Dear Families,

The last week of term is finally here. Teachers and staff are looking forward to a well-earned Spring break. Kids are tired and ready for a rest from learning. I hope all our families are able to find some time to relax together and enjoy the holidays. In our busy world, taking the chance to spend quality time with family is crucial.

In Term 4, our school will be undertaking the planned school wide consultation. We will reflect on the successes and challenges of the past. Learning from these experiences and planning clear and strategic steps forward is vital to our success as a school and your child’s learning achievements. Surveys and meetings are being finalised now.

While we will always work globally to improve our school performance, it is important we identify the focus areas – the most important areas we need to develop.

The Full School review will be conducted from Friday 21/10/16. This is conducted by a team of highly skilled and experienced professionals through the School Improvement Unit. 3 days of meetings, examination of school documents, processes and paperwork will be aligned against our daily work in classrooms and our student outcomes. P&C executive, every staff member, community representatives and many families will be involved in the Review. It is an exciting process contributing to a clear plan to move our school forward.

Along with the community consultation, this will form the basis of our next 4 year strategic plan. We will commit to strong and focused actions to support your school. Our plans will be sent to Regional Office for approval.

In our community there are many intelligent, thoughtful and committed families. The consultation is your chance to tell us what we do well and where we can improve our practices.

Term 4 will be BIG so I hope you are ready for:

- Community Consultation (Week 1 – 5)
- Prep Open Evening (Oct 20th)
- Full School review (Oct 21st - 25th)
- Gala Day (Oct 21st)
- School Captains Selection Process (starts Oct 31)
- Prep Interviews for 2017 enrolments (starts Oct 31)
- Remembrance Day (Nov 11th)
- Music Concert
- Wet and Wild / Movies – Positive Behaviour for Learning Reward Days
- Student Assessment
- Report Cards

On return to school in Term 4, a full Term 4 calendar will be published and provided to you.

Classes for 2017

During the term, you will be asked to provide information, feedback and suggestions about class groupings, peer and teacher preferences etc. While I can NEVER make promises – at least we can ask and build in your wishes where possible. No classes will be confirmed in Term 4. You will only find out your class teacher and class list on the first day of 2017.

Even then, depending on staff allocations, funding, additional resource money etc., this may all change on Day 8. We may have to collapse or expand class groupings after the Day 8 census. While I cannot predict what will happen, I can keep you well informed.

I hope you are looking forward to Term 4 as much as I am! Have a great holiday break and stay safe.

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 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.

GETTING READY TO SWIM IN TERM 4

Swimming lessons with our Physical Education (HPE) teacher, Mr Kwan, recommence on Tuesday 4 Oct, the first week back. Swimming is a major part of our HPE program and we expect every student to participate. If your child is unwell, has injury or open sore, and is unable to swim on a given day, please write a letter to your child’s teacher explaining the reasons for their non-participation.

Please return your Swimming Permission Slip with Medical Details to your Class Teacher.

Volunteers are needed especially for P-3 classes. If you can help please see your child’s teacher.
After receiving some feedback and having further discussions with teachers around specialist lessons and swimming we have made some changes to the swimming timetable that was provided in the letter. Please make a note of when your child’s class is swimming and ensure that they have the appropriate clothing on the day. Students swimming in the first session are able to come dressed in their swimming attire underneath their uniform.

We apologise for the late notification of these changes and thank parents who provided feedback.

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**THE GREAT BOOK SWAP CHALLENGE**

Thank you to everyone who helped to raise money for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Our small school will be donating more than $400 to provide books to students in remote locations around Australia! I will update everyone on the exact amount raised. Our school will also go into the draw to win an Ambassador visit. The Great Book Swap was a huge success and a fundraiser for a great cause that we will continue to run on a yearly basis. Thank you to the families that helped to set up and run the Book Swap.

**VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION**

As we are now in Semester 2, 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 – “My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style.”* - Maya Angelou

What an amazing term this has been! Some highlights included the appointment of Darren as our permanent principal (yay!), the fantastic NAPLAN results, the visit of the RACQ Careflight helicopter, the entertaining Book Week Celebrations and the successful Prep Open Day with more than 20 parents/carers/children in attendance.

