

NEWSLINE

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Dates to Remember

May

Thursday 28th

- Visiting Performance by Oz Opera – ‘The Sound Garden’

June

Monday 1st

- 2.00pm Parents’ Club meeting in the staffroom

Tuesday 2nd

- School Photo Day

Monday 8th

- Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

Friday 12th

- Statewide Report Writing Day – no students at school on this day

2010 PREP ENROLMENTS ARE NOW BEING TAKEN

Acting Principal’s Report - Brad Evans *School Pride – Economic Stimulus Plan – Sale Primary School*

The Federal Government’s Stimulus Package continues with the school receiving \$200 000 for Major and Minor Works to upgrade our facilities. After significant consultation, the School Council Sub-Committee, Building and Grounds have recommended the following projects be included in this funding package:

- Purchase of additional interactive whiteboards to ensure all classrooms at Sale Primary School are inclusive of an interactive whiteboard.
- Replace student toilet roof
- Paint Newry Building
- Repair external staircase
- Installation of a Sale Primary School billboard to advertise school events.
- Playground upgrades

In normal circumstances, the school would not be able to afford these projects all at once so this funding allows us to further upgrade our facilities which can only be viewed as a positive outcome. Due to the urgency of expending this funding, these projects will be completed by the end of the school year!

Open Day Thanks

Last Thursday the school held their annual Open Day for the families of 2010 Prep students. Both the morning and the evening sessions were well attended by many current and potentially new families.

Thank-you to the current Prep Teachers, Mr. Currie, Wendy Stephenson, Linda Wilson and many parents (morning tea) who assisted in the presentations throughout each session.

Special thanks must also go to the senior students who acted as ushers and tour guides (Megan, Holly, Jo, Keturah, Emily, Jack, Molly, Jayden, Daniel, Brayden, Kyson, Jacob, Holly and Andrew) and guest speakers (Tegan, Jack, Daniel and Laura.)

Our visitors complemented these students on their efforts. It is great to see such leadership from our senior school students!

Enrolments for 2010 are now open!

Swine Flu

As parents would be aware there are currently a number of confirmed cases of H1N1 Influenza (Human Swine Flu) in Victoria. Appropriate measures are being taken in relation to these cases. Specific concerns from parents about Influenza H1N1 (Human Swine Flu) can be referred to any of the following:

The Swine Influenza Hotline Tel. 180 2007

Nurse-on-Call Tel. 1300 606 024 – for expert health information and advice (24 hours, 7 days)

Your doctor (GP) – if you have an influenza-like illness (fever, cough and fatigue) and have travelled to Mexico, USA, Canada, Japan or Panama in the past seven days.

Families should continue with standard good general health hygiene practices, such as ensuring your children undertake regular hand washing and cover their nose and mouth if sneezing and coughing.

This practice is being reinforced with your children while at school.

If your children are unwell, you should seek medical attention and avoid public places and close contact with others.

Student Reports (Timelines and Expectations)

All teachers are beginning to write Semester 1 Reports as part of the DEECD requirements in reporting to parents.

These Semester 1 Reports will be distributed to parents at the end of this term. They identify:

- Student Achievement
- Areas for Improvement
- Strategies that will be adopted at school in Semester 2 to address the Areas for Improvement
- Recommendations for home to further support student learning

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

Students who have been at Sale Primary School for all of Semester 1 will receive a full student report as teachers have had many months from which to work with and identify each student's level of learning.

However, for those students who have only recently arrived at our school (start of Term 2), this expectation is far more difficult. For these students, teachers will have only had little more than one month to assess the capabilities of a student and whilst they will have a reasonable idea after this time, it is not sufficient to complete a full student report. For these students, teachers will be providing parents with a modified report that identifies their personal learning qualities and well as their social skills. Logically these students will have a full student report written on them at the end of the year.

To further support all parents' understanding of how their child is performing at school, an invitation will be extended to parents towards the end of Term 3 (date to be confirmed) where teachers will conduct parent / teacher interviews. At these interviews, parents will have the opportunity to discuss the progress made by their child since the end of Semester 1.

Of course, if any parent wishes to discuss their child's progress at any time, they can make an appointment to see their child's teacher.

Please note that Friday 12th June is a DEECD Statewide Reporting Day and as such, students are not required at school

Visiting Performance – Oz Opera – The Sound Garden

This Thursday May 28th all students at 545 will be attending a performance – 'The Sound Garden' by Oz Opera at school.

A reminder to parents who are yet to pay the Visiting Performance levy component of their child's school fees, it would be appreciated if this matter could be attended to as soon as possible.

Parents' Club Report – Wendy Stephenson & Robyn Jones

Canteen

The canteen roster is as follows:

Term 2	May
Wed 27 th	Amanda Mapleson, Colleen Elliman & Janet Minos
	June
June 1 st	Nicky Harris, Jackie Simmons, Kerry Wilson
June 3 rd	Miranda Peverill, Deb Short, Emma Morris, Jenny Hose

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 on Monday June 1st at 2.00pm in the staffroom.

Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

School Photos

School Photographs

School Photos will be taken **next Tuesday June 2nd**.

An information envelope is being sent home today with each student. Any families wishing to have family portraits taken can collect a family envelope from the



school office.

