6. (Grade 4 students who have reached a level of proficiency on their instrument can be invited to join). Students can attend two sessions of band before deciding whether to commit to becoming a member of the band for the remainder of the year. Any senior student who is learning an instrument at the school is strongly encouraged to join the band as it really gives them a boost in mastering their chosen instrument, as well as experiencing the joy of playing in an ensemble.

If your child does not learn an instrument but would still like to be in the band, there are opportunities for students to play percussion (including mallet percussion e.g. xylophones) if they are willing to work hard at learning to read music! This year the school band will rehearse at school on **Thursday lunch times.**

**Instrumental Lessons**

545 offers the opportunity for students to learn a variety of instruments by providing tutors in school hours and instruments for hire (clarinet, flute, trumpet and saxophone).

Mrs. Julie Ward teaches piano, keyboard, flute, clarinet and guitar.

Mr Rob Dorber will be available on Thursdays or Fridays to teach ukulele or contemporary guitar to interested students.

Primary school is a wonderful time to begin learning an instrument. It teaches many skills: playing in time, reading music, working together, coordination and multi-tasking as you are required to concentrate on many tasks at one time! Also, playing an instrument can be most rewarding and fabulous fun.

Lessons are generally for half an hour in small groups and are payable by Week 3 of each term. A letter from Mrs. Ward or Mr Dorber detailing the nature and cost of the lessons will be given to your child once you have indicated your interest in him/her having lessons.

Instrument hire is $45 for Semester 1 and $65 for Semester 2. Some instruments are too difficult for very little fingers, so we recommend a minimum age of Grade 1 for piano/keyboard and Grade 2 for guitar.

Please fill in the form at the end of the Newsline if you would like your child to have instrumental lessons and return it to the office as soon as possible.

**Scholastic Book Club**

Scholastic Book Club Orders close **TOMORROW Wednesday February 15 at 3.30pm**
Student Leadership

Congratulations to all students who have received leadership positions in 2017. The leadership presentations will be made at upcoming whole school assemblies on Monday mornings. Due to the large number of student leaders the presentations will take place as follows;

Special Weekly Awards

Special Weekly Awards were presented to these children at assembly on Monday February 13, 2017

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<td>For a great first week at 545 and for working very hard</td>
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<td>For his fantastic listening when sitting on the floor</td>
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<td>For making a great start to his learning in the Senior School</td>
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<td>For being a great role model in SD and for helping new members of the class learn routines</td>
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<td>Rhianna</td>
<td>For demonstrating excellent School Values at the swimming trials by supporting others</td>
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<td>Ben</td>
<td>For his determination and resilience he has shown in all areas</td>
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House Captains & Vice House Captains

Loughnan
Captains – Camryn & Cooper
Vice Captains – Courtney & Georgia

Carpenter
Captains – Mia & Finn
Vice Captains – Isabelle & Seth

Ruff
Captains – Krystal & Luke
Vice Captains – Damon & Jazz

Schultz
Captains – Lidija & Christopher
Vice Captains – Isla & Mike

Music, Library & Arts Captains

Music Captains – Tamsyn, Oly & Finn
Library Captains – Rebecca & Paige
Arts Captains – Josh, Leah, Ruby, Jo

Junior School Council

SC – Samithri & Sara
SD – Ben & Rachael
SG – Sophie and Tristan
SJ – Alex and Caetlyn
SL - Cameron and Quinn

This Week’s Weekly Award Winners

The following students received Junior School Values Awards at last week’s Senior Assembly;
Tristan, Thomas, Maddix, Caleb, Aaron & Tyson

Mr E’s first Walking School Bus of 2017 last Friday

Yesterday, Monday February 13 – JSC, House Captains and Vice Captains, Music, Art, Library and Japanese Captains
Next Monday February 27 – PAL leaders, Garden Guerillas and ICT Captains
The Sale Junior Football Club is holding its
REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION NIGHT
on Wednesday 22nd February 4pm - 6pm
Sale footy Oval in the foyer of Social Rooms Cnr Cunninghame & Paterson Sts.
• Is your son or daughter interested in playing footy this season?
• Are they still too young or too big this year?
• Were they born in 2009 & turning 8 this year?
Modified rules makes junior level football safe & enjoyable for all participants, SJC provides a safe, healthy environment focusing on involvement, participation, teamwork & respect.
To help save time on the night and assist in the registration process we ask that parents of existing players arrive at the registration night or send the completed form to the club. For any new players please visit the junior club website to print the registration form and follow the online instructions.

Look for the Member Access link in the top right corner of the home page
www.salejfc.com.au

We are seeking all eligible kids for Under 10s, 12s & 14s. We'd love to see new players and existing players coming along. Group sessions will begin in May.

