

# Sussex Inlet Public School Newsletter

Quality education in a supportive community

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## Why is engagement in your child's education important?

Parent engagement is being positively involved and active in your child's learning. Your attitudes, values and behaviours can positively influence your child's education outcomes. We know that parents, families and carers are some of the most important influencers on a child's education. When you are positively engaged in your child's education, they are more likely to attend and perform better at school. Effective parent and family engagement in education is more than just participation in school meetings and helping fundraising, it is actively engaging with your child's learning, both at home and at school. When schools and families work together, children do better and stay in school longer. You can support your child to get the most out of their schooling. The earlier you become engaged, the better it is for your children. Parent engagement is associated with improvement across a range of indicators, including:

- \* better education outcomes
- \* enhanced engagement with school work
- \* more regular school attendance
- \* better behaviour
- \* and increased social skills

## How you can help your child do well at school

While it's important to stay informed and be involved in school activities where possible, there are lots of things you can do at home which can help your child to do better at school:

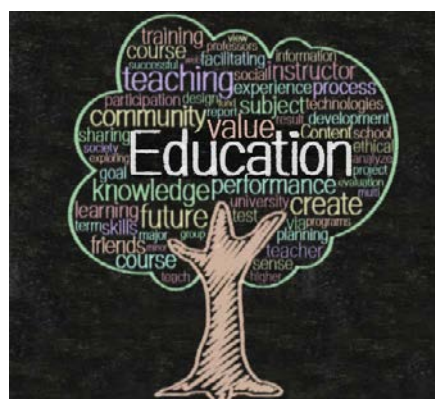
- \* Have high yet achievable expectations of your child
- \* Talk regularly about school and the value of learning
- \* Encourage positive attitudes and respect for school and teachers
- \* Model the behaviours you would like to see in your child

Other things you can do which have also been shown to have a positive impact are to:

- \* Read out loud with your child and listen to your child read out loud

- \* Talk and ask about what they are learning
- \* Ask what was and was not fun at school
- \* Help them to develop strong work habits

One of the most effective ways parent and families can help children to do better at school is to make sure they go to school every day. School attendance has a major influence on educational outcomes. Students who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve better results at school and are more likely to complete their schooling.



## Dates to Remember

|      |         |  |
|------|---------|--|
| Fri  | June 9  | 11.30am K – 6 Assembly                         |
| Mon  | June 12 | Queen's Birthday                               |
| Tues | June 13 | Icas Writing                                   |
| Wed  | June 14 | Multicultural Public Speaking<br>ICAS Spelling |
| Fri  | June 16 | Fish Fest                                      |
| Mon  | June 19 | Athletics Carnival<br>7.00 pm P & C Meeting    |
| Wed  | June 21 | Debating                                       |
| Fri  | June 23 | Soccer/Netball Gala Day<br>Snr                 |

## Starfish Awards

**Presented Wednesday June 5th, 2017**

Kirsten Sargood x 2, Liam Kezik, Violet Keywood,  
Blake Jones, Alexander Gogerly, Ebony Fletcher,  
Taya Humble, Isabella Safi x 2, Mia Cook,  
Maddi Austin, Kaia Walton, Vivian French, Jack Tekis,  
Noah Noordermeer, Wez McCormack,  
Lachlan McKenzie, Savenna McCracken, Abbie  
Carpenter, Hannah Jarrett, Finnegan McNamara and  
Mykayla Hamilton.

### Awards to be presented at K-6 Assembly 11.30am Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2017

|      |  |
|------|--|
| KH   | Eliza Forbes & Levi Ryan                                   |
| K/1M | Mylee Barnett & Maddison Ackland                           |
| 1N   | Summer Firmstone & Hope Pavitt                             |
| 2H   | Teanna Curtis & Elizabeth Caldwell                         |
| 2/3B | Hailee Glover & Hayden Webber                              |
| 3/4D | Bree Van Der Heiden, Callie Beaton<br>and Lennex McCracken |
| 4/5R | Maddi Austin, Luke Blundell and<br>Matthew Sloan           |
| 5C   | Olivia Crehan, Isabelle Harris and<br>Lachlan Curtis       |
| 6Q   | Taj Sassall and Zac Horton                                 |

**Sports Awards:** Miley Lord, Izaak Lambden, Thomas  
Epere and Olivia Crehan

#### Silver Bream Award:

T-Jay Campton, Callie Beaton, Krystal MacKenzie,  
Charlotte Macdonell, Alyssa Gogerly, Ella Crehan,  
Cody Nevin, Mason Barnett, Shayla McCarthy,  
Lachlan McKenzie, Isabelle Safi, Mykayla Hamilton,  
Finnegan McNamara, Abbie Carpenter  
and Hannah Jarrett.

### K-2 Assembly

#### Class Awards

KH: Noah Noordermeer & Kai Bowman  
K/1M: Mason Regent & Will Hurt  
1N: Harper Cropper & Emma Keene  
2H: Jasmine Harbrow & Rory Kennedy



Vivian French was very happy to be taking Clifford home for the next fortnight.



K/1M and 2H receive the assembly award for their brilliant behaviours at the K-2 assembly.



### SRC Report

The SRC would like to say a big thank you to everybody who supported Pyjama Day last Friday. Altogether, we raised \$175 for Stewart House Children's Charity and had a great day wearing our pj's, dressing gowns and slippers to school.