On a personal level, I have appreciated chatting with staff and parents, hanging out with students through class visits, one-on-one pastoral conversations, Chappy room activities, walking the captains to the C&K kindergarten and running the girls’ programme. We had a great party to celebrate the successful completion of “Sparkle”. A special thanks to Kate Bailey & the P&C for the beautifully decorated yummy cupcakes!

School holiday is just a few sleeps away. Have a safe and refreshing term break! *Happy Angeline*

**P&C NEWS**

- Congratulations to all the winners of the Monster Raffle and a HUGE thank you to Mel and the fund raising team for putting big effort in to gather such great prizes

- Awesome news that the Salisbury State School has been successful in receiving the Stronger Communities Grant of $19,500. Well done to Haydee and everyone involved in a very long process. The funds will be put toward a fan for the hall, iPads for the classrooms and finishing off the garden project.

- Swim Club has held their sign on afternoon with BBQ. The Scorpion team are planning a mini-meet with Moorooka Marlins in October which sounds like the start of lots of fun - way to go Scorpions!! If you would still like to join lessons or social swimming drop by on Fridays to sign up - everybody welcome.

- At last night’s meeting a yes vote was accepted to switch to the Bendigo Bank for P&C banking. This will not have any effect on the students banking which will continue as usual. Once up and running we will be able to access services such as eftpos services for big events and other community initiatives.

- Tennis - John has a survey for all and anyone to complete to add to the discussion on whether a tennis club for SSS has legs. This survey is open till the end of holidays, it is online and anonymous. We would love to get your feedback.

- Stay tuned for some Working Bee dates and times to help with a little garden maintenance around the school

- A shout out to the Tuck Shop team for continuing to produce great meals and friendly service. Bringing it home to the end of Term 3.

- Salisbury Under the Stars - is on the calendar for Saturday Nov 19th. Come and enjoy a movie with us. More information to come.

- P&C Qld Conference was held last week with Salisbury State School represented by Paige. Paige brought back a lot of great ideas and inspiration for P&C to develop and utilise. Thanks Paige for your energy in this event.

- October meeting is TBA. *November meeting will be FRIDAY 18th Nov in the afternoon.* If you cannot make the
evening meetings please join us on Friday before pick up - times to be announced.
Have a great holiday break whatever and where ever you are - we all look forward to seeing you again in Term 4.
P&C is on Facebook - please like us and stay connected with updates and info

FUNDRAISING
Thank you for your support of our 2016 Monster Raffle.
Together we raised $3,500 which will go towards Educational Resources and a new Monster Fan for our School Hall

Our lucky winners, and their ticket sellers, were:
Prize 1: Claire Lin (Lily, Prep O)
Prize 2: Emmason McGrath (Prep O)
Prize 3: Peter Tretheway (Anika, 1R)
Prize 4: Rebecca (Loretta, School Office)
Prize 5: Diana Knock (Olia, 6B)
Prize 6: V Tek (Christian, 2L)
Prize 7: Susanne Nguyen (Adelaide, Prep O)
Prize 8: V Tek (Christian, 2L)  Mel Trembath

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS
Opening Times  Term 4
- Fri 7th Oct 8:20-8:50am
- Fri 21st Oct 8:20-8:50am
- Fri 4th 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.

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

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

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!
Holidays are fast approaching and we at Salisbury SAC provide a fun and exciting Vacation Care Program so please pop in and see Kaye for more information or phone: (07) 3276 7232 or email: salburysac@pcyc.org.au

The children have been enjoying sensory play with hand paint being a popular choice along with play dough (always a favourite) and clay.

The ‘Cage Ball’ one of our new outdoor resources has provided the children with hours of physical activity and most importantly hours of fun!

Until next time !
Kaye and the PCYC team 😊

COMMUNITY NEWS

Enrolment Interviews – Sunnybank State High School
Enrolment interviews continue this term and next for 2017. Please contact the main office 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.