



October 11, 2016



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TERM 4**

Swansea Public School is an innovative school promoting quality programs to its community. The school offers a wide variety of programs which enhance citizenship, teamwork, equality, social justice and tolerance.

Calendar

Week 1

Wed 12/10: Digital Sparks (Selected students)
P&C Meeting 6.30pm

Fri 14/10: Swimming for Sport (Primary)

Week 2

Wed 19/10: Library visit (selected students) 10am

Thur 20/10: Kindy Orientation 9.30-11.00am
"You Can Do it Too" Performance

Fri 21/10: Swimming for Sport (Primary)

Week 3

Fri 28/10: Swimming for Sport (Primary)
Grandparents Day/Fun Run

Week 4

Wed 2/11: Halloween Disco

Thur 3/11: Kindy Orientation 2-3pm

Fri 4/11: Swimming for Sport (Primary)

Week 5

Fri 11/11: Swimming for Sport (Primary)

Week 6

Thur 17/11: Kindy Orientation 9.30-11am

Fri 18/11: Swimming for Sport (Primary)
Responsible Pet Program

Week 7

Intensive Swimming

Fri 25/11: Swimming for Sport (Primary)

Week 8

Intensive Swimming

Fri 2/12: Swimming for Sport (Primary)

Week 9

Mon 5/12: Hello High School (Year 6)

Wed 7/12: Year 6 Farewell

Thur 8/12: PBL Rewards Day

Week 10

Tues 13/12: **Presentation Day 2016 9.30am**

Wed 14/12: **Pool Party (Primary)**

Party Day (Infants)

Fri 16/12: **Students Last Day**

Term 4

Welcome back everyone to Term 4. Hopefully we are over the many illnesses which enveloped Swansea. Term 4 is a very busy term so please ensure you keep dates of events on your family calendar.

Binless Tuesdays

This term Swansea Public School will trial a Binless school EVERY Tuesday starting next Tuesday 18 October. Students will be encouraged to reduce packaging everyday but especially on Tuesdays. If your child brings food wrapped or packaged, they will bring the packaging home in their lunchbox. Labelled containers are a great way to reduce packaging. Thank you for supporting this initiative.

Swimming for Sport

This term our primary students (Years 3-6) will commence Swimming for Sport on Friday mornings starting this week 14 October. This program will run for 8 weeks and the cost is \$30.00 or \$26.00 pensioner. All primary students are expected to attend these invaluable lessons. Notes were sent home last term and payment needs to be received with permission note and swimming ability by Wednesday 12 October.

Children are reminded to make sure they bring their swimmers, goggles, sunscreen, towel and plastic bag for wet clothes on Friday mornings.

You Can Do It Too

The "You Can Do It Too" performance will be at the school next week on Thursday 20 October. This is a follow up performance of our Peer Support Program that the students participated in earlier in the year. Notes were sent home with students last term. This performance is for all students and the cost is \$5.00 which needs to be returned with the permission slip to the school office by Monday 17 October.

Homework Centre

The Homework Centre will resume this Wednesday afternoon 12 October for participating students.



PBL Focus of the Week

Wearing School Uniform – Black Shoes

Staff News

Welcome to Mrs Pead who will be working on 4/3D as an intern completing her teaching degree. We know she will love Swansea Public School.

Mr Brown will not be working on Fridays with 4H and he will be replaced by Mrs Melville.

We will have some new teachers at Swansea Public School in 2017. We would appreciate your respect regarding this issue as positions have not been secured yet and may not be known until the end of the year. Please do not approach the staff regarding this issue as the process of employment is long and confidential.

The community will be notified when we are certain of the staffing for 2017. Thank you.

Digital Sparks

Mrs Chensee will be taking 13 students to Newcastle University tomorrow. We wish them good luck as they prepare for the challenge.

Punctuality

Please ensure that your child/children are at school by 8.57am as we are now ringing the bell at that time so that we start at 9.00am. If children are ordering lunches at the canteen it must be done BEFORE 9.00am as the class roll is marked straight away. Thank you.

Uniforms

Please ensure that your child wears proper school uniform with black shoes as we want to maintain the high standards for the whole year. Thank you for your support. Coloured joggers and laces are not acceptable shoes except on Friday for sport. No extra jewellery or coloured headwear please.

Enrolments for 2017

Please let the office or Mrs Holt know ASAP if your family are planning to leave our school before the end of the year or in 2017. Staffing of classes and class structure is dependant on precise numbers. Please help us by sharing this information. If you know of any new kindergarten enrolments for 2017 please encourage them to enrol. We currently have 28 Kindergarten students for 2017.

Kindy Orientation

Our first Kindy orientation day will be held next Thursday 20 October from 9.30-11.00am. Please return enrolment forms and required supporting documents to the office if you have not already done so. Thank you.

P&C Meeting

The P&C will be held tomorrow night at 6.30pm in the staff room. Please come along and share your ideas.

Library Visit

Mrs Anderson will be taking a group of students to Swansea Library next Wednesday at 10.00am to help the Library celebrate Rocktober. Notes will come home today to selected students.

PBL Rewards Day

Our end of year Rewards Day will be held on Thursday 8 December. All of the children who have received a bronze, silver, gold or platinum award this year will be invited to this day. This year it will be a water fun day. Further details will be sent home at a later date.

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Course: INDIGENOUS TRIPLE P GROUP

Starting Date: Tuesday October 11th, 18th and 25th with the last session being Tuesday November 1st.

Morning Tea and Light Refreshments will be provided

Time: 10:30am - 1:00pm

Where: Bahtabah Local Aboriginal Land Council
44 Pacific Hwy, Blacksmiths



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