



Week 8, Tuesday, 20th March 2018

Newsletter Week 8 Term 1

Due to enrolled children's life threatening anaphylactic allergic reactions to eggs, 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.



From the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers

We had a very productive P and C meeting last week and it is with pleasure that I publish the following office bearers:

President: Kylie Stevens

Vice President: Katherine McMurrugh

Secretary: Lucy Cramp

Treasurer: Steven Low

Uniform Coordinator: Kristi Haracz

A number of parents/carers also expressed an interest in being part of the 2018 Fundraising Committee. Fundraising in 2018 will include Easter, Mothers Day and Fathers Day stalls and the major event will be a fundraiser in conjunction with the 2018 Spectacular. The P and C have agreed to fund nominated school performances and some excursions, as well as new outdoor furniture for the small COLA and Year Six areas. In 2018 we will also be making some changes to the school uniform. Watch this space!

Your child's safety and the **safety of all children** at our school are of prime importance. I have recently received reports from neighbours informing me that they have witnessed some of our parents or carers driving and parking in a very dangerous manner, even illegally in our school zone. I will be advising these neighbours to provide more information (make and colour of car, car registration number etc.) and this will be passed onto the police. I am most disturbed that there are adults in our school community who have no regard for our children - every life is precious. Please drive carefully around our community.

Principal's message continued next page

2018 Calendar Term 1

Week 8	21/3	Harmony Day Out of Uniform
	22/3	Easter Hat making
Week 9	27/3	Head Lice check K-6
	28/3	High School Taster lessons Yr 6
Week 10	29/3	Easter Hat Parade
	30/3	Good Friday
Week 11	2/4	Easter Monday
	6/4	Athletics Carnival
Week 12	10/4	K-2 Blackbutt Excursion
	11/4	P&C Meeting 6pm
	12/4	ANZAC Day Presentation
	12/4	School Disco
	13/4	Last Day of Term 1



Kitchen Garden



from the Principal continued



Whilst on a safety note... last Friday, one of our student **bike riders** ran into one of our parents, and so I will continue to focus on safe bike riding in our community, as this situation is also intolerable.

The members attending the P and C meeting have asked that I renew my "head lice checks". Whilst I accept that head lice is a parent responsibility, I would like to still do my part in helping to minimize outbreaks by conducting two head lice checks per year- Term One and Term Four. Our first **head lice check will be held on Tuesday 27 March 2018.**

Parents/carers will be contacted by phone if their child presents with head lice and parents/carers will be asked to begin treatment immediately. There is no need for students to be absent from school during treatment; however my experience in this matter indicates that every egg must be removed to stop students getting re-infected, as about 10% of lice and eggs may remain alive in spite of medication.

If you **DO NOT** want your child to have their hair checked you must contact me in writing (email or letter) by the 27 March, stating that you do not require your child's hair to be checked.

School Leaders



Yasmin Catley and Mrs Patterson with our school leaders.

Blackbutt Reserve K-2 excursion.....

Just a reminder your permission note and payment **MUST** be returned to the Office no later than 29th March



Thank You



Thank you to everyone who helped make the Worlds Greatest Shave a GREAT success.

Thanks especially to Dilara for her continuous effort every day in raising funds. The final tally collected was \$422.05 - well done everyone!



Alliyah's crazy hair

School Spectacular!

LOOK OUT Swansea! 2018 is the year of our musical, dance and drama Spectacular and it's going to be another FANTASTIC show!!!!

Mark this date on your calendar **Wednesday 12th September** (Week 8 Term 3).

It will be held at our usual venue - Swansea High School Hall at 7pm.

Every child at Swansea Public School will have the opportunity to participate.

The theme for this year is about "*dear old Grandma and Grandpa*" who have been pulled into their TV by a magic remote left by mysterious beings. Every time the remote is used the 2 are transported to different channels and countries. It's up to the Grandchildren and a bunch of crazy "Superheroes" to help them **ESCAPE!!**

We will keep you updated!

Michelle Melville - Coordinator



Cooking with 4/3G

PEA AND SWEETCORN HOMMUS WITH VEGE STICKS

500 grams of sweetcorn and peas...frozen pack from the shops...FRESH IS ALWAYS BEST!

1 teaspoon garlic crushed

1 teaspoon cumin

2 Tablespoons of Tahini

1 or 2 teaspoons of lemon juice

In a food processor blend it all until a paste is made. Chunky or smooth...It is up to you.

Enjoy on carrot, cucumber or celery sticks.

Goes well with crackers if you are not in the mood to chop vegies



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PBL



Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) - What's the buzz this week?

Focus: Recess In The Park

Students will sit with their class in the quad area for 'eating recess'. When the bell goes, students will be asked to place rubbish in the bin and then they can forward out to the park (must be wearing a school hat) or stay in the quad area. It is expected students will return to lines in time (being safe and responsible) and be ready for the second bell (being respectful).

It is wonderful to see so many students receiving class awards at Friday morning whole school assembly for **being respectful, being an active learner or being safe and responsible**. Keep up the great effort Swansea!

Students continue to learn about the 3Bs every Tuesday afternoon from 2.30-3pm.

Thank you again for your continued support and helping make PBL the best it can be in benefiting all the students of Swansea PS.

Easter Hat Parade 29th March

The Easter Hat Parade will start at 12pm, families can arrive from 11.30am (please not before this time as it will be recess and students will be returning to classes).

We would like to encourage families to make use of any materials as suggested in the hat making note that you can reuse and repurpose for your child's Easter Hat.

Thank you to all the families for sending in hat shapes and decorations! Please ensure you have hat shapes and decorations in a labelled bag to the class teacher. This Thursday 22nd March is our whole school hat making afternoon. This is always a fun afternoon where students can be very creative in decorating their own hat. Kