



February 2, 2016



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

### 2016 School Year

#### Week 2

Thur 4/2: Swimming Carnival Years 3-6

#### Week 3

Tues 9/2:	Parent Information Session	Kindergarten	3.15pm
		Years 1-2:	4.00pm
		Years 3-4:	4.30pm

Wed 10/2: Kindy Photo's

#### Week 4

Wed 17/2:	Parent Information Session	Years 5-6:	3.15pm
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### Principal's Message:

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to the 2016 school year! I am very excited and happy to be the Relieving Principal at Swansea Public School. The staff and students have already warmly welcomed me to the school and I am looking forward to meeting all of the parents. We now have 10 classes and 245 students. I offer a warm welcome to our Kindergarten students, new students and their families. We look forward to providing quality education for your children and encourage you to actively participate in school life. We also welcome Mrs Lisa Dallaway to Swansea PS as the new Assistant Principal for Years 3-6. Mrs Sue Stewart is the Assistant Principal for Years K-2. If you have any concerns about your child please speak to your child's teacher as soon as possible.

Thank you to parents/caregivers for providing the correct school uniform for your children, as they certainly looked fabulous this week. Just a gentle reminder that shoes/joggers must be black, with black laces and plain white socks. Coloured joggers are acceptable for sport on Fridays.

We look forward to seeing parents/caregivers at our Swimming Carnival on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February. Students will sit together where they are supervised by staff and canteen purchases are only to be made when teachers allocate the time at lunch or recess to the students. Thank you also to parents for providing the necessary equipment ready for the school year. Requirements are also included in this newsletter just in case your note has been misplaced. Please return notes and money for events by the closing date to help us efficiently organise school events. Have a great week.

Sue Holt  
Principal (Relieving)

Due to enrolled children's life threatening anaphylactic allergic reactions to all nuts and peanut products, we would like to encourage families not to send these products to school with their children. These include peanut butter, Nutella, sesame seeds, loose nuts, muesli, nut or chocolate bars or any products containing any type of nuts



# PBL Focus of the Week

## Being organised for School

### School Newsletter

The school newsletter is sent home electronically and can be viewed on the Skoolbag app, school website and the school Facebook page. If you wish to receive a hard copy please send a written request to the school office. This is done to reduce the Carbon Footprint on our environment

### Morning and Afternoon Routines

We love that parents come to the school but we would like parents to wait for students under the walkways near the canteen and on the grass outside the administration block in the morning and afternoon. In the morning parents need to ensure that they are standing away from the classrooms so that we can move quickly and safely to class.  
Thank you

### Friday Assembly

Parents are welcome to come along for our award presentations at the Friday morning Assembly at 9.00am

### Swansea Public School Bell Times

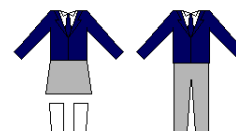
9.00am: School starts  
11.00am: Lunch eating time  
11.10am: Lunch play (40 min)  
11.50am: Classes resume  
1.35pm: Recess  
2.00pm: Recess concludes  
3.00pm: School Finishes

### Thank you

On behalf of Swansea Public School we would like to thank the  
**Swansea Village**  
who have kindly made a generous donation to our school

### Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on Tuesday mornings from 8.40am – 9.40am.



### Learning Support

Welcome back to the new school year. I am in a new role as Learning and Support Teacher this year which enables me to support the staff and your child's learning both in and out of the classroom. If you have any concerns about your child, please have a discussion with your child's teacher and you are most welcome to make an appointment to discuss your concerns with me.  
I wish everyone a great 2016.

Sue Stewart (LaST)

Assistant Principal.



### Classes/ Staff Roles for 2016

KA: Mrs Armstrong  
KB: Ms Body  
1T: Mrs Tyrrell  
2/1G: Mr Gaul  
2B: Mr Brooks  
3CF: Mrs Chensee and Ms Fletcher  
4/3D: Mrs Dallaway  
4H: Mr Hellier (Mon-Thur) Mr Brown (Fri)  
6/5B: Mrs Boyce  
6/5R: Mrs Rippon  
RFF: Mrs Melville (Mon-Thur)  
Teacher Librarian: Dr Henry (Mon-Wed)  
Support: Mrs Anderson  
Learning and Support Teacher: Mrs Stewart



## Kindy students settling into their classroom activities



### SCHOOL ZONE PARKING OFFENCES

Penalties for School Zones. Current as at 1 July 2015



Means that in the area in the direction of the arrow, you must **NOT STOP your vehicle** at any point on the road or kerb, unless there is a medical or other emergency.

**MAXIMUM PENALTY**

**\$319**

**+ 2 POINTS**



Means that you have no more than **2 minutes** for drop-offs or pick-ups of passengers or goods and the driver must stay within **3 metres** of your vehicle.

**MAXIMUM PENALTY**

**\$177**

**+ 2 POINTS**



Means that in the direction of the arrow or arrows you are **not allowed to stop your vehicle** unless you are driving a bus.

**MAXIMUM PENALTY**

**\$319**

**+ 2 POINTS**



#### DOUBLE PARKING

You are **NOT PERMITTED** to stop or park your vehicle alongside another vehicle that is already parked parallel to the kerb.

