

NEWSLINE

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Dates to Remember

July

Monday 20th

- 2.00pm Parents' Club meeting in the staffroom

August

Friday 7th

- EMA applications close today
- 545 House Athletics Carnival (Gr 3-6)

Monday 17th

- Issun Booshi afternoon and evening performance

Wednesday 19th

- Issun Booshi afternoon performance
- 7.00pm School Finance Meeting
- 7.30pm School Council Meeting

**2010 PREP ENROLMENTS ARE NOW BEING
TAKEN**

Acting Principal's Report – Matt Currie

Welcome Back

Welcome back to all staff students and parents to the start of Term 3. I trust that you all had a restful and enjoyable holiday period and that we are all rejuvenated and ready for another successful term at 545! Just a reminder that Mr Evans is on leave for the next three weeks so please feel free to come and see myself or Annie Fleming if you have anything you would like to discuss.

This term promises to be another busy one with Grade 5/6 Camps, Athletic Sports, Grade 3/4 Clubs Program and the Move-a-thon just to name a few activities coming up. It also promises to be a term of great learning opportunities for all our students as we have a nice run of uninterrupted school weeks. Please keep an eye on the key dates published each week and on any notices coming home with students.

Monday Morning Assembly

Monday morning assemblies are a great way to start the school week. As such, parents and students are reminded that this assembly starts at 8.50am each Monday.

Federal Government Building Project

There has been a delay to the nominated Building Project at Sale Primary. Due to a range of concerns with the DEECD Template Building (specific to our site); Sale Primary will now have a purpose built architecturally designed building.

The timeline for such a process will see the site taken over in early September with the end date extended into the middle of 2010.

As has already been stated, the school is extremely excited by this opportunity that will not only see a building upgrade but also a playground redevelopment with the removal of all portables from the school site.

Holiday Projects

The Federal Government's School Pride Funding has seen a number of facility upgrades occur over the holiday period.

The Newry Building is receiving a much needed facelift with it currently being painted. Hopefully this should be completed in the next week, depending on the weather. The roof above the student toilets has also been replaced and all Grade 3 – 6 classes have been fitted with Interactive Whiteboards. All students and teachers are very excited with the new technology and we are looking forward to many exciting opportunities arising as a result of the new Interactive Whiteboards.

Uniform

As we start a new term, all students should be in correct school uniform from the outset. All families are reminded that students are expected to be in full school uniform which includes school tops, black shoes and grey / white socks. It would be appreciated if parents could continue to support the school to ensure their child / ren are in full school uniform. If for any reason your child is unable to wear their uniform, a note from home would be appreciated.

Head Lice

The beginning of a new term is an excellent opportunity to check hair and remove head lice quickly before it spreads. Please remember to notify the school immediately if your child does have head lice and students must remain home until a full treatment process is completed. Prevention is often far easier (and less expensive) than the treatment. Parent information pamphlets are available at the school office. There is no magic solution for this problem, just ongoing vigilance.

Visitors Policy

Accompanying today's Newsline is the Sale Primary School's Visitors Policy. The Visitors Policy was endorsed and approved by School Council at the June meeting. As of tomorrow, Wednesday July 15th all visitors to the school must report to the office to sign in and collect a visitors pass. You will then be required to return your pass and sign out on your departure. Visitors to the school include:

- 1) Parent helpers in classrooms, canteen or uniform shop.
- 2) Special guests to the school.
- 3) Tradesmen working at the school for a short period.

If you are dropping off or picking up a student in school hours you do not need to sign in, however you are expected to sign for a late arrival, or early departure as is normally the case. The implementation of the Visitors Policy will have great benefits to our school community both in student safety and emergency management procedures.

School Supervision: Children are supervised between the hours of 8.45am and 3.45pm.

It would be greatly appreciated if you can fully support this Policy. Thank you!

Parents' Club Report – Wendy Stephenson & Robyn Jones

Canteen

The canteen roster is as follows:

Term 3	July
Wed 15 th	Mandi Duncan, Karen Orrock
Mon 20 th	Darhlene Kelly, Noeleen Anderson
Wed 22 nd	Liz Bullers, Karen Jackson, Tracy Hargreaves, Linda Wilson

Canteen helpers are required from 12.15noon – 1.30pm

Sunfruits

As you are aware, Sunfruits are no longer able to be sold through our canteen. However, we have several bulk boxes (1.25kg) available for sale at a cost of \$12.00 per box. Parents can purchase these from the school office.

Parents' Club Meeting

The next Parents' Club meeting will be held next Monday July 20th at 2.00pm in the staffroom. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

Asia Studies Week – India Integrated Studies Committee

Next week, all students will explore and celebrate our Asian neighbour India.

