Dear Families,

Consultation Surveys
I am very excited to be receiving many of the Consultation Surveys back from families across the community. I am already impressed with the thought, concerns and positive feedback being received.

Every school is a type of business and children and families are indeed our customers. Listening to the customers about their experience is critical. Providing a continually improving set of services is also critical to our ongoing success.

Next week, we will open our Hall and set up some Feedback Stations. Each station will have a topic (eg Technology, Behaviour Support, Literacy, etc) and Staff will be available at each station. You are encouraged to come along, share your thoughts and ideas or simply come and talk to staff about our school operation.

- **HALL Consultation Session 1 Tuesday 18/10/16** from 2:50 – 3:30pm.
- **HALL Consultation Session 2 Wednesday 19/10/16** from 8:15 – 8:50am.

The feedback we receive will be combined with the Surveys being undertaken and this year’s EQ School Opinion Survey completed earlier in the year. These details have been released to the school Administration this week.

The data we collect will be collated and analysed and presented back to the school community via the Vision Evening on Wednesday 02/11/16. It will be held in our Hall from 6 – 7:30pm. A full analysis will be published on our Website prior to the end of the year. Our 4 year Strategic Plan will be based on the information we collect (along with a full analysis of student achievements from 2016).

2017 Enrolment and Prep Interviews
We currently have a record number of enrolments in Prep for 2017. Interviews are being scheduled with families now. Please note that NO child is formally enrolled until an original Birth Certificate is sighted, copied and on file.

Should you know a family wanting to enrol, it is important they do so ASAP. We are a growing school and our classes are filling very fast for 2017.

It is possible that we will have a larger number of classes and additional teachers in 2017. Our 2017 Day 8 numbers will be crucial to keeping class sizes small. Ensure your child has been enrolled and in attendance before Day 8 or they may not be counted for funding.

If you are aware that you are not returning in 2017 or returning late from holidays, please contact the Office so we can document this. Without the correct documentation, your child might not count for school funding in 2017.

I look forward to the rest of 2016 and sharing your child’s success in our Term 4 Report Cards.

Have a fantastic week and remember “With our words, we create the world.”

Darren Ball – Proud Principal of Salisbury S.S

Here at Salisbury State School – we settle for “Nothing but the Best!”

**Absences – Call early please! 3717 4888**
Please ensure you call the School Office early in the morning to report student absences. Every Queensland State School is now required to contact you on the day of the absence. This is a child safety issue.

**HOC NEWS**

The Robots have landed!
I am so excited to see robotics at Salisbury and so were the students and teachers judging by the reactions I've seen. We have purchased sets of Bee Bots, Pro Bots and Edison robots, to work in with the Digital Technology curriculum. Last week most classes got to experience the robots first hand and have a look at coding and what it means. Through Digital
Technologies students will learn about programming, using coding and algorithms, with a purpose and how to use technology such as this can be used effectively.

Students in Years 3 and up will also investigate digital data collection, representation and uses. Digital Technologies is being taught from Prep through to Year 6 and will be reported on formally from Grade 1 to 6.

To find out more about Digital Technologies and find useful information on how you can use it at home visit: https://www.digitaltechnologiesthub.edu.au/

Swimming
My apologies for the changes in the swimming timetable at the end of last year and during the first week. As mentioned in the last newsletter it was changed in response to parent feedback and other changes were then needed to ensure supervision for specific students was able to be provided.

Supervision during swimming is carefully planned out this term and Mr Kwan has completed the necessary risk assessments to ensure the supervision ratios are sufficient. We have extended the hours for some of our current teacher aides to provide a higher ratio of supervision for Prep students. This is listed explicitly on our staffing timetables. There will be 5 staff on hand during Prep lessons. Three teacher aides are in the pool with students, one teacher aide is out of the water and Mr Kwan will be in and out of the water depending on the needs of the lesson at any stage. Please be assured that if any of these people are away or injured to an extent where they cannot be in the pool a replacement staff member will be provided to ensure the supervision ratios are maintained.

Mr Ball has extended an open welcome to any parent or caregiver to come along to swimming. You are welcome to get in the water and support students during swimming, under Mr Kwan’s instructions. Parents are also welcome to come along and watch their child’s lesson in the spectator area. Please remember no photographs or video are to be taken during lesson time. Class lessons are different to the swimming carnival in this regards and no photographs or videos are part of the Education Queensland Student Protection policy to ensure the safety of all students.

