

Newsletter

Somerton Public School

Developing Respect, Responsibility, Resourcefulness

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Term 3 – Week 6

Tuesday 23 August 2016

Mr Reid's Message

We are half way through the term already! We have had a busy 5 weeks and it looks like the rest of the term will be the same ☺

NAPLAN NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM Literacy and Numeracy

The results of the NAPLAN assessment for Years 3 and 5 have arrived at the school and will be forwarded to the parents. Our students gave their best effort in all areas and we are very proud of their success.



Totally Gourdegeous Performers

We were thrilled to be entertained by these performers who came to the school on Tuesday 9th August. Totally Gourdegeous are a professional group of musicians who played a multitude of instruments, which one of the members made from gourds (a type of pumpkin). Their skills in playing the instruments, their humour, their clothes and their amazing singing kept the students and staff enthralled. We are so fortunate to have these experiences for the students, which all adds to their learning.



Somerton Public School Open Day

Friday 9th September 9:00am – 2pm. Prospective families are invited to the school to see how our school operates, the programs we teach and to meet the teachers, staff and students. We are also holding our community barbecue on that day. If you know of any families who may be interested please spread the word. We will be putting flyers in the mail.



P&C Community Bingo

Night



The P&C are organising a Community BINGO night in the Somerton Hall on

Saturday 17th September.

This will be a night full of fun, games and some interesting prizes! Flyers will be distributed throughout the district, so keep your eyes open! Please encourage your family and friends to attend this community event for the school. Please see attached flyer.



Excursion

Next Tuesday 30th August we will be taking the students into Tamworth Regional Library. The session will include a discussion about Book Week, an overview of the shortlisted titles, a short activity and storytelling. We will be leaving school at 11:45am and we will be back at school by 3:00pm. If you are able to help transport students to and from Tamworth it would be greatly appreciated. Also if your child requires a booster seat for travelling could you please send it to school in the morning with your child. We will be having lunch at the park in Kable Ave before we go to the library so the students will need to bring their lunch, hat and water bottle. Please see attached permission note.



Why not visit our Website:

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

Olympic Fun

The excitement of the Olympics has reached everyone in the world, including our Somerton little Olympians! The students had fun watching some of the events on the interactive whiteboard and cheering for the Aussies (and Usain Bolt). Craft activities produced silver medals, Olympic torches and olive branch head wear (which were the prizes in the first Olympics), as well as fantastic art work celebrating the event. Until 2020...



Sunglasses

The sunglasses have arrived at school and there was great excitement when they were given to the students who had ordered and paid. We have ordered enough pairs so that students who have not ordered will be able to buy a pair from the office.



Gardening

Our kindy students have planted snow peas, beans, beetroot and spinach in our vege garden and are eagerly looking every day to see if there are any shooting plants.



Hopefully this beautiful rain will help to yield some results! Our strawberry bushes suffered through the heat of summer, and although the students are rostered every day to water, many of them did not survive. If any community members have strawberry bushes they would like to donate, the students would be very thankful.

We are also doing major garden works in the playground in the next couple of months. We are planting an Aboriginal bush tucker garden as well as beautifying the area around the undercover eating area.

We have some empty pots and planting tyres around the school. If any community members have plants they would like to donate to the school it would be greatly appreciated.

Recognition of High Accomplishments

Last Wednesday in Sydney, Mrs Stoker our Instructional Leader who attained accreditation at Highly Accomplished in 2013, was publically acknowledged for her achievement as part of the first 150 teachers across the state at a prestigious awards ceremony in Sydney. Highly skilled teachers can voluntarily undertake to demonstrate their competency at either of two higher levels; Highly Accomplished or Lead. The President of BOSTES Mr Tom Alegounarias in his opening address congratulated all recipients on their achievement that recognizes them as "the profession's current generation of great teachers, mentors and roles models."



Well Done Mrs Stoker

Community Sausage Sizzle!

The Community Sausage Sizzle is being held this Friday commencing at 1:15pm in the playground. Lunch is free and we would love to see parents, friends and community members attend – everyone is welcome to share our sausage sizzle, a cuppa and a chat!



Absent Notes

Please remember a note or a phone call is needed (within 3 days) to explain any absence, whether it be sickness, family matter or any other reason. We still Have students absent without a note or phone call explaining their absence. This is a legal requirement of the Department of Education and the Home Liaison Officer may be contacted to deal with matters where a note is continually not forthcoming.



Playgroup

Come join us for some fun on Wednesdays 9:30am-11:00am.



Cooking

K-2 cooking every week

As Ms Reid will be out of the school tomorrow and Thursday there will be **no cooking for years 3-6 this week**. However we will transfer our cooking day to next Wednesday.