Can't make the rego night and would like to know more then please contact Scott Pearce on 0429 429 180

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**Hookin2 Hockey**

**www.hookin2hockey.com.au**

**Centre:** Sale Hockey Club

**Contact Name:** Mark Bennett

**Contact Number:** 0408 429 432

**Location:** Gippsland Regional Sports Complex, 16 Cobden Rd, Sale, VIC. 3850

**Start Date:** Monday 27th February 2017

**Time:** 4:50PM

**Website:** seehockeyclub@hotmail.com

**Additional Information:** Sale Hockey Club, Inc. welcoming and inclusive club providing hockey for the entire family. Junior program being run on the indoor courts at the Gippsland Regional Sports Complex in Sale.
Sale Primary School No 545  
Class Parent Representative System for 2017

Our Parent Representative Program has been operating successfully at 545 for a number of years. This program provides a valuable link between classroom teachers and parents at the school.

The purpose of this system is to provide a social link between staff and parents at the classroom level, to welcome new families to the school and to provide support for teachers where applicable. We are asking for parents to volunteer to be a Class Representative - hopefully having 2 or 3 (or more) parents per class. The tasks of the Class Representative may vary from individual classrooms, but should include:

😊 Organising a social function, e.g. a morning tea early in Term 1 so that parents within a class can meet one another.

😊 Perhaps organising a couple of further social functions later in the year maybe on a weekend or evening so working parents can be involved.

😊 Making contact with any new families that join your class and welcoming them to the school.

The Class Representative System has worked really well over the past years, with the volunteers enjoying their child's class and the teachers appreciating all their help. Please consider volunteering as a Class Representative and complete the slip below and return to the office by **Wednesday February 15**.

If you would like any further information regarding the role of a class representative, please do not hesitate to contact me.

We are also asking parents for permission to release a contact number to the Class Parent Representative of their child's grade, once they have been finalised. Please complete the slip below and return it to the school office by **Wednesday February 15**. We realise that these details are held at school already but for privacy reasons, we need your approval and confirmation to release this information to a Class Parent Representative.

Yours thankfully

Ewen Jondahl

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**Permission to release phone contact details to a Class Parent Representative**

To assist Class Parent Representatives in organising activities, we are seeking a contact number to pass on to them. Please complete the slip below and return it to the school office. We realise that these details are held at school already but for privacy reasons, we need your approval and confirmation to release this information to a class parent representative.

I, ________________________________, the Parent/Guardian of ________________________________

in grade/s __________________ can be contacted on ________________________________ during the daytime.

Signed ________________________________ (Parent/Guardian)

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**Class Parent Representative**

If you would like to volunteer as a Class Parent Representative, please complete the form below and return to the office by **Wednesday February 15**. Thank you.

Name: ________________________________

Phone Number: ________________________________

Preferred Class Representative Grade: _______

Child's name: ________________________________
**NEWSLINE**

**RETURN SLIPS**

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**Instrumental Music 2017**

*(please return to the school office as soon as possible)*

My child_____________________________Grade______________

would like to learn to play an instrument at school.

1st preference:  
Flute / Clarinet / Saxophone / Brass (trumpet) / Guitar / Piano/ Keyboard/ Percussion / Ukulele  
(please circle)

Parent/Guardian’s Name:___________________________________  Email Address:___________________________________

Signed:_________________________________ Phone_____________________

Is your child a returning instrumental music student?  YES  /  NO  (please circle)

Does your child need to hire an instrument?  ?  YES  /  NO  (please circle)

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**545 House Swimming Carnival**

*Monday February 20, 2017*

*(please return to the school office as soon as possible)*

I am able to assist at the House Swimming Carnival on **Monday February 20, 2017**.

Name:_____________________________________________

Signed:_________________________________ Phone_____________________

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**Change of Details**

*(please return to the school office as soon as possible)*

Name of student/s_____________________________________________

Have you recently had a change of:

address?________________________________________________________

phone number?___________________________________________________

emergency contacts?____________________________________________

medical information?____________________________________________

any other changes?______________________________________________
Good Old 545

Dear former and current members of Sale Primary School, ‘545’ Community,

An opportunity exists for former and existing members of our school community who would like to support the school and leave their mark on history.

In partnership with Gippsland Trophy House, brick mounted plaques will be created and secured on the feature wall within the school to permanently preserve your involvement at the school.

Cost: $50

Plaque dimensions: 150mm x 60mm (inclusive of 18 characters, including spacing x 2 rows)

Orders are taken throughout March (for production in April) and throughout November (for production in December) each and every year, ensuring that plaques of each year will be mounted before the end of each school year.

This year’s orders will be taken from March 1 – 31 and November 1-30, 2017.

Please note that no late orders can be accepted after these dates.

Order forms are available from the school office for any former 545 community members that wish to leave their mark.

Regards

Brad Evans
Principal

NAME_________________________ PAID: $__________

PHONE CONTACT DETAILS:_________________________