



SUNSET STATE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

“Co-operation and Commitment”



February 11, 2016

2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR – Upcoming Events

4 March – School’s Clean Up Day	8-11 March - Monster Book Fair
9 March – School Photos	18 March – National Day of Action Against Bullying
11 March – Funky Hair Day	21 March – Harmony Day
	24 March – Easter Bonnet Parade at 10:00 am (Prep to Year 2 only)

From the Deputy's Desk

Sunset State School Student Leaders

This week we had the important opportunity to recognise our year 6 student leaders and to pay special acknowledgement to those year 6 students who attained specific leadership positions at Sunset for 2016. I know their parents and families are very proud of their achievement, as are the staff here at Sunset. Our student leadership team for 2016 is made up of the following students:

- Seth Gains - School Captain
- Kyeisha Derrick - School Captain
- Kathleen Kum-Sing - Vice Captain
- Kryshel Doyle - Vice Captain
- Leesa Simmons - Foots House Captain
- Jaxson Mulholland - Foots House Captain
- Yucheng Luo - Krutchnitt House Captain
- Kyeisha Derrick - Krutchnitt House Captain
- Seth Gains - Miles House Captain
- Lasharna Hegarty - Miles House Captain



This year the decision has been made to appoint all year 6 students as student leaders within our school. In making this decision, we are endeavouring to develop in our senior students the leadership skills, commitment to task and role model qualities necessary for them to develop as individuals and to make the transition to high school a smooth one. Those students who attained leadership positions with have additional and specific roles to perform throughout the year. Mr Miebaka Dede and Miss Rebecca Coghlan are our year 6 teachers who will be helping to develop our school leaders to be the best that they can be.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our special guests for their attendance at our Leader’s Induction Ceremony on Tuesday:

- Mr Rob Katter, Member for Mount Isa
- Aunty Joan & Uncle Alec, Aboriginal Elders
- Constable Aimee Sewell and Constable Victoria Piper, Sunset State School’s adopt-a-cops

Reading – Our Explicit Improvement Agenda

Many of our staff and students have had the opportunity to work with Barbara Brann this week. Barbara has developed the framework “**The Magic Caterpillar’s Building Blocks to Literacy**” that we use at Sunset State School.

Children need to develop a vast array and number of skills and understandings that will prepare them for the world of school and for the demands of literacy and numeracy. These [building blocks for literacy](#) involve five interdependent and interconnected domains of learning. [The Magic Caterpillar’s Building Blocks to Literacy](#) framework of foundation skills includes around 400 foundation skills identified as crucial to literacy acquisition. Barbara has been spending her time training some of our staff this week, as well as working with our prep and year 1 students. Barbara will be with us again next week and will be training our staff and working with students on strategies to develop and improve their reading and literacy skills.

Parade will be held every Monday at 8:40 am in term 1.

Each week a class will be involved in presenting a short item/message and the roster for the presentations, starting next week is:

- Week 4 (15 Feb) 3B & Ms Collishaw
- Week 5 (22 Feb) 2A & Mrs Jones
- Week 6 (29 Feb) 1A & Mrs Scheimer
- Week 7 (7 Mar) 4A & Miss Bryan

Week 8 (14 Mar)

5A & Miss Ketteringham

Week 9 (21 Mar)

6B & Miss Coghlan

Display of Class Work in the Office

Our classes are also taking turns in putting up a display in our office foyer of the wonderful work they have been doing. We encourage you to take the time to come into the office and have a look. The display changes every 2 weeks. Below is the creative display by our Prep levels currently in our foyer.



Students of the Week

This week the following students were recognised as the Students of the Week for their class:

1A – Walter King

1B – Jacob Ball

2A – Thomas Orcher

2B – Loyola Luff

3A – Tobi Parkes

3B – Kce Cocciolone

4A – William White

5B – Trivarn Johnston

5A – Bill Woodward

6B – Leesa Simmons

Music Class of the Week – 2B

HPE Class of the Week – 3B

Changes to Lunch Times

We would like to remind everyone that our 1st break lunch times have changed in 2016. 1st break starts at 10:30 am and finishes at 11:00 am. There are no changes to 2nd break or other bell times.

Kind regards

Jane Sexton

TERM 1 – THE ARTS

In term 1 Sunset students from Prep to Year 6 are being exposed to a number of different visual and media arts. Prep and Year 1 & 2 are being introduced to the art of collaging, and how to create new stories in artworks by collaging characters, objects and landscapes from different artworks.

Year 3 and 4 are exploring media artworks which inform the making of a collaborative television-style advertisement, which persuades a targeted audience to protect an imaginary place.

Year 5 and 6 are exploring different artists' use of animal representations, relationships and environments as inspiration for a sculptural artwork (using clay) based on their own personality.

I look forward to a fantastic term.

Kate Truelson

The Arts Teacher



NUT FREE ZONE

Sunset State School is a nut free zone as we have a child who has a peanut allergy.

Any product that contains nuts can result in a severe reaction. Some common lunchbox items that contain nuts include:

- Biscuits
- Museli Bars
- Peanut Butter
- Nutella

Thank you for assisting us in keeping Sunset a "Nut Free Zone".

THE HEALTHY SKIN PROGRAM

Are your children keeping you awake at night?

Are they scratching themselves a lot?

They might have scabies, skin sores or head lice.

The health workers can help you look after your kids' hair and skin. We aim to be at Sunset Primary School on Tuesday mornings from 11 am to 12.30 pm. You are welcome to join "The Healthy Skin Team" for a yarn as we provide education, screening and treatment for children.



**SCHOOL PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN
ON WEDNESDAY MARCH 9!
PLEASE RETURN YOUR
ENVELOPE WITH CORRECT
MONEY TO THE OFFICE BY
FRIDAY MARCH 4!**



We are currently enrolling students for the **2016 Instrumental Music Program**. If you are interested in your child being a part of the school music program please return the Instrument Selection Form given to students to the school office by Friday 19 February.



Mount Isa Hockey Association

Would like to invite **you** to play hockey in 2016!!!

We are holding a mixed competition for Boys & Girls in these age groups:

Under 11 (turning 8-10 this year)

Ages: Under 8 (turning 5-7 this year)

Under 15 (turning 11-15 this year)

Players 15 years or over are very welcome to join a Men's/ Ladies Team

Season Fees:

Under 8 & Under 11 are **ONLY \$50**

Under 15 are **ONLY \$70**

Under 15 playing in Senior comp are **Only \$130**

Seniors are **Only \$330**

This fee includes registration with Hockey Queensland, payment options available at sign-on. Loan Hockey Sticks are available.

SIGN ON: Saturday 13th February 2016 10.30am till 12.30pm - Includes Sausage Sizzle

WHERE: Mount Isa Hockey Fields Sports Parade

For further information please contact
Mt Isa Hockey Association Secretary

mihasecretary@hotmail.com

Come join one of our 4 clubs and Hook into Hockey.