If you were wanting to get in the water with your child’s class please just talk to Mr Kwan before jumping in so he can manage the lesson effectively.

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Student Teachers
This term we have the pleasure of a number of student teachers working in our school. This is an important part of educational practice to support not only the student teachers on their journey to being a professional and successful educator, but also for our teachers to be leaders and coaches to them. It is a positive experience for all students to have an extra teacher supporting them in the class and sharing their knowledge and ideas too.

We have student teachers at different parts of their course from first year (where they mainly observe and assist with small groups) through to fourth year internships (where they are essentially taking the class as their own under the supervision of the classroom teacher). They receive support from their university with visiting lecturers and through myself to ensure their time at Salisbury is successful for everyone involved. Please make them welcome and part of our Salisbury family.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION
As we are now in Term 4, we are asking parents to pay the second part of the Voluntary Contribution. If you have not paid the Voluntary Contribution of $20 per semester/$40 per year for each student from Prep to Year 6, please do so as soon as possible. This is the only contribution that the school asks each year.

Families can pay directly into the school account: Salisbury School Account – BSB 06-4117 A/c 00090044
In the details section please put your child’s name and VC. Or you can make an EFTPOS payment at the School Office.

CHAPLAIN’S CORNER
Food for thought
“Live each day as if your life had just begun.” – Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe

Welcome back to the Term 4! It’s gonna be a fantastic final term of 2016!

“Bike Project”
Did you know that we have just started a 5 week programme for some Year 4-6 boys? With the help of a program facilitator and a volunteer from the community, “Bike Project” is run for an hour on Tuesday afternoons. The facilitator uses the bike as a connecting point to illustrate the various aspects in one’s life. Life lessons include the importance of team work, life maps, coping with disappointments, how to maintain our relationship with others and how to cope with obstacles in life.

Through the 5 week programme, it is hoped that the boys will discover how unique they are and learn what they can do to maintain not just their bikes but themselves.

I am looking forward to working with the group alongside the team. Chappy Angeline
YEAR 6 GRADUATION NEWS
Firstly can we please say a HUGE thank you to all the parents, teachers, staff & children for the overwhelming support of lolly donations and help and in our recent Sausage Sizzle and Brownie/Lolly Bag Day. It just wouldn't have been the fantastic day it was without you all.

We do have a couple of fun fundraisers coming up this term so keep these dates handy:-

**TUES 25TH OCT – BIG LUNCH**
Spider Drink $3.00 and Ice Cream Cone $2.50

**FRIDAY 4TH NOV – Students Crazy Hair Day and Teachers/Staff can come in school uniform or Crazy Hair**
Gold Coin Donation.

Thanks again everyone for all your support.
Prue & Simone  *Graduation Co-Ordinators*

P&C NEWS

👉 Very Cool - Our Stronger Communities Grant will be utilised very soon with the fans for the hall booked for installation in mid-November.

👉 Well done all involved with the ANZAC Commemorative Seat installation. The project is now complete. If you are near the Salisbury RSL Park drop by to view the teams' hard work. Special mention to Paige Garland, John McIntyre, Kate Simpson and Sonia Chaaya – thank you.

👉 First Club night for Salisbury Scorpions was a blast. If you are interested to come along and enjoy the fun and community contact salisburyswimclub@yahoo.com.au

☑ No GM this October but there will be a general meeting again Friday November 18th - it will be a day time meeting. Come along and say g'day.

👉 *Working bee is on 22 October*. Nice and short from 8am-10am love to see you there!

☑ The Tuck Shop team are in full swing for Term 4. November 4th is National Tuck Shop Day - make sure you tell the ladies that do the lunch how great they are.

🌟 *Salisbury Under the Stars is on Sat 19th November*. We are getting our event crew together and would love anyone that can help out on the day, or before, to get in contact with us. You can PM us on Facebook or email secretarypandcsalisbury@gmail.com

We are looking forward to a great term 4 with so much going on (Swim Carnival, Salisbury Under the Stars, Graduation, Tuckshop Day and World Teachers Day) it is shaping up to be heaps of fun

&P&C is on Facebook - please like us and stay connected with updates and information.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

**Opening Times**  Term 4
- Fri 21st Oct 8:20-8:50am
- Fri 4th Nov 8:20-8:50am
- Fri 28th Nov 8:20-8:50am

I will be in the shop most Friday mornings from approximately 7:30am (for school banking) so if there is anyone who needs uniforms earlier than the opening hours please feel free to pop over and see if we are in the shop or email me at salisburyuniforms@gmail.com

**Payments**
The uniform shop accepts payments via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT - Bank Transfer), cash or cheque. Please note we **DO NOT have EFTPOS facilities**.

