

Sussex Inlet Public School Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 7 – 12.03.2018

EVERY DAY COUNTS

Primary School Attendance

Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education.

Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind.

Why it's important

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

Getting in early

Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years, and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It's vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

What we can do

The main reasons for absence are:

Sickness – There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they're ill. It's vital that they're only away on the days they are genuinely sick, and setting good sleep patterns, eating well and exercising regularly can make a big difference.

It's vital that holidays are planned during school holidays where possible, and not during the term if it can be avoided.

Day off – Think twice before letting your child have a "day off" as they could fall behind their classmates – every day counts. "

Truancy – This is when students choose not to go to school without their parent's permission. There can be many reasons for truancy. The best way to address this is for schools and parents to work together.

If for any reason your child must miss school, there are things you can do with your school to ensure they don't fall behind:

- Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.
- Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

Openly communicating with your child's school about all absences is a good way to prevent attendance issues being escalated. If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

Janelle Radke - Principal

Dates to Remember

Tues	Mar 13	Vincentia High School 6.00pm Year 6 Open Night
Wed	Mar 14	Regional Swimming Carnival
Thurs	Mar 15	Zone Soccer Trials
Fri	Mar 16	11.30am K – 6 Assembly District Touch Football Trials
Mon	Mar 19	7.00pm P & C AGM
Wed	Mar 21	Lots of Socks/Harmony Day 2pm-3pm "Show off Afternoon"
Tues	Mar 27	Cross Country Easter Hat Parade
Thurs	Mar 29	Zone Rugby League Trials
Fri	Mar 30	Easter Friday
Mon	April 2	Easter Monday
Thurs	April 5	School Photos
Fri	April 6	11.30am K – 6 Assembly
Tue -Thurs	May 15 - 17	Naplan

K-2 Assembly

Class Awards

KH: Lewis Bruns
K/1H: Sage Drummond and Koda Berridge (absent)
1M: Darcy Murray and Vivian French
2N: Jada McDonagh and Liam Sloan
2/3H: Mason Regent (absent)



Clifford:

Riley Rosengrave is looking forward to taking Clifford home for his great work in year 1. Clifford is still returning from a previous adventure!



1M received an assembly award for their great poetry recitals and 2H received the award for their great behaviour. Well done!



Easter Hat Parade K-2

Our Easter Hat Parade is fast approaching. As we make the hats at school it would be appreciated if you sent in:

- a hat base eg cardboard base, old hat etc.
- some decorations eg stickers, chicks, feathers coloured paper. (Please don't send in Easter eggs as they tend to melt).

We will be making our hats next week.

Please contact Mrs Hickman if you have any questions.

Easter Hat Parade/ Fun Run and Cross Country

As there has been a clash of dates with representative sport our Easter Hat Parade, Fun Run and Cross Country date has changed to Tuesday 27th March. Further details will be in next week's newsletter.

Starfish Awards Presented Wednesday 7th March, 2018

Matthew Donaldson, Koda Berridge, Cassidy Lord,
Noah Noordermeer, Kai Bowman, Levi Ryan,
Eliza Forbes, Kendra Sennitt, Quinn Bussani-Wright,
Beau McDowall, Abby Tye, Koby Ravasz, Mia Ferguson,
Brody Lord, Maddison Miller, Romeo Campton,
Katie Duncan, Tyler Ferguson, Viv Hingston,
Shayla Moss, Sam Herbert, Harley Gill,
Adriana MacFarlane, Braxton Foti, Kingston McDonagh,
Kiarn Smith, Indie Barrett, Will Shinn, Wez McCormack,
Scarlette Hore, Cliff Williams, Molly Nguyen,
Sean Croker, Bonnie Caldwell,
Josh Leaver, Layla McDonald, Lily Klimiuk,
Faith Nevin & Shayla McCarthy.

Assembly Awards to be presented K – 6 Assembly 11.30am Friday 16th March, 2018.

KH Kendra Sennitt & Romeo Campton
K/1H Koby Ravasz & Mia Ferguson
1M Abbie Carpenter & Finn McNamara
2N Fletcher Hall & Sean Crocker
2/3H Layla McNamara & Jules Murray
3/4R Lily Klimiuk & Payton McDonagh
4D Brandon Hirst & Ahrian Pavitt
5R Matthew Sloan & Luke Blundell
5/6B Dylan Hollier & Jett Richardson
6G Madison Rebbeck & Maddison Harris

Sports Award

Lily Fernie, Cooper Jones, Marlin Webber & Bailey Kezik

Sussex Inlet Public School App

By downloading the Sussex Inlet Public School App you can:

- Receive Sussex Inlet PS reminders
- Complete absent notes online
- Access the SIPS calendar and newsletter
- Change your child's details online
- View the canteen menu and pricing
- Access and print permission notes
- View school uniform pricing and print order forms
- The app is free and available now.

