

NEWSLINE

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Dates to Remember

March

Monday 16th – Friday 20th March

- Parent Teacher Interview Week

Wednesday 18th March

- School Council Annual General Meeting
- Gippsland Swimming Carnival

Thursday 19th March

- 4.00pm Walking School Bus Celebration

Monday 23rd March

- 2.00pm Parents' Club Meeting in staffroom

Thursday 26th March

- Rubbish Free lunch day

April

Friday 3rd

- Last day of Term 1 – 2.30pm dismissal

Monday 20th

- First day of Term 2

Friday 24th

- 2.00pm ANZAC Day Service

**Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday & Wednesday
8.40am-9.20am**

Acting Principal's Report - Brad Evans

Garden Party

Congratulations to everyone involved in last week's Garden Party. I am extremely proud of the community spirit and support that is generated by this major school event. Special mention must go to Tania Stares, Wendy Stephenson and their group of dedicated helpers who did all the work behind the scenes and on the day to ensure its success. Thanks also to the school staff who supported the Garden Party in many ways. Congratulations also to the wonderful Maypole performers who dazzled us with the Maypole dance under the guidance and support of our senior school teachers especially Melissa Hall and Ben Howard!

The Garden Party raffle results were as follows:

1 st Prize	<i>Jeff Thomas</i> Security door voucher C&J Glass & Screens
2 nd Prize	<i>Kaye Gillespie</i> Findlay & Weymouth gift Voucher
3 rd Prize	<i>Jade</i> Razor Scooter from Push n Pedal Cycles
4 th Prize	<i>Suzanne Petrovic</i> Haircut & Colour Hair New York
5 th Prize	<i>Loretta Warford</i> Dolls House donated by Kelly & Warren Jones
6 th Prize	<i>Brad</i> \$50 Voucher donated by Jewlz N More
7 th Prize	<i>Callum</i> 10kg Block of Cadbury Chocolate

Parent / Teacher Interviews

This week is Parent / Teacher Interview Week and no doubt many parents will be taking up the opportunity to meet with classroom teachers to discuss how the year has begun for their child. If you have returned the Interview Form and not yet received a time, please contact your child's teacher.

Please remember that the focus of the discussion will be more about your child's social relationships and work habits which are of course, very important factors in their learning.

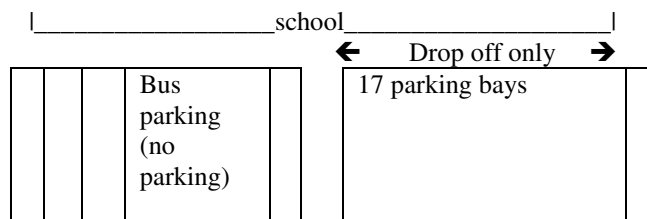
Principal's Annual Report to the School Community

As part of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development's reporting processes, Principals are required to complete an Annual Report to the School Community. This report is always tabled at the Annual General Meeting of School Council, which, for Sale Primary School, is this Wednesday 18th March. From Thursday 19th March copies of this Annual Report can be accessed via the school office if required.

Parking in Dundas Street – Drop off Zone

Parents are reminded that there is a drop-off zone in Dundas Street, where cars cannot be left unattended. It operates in the first 17 car parking spaces (marked with a yellow line parallel with the middle of the road) north of the Dundas Street gate and parents need to also be aware that they cannot use the bus parking zone to pick up or drop off students.

Just to re-affirm parking regulations in Dundas Street.



Please note:

Bus zone	8.00am – 4.00pm school days No standing anytime
Drop off zone	8.30am – 9.30am & 3.00pm -4.00pm Parents are permitted to park for a <u>maximum of 2 minutes</u> and must <u>remain within 3 metres</u> of their vehicle at all times. A driver must not stop at the side of a road marked with a continuous yellow edge line.

The shire traffic officers do police this area and will issue fines to cars left unattended in the 'drop off' zone, or if cars remain stationary in this area beyond the 2 minute timeframe.

There are also other parking restrictions that parents need to be aware that are operating in Cunninghame Street. The parallel parking zone directly behind the angled parking (near the basketball court) was removed late in 2008 to ease the bottleneck that was being created in this area. Parents are encouraged to drop their children off in Market Street (well back from the Market Street/Cunninghame Street T intersection) to allow them to continue using the Cunninghame Street crossing. Parents are reminded that there are plenty of parking spaces further up Cunninghame Street (outside of the Church) and in Marley Street (adjoining Victoria Park).