Weekly Focus Concept: Respect & Accept

If an adult says no to you it is usually for a very good reason – for your safety, your health or your well-being.



Parent Help

We have a number library books that need covering. Any parents willing to help please call the school, it would be greatly appreciated.

CWA Mongolia Presentation Class Photo:



A DURI CLASSIC IS BACK

CASH PRIZES!

DURI HARBOUR Boat RACES

REGISTER ON THE DURI HARBOUR BOAT RACES 2016 facebook PAGE

SUPPORTING DURI PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C AND DURI PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

18 SEPTEMBER

10AM TIL 2PM

AT DURI SPORTS GROUND

CNR DUNGOWAN & WERRIS CREEK RDS, DURI

PosterMyWall.com

Assembly Awards



Week 4

Merit Awards: Shannon Colley, Benny Markwick, Jye Booby-Woodward, Macey Holden, Annie Hook, Tiara Harrison



Terrific Award:

Jye Booby-Woodward – terrific writing

Superstar Award:

Tiarna Harrison – excellent writing



Week 5

Merit Awards: Kiesha Johnston

Terrific Award:

Macey Holden – reliable attitude in everything she attempts

Superstar Award:

Nicholas Hook – improvement in writing quality

Preschool @ Carroll

Any parents with pre-schoolers interested in attending the Ooranga mobile preschool @ Carroll in 2017 can you please call telephone 6743 1722. Names and DOB's of children who would be attending are required. They need at least 3. There needs to be a number interested for the submission - to make it happen.

SCHOLASTIC

Book Club has gone home today.

Issue 6, 2016 orders & payment must be returned to school by **Friday 16th**

September 2016 in an envelope with your child's name clearly marked on it.



Term 3 2016 Dates:

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6	22	23	24 NO Cooking 3-6	25 Cooking K-2 No Library	26 Tennis Music German 1:15pm Community Sausage Sizzle 2:00pm Assembly Scripture
7	29	30 11:45am Tamworth Library Book Week Excursion	31 Cooking 3-6	1 st September Cooking K-2 Library	2 Tennis Music German 2:00pm Assembly Scripture
8	5 Aussie Bush Camp Years 3&4	6 Aussie Bush Camp Years 3&4	7 Aussie Bush Camp Years 3&4 NO Cooking 3-6	8 Cooking K-2 Library	9 9am-2pm SPS Open Day Tennis Music German 1:15pm Community Sausage Sizzle 2:00pm Assembly Scripture
9	12	13	14	15 Cooking K-2 Library	16 Tennis Music German 2:00pm Assembly Scripture Bookclub Due
10	19	20	21 Cooking 3-6	22 Cooking K-2 Library	23 Tennis Music German 1:15pm Community Sausage Sizzle 2:00pm Assembly Scripture

 Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to make mid-week dinner easy.

Serve a quick and easy veg-filled dinner your family will love, in just 15 minutes!

Pizza: spread wholemeal Lebanese bread with salt-reduced tomato paste. Top with sliced veg (e.g. tomato, capsicum, mushroom, artichoke, onion, olives) and reduced-fat grated cheese. Bake in a moderate oven until cheese is lightly browned.




Find more 15-minute meal ideas at eatittobeatit.com.au. Recipes include:

- Tuna couscous salad.
- Asian noodle soup.
- Potato frittata.
- Spaghetti bolognaise.
- Savoury toasties.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit




 Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to DIY dumplings.


Easy to make, fun to eat! Kids will love this do-it-yourself cooking task.



Serves 4.

- Prepare your favourite combination of vegetables for the filling: grated carrot, corn kernels, and finely chopped spinach works well; finely chopped mushrooms, cabbage and capsicum is tasty too.
- Place 16 wonton wrappers (available in packs in supermarkets) on a dry work surface.
- Place a few teaspoons of vegetable filling inside.
- Drizzle with salt-reduced soy sauce.
- Brush the edge of each wonton with water.
- Pull edges together and pinch to secure.
- Steam for about 10 minutes or until cooked.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit



Prizes galore! Come & join us at the Somerton Village Hall

Fun Bingo

Evening

P&F Somerton Public School Fundraiser

Saturday 17th September
6.30pm for a 7pm start



\$10 per Adult \$5 per Child

10 games all with great prizes

Meat trays, fruit & veggie boxes, family fun passes and many more...

BYO Nibbles & Drinks

Refreshments will be available



**Fundraising event for
Somerton Public School
Milkmaid Street Somerton**



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**Somerton War Memorial Hall
Scotland Street Somerton**

**For further information
please call Drue 0428210928**

Somerton Public School

DATE: FRIDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

TIME: 9AM—2PM

Prospective families are
invited to attend
Somerton Public School's
Open Day

to see the programs we offer
students, meet staff and tour
our beautiful school.

RSVP: 6769 7520



Open Day