

Newsletter

Somerton Public School

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Term 1 – Week 5

Tuesday 21 February 2017

Ms Lacey's Message

Welcome to Week 5. Students have been working productively over the past fortnight. They have enjoyed participating in swimming on Fridays and this week will also look forward to a Musica Viva performance after swimming.

This week I am out of the school from Wednesday to Friday at a Principals Conference in Sydney and next week I am out on Tuesday and Wednesday at a Principals Network Meeting in Tamworth. Ideally, I prefer to be at school with the students; however, these meetings are mandatory and certainly excellent Professional Learning opportunities. We welcome Nicole Gallagher back to Somerton PS. Nicole will be taking 3-6 in my absence.

Thank you to all the families who came to the Meet and Greet BBQ. Parents, staff and students had a great time getting to know one another.



Garden to Kitchen Program

The students have been cooking every Wednesday and have certainly enjoyed tasting some new foods. We will soon begin gardening on Wednesdays as well and look forward to filling our garden with fresh produce for our students to cook with. Please don't forget your \$2 each week for cooking.



Tamworth Show

Students are making a scarecrow to enter into the Tamworth Show. If anyone has any straw they are able to donate for the filling it would certainly be much appreciated.



Swimming for Sport - Fridays

Students need to come prepared with swimmers on under their sports uniform ready to catch the bus @ 9am to travel to Gunnedah for swimming.



Bective Small Schools Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to Benny Markwick, Annie Hook, Nicholas Hook & Jacinta Mackenzie for their participation in the Bective Small Schools Carnival. Students swam very well and were proud representatives of Somerton PS. Thank you to parents for transporting the students to Werris Creek.



Scripture

Students will resume Scripture lessons this Thursday at 12:45pm. We thank Sonja Hook and Hannah Pollard for their commitment towards ensuring our students have this opportunity.



Playgroup

Thank you to Drue Daly for running our weekly playgroup. It was lovely to see so many attend this week. Spread the word! All welcome.

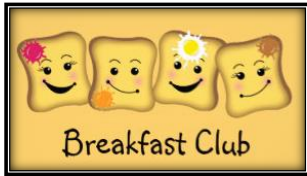
This year playgroup will be held on a Tuesday at the school. Come join us for some fun on Tuesdays 9:30am-11:00am. Please contact Drue Daly for more information on 0428 210 928.



Why not visit our Website:

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

Breakfast Club



The breakfast program will be on Monday, Wednesday & Thursday mornings. If for some reason your child misses having their breakfast they are welcomed to have breakfast at school consisting of cereal, toast and milk.

Canteen

Canteen will be available on Mondays and Thursdays at the cost of \$2, which includes lunch, fruit dessert and drink. Mrs Markwick has sent home the yummy menu.

SCHOLASTIC

Book Club has gone home today.

Issue 1, 2017 orders & payment must be returned to school by this **Friday 3rd March 2017** in an envelope with your child's name clearly marked on it.



Assembly Awards

Week 4

White Merit Award:
Congratulations to Annie Hook for achieving a white merit award.

Terrific Award:
Howard Mackenie - Application in Literacy

Superstar Award:
Naomi Evans – All round effort in all areas of school



P&C AGM

P&C AGM will be held next week. All 'new' and 'old' members are welcome to attend. The P&C are a wonderful support to the staff and students. It is an evening of sharing, discussing and planning school activities, as well as getting to know other parents and community members over a cuppa and snack.

The date for next week's meeting is:
Thursday 2nd March @ 6:00pm
(Please note change of date)

Good for Kids good for life

TRADITIONAL INDIGENOUS GAMES

Looking for fun activities for the kids?

Try **Yulunga: Traditional Indigenous Games**

Taktyerra - The activity is named after the word 'to fight' (taktyerrain) in the Wembawemba language of Victoria.



Two players stand on small mats (2m²) facing each other about 4m apart. Players have a soft ball in each hand and attempt to hit their opponent without being hit themselves.

Players may move around on the mats: dodge, jump, bend or fall to avoid being hit, but must remain on the mat.

Source: Yulunga Traditional Indigenous Games 2009

http://www.ausport.gov.au/participating/resources/indigenous/full_resource



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TERM 1 2017 Dates:

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5	20 Breakfast Club Canteen	21 9:30-Playgroup	22 Breakfast Club Cooking-\$2 Ms Lacey-Principal Induction-Sydney	23 Breakfast Club Canteen Scripture Ms Lacey-Principal Induction-Sydney	24 Sport-Swimming Musica Viva Performance Library Ms Lacey-Principal Induction-Sydney
6	27 Breakfast Club Canteen	28 9:30-Playgroup Ms Lacey- Principal Conf- Tamworth	1 March Breakfast Club Cooking-\$2 Ms Lacey-Principal Conf-Tamworth	2 Breakfast Club Canteen Scripture 6pm P&C AGM	3 Sport-Swimming Music & Drama Library 2:00pm Assembly
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Here are some pics from the Bective Small Schools
Swimming Carnival:

