

SANDY CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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RESPONSIBILITY RESPECT EXCELLENCE

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From the Principal

Welcome to week 7! I trust everyone enjoyed a 'mini break' with the School Closure day on Monday and pupil free day on Tuesday. On Tuesday our staff attended training with other schools in our Partnership. Teachers focused on assessment and moderation in Mathematics and Japanese. We then did some intensive work on questioning to increase student learning and challenge with our Buddy group schools for the afternoon. Many of our SSOs participated in Kimochi training with our Partnership schools in the morning. SSOs also used some valuable time to plan and program work they are doing with groups of students and to tidy some of our storage areas.

Thank you to the parents and carers who are supervising their children as they come through the staff carpark before and after school. Many staff, deliveries and parents arrive at around 8:55am and leave at around 3:20pm so the carpark is not a place for students to move through without adult supervision. Students moving to and from the drop-off zone must do so on the lawn and path. The drop-off zone is NOT a parking area—it is only for quick drop-off or collection. Parking in this area causes a risk to staff and parents arriving and departing. Students are expected to wait on the pavers with the yard duty teacher after school until they are collected (unless they are walking or riding home of course).

Robyn Gibbes

Escape to Everywhere

If I could escape to anywhere I would escape to my brain. I could have my own rules and no school so I can dream up anything and it will come true. Say I wanted an ice-cream I could just dream it up. Wouldn't it be amazing? Also if I'm late I can just dream that I am there on time.

By Kai Carson

Book Week Parade

A fantastic effort by everyone who contributed to the success of the **Book Week Parade**. There were certainly many creative costumes on display and nearly everyone dressed up. Well done! Special congratulations to the winners from each year level. They were:

Rec. Olivia

Year 1 Charlie

Year 2 Izaak

Year 3 Kayla and Adrian

Year 4 Elisha and Caeleb

Year 5 Kai

Year 6 Jasper

Year 7 Angus T, Nathaniel and Bailey

Thank you to Elaine Richardson for organising the prizes for each of the students.

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School Diary Dates 2017

September

Wednesday 13th
Japanese Hiragana
Competition (4 students)
6:30pm Governing
Council

Wednesday 20th
Kristen Langford visiting
Waratah Class
3:35 Staff training re
suicide ideation and
self harm

Wednesday 27th
2:45 Whole School
Assembly

Friday 29th
Wheels Day
International Food
Sharing Day
2:20 finish
Last day of term

October

Monday 16th
First day Term 4

Tuesday 31st
School Photos

November

Wednesday 1st
6:30pm Governing
Council

Friday 3rd
Sports Day

**Monday 6th—Friday
10th**
School Swimming
Week

Friday 17th
Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 21st—22nd
R-3 ZooSnooze

Fruit Roster

To encourage healthy eating, we ask that parents donate a selection of fruit for students to have for Wednesday recess. It is very helpful to us if this fruit is pre-cut and ready to serve. Thank you.



Wednesday 6th September McQueen, Ranford
Wednesday 13th September Nannes, Preece
Wednesday 20th September Roberts, Sandford

Japanese Language Fridays

Students and staff are having fun as we practice speaking more Japanese every Friday. It's great to see some parents joining in the fun as we work together to improve our skills in speaking Japanese. Thanks to Shawnee Mephram for continuing to provide us with words and phrases each week.

The phrases we have used in the last few weeks include:

Be quiet (shizukani) しずかに

Excuse me (sumimasen) すみません

Let's go (ikimashou or ikou) いきましょう (いこう)

Are you ok? Is there something I can help you with?

(Pronunciation—die-joe-boo des ka?) だいじょうぶですか?

Please can I have 'thing' ('Thing' kudasai) 'Thing' ください

Please can I have 'thing' / I request this of you ('thing' one-gaishimasu 'Thing' おねがいします

Message from Christina (PCW)

I remember my first day at this school this year when I addressed the Assembly saying that the Sandy Creek school song made me feel amazing. I had that same feeling during the Book Week parade. The fact that the staff, children and families went to such an effort with the costumes **and** that most costumes actually related to a book or character from a book really show that the community are valuing books and book week for its intended purpose! And the **fun!** The children had a ball, and so did I.

I chose to cover a shortlisted book called 'The Patchwork Bike.' It's about a child and his brother having fun with a bike made of second hand parts. The story has many complexities, including multiculturalism. I checked my wardrobe and was surprised to see that I have a pair of patchwork

slacks and two (!) patchwork skirts, but I decided to dress as a scruffy Cinderella **before** she gets all dolled up! Patchwork covering holes in her clothes. I spoke about the concept of patchwork representing lots of different things made up to make a whole. *Just like our school community. Not only do we accept differences but we respect and embrace and celebrate them as well.*

After the festivities of the parade, some parents and carers and toddlers had a lovely morning tea in the library with the playgroup. We had some toddlers dressed up which was wonderful.

My challenge to our school community for next year is that we have parents and carers dressed up as their favourite (appropriate!) book character. We had just one lonely parent dressed up this year. Let's all be part of the fun next year!

Wheels Day and International Food

On the last day of school this term (Friday 29th September) we will have a wheels day, a casual clothes day and international food day. The casual clothes day is a gold coin donation with money going towards the Animal Welfare League (our SRC fundraiser).

Children can bring a bike, skateboard, scooter, skates or rollerblades to school on that day. Helmets are a **MUST** and protective gear like elbow, knee and wrist pads are recommended.

International food for sharing with students, staff and parents can be brought for our shared lunch. Please ensure food is labelled with ingredients and that **NO NUTS** are used for any foods.

Old Scholars

On Saturday a number of old scholars (and staff) from Sandy Creek Primary School (around 1983) came to visit the school and had a get together in Curdnatta Park. Thanks to Julian Dent for organising this day.



Sandy Creek Primary School Basketball Expressions of Interest

Congratulations to the players of the 2017 Starplex Winter Basketball programme. Our 2 teams represented Sandy Creek proudly during Terms 2 and 3. Thank you to all parents for your support.

We are now getting ready to register teams for the Summer season over Term 4, 2017 and Term 1, 2018. Under 8s & 10s play on a Tuesday night while '12 and Under' & '14 and Under' compete on Monday night.

Registration Cost: \$45 per team

Game cost: \$39 per team

These costs will be divided between players. Over the last season team members paid approximately \$50/term to cover game costs and a gift for the volunteer coaches.

We also have an opportunity to attend a coaching clinic in the holidays at the Starplex courts. The clinic will be held on Tuesday 3rd October for 2 hours and will cost \$8 per player.

Please fill out the details below and return to Michelle Tait, Kelly Gerschwitz, Kim Hughes OR Anna Johnson by Monday week 9, so that we can register our teams in time.

I _____ (name) am interested in:

- My child participating (children must be supervised)
- Helping to organise the team
- Coaching

- Under 8s mixed
- Under 10s mixed
- Under 12s mixed
- Under 14s mixed



Signed: _____

2017/2018 SEASON TENNIS REGISTRATION AND JUNIORS FIRST TRAINING NIGHT

**LYNDOCH TENNIS CLUB
IS HOLDING REGISTRATION NIGHT FOR THE 2017/2018 SEASON ON**

THURSDAY 7th September - 5-7pm

THIS WILL ALSO BE THE FIRST TRAINING NIGHT FOR JUNIORS.

COME AND MEET OUR COACH.

ONLINE REGISTRATION PRIOR TO THIS EVENING IS ALSO AN OPTION

www.tennis.com.au