What is happening you ask??

- Bollywood Arts Incursion - Friday 24th July
- Dress Up Day also on Friday 24th – wear bright colours or come in Indian inspired clothes
- India display in our Library all week
- Name our Indian Elephant competition
- A range of India activities in classrooms
- Rangoli exhibitions outside classrooms

Many websites have information about India. A useful one is:

<http://www.teachers.ash.org.au/jmresources/countries2/India.html>

For more information please see your classroom teacher.

Japanese News – Di Collins

Japanese Word of the Week –

The word of the week is

いいです

Reading: ii desu.

Meaning: That's OK / It's all right

Japanese Musical: Issun Booshi

The middle and specialist teams are very excited to announce that the middle school will be staging the musical Issun Booshi again this year. Issun Booshi can be likened to a Japanese version of Tom Thumb. All students in the middle school will be involved in the production. There are 10 Japanese songs, taiko drumming, dancing, live music, the actors speak in Japanese, and English narration clarifies the story for the audience. It promises to be an exciting and unique event. The production will be staged 3 times: the afternoon of Monday 17th August for the students at 545 and the evening of the 17th and the afternoon of

Wednesday 19th of August for the families of middle school students. Families should mark these dates in their calendars as this is an event not to be missed.

Host family thankyou

A huge thank you to the Jones family - who hosted Amu for her first three months in Australia. They told me they had a lot of fun being tourists themselves as they took Amu to an extensive range of places around Gippsland. Amu has now moved in with the Hattink family.

545 Water Safety and Survival

Program – Term 3 – Karen Somerville

Below is a timetable for this term's swimming. Children will be swimming at the same designated times commencing tomorrow Wednesday July 15th. Children will need to bring their bathers and towel etc. in a separate bag to take to the pool.

Grades	Depart 545	Swim	Depart Pool
MSP&JGO	9.45	9.55 - 10.35	10.45
MC & JC	10.25	10.35 - 11.15	11.25
MH & JGI	11.15	11.25 - 12.05	12.15
MS & MB	11.55	12.05 - 12.45	12.55

The cost is \$35.00 (\$10.00 for season's ticket holders). If parents are unsure as to whether they have paid for the swimming program, please contact the office, as this payment needs to be made as soon as possible. Season's ticket holders will need to have their membership number recorded by their teacher. Parents are most welcome to watch their child during swimming lessons.

Art Room News – Pauline Vuillermin

The following grades will need their Art smocks for Art lessons for this half year please.

Preps- PJ, PL and PS

Junior Grades- JJ, JC and JPC

Middle Grades- MH, MSP, MT & MW

Senior Grades- SG, SJ and SS

House Athletics Carnival 2009 for Grades 3-6 –Staci Scott, PE Coordinator

Venue: Gippsland Grammar Senior School Oval

Date: Friday August 7th, 2009

Time: 9.30am – 3.00pm approx.

The senior and middle grades of our school will hold their athletics sports day on Friday August 7th, 2009. Children will be transported to and from the venue by bus. All children are to participate in this important school activity. As in past years, the sports day has been a very enjoyable and successful occasion for both children and spectators alike and parents are urged and encouraged to attend.

We are in need of parents helpers. What can parent helpers do?

- Use a stopwatch to time sprints
- Assist with high jump
- Measure distances in long jump, triple jump, discus and shot put
- Record scores on children's cards or event sheets
- Be a recorder at the main table.

If you can assist for some or part of the day it would be greatly appreciated. Please fill out the return slip at the end of this Newsline and forward it to the office by Friday 31st July.

Seasons for Growth – Expression of Interest

Loss and grief are issues that affect all of us as at some stage in our lives. Learning to deal with these issues is central to personal wellbeing and happiness. Unresolved grief can affect a student's learning.

In Term Three, Sale Primary School will be offering the Australian education program called 'Seasons for Growth' for MIDDLE YEARS Students. This program supports participants who have experienced change in their family due to separation, divorce, death or other challenging circumstances. 'Seasons' explores issues such as change, loss, managing feelings, coping strategies and support networks. It is an eight-week program. Shelley Ogden will facilitate the program this year. If you think your son or daughter would benefit from the 'Seasons' program we would encourage you to talk to them about this. If your child would like to be a participant please fill in the section below and return it to school by Wednesday, 22nd July.