State Cricket Trials

Congratulations to the 15 Senior School students who were nominated by their cricket clubs for the recent Victorian Primary Schools' State Team Trials. These trials were held last Tuesday at Stephenson's Park and all boys performed

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

well. I am sure that if any of the boys get to progress further in this process, they will equip themselves well – good luck!

Afternoon Tea with Mr. E

Yesterday was the first of many afternoon teas with Mr E. 1 student from each of the Prep-Grade 2 joined me for afternoon tea to share something special that they had done in class recently. We had a chat, they ate a biscuit and enjoyed a glass of water, and left with a thank you note and a sticker! Today, 1 student from each of the Grade 3-6 classes joined me for the same purpose.

I look forward to having afternoon tea with every student at some stage throughout the year.

Parents' Club Report – Wendy Stephenson

Canteen

The canteen roster is as follows:

Term 1	March
Wed 18 th	Carol Oram, Leanne Perkins & Nicole Ropeti
Mon 23 rd	Candice Morris, Suzie Heywood, Robyn Jones
Wed 25 th	Kerrie Young, Libby Wheeler, Amanda Mapleson & Andrea Germaine

Canteen helpers are required from 12.15noon – 1.30pm

Parents' Club Meeting

The next Parents' Club meeting will be held on Monday March 23rd in the staffroom at 2.00pm. Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

Garden Party Thankyou

Thankyou to everyone for their support of last week's Garden Party. The profit from the Garden party is approximately \$12,000.00 (amount to be finalised next week once all accounts are received). SL was the winner of the lucky jar competition. Well done SL.

545 Netball Club – Belinda Churchill & Justine Affleck

Saturday Netball Season:

Registration forms for the 2009 Saturday netball season are available this week for all interested children in Grades 3 – 6. If your child fits into the age groups of 9&U, 10&U, 11&U or 12&U this year, and is interested in playing, please ensure that they return the completed registration form with money, no later than this Friday March 20th.

This winter season takes place from Saturday 2nd May – Saturday 22nd August.

Grand finals are played in the 12 & U section only and this takes place on Saturday 29th August.

Please consider your availability to support a school team. We need to provide each team with an experienced coach and umpire to enable them to participate. If you or a family member is willing to support a team, please indicate this on the registration form or let Belinda Churchill or Justine Affleck know.

Please see the registration form (available from the office) for all necessary details.

NETTA skills program:

NETTA netball, a skills program for younger players (8&U) will begin next term. These sessions are held at the Sale Netball Courts from 9:30-10:30 and are an excellent introduction to the skills and rules of the game for both girls and boys. All costs for Netta are paid directly to the Sale Netball Club. This program will commence on the 16th of May and you can register from Saturday 9th May.

More information regarding Netta will be in a later Newline.

Sale Primary School Website

Parents are reminded that our newsletter is also available at the school's website at www.saleps.vic.edu.au
The website is updated every Tuesday afternoon.

Rubbish Free Lunch Day – Nikki Bradley

This year, 545 will be holding 4 Rubbish Free Lunch days – 1 per term. We are encouraging students to include absolutely **NO** wrappers in their lunch boxes on **Thursday 26th March**. We are aiming to have no rubbish at our school on this nominated day in an attempt to reduce the waste we create. Teachers will promote this day with their class, and there may even be rewards for those students who manage to bring their lunches free of wrappers! You may wish to take this opportunity to discuss the importance of reducing waste in our environment with your child/ren. Thank-you for your support!

Chaplain's ABC - Scream

Parenthood is a real Scream sometimes. Or should I say, Parenthood can make you *want* to Scream at times! When my kids were younger, the hardest part of the day was between 3-30pm and dinnertime. The three of them would come home from school, tired, cranky, and hungry. They all wanted to tell me about their day at once. The boys seemed to thrive on taking out the frustrations of the day on each other. There would be arguments, irritations, tussles over the X-Box, and me frantically trying to do the afternoon clean up and cook tea. A recipe for madness if you ask me! There were plenty of times when I wanted to Scream and the odd occasion when I succumbed. So I tried another tack, and it helped to maintain my sanity during those intense years. 4pm-5pm became a 'no-work' zone for me. I made a strong cup of coffee, sat at the Dining Table and waited for my little people to unload all the matters of the day. We talked about friendships, social dramas, homework, late assignments, tomorrow's carnival, why Mrs Frank was unhappy, etc., etc. By 5pm my lovable brood had slipped off happily to their various interests, and I, buoyed by too much caffeine, went off vigorously to cook tea. Yes, the afternoon clean up didn't always happen. The house got a little messier, but there was a definite reduction in stress and conflict. We still had bad days of course, but overall there was a noticeable improvement. The kids are older now and I get to enjoy my Green Tea (gave up the Caffeine!) in peace, but they still seek me out some days for that afternoon chat and I love it. . Til next time. Shelley (Chaplain)

Regional Swimming Championships, Morwell – Bree Courtney

On Wednesday 18th March the following students will be representing the Sale District at the Regional Swimming Championships in Morwell; Andrew, Nash, Hudson, Stephanie, Caitlin, Liam, Holly, Braden, Nick, Laura, Jessica, Morgan and Cody.

