



The Surveyor

A Newsletter for the Surveyors Creek Public School Community

Term 2

Week 2

Wednesday 3rd May 2017

Dates to Remember

05/05/17	District Cross Country
09/05/17	Naplan Years 3 & 5
10/05/17	Naplan Years 3 & 5
11/05/17	Naplan Years 3 & 5
11/05/17	Mother's Day Stall
13/05/17	Working Bee to complete Sandpit 9am to 12pm
23/05/17	ICAS Digital Technologies
30/05/17	ICAS Science
31/05/17	K-2 Fun Run 11.30am – 1.30pm
07/06/17	Synergy Dance Dress Rehearsal
08/06/17	Early Stg 1 & Support Cake Stall
12/06/17	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
13/06/17	ICAS Writing
14/06/17	Synergy Dance Matinee 11.30am
14/06/17	ICAS Spelling
15/06/17	Synergy Night Performance 7.30pm
16/06/17	ICAS Writing
30/06/17	Last day of Term
17/07/17	Staff Development day
18/07/17	Students return Term 3
01/08/17	ICAS English
15/08/17	ICAS Maths

PAYMENT/PERMISSION REMINDERS

All money should be placed in a clearly marked envelope in the secure box outside the Administration Block.

Spare notes in the rack in the admin office foyer or on the school's website

Receipts for school payments are issued by teachers to students each Friday.

Notes home this fortnight

All notes are on the Website

We wish to advise that this page of the newsletter will be sent home with students every fortnight. The remaining pages will be available to view on our website!

Important Dates

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE HOURS 8:40am to 3:25pm

School Banking will be every Tuesday of school terms.

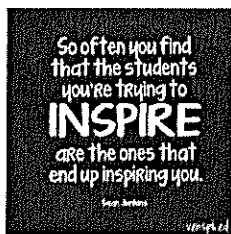
Clothing Pool will be every second Thursday afternoon (that's even weeks) and every Tuesday morning (odd weeks) of school terms.

ASSEMBLIES FOR 2017: K-2 odd weeks on Friday afternoons at 2-15pm
3-6 even weeks on Friday afternoon at 2-15pm



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From The Principal's Desk



Welcome Back

Welcome back to Term 2. Every year seems to go faster and faster. I trust you all had a wonderful break. The weather was magnificent and I hope you all took full advantage.

NAPLAN

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Yes it is that time of the year again! Students in Years 3 and 5 will be sitting NAPLAN next week. Students may feel apprehensive or anxious about NAPLAN so please reassure them to just do their best and don't place any undue stress on them. In context it is just one test on one day and there are many other assessment strategies that we implement at Surveyors Creek to track student's progress. It does help if they have had a good night sleep and breakfast before coming to school.

School Contributions

Shortly we will be sending out statements for school contributions. We deliberately didn't do this Term 1 as I know being a parent that trying to get students ready for the new school year can be a costly exercise. I am sure that you will appreciate the fact that we haven't increased our contributions for the past 3 years and they remain the same- \$30 for 1 student, \$40 for 2 students and \$50 per family. These contributions go towards many programs at school to support both curriculum and extra-curriculum activities and we value and appreciate your support.

Collecting Students during the school day

I understand that there are times when students need to be picked up during the school day for purposes such as doctor appointments and family issues and emergencies. We ask that if you need to take your child out of school that you do so before the recess and lunchtime breaks. It makes it hard to find your child during those times and when they do come to the office we then have to find their teacher to open up the classroom as classrooms are locked during those times and we can't send a student down to the classroom unsupervised. Alternatively, if you have to pick them up during those times can you let your child or the class teacher know that they will need to either come up to the front office with their bag and wait for you to collect them, or leave their bag in the office when they go out to lunch. This would make the process more efficient and cause less stress, especially if you have time constraints.

