SUNSET STATE SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
“Co-operation and Commitment”
March 23, 2016

2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR – Upcoming Events for Term 2

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TERM 1 END THURSDAY 24 MARCH! TERM 2 COMMENCES MONDAY 11 APRIL!

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

Week 8
1A - Tane Williams
2A - Laylarnee Loogatha
3A - Jack Mc Collum
4A - Ben Kum-Sing
5A - Kayleb Craigie
6A - Kyeisha Derrick

HPE Class of the Week 1B

Lunch Time Cultural Activities Program
This week on parade we acknowledged the students and staff who have been busy painting at lunch times and showed some of their wonderful work to the school. Miss Tina, Auntie Joan and Mrs Craigie have all been working with students at lunch time to paint these wonderful curtains that will hang in our staff learning area. The designs painted on the 6 curtains follow this year’s NAIDOC theme – Songlines. We extend a big thank you to these ladies for their time and effort with this project. Next term we will continue with our cultural activities at 2nd break on a Tuesday and Thursday. All students are welcome to come along and join in. With NAIDOC day celebrations being planned for the last week of term 2, students will be preparing, painting and sewing outfits to model on this day.

National Day of Action Against Bullying
Last Friday, 18 March, we joined with over 2000 other schools across Australia to ‘take a stand together’ against bullying and say “Bullying. No Way!” Students were involved in an activity in their classroom with their teacher that focused on identifying what bullying is, finding workable solutions to bullying and how to take positive action. At the end of the day the whole school came together for a photo. “Let’s Take a Stand Together”

“Bullying. No Way!” by our year 6 students

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**EASTER RAFFLE**
The Easter Raffle will be drawn tomorrow at the Easter Hat parade. Anyone wishing to purchase last minute tickets can do so at the parade at 10 am!

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**CELEBRATING STUDENT SUCCESS IN SPORT**
Congratulations to Kyeisha for making her second District team this year. She has been selected for the Mount Isa 12Yr Girls Netball team. Well done, Kyeisha!

Congratulations to the following boys as they have been selected to represent Mount Isa in the 12Yr Boys Rugby League: Sela, Tuqiri, Tremayne and Preston. They will play on the 15th and 16th of April in Normanton in the Regional Trials for selection into the North West Team. We wish you the best of luck.

Also congratulations to Bill on his selection for the State BMX team and for coming 7th fastest in the 10 year old boys BMX Australian National Titles in Bathurst. His achievements continue to amaze and we wish him well.

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This Thursday, the Prep to Grade 2’s are having an Easter Bonnet Parade in the parade area at 10 am.

You are encouraged to make an Easter Bonnet at home with your child for them to wear to the parade.

There will be a prize for the best Easter Bonnet.

Look forward to seeing you all there.

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**Curriculum @ Sunset**
Although this term has been a very short one, it has been a very productive one. Teachers and students have been extremely busy establishing routines and setting expectations for the year’s learning. I have been privileged to witness some fabulous work being delivered by our staff and produced across the school by our students.

This term’s work has been taught and assessed and will contribute towards Semester One reports which will be distributed in the last week of next term.

Term two is already shaping up to be another busy one. It will be much longer, as it is an eleven week term. Amongst all the wonderful learning experiences that teachers have already been planning, we also have lots of extra-curricular activities with the commemoration of ANZAC Day, NAPLAN, NAIDOC celebrations and much more.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and relaxing Easter vacation and I look forward to seeing everyone back school on Monday 11th April.

Yours in education,
Vanessa Perkins
Head of Curriculum

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**TUCKSHOP NEWS**
Small Slushies are now sold at 1st Break and 2nd Break for $2.00. There are no more yoghurt sticks for sale at the tuckshop. Homemade Muffins and Quiches are now being sold for $2.00ea. Water will now be sold at $2.50 and $1.50. We also sell Anzac Biscuits for Thursday and Friday for 50c.
FIRE SAFETY OVER THE EASTER BREAK
Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES) State Community Education Manager Alan Musk said while lighting a campfire and sustaining it may appear a seemingly straightforward task, the safe assembly, ignition, monitoring and extinguishing of the fire was of the utmost importance.

“The Easter break is a popular time for family camping trips and there is no denying that the toasty crackle of a campfire adds to the outdoor experience,” Mr Musk said.

“However, if started, maintained or extinguished incorrectly, campfires both lit and smouldering, can prove extremely dangerous. While the flames may be out, campfires extinguished with sand can retain heat up to 100 degrees Celsius for eight hours after the flames are no longer visible, and the fire can also spontaneously reignite this way. The safest option is to always saturate fires with water and this way they will be cooled to a safe temperature after just 10 minutes and not only reduce the burns risk, but the risk of sparking a bushfire, too.”

Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service (QPWS) Senior Ranger Andrew Kingston said it was important to always check alerts before lighting a campfire.

“We want people to enjoy Queensland’s parks and forests, whether they’re heading to the bush or beach for holiday camping, or visiting for a picnic and a hike,” Mr Kingston said.

“Please be mindful of the safety both of yourselves and others around you. Find out whether campfires are permitted before you go to a park or forest. Observe fire bans, never leave a fire unattended, keep the fire small and well contained, use fire places and fire rings where provided, and ensure tents and other camping gear are at least three metres away from a fire.”

Lady Cilento Children’s Hospital Director of Burns and Trauma, Professor Roy Kimble said the number of young burns victims had increased in recent years with several children permanently scarred last year simply because they chose to play in the wrong pile of sand.

“In 2015, we treated 55 children for burns from outdoor fires, with 40 of those injuries caused by glowing coals or ashes rather than flames,” Professor Kimble said.

“Almost one quarter of these required surgery and more than 90 percent were under nine. In addition to the trauma of the initial injury, if a burn causes scarring, children may also require ongoing surgery throughout their childhood to maintain function in the injured limbs.”

The recommended first aid treatment for a burn is to place the injured area under cool running water for 20 minutes and seek medical treatment immediately by phoning Triple Zero (000).

While it is ideal to apply first aid immediately, if running water is not available at the scene, it is still beneficial to apply cold running water up to three hours after the injury.

For more information on camping safely, visit: https://www.qfes.qld.gov.au/communitysafety/leisure/camping.asp

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MOUNT ISA ATHLETICS CLUB
2016 Sign-on Days
Saturday 9th April, 2016
Sunset Oval 10.00am – 12.00pm
Birth Certificate will need to be sighted for all new members
Form and Information available at www.mountisaathletics.com.au
Or contact David Scott on 0402 219 039
Ages 4 years to 100 years   Assistant Coaches & Volunteers also welcome
First Club Day will be Saturday the 16th April, 2016 commencing at 2.00pm.