If you have any questions about the uniform shop or the opening hours, please come and see me in the shop or email me at salisburyuniforms@gmail.com.  *Amanda*

SCHOOL BANKING

Congratulations to our school bankers for working towards their saving goals! School banking is not about making large deposits, but building good saving habits and growing financial intelligence.

There are financial education resources for children available at the following websites:

In Term 4, we will have a lucky prize draw for all students who bank at least three times in weeks 1-5. There will be 5 prizes drawn on parade in Week 6 - 7/11/16.

Don't forget to submit your bank book to your teacher each Thursday. If you have lost your deposit book or require a replacement book or folder, the School Banking team have these available. Please pop a note in the grey school banking satchel or visit the Uniform Shop 8-8:30am Fridays with your query.

TENNIS COURT

Tennis Court Hire or Tennis Club??
Discussion is taking place about the benefits of having a tennis club rather than just a tennis court hire service.

We had a representative from Tennis Qld come along to a meeting and talk about the benefits of affiliation. For those that missed that talk, here is a link to Tennis Qld to show you some info.
- [http://salisburytennis.wixsite.com/salisburytenniscourt](http://salisburytennis.wixsite.com/salisburytenniscourt)

To make an informed decision about what to do, we have set up a short 9 question anonymous survey on survey monkey.
It would be very helpful if you could copy the link and do the survey.  [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/D37FWP8](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/D37FWP8)
The site has more information regarding what is being considered. Got some questions? Give me a call on 0404 11 55 67 OR send an email to: salisburytenniscourts@gmail.com Thank you for your assistance. No personal information is asked for or collected

John McIntyre
Tennis Court Manager; Vice President Salisbury State School P and C

SALISBURY SCHOOL AGE CARE NEWS

Hi everyone!

Hope you all had a fantastic holiday and we are looking forward to a great Term 4, Wow how time flies!!

Vacation Care was, as always, a huge success with the children venturing out to the movies to see ‘The Secret Life of Pets’, dining at Just Poppy’s (voted best burgers in the Brisbane Times) and they certainly lived up to their reputation. We also visited the Sciencentre where the children had hands-on experience with science at work - (a very popular choice of excursion).

With the weather warming the children were excited for ‘Wet Wednesday’ where they swam in the crystal blue water showing off their swimming skills while enjoying the many pool resources (kick boards, floating mats, diving toys, flippers, beach balls and much more).

Other exciting activities the children enjoyed were: tie dying where they got to take home their tie dyed pillow cases, experiencing the Indian culture through food, Indian art/craft (Akash Kandeel – Diwali Lantern meaning ‘Lantern of the Sky and Indian Folk Dance.

Term 4 has begun well with the children very excited to be back. It was great to have the children sharing their holiday experiences with us (camping was by far the most popular choice for the holidays).

Don’t forget our yummy Lick Ice Cream Fundraiser. Orders are due back by Friday 21st October.

Funds raised will go towards installing a new kitchen in the SAC room. For more information go and see the PCYC Team in ‘D’ Block

Until next time!
Kaye and the PCYC team 😊

COMMUNITY NEWS

Enrolment Interviews – Sunnybank State High School
Enrolment interviews continue this term for 2017. Please contact the main office 3323 8111 on to arrange an interview as soon as possible if enrolment is relevant to your family. If you know family or friends who are intending to enrol at Sunnybank SHS please encourage them to contact us for an interview booking time.

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FREE DENTAL SCHEME
Free dental scheme extended for Queensland children
Queensland children will continue to benefit from free dental care, after a Federal Government program was extended through to the end of 2016.
Director of Metro South Oral Health Dr Helen Boocock said the Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS) program provides up to $1000 per eligible child for dental treatment. “All children aged four through to year 10 at school are eligible for free public dental care, as well as children aged 0-3 years and those in grades 11 and 12 whose parents have a current Centrelink, Healthcare or Pension Card,” she said.
To check eligibility or to make an appointment, call 1300 300 850 or visit www.metrosouth.health.qld.gov.au/oral-health