Validation

Our school has been selected to participate in the school validation process this year. At this stage we are looking at 26th October. Validation is where the school needs to provide evidence against the School's Excellence Framework in the areas of Learning, Teaching and Leading. A validation team will examine our evidence and determine whether we are delivering, sustaining and growing or excelling in each of these domains. I will keep you posted of our progress as we work towards the final validation.

Yours in Education

Mrs Kathy Browne

Principal

PACER

Stage 3 students from our school have undertaken an educational tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of \$20.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion and was applied to parent costs during initial organisation.

PBL Awards

Many children at our school have collected a PBL ribbon. Most children are aware they are to hand in 3 certificates and they will receive a ribbon. Once a child does receive 3 ribbons they must hand in their 3 ribbons to receive a banner.

In Short - 3 certificates = a ribbon

3 ribbons = a banner

Mr John Lister

Assistant Principal

PBL Awards for Weeks 1 & 2 – Term 2

Bryson Tompkin	Banner	2UW
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Deegan McRae	Ribbon	3/4L
Tobias Kuzma	Ribbon	3/4L
Byron Norman	Ribbon	2C
Taylor Brown	Ribbon	5/6N
Riley Hancock	Ribbon	K/1HM
Marissa Tnokovski	Banner	5/6N
Jessica Tomkins	Ribbon	3/4L
Beau Odgers	Banner	2L
Beau Odgers	Ribbon	2L
Ayla Dewberry	Ribbon	2UW
Ayla Dewberry	Banner	2UW
Beau Romero	Ribbon	5/6N
Bailey Brown	Ribbon	5/6N
Briana Pedri	Ribbon	3/4L
Nayshan Dunnet	Ribbon	3/4B
Cordell Dean	Ribbon	3/4B
Cordell Dean	Banner	3/4B
Kelsie Kennard	Ribbon	2M
Joshua Vide	Ribbon	1C
Zara Reynolds	Banner	2M
Emma Spiteri	Ribbon	KMS
Lauchlan Hoegel	Ribbon	3/4B
Lauchlan Hoegel	Banner	3/4B
Ava Nuttall	Ribbon	4/5JH
Ava Nuttall	Banner	4/5JH
Jake Nuttall	Ribbon	3CS
Jett Stevens	Ribbon	2C
Jett Stevens	Banner	2C
Lucas Yap	Ribbon	1G
Rhanveer Dhaliwal	Ribbon x 2	2M
Phoenix Xu	Ribbon	1C
Jacob Ilijeski	Banner	3/4B
Jacob Ilijeski	Medal	3/4B



Term Two 2017

Premiers Reading Challenge

All students K—2 will complete the challenge as part of the Library Program and their Reading Records will be submitted by Mrs Burke

Stage 2 students will be supported and encouraged to complete the challenge as part of my 'Book It In' initiative.

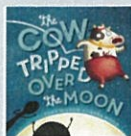
Stage 3 students will be supported and encouraged to complete it independently.

Stage 2 and 3 students are able to submit their Reading Records online through their DET portal. To do this they will need their DET username and password. Alternatively they can give their Reading Record to Mrs Burke.

The PRC concludes in August. All Reading Records need to be submitted by the end of August.

Penrith City Library is a valuable resource. I encourage all students to join the Library and take advantage of its services.

National Simultaneous Storytime is Wednesday 24th May. This year's story is The Cow Tripped over the Moon by Tony Wilson and Laura Wood.



If you are able to help in the Library please call in and let me know.

If you have any queries please come and visit me in the Library.

Mrs Sue Burke Teacher Librarian.

Bookclub

Orders for the current issue of bookclub are due by

Friday 12th May

All orders placed earn points for our school to help purchase resources

Literacy Pro

Lexile Reading

Students in Stages 2 and 3 have been enthusiastically borrowing books from the Library to support this valuable program.

Online quizzes based on the levelled readers are completed by the students after reading their book. These quizzes can be completed at home. To access these go to -

<https://slz04.scholasticlearningzone.com/slz-portal/#/login3/AUS7CHC>

Students then enter their lexile username and password.

(If it asks for an 'Org Id' enter - 7chc)