**MAXIMUM PENALTY**

**\$319**

**+ 2 POINTS**

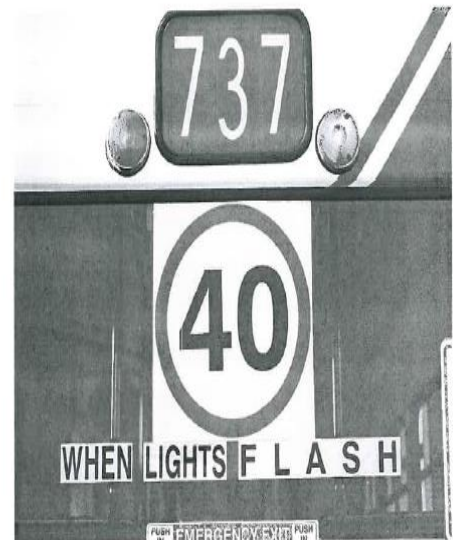
- STOP in a NO STOPPING zone: \$319 + 2 points, or STOP on or near a Children's or Pedestrian Crossing: \$425 + 2 points
- STOP on path/strip in built up area: \$177 + 2 points
- STOP or Park in a Disabled Marked Area without a permit: \$531



### Safety around school buses

#### INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

- There is a 40km/h speed limit for traffic passing a school bus that is picking up or setting down school children.
- This speed limit is for all traffic travelling in the same direction as the bus, whether the bus is stationary or moving.
- The 40km/h speed limit must be obeyed when the rear 'wig-wag' lights on the bus flash.
- Flashing headlights on these buses also alert oncoming motorists that children are close by.
- A fine and the loss of demerit points will apply for failing to observe the 40km/h speed limit for traffic passing a school bus when the 'wig-wag' lights are showing.
- If you park illegally in a bus zone, there is a minimum fine of \$253 and the loss of 2 demerit points.



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## Swansea Public School Stationery Requirements for 2016

A list of stationery requirements that your child will need, in addition to the textbook fee and voluntary contribution, is listed below. Would you please ensure that your child is supplied with these items and replaced when necessary throughout the year. Please ensure that these items are clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

### **STUDENTS WILL COVER THEIR BOOKS AT SCHOOL**

<b>Kindergarten</b>	<b>Year One – No liquid paper</b>	<b>Year Two – No liquid paper</b>
Library bag with name clearly labelled Plastic paint shirt 2 x large boxes tissues Old hand towel Packet of wet-ones Packet of whiteboard markers	Library bag Paint shirt 4 HB Pencils Coloured pencils Eraser Pencil Case 2 Large boxes of tissues 4 Glue Sticks (Bostik brand) - not pots of glue or glue pens Cylindrical pencil sharpener with case Scrapbook for homework Packet of whiteboard markers	Library bag Paint Shirt 8 HB Pencils – no novelty pencils Coloured pencils /Wind up crayons Eraser 2 different coloured highlighter pens Thin Textas - no more than 24 1 only Pencil Case (Large) 30cm Ruler (clear plastic - not bendy) 2 Large boxes of tissues 4 Glue Sticks (Bostik brand) - not pots of glue or glue pens Cylindrical pencil sharpener with case Scrapbook for homework 1 set earbud headphones - labelled (these are available from bargain shops for around \$3) Old hand towel
<b>Year Three – No liquid paper</b>	<b>Year Four – No liquid paper</b>	<b>Stage 3 – No liquid paper</b>
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### Come and play Hockey with Souths Girls

South Newcastle Junior Girls Hockey Club is looking for new players. Girls aged 4-18 and Boys 4-9  
All training and games are played on the synthetic turf at Broadmeadow  
Training is Mondays 4.15-5.15 starting 9<sup>th</sup> February 2016. Come and Try/Registration day Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb

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### Belmont Baseball Club

Come and Try Days  
Junior & Senior Registrations  
Winter Season

For more details visit the website

[www.belmontbaseball.com.au](http://www.belmontbaseball.com.au)



### REGISTRATION DAYS

MONDAY 8TH FEB 4-6.30pm

WEDNESDAY 17TH FEB 4-6.30pm

AT CAVES BEACHSIDE RESORT

### INTRODUCTION TO NETBALL CLINIC

FRIDAY 12TH FEB 5.30-7pm

AT THE CAVES NETBALL COURTS

FOR CURRENT AND NEW PLAYERS

ALL WELCOME

WE LOOK FORWARD TO ANOTHER

FUNFILLED SEASON

## Good for Kids good for life

### PACKING A HEALTHY LUNCHBOX

Many products marketed as being a healthy lunchbox addition can be high in sugar and fat, and low in nutrients. Here are some healthy options to consider swapping in your child's lunchbox:

- An apple or banana instead of a fruit roll-up.
- Swap chips for unsalted air-popped popcorn.
- Include low-fat plain milk instead of drinks high in sugar such as sports drinks and fruit drinks with less than 99% juice.
- Swap sugary snacks, such as cake or biscuits, for a low-fat plain/fruit-based yoghurt.
- Use wholemeal or multi-grain bread instead of white bread for sandwiches.



PHONE 4924 6499



### The Great Host Family Hunt is on again!

World Education Program (WEP) Australia, a registered, non-profit student exchange organisation is looking for volunteer families who would like to host a 15 to 18-year-old girl or boy.

Our students come from countries such as Italy, France, Belgium, Finland and Chile and are arriving in July 2016. They are looking forward to living and learning about Australia and enjoying our famous Australian hospitality and lifestyle.

Without the generosity of families around the world, student exchange could not exist.

Experiencing a foreign language and culture in your own home is the next best thing to living overseas.

To request a free information pack for your family, contact us today!

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