School Photos

School photos will be taken on Thursday 5th April. To assist with smooth running on the day please return envelopes to the office by Tuesday 2nd April. You only need to return if it is a **CASH PAYMENT**. Payment may be made online but you must use the **School Code 365918** that is on the top of the online payment sheet.

Family Photos:

Online family photo orders close at **12 noon the day before** photography commences at your school. Family photo **envelopes** are for **cash orders only**. Orders that are made on the day are **CASH** and **MUST** be handed straight to the photographers on the day. Please collect an envelope from the office. School Captains and House Captains photos will be able to be viewed online, but you will only be able to do an **online purchase**. If you want to pay **cash** for these photos you will need to collect an envelope from the office.

Absence Notes

Please make sure you send in a note for your child's absence. This week a reminder will be sent home to those who have not returned an absent note.

Congratulations to Jasmine Greenwood

Well done Jasmine Greenwood, 13, who won bronze in the S10 in the 200IM at the Commonwealth Games Time Trials on the Gold Coast. Jasmine has made the Australian Para Dolphin Team. Good luck Jasmine.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Sussex Inlet Public School has been registered for the 2018 Premier's Reading Challenge. Students who wish to participate in the Challenge are encouraged to complete their own online reading records as they read and enter any books on-line via their student portal. Students may enter their books at school or at home if access to a computer with the Internet is available. Parents can assist students to enter their records at home. A reading record is completed by either entering the PRC ID number of each book or clicking on titles from a drop-down PRC list. Many choice books can also be selected from a drop-down list. Assistance and a weekly check/update will be provided at school to any student who may be unsure, is having trouble entering books they have read or is in need of their reading record to be updated.

The challenge opened on the 5th March 2018, however books read from 1st September 2017 can count towards the 2018 Challenge. To experience a book a child can listen to the book, participate in a shared reading of the book or read part or the entire book independently. Students who require special support may listen to unabridged audio versions of text. Children in K-2 can experience books in their home language and those who can read simple chapter books independently are encouraged to attempt the 3-4 Challenge. Stage 2 & 3 students can read choice books in their home language. Initiatives such as the Premier's Reading Challenge not only encourage children to discover a love of reading but also help develop essential learning habits such as being organised, meeting deadlines and being accountable by taking responsibility for their reading. SIPS would love to see **all** families participate in this year's challenge to help

promote a reading culture in every home and establish a goal for families, parents and caregivers to share books with their children every day and establish the benefits of reading as a life skill.

All information regarding the Challenge can be accessed at –

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge> or contact the school.

"The more you read the more things you will know. The more that you learn the more places you'll go."

- Dr. Seuss, "I Can Read With My Eyes Shut!"

P & C News

P & C Meeting

Our next P & C Meeting is on Monday 19th March, which will be our annual AGM.

Easter Egg Raffle

We are looking for Easter egg donations to go towards our Easter Raffle. If you are able to help out with donations please leave any goodies at the front office. Raffle tickets will be going out tomorrow and are due back by the 23.03.18. The raffle will be drawn at our Easter hat Parade.

Hot Cross Bun Drive

We have sent out the hot cross bun order form but the dates were incorrect, we have attached a new and correct form with all the details. Sorry for any inconveniences caused.

Book Club

Book Club went home last week and orders are due back by this Friday 16.03.18, online orders close next Friday 23.03.18.

Uniform Shop

Uniform shops opening hours will be

Tues 2.30pm - 3.15pm, Wed 8.30am - 9.15am

Please see the notice board for some uniform items that have now been reduced to \$10. We have limited stock and sizes available.

Alternatively, you may order via the front office.

Melissa Sloan – Publicity Officer

Canteen Roster

Closed Mondays & Tuesdays

Week 7

Week 8

Wed	14.03.18 T Noordermeer	21.03.18 S Brady
Thurs	15.03.18 R Faulkner	22.03.18 K Tye
Frida	16.03.18 L Hollier	23.03.18 S Carpenter

Volunteers are required from 10am until approximately 1.30pm. **If you are unable to attend** please call Chris Parth on 4441 2921.

Community News

Anglicare Splash

Anglicare provide a free supported mobile playgroup called "Splash" for Sussex Inlet families every Wednesday 9.30am-11.30am during school terms at Thomson St Community Centre.

St Mary Star of the Sea – Parish Sacramental Program

If your child/children are in Years 2- 6 inclusive and they have been baptised they are eligible for enrolment in the parish sacramental program for 2018.

For further information please contact Anne Foster, Parish Children's Sacramental Co-ordinator 02 4455 5542 or 0402 904 188.