The SRC has recently received thank you letters from Down Syndrome NSW for our donation of money from Lots of Socks Day and from the Leukaemia Foundation for the money we raised on Funky Hair Day, so well done guys.

Friday, June 16 will be Fish Fest and we have a lot of great fun activities arranged for the day. Fish Fest is a mini fete held at the school just for kids. There will be face painting, sponge throwing, guessing competitions, junk craft, a lego display, putt putt golf, disco dancing, colouring competition, nail painting, face painting, lollies, books and lemonade spiders for sale and all activities will cost between 5c and 50c. We are still collecting any second hand books that you may have to donate to the book stall and colouring in competition sheets with 10c entry attached can be handed in at the front office before school this week.

### Out of Bounds

Just a reminder that in front of 4/5R, 3/4D and K – 2 classrooms are out of bounds areas. Students, when you arrive at school in the mornings, please leave your bags out the front of your classroom and then proceed to the quadrangle.

### Premier's Debating Challenge

On Wednesday the 31<sup>st</sup> May the Sussex Inlet Public School debating teams participated in Round 2 of the Premier's Debating Challenge against Milton Public School. Both teams did extremely well and should be very proud of the effort they put in. The first debate to take place was Sussex Inlet A Team vs Milton Public Blue Wombats. The topic for the debate was, "that computers and tablets should be banned from all Primary School classes". Sussex Inlet A Team was the affirmative and can be congratulated on taking out the win. The second debate for the day was Sussex Inlet B Team vs Milton Public Yellow Wombats. The topic for the debate was "that we should allow kids in Year 5 and above to use social media sites like Facebook, Instagram and Twitter". Sussex Inlet B Team was the negative and demonstrated excellent debating skills. They can also be congratulated on a win. A special thanks to the parents who took students to Milton for the debate. We wish our debating teams good luck for Round 3.

### Jacket Order

We have received an order for a size 12 Microfibre jacket, but unfortunately, there is no name on the order. Please contact the office if this is your order.

### WHS Consultation Meeting

Sussex Inlet Public School is committed to protecting the health, safety and wellbeing of all our employees and others undertaking work such as volunteers and contractors. Our school will consult with its employees and others undertaking work in implementing safety practices and systems. The involvement of employees at all levels and of others undertaking work such as volunteers and contractors is critical for ensuring a safe workplace.

An invitation is extended to our volunteers to attend a short meeting on Friday, 9 June 2017 at 12 noon in the school staffroom to discuss the options and determine our future arrangements. We currently have informal arrangements.

If you wish to attend the meeting please notify the front office by Wednesday, 7 June 2017.

Val Williams - SAM

### Cupcake Stall

On Thursday 22nd June, I will be selling \$1 cupcakes at SIPS with all funds raised going to 'Act for Peace', an Australian charity that distributes food rations to refugees around the world. They also provide refugees with access to an education, healthcare, hygiene & water sanitation and psychosocial support. I am one of over 10,000 Australians who will be participating in 'The Ration Challenge' during Refugee Week. This means from June 18-25 I will be surviving on the same food rations given to Syrian refugees in Jordan, in an effort to raise awareness and funding for people who have lost everything. I will be eating a small amount



of rice, beans, lentils, chickpeas, fish and oil plus water. These items are in identical proportions to the packs distributed by Act for Peace in areas of conflict and disaster.

So far I have raised \$2,151.72 and the Ration Challenge Community has raised over \$1.4 million. That is enough to feed 5,058 refugees for a year! With 2 weeks to go I am excited to see these figures rise. Please remind our SIPS kids to bring \$1 on June 22 so that they can take part in helping people in our world. Also, please contact me if you would like to help bake these cupcakes. Thanks, Ana Leaver – 0428 823 779.

P.S. Are you feeling inspired to join me, learn more, follow my progress or wish to donate? Visit [www.actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au/fundraisers/ana-leaver](http://www.actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au/fundraisers/ana-leaver) where you can make a secure donation (donations over \$2 are tax-deductible).

### P & C News Uniform Shop

The uniform shop operating days are Monday and Tuesdays 8.30am- 9.15am.

Alternatively, you may order via the office.

### P & C Meeting

Our P & C Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 7pm (during school term)

Please always feel welcome to come along to these meetings as it's a great place to express your thoughts and ideas for our school.

### STEM Room Update

Over the last 4 months the P & C has raised over \$8000 towards the STEM Room. We will soon be adding a Thermometer to the Notice Board to keep you updated on the progress of the funds raised towards this room. We are so proud of what this community can achieve together.

So a BIG thank you to everyone who has helped us in any way to raise these funds for our kids and their future.

Mel Sloan - Publicity Officer

### Canteen News

Closed Mondays & Tuesdays

#### Week 7

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| Wednesday | 7/6 | S. Safi     |
| Thursday  | 8/6 | Help needed |
| Friday    | 9/6 | R. Faulkner |

#### Week 8

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|-----------|------|--------------|
| Wednesday | 14/6 | S. Johanning |
| Thursday  | 15/6 | Help needed  |
| Friday    | 16/6 | S. Carpenter |

New: Butter Chicken and Rice – 3.50 everyday  
Pasta Bolognese - \$3.50 Everyday

Volunteers are required from 10.00am until approximately 1.30pm. **If you are unable to attend**, please call Chris Parth on 4441 2921.