Education Maintenance Allowance

(E.M.A.) Recipients

Parents with continuing eligibility who were paid for the first instalment of 2009 at 545 will **not** be required to complete a new application for the second instalment. If you did not apply, or missed the cut off day or have enrolled at 545 since the start of March, 2009; you must complete an application for the second instalment at the office before **Friday August 7th, 2009**. **To be eligible, parents must have a health care card or pension card valid on July 13th, 2009.**

NO LATE CLAIMS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Community News

'Raising Real People – Creating Resilient Families' - a presentation by internationally renowned Psychologist, Andrew Fuller

Psychologist and Parenting Expert Andrew Fuller will be the guest speaker at a FREE Parent and Community Forum hosted by Catholic College Sale.

In today's world, resilience & emotional intelligence are skills that can contribute as much to career & life success as academic intelligence. Clinical psychologist Andrew Fuller will discuss the active ingredients of resilience, how parents can develop these in children, self-esteem, set-backs, creating happy kids & parenting the 'click and go' generation. Described as someone who "puts the heart back into psychology", Andrew works with schools & communities specialising in the wellbeing of young people & their families. He is the author of Tricky Kids, Guerilla Tactics for Teachers, Help Your Child Succeed at School, Raising Real People (ACER), Work Smarter Not Harder & Beating Bullies. Andrew also co-authored The Heart Masters – a program promoting resilience & emotional intelligence used in over 3500 schools in Australia and Britain.

The Parent and Community forum will be held on Thursday 16th July 7.30 - 9.00pm at Catholic College Sale, Bishop Phelan Stadium. Everyone Welcome!

Dance Fit Classes

Do you love to dance but your partner doesn't? Would you like to learn some easy dance moves and have some fun? Why not try Dance Fit Classes

2 hour class commencing Wednesday July 15th at 6.30pm at the Sale Primary School Market Square Hall (enter via Cunninghame Street entrance).

Wear comfortable casual clothes (jeans or tracksuit) and supportive shoes, bring a bottle of water, and maybe a towel.

Tea and coffee provided – Cost \$10 per class – all welcome. For enquiries please call Marion on 51457155.

Useful Information

Sale Primary School Website

Our weekly newsletter is available at the school's website at www.saleps.vic.edu.au. The website is updated every Tuesday afternoon.

Term Dates

Term 1: 2nd February to 3rd April
Term 2: 20th April to 26th June
Term 3: 13th July to 18th September
Term 4: 5th October to 18th December

Uniform Shop

Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday and Wednesday morning from 8.40am to 9.20am.

Canteen

Canteen operates every Monday and Wednesday.

Seasons For Growth ~ Expression of interest

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Contact number: _____

House Athletic Sports Grades 3-6 Friday August 7th, 2009

Please return this form to the office by Friday 31st July, 2009

I am able to assist at the House Athletic Sports on Friday August 7th, 2009

Name: _____ Child's Name & Grade _____ Phone No: _____

SALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

VISITORS POLICY

Rationale:

- Sale Primary School seeks to provide an open and friendly learning environment which values and actively encourages visitors to Sale Primary School. At the same time we recognise our duty of care to ensure a safe environment for students and staff of Sale Primary School, and we recognise our responsibility to protect and preserve our resources against theft, vandalism and misuse.

Aims:

- To provide a safe and secure environment for students, staff and resources of Sale Primary School.
- To establish protocols and procedures that effectively monitor and manage visitors, whilst not compromising the open and inviting nature of Sale Primary School.

Implementation:

- Whilst we actively encourage an inviting and open school, the safety of the students, staff and resources of Sale Primary School remain our highest priorities.
- Visitors are defined as all people other than staff members, students, and parents/guardians involved in the task of delivering or collecting students at the start or end of the school day.
- All visitors will be required to report to the administration office prior to undertaking any activity with the school, where they will be required to sign a “Visitors” book and will be assigned a “Visitors” badge which they must wear at all times within the school. Similarly, visitors will be required to report to the administration office at the end of their visit to return their badge and to “sign out” in the Visitors book.
- Visitors will be provided with directions, and will be made aware of any construction works etc. that may impact upon their safety or comfort.
- The above mentioned process for managing and monitoring visitors will be regularly published in the school newsletter, and will appear at all school entrances.
- Visitors within the school who have failed to follow this process will be reminded to do so.
- Under the Summary Offences Act 1966, the Principal reserves the right, and has the authority, to prohibit any potential visitor from entering or remaining within the school, and also has the authority to invite or exclude people from using or being within the school boundaries outside school operating hours.
- The school’s emergency management procedures will ensure that visitors within the school at the time of any emergency or practice drill will be recognized and be appropriately catered for.

Evaluation:

- This policy will be reviewed as part of Sale Primary School’s three year review cycle, and at times when Sale Primary School’s emergency management procedures are under review.