Some important notes regarding school photos:

- ❖ **Envelopes are to be returned to school ON PHOTO DAY (no earlier)**
- ❖ **If paying by cash, please ensure that you have the correct money as no change will be able to be given on the day of the photographs**
- ❖ **Students must be in full school uniform, including BLACK shoes**
- ❖ **Family portraits (siblings photographed together) will only be taken if the family envelope is filled out and brought to school on photo day.**

Chaplain's ABC - Worry

Some people worry more than others but most of us worry from time to time. We can worry about health and finances, worry about our job, worry about our kids and our relationships, worry about the future, worry about upcoming changes and challenges, worry about finding our way to a new place, what we're going to wear to a wedding, the footy game on the weekend. We can even go global and worry about the state of the world! In some ways worry is a normal part of life. But...it can be constructive and motivating *or* it can be toxic, affecting our health and happiness. Toxic worry tends to start in our busy minds as we think around in circles, torturing ourselves with unending questions, and filling our minds with negative thoughts. Next our emotions kick in and even our bodies start to react with all kinds of symptoms of stress and anxiety. This kind of worry can be paralysing, affecting our ability to make good, rational decisions. Toxic worry can often be managed by taking a step back from the situation and making a few changes.

- 1) Write down the self-talk, the questions and negativity filling your mind and talk it over with a clear-thinking, objective person.
- 2) Perhaps get them to help you to identify exactly what the concern is, and brainstorm ideas for solving or managing the problem.
- 3) Come up with a plan of action.
- 4) Do some regular exercise – this helps in ridding our body of stress chemicals like excess adrenaline.
- 5) Engage in some form of relaxation – take notice of the stomach in knots, the racing heart, the tense shoulders and work at intentionally relaxing your body.

For more tips there is an excellent on line Help Sheet called “Top Ten Tips to Reduce Worry” at <http://www.makingchanges.com.au/resources/Top%20Ten%20Tips%20to%20Reduce%20Worry.pdf>

Toxic Worry doesn't have to be an emotional prison – you can escape. Even if your circumstance doesn't change, a positive perspective can make a huge difference to how you feel . . . Til Next Time. Shelley

Wellington Zone Cross-Country Carnival, 20th May 2009 – Bree Courtney

Last Wednesday 13 students from 545 travelled down to Yarram Golf Course to represent the Sale District in the Wellington Zone Cross-Country Carnival. Their efforts to qualify at this high level of competition are to be congratulated, as they were required to finish in the top 6 for their age group at both the 545 House Cross-Country and the Sale and District Cross-Country Carnivals.

All students ran extremely well on the day and finished with the following results in their race:

Hannah	2 nd (9/10 y.o. Girls)
Ambrose	1 st (9/10 y.o Boys)
Thomas	2 nd (9/10 y.o. Boys)
Jack	6 th (9/10 y.o. Boys)
Brandon	14 th (9/10 y.o. Boys)
Jade	1 st (11 y.o. Girls)
Hudson	1 st (11 y.o. Boys)
Troy	10 th (11 y.o. Boys)
Lauren	5 th (12 y.o. Girls)
Alison	9 th (12 y.o. Girls)
Nash	2 nd (12 y.o Boys)
Jack	11 th (12 y.o Boys)
Thomas	13 th (12 y.o Boys)

Congratulation to Hannah, Ambrose, Thomas, Jade, Hudson and Nash who have qualified for the State Cross-Country Championships in Melbourne on July 24th 2009. We wish these students all the best for this upcoming carnival!

Japanese Word of the Week - Di Collins

せーる しょうがっこう

se-ru shoogakkoo

meaning 'Sale Primary School'

Community News

Topspin Tennis

As part of the Gippsland Grand Slam Queens Birthday 'Mini' French Open, Sale Tennis Club on June 6th, 7th & 8th Cost will be \$15.00. Entry forms available from Topspin Tennis.



Players can enter only 1 event
EVENT

No		No	
1	12/u boys singles	5	12/u girls singles
2	14/u boys singles	6	14/u girls singles
3	16/u boys singles	7	16/u girls singles

Players will play best of 3 set matches in round robin format; players who win overall will receive the French Open Trophy. Also all players will receive points to go towards the Gippsland Grand Slam

Places are limited in each event so hurry to enter to ensure placement in draw. Any enquiries please call 51441345 or e-mail nick@topspintennis.net.au

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.

Special Weekly Awards

Special Weekly Awards were presented to these children at assembly on Monday May 25th

Grade	Name	Reason
PS	Tuscian	For her fantastic counting and number work
PJ	Connor	For his great reading
JJ	Beau	For being a fantastic helper and a computer whiz
JA	Jed	For his fantastic effort and excellent work always (especially in maths)
JB	Karsha-Rose	For being a kind and helpful member of our class
JC	Ethan	For being our shark expert and contributing with enthusiasm to class discussions
JGI	Kyan	For always using his manners in class
JGO	Charlotte	For her fantastic expression when reading aloud
JPC	Louis	For a great attitude in class
MB	Isabella	For showing great interest in the Space books
MC	Dexter	For having great strength of character and for always including others
MS	Mickayla	For her enthusiasm and positive approach towards all class activities
MT	Mia	For working hard at all times
MW	Jade	For her outstanding effort at the cross country
SG	Jayda	For her general excellence in all areas
SL	Alex	For his excellent effort and results – a great role model
SP	Bailey	For his great sense of humour during Kidsville
SJ	Corren	For his outstanding ideas for Kidsville