

# Newsletter

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Term 3 – Week 1

Tuesday 19 July 2016

## Mr Reid's Message

Welcome back everyone to Term 3! I trust you all had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday, even though the weather was not very favourable! This is just a very brief newsletter to update the families on happenings in the first few days of this term. The normal newsletter will come out next week and they will follow every fortnight on the even weeks.

It is great being back at school after a month off on extended sick leave due to surgery. A very big thank you to Mr Clark for relieving for me in the principal's role, he did a wonderful job in every way and I appreciate his commitment and enthusiasm for the role. I would also like to thank Nicole Gallagher for teaching my class. As always Mrs Gallagher did a superb job in continuing with the educational program for the students and went far and above the job requirements in accompanying Shannon on the Canberra excursion. The whole staff at Somerton PS are a wonderful team who are dedicated to providing the best possible learning environment for the students, and if the need arises for a staff member to take leave the teaching and learning activities and environment will always continue as normal.

As always, Term 2 proved to be a very interesting term with many and varies activities. Term 3 is gearing up to be the same! One advantage of being a small school is that we have many opportunities for all of the students to participate in fun and different activities. As activities are organised, Ms Fritze includes them onto our calendar attached to the newsletter. Please check this each fortnight to stay up to date with the happenings.

## Community Sausage Sizzle!

Will commence again next Friday and continue throughout the term on every even week (same week as the newsletter.



What a wonderful effort by the P&C, the school community and the Somerton community on the Federal Election voting day! The donation of cakes, slices and sweets as well as the time volunteered on the day by Ben and Jodie Markwick, Ben and Hannah Pollard, Drew Daly and Nick Clark to cook the barbecue and sell the food resulted in the P&C raising \$500. Thank you to all those who donated the yummy goodies and their time, and thankyou to the community for supporting the school by purchasing the goodies! Just a reminder:

### ❖ Small Schools Athletics

Carnival is being held at the Sporting Complex (near the TRECC) this Thursday 21st July.

Please return permission notes as soon as possible if you have not already done so. The parents are responsible for transporting your students to and from the carnival. If there is a problem with the weather, classes will continue as normal on the day and parents will be notified of the change of arrangements.



### ❖ School Photos are being held next Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July at school.

All students are to wear full school uniform (tie included) with black shoes.



### ❖ Whole School Assembly:

every Friday commencing at 2:00pm in the 3-6 classroom.



## Christmas in



The SRC Christmas in July Sharing Lunch activities are being held this Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> July. We hope many Somerton community members will join us for a sharing lunch and in the true spirit of Christmas bring a plate of food to share. We will also be drawing out toy raffle on the day! The students can come to school dressed in casual clothes which will represent our Christmas in July theme. We will also decorate our room in the Christmas theme.

**Playgroup**

Playgroup will start back again this week on Wednesday 9:30am-11:00am.

**Weekly Focus Concept:**  
**Sharing**

Sharing is an important part of getting along in life! It is lovely to share belongings if you are able but sharing can come into many other areas of our life

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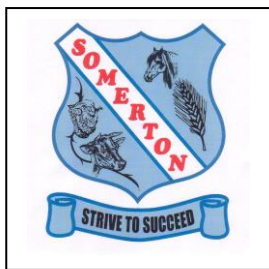
- ❖ Share a smile
- ❖ Share your time in helping someone
- ❖ Share your space if someone wants to play and being considerate to their feelings
- ❖ Share your friendship
- ❖ Share your kindness

thanks  
for sharing

**TERM 3 Week 1 & 2 - 2016 Dates**

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	18 July Staff Development Day - Small Schools Conference	19 Students First Day Back for Term 3	20	21 Small Schools Athletics Carnival	22 Sport Music German 2:00pm Assembly Scripture
2	25 School Photos	26	27 CWA International Day Presentation	28	29 Sport Music German 1:15pm Community Sausage Sizzle 2:00pm Assembly Scripture

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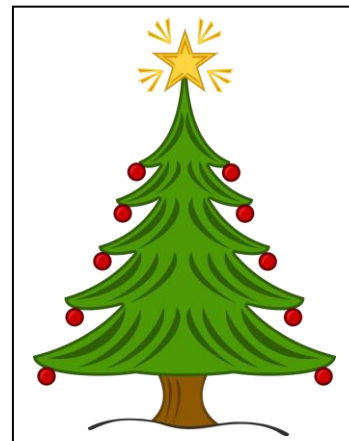
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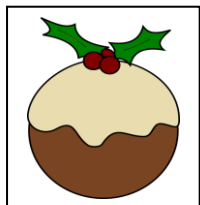
Dear Parents

Next week on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July**, we will be having our '**Christmas in July Sharing Celebration Lunch**' commencing at **1:00pm**. We will also be drawing our Christmas in July Toy raffle at this time.

We would like to invite all families and friends to attend and be part of the celebration lunch! After the lunch we will be drawing the raffle winners. We will be getting into the true Christmas spirit of decorating the classroom with a Christmas tree, singing Christmas carols and secret Santa gift giving for the children.



As we are encouraging the 'sharing' theme we are asking everyone to bring a plate of Christmas fare to share for lunch (eg a cooked chicken, roast vegetables, a salad, bread rolls, a bottle of juice etc). Mrs Stoker has offered to make a Christmas pudding for dessert. The children will be cooking through the week as a part of their sharing. We will provide plastic plates, serviettes, cups and cutlery as well as tea and coffee for the adults. The children will decorate the lunch tables in true Christmas style!



Adding to the excitement will be a secret Santa where the children will draw a child's name out of a hat this week and they will buy a gift for that child to the maximum value of \$5. These gifts can be brought to school and will be placed under the Christmas tree any time next week and will be distributed during the celebration. If younger siblings are attending, parents can bring a gift for them and place it under the tree on the day.

Could you please complete the RSVP slip below with the number of adults and children attending and the food you would like to bring and share. We look forward to seeing you on this special day.

Sincerely  
Toni Reid  
Acting Principal

**Please return by Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2016.**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_



We will / will not be attending the '**Christmas in July Sharing Celebration Lunch**' at Somerton PS on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July**.

There will be \_\_\_\_\_ adults and \_\_\_\_\_ children.

We will bring \_\_\_\_\_ to share for Christmas lunch.

Thank you for your assistance in helping in our organisation of this fun activity!