We wish these students all the best.

Community News

SEAL - A Different Pathway to Success

Sale College prides itself in catering for all types of students. One way in which this is achieved is through a Select Entry Accelerated Learning Program that is designed for students who learn at a faster rate than their peers.

The school's government-endorsed SEAL Program was established in 1998. It provides for students with exceptional ability and enquiring minds who may be overlooked and unsatisfied in a regular class. It unites and challenges a group of 25 students who, with their ability and application, move more quickly through the first years of secondary school, completing four years in three. A review of SEAL schools in 2005 recognized the special place of these programs in secondary education and resulted in 10 more schools receiving accreditation across the state. Sale College is one of four SEAL schools in Gippsland, the others being in Trafalgar, Wonthaggi and Koo Wee Rup.

At the program's completion, students have many options open to them, and are carefully counselled on their choices for VCE studies. Some students use the extra year for an

overseas exchange or work experience. However the majority of students choose to complete VCE over three years, enabling exposure to a wider range of subjects including university enhancement. This provides the opportunity to gain a higher ENTER score and can also reduce the enormous pressure of Year 12. Students are rarely talented in just one area, and the continuation of interests such as music, sport, drama, art and leadership are important to their total development.

The program doesn't suit all bright students and is only one pathway to success. It is rigorous, challenging and requires commitment. Sometimes the SEAL students lose sight of the "big picture", and perceive that they are the only students doing any work! There are many advantages for them however, and we have seen success in many forms apart from VCE scores and university placement.

The availability of the SEAL program at Sale College thus fulfils some students' special needs and maximises the choice and opportunity for academic pathways through senior school and tertiary studies.

Timeline for 2009:

Information evening: April 29th, 7pm.

SEAL Applications close- Friday, May 8th 4.00pm

SEAL Exam- Saturday, May 16th, 9.30am –12.30pm.

SEAL Interviews- By appointment, during term 2, from May 19th- June 5th

First round offers- Posted last week of term 2.

Winter Tennis Pennant

Topspin Tennis is organizing a junior Winter Pennant to be played at the Sale Tennis Club on Friday afternoons.

Players can either find their own partner and enter a team or enter themselves and we will find a partner for them. Players will be put into Grades. All players will play a singles match followed by a doubles match each week.

This is the 3rd year of this competition and it is getting more and more successful so if you want to be involved please contact Nick Board at Topspin Tennis on 51441345. Entry cost is \$55.00 (Sale Tennis Club Member) \$70.00 (Non Member). **Any enquiries please call Nick Board on 51441345.**

Special Weekly Awards

Special Weekly Awards were presented to these children at assembly on Monday 16th March

Grade	Name	Reason
PL	Georgia	For being such an enthusiastic and caring class member
PS	Joe	For his fantastic writing
	Avril	For the fantastic work she is doing
PJ	Zac	For being happy and friendly
JJ	Kelsie	For making good choices that help her to learn
JA	Sam	For his fantastic recount about going to the park
JC	Deakin	For his fantastic maths work
JGI	Brysen	For his cooperative group work to create a fantastic Possum Magic collage
JGO	Jack	For making wise decisions and for giving his best effort
	Jasmine	For her fantastic work in maths
JPC	Bronte	For her great reading and writing
MSP	Blake	For his fantastic free verse poem
MH	Brayden	For his fantastic rap song about space
MB	Jordan	For his fantastic efforts in class and participation in class discussions
MS	Bec	For her excellent work in maths
MT	Rani	For the excellent presentation of all of her work
MW	Jaide	For the super effort with her writing
SB	Daniel	For being a great help in the classroom
SL	Shannon	For the little 'extras' she does to make our classroom great
SP	William	For his outstanding text connections during Reader's Workshop
SJ	Alex	For setting fantastic goals in SJ
SS	Jo	For her exceptional song lyrics and performance
Mrs Patterson	Tyren	For the wonderful effort he is showing in our lessons

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545 GARDEN PARTY

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