

Newsletter

Somerton Public School

Developing Respect, Responsibility, Resourcefulness

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Term 4 – Week 1

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Mr Reid's Message

Welcome back to term 4! I hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday. Term 4 is always an extremely busy term with class lessons, assessments, reporting, swim school, year 6 activities, presentation and Christmas celebration activities. We look forward to a busy and fun time of the year.

We welcome our new students and families to Somerton Public School. We are thrilled for Ella Severin, Macey & Wade Holden to be a part of our school community and I am sure their transition to our school will be an enjoyable experience.

We have been fortunate to have a new staff position created within the school of School Community Liaison officer for Term 4. We welcome Mrs Jodie Markwick to the role. Mrs Markwick will be working every Monday and Wednesday at the school, running the breakfast club and the canteen. As well, Mrs Markwick will be working within the community to encourage community involvement in the school activities. We are hoping to re-establish a playgroup - please keep this in mind and spread the word to all families in the Somerton area.

Netball Coaching

This week students will commence Netball coaching. A qualified netball coach will be attending the school. Students are reminded to wear sports uniforms on Friday.



READ-A-THON:



The Read-a-thon is running over Week 3 and 4. All money raised will go towards resources for the students. Although nightly reading will be included, most reading activities will be done at school during lessons. The students will be required to read a minimum of 30 minutes every day whilst at school. As the students already do this daily at various times, we thought this would be an ideal way to raise funds for extra resources for the students. An online sponsor donation has been set up (see below). The students will be able to gain prizes for the amounts of money raised, so the incentive is there for the students to read and gather as many sponsors as possible.

Somerton Public School Read-A-Thon!!

Somerton Public School is now **ACTIVE** for online fundraising with **Everyday Hero!**

The school's now signed up for online fundraising; the easiest, safest & most effective way to help the school achieve our fundraising target... so make sure you jump on board! You can start fundraising today!

To sign up, go to:

www.readathon.com.au click on 'Students & Parents' and follow the prompts.

For more information go to:

www.schoolfundraising.com.au

Online fundraising should boost our funds raised by around 41%, which will help your child hit their fundraising goal... all while helping the school!

Please Note:

There will be NO Breakfast Club or Canteen this week.

Music @ Somerton PS

Our music instructor, Mr Jamie Brown will be continuing his music program of dance and rhythm this term. Mr Brown is working with the students to create a musical performance for our end of year presentation. If any parent is able to help with the sewing of simple costumes please contact me. We would appreciate any help with props that may be needed for the performance.



Mr Brown is also able to teach keyboard and guitar lessons at school to individual students. If any parent is interested in private lessons for their students please contact the school.

Kindergarten

Enrolments are now being taken for students who are starting Kindergarten in 2016. An orientation program will be conducted this term, where the students will come to school and be involved in activities to help them become familiar with our school and teachers in preparation for the commencement of their first year of school at Somerton Public School. Please contact the school for an information pack.



Woolworths Earn & Learn

The school community raised 2160 stickers to go towards resources for the school from Modern Teaching Aids. Once validated we will be able to choose our resources.

Well done everyone! Thank you all who collected stickers to contribute to this program.



Why not visit our Website:

<http://www.somerton-p.schools.nsw.edu.au>

Focus Week: TAKE CARE- Wear a Hat!

The weather has heated up very quickly and so we need to protect ourselves from the sun. Remember to wear a hat while in the sun & at play.



School hats are essential to protect students from the sun while in the playground. Students will be required to play under cover if they do not have a school hat. No Hat No Play. School hats are available from the school for \$8.00.

Remember Sun Safety



SCHOLASTIC

Book Club

Book Club has gone home today with your eldest child. **Issue 7, 2015** orders & payment must be returned to school by **Friday 30th October 2015** in an envelope with your child's name clearly marked on it.



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to pack a creative lunch box!

Don't feel like you have to send the same old vegemite sandwich every day. Here are some of our best tips for making lunch boxes interesting for you, and your kids!

- **Make fresh spring rolls** – they're great for dinner and can be used as leftovers, too! See eatittobeatit.com.au for a free recipe
- **Cut vegies into thin sticks** – send with a small container of hummus
- **Make a fruit salad** – dice whatever fruit you have into small pieces
- **Make a roast veggie sandwich** – leftover roast vegies are delicious on fresh bread
- **Add fruit to yoghurt** – split a large tub of reduced-fat yoghurt into small containers, and add pieces of fruit for a sweet twist.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://www.facebook.com/eatittobeatit)

TERM 4 2015 DATES:

Week 1	5 October Public Holiday	6 First Day for Term 4	7	8 Music Library	9 10am-Netball Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
2	12 3pm Assembly	13 11:45am: Yr 5/6 Personal Development	14	15 Music Library	16 10am-Netball Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
3	19 3pm Assembly	20	21	Music Library	23 10am-Netball Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
4	26 3pm Assembly	27	28	29 Music Library	30 10am-Netball Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
5	2 November 3pm Assembly	3	4	5 9:30-11:30am: Kinder Orientation Music Library	6 10:30am-CAPERS Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
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7	16 3pm Assembly	17	18	19 Music Library	20 Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
8	23 3pm Assembly	24	25	26 Library	27 Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
9	30 3pm Assembly	1 December	2	3 Library	4 Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
10	7 3pm Assembly	8	9	10 6pm: Annual Presentation Night	11 Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
11	14	15 6pm: Year 6 Farewell	16 Students last day for 2015 Happy Holidays ☺	17 Staff Development Day	18 Staff Development Day NOTE: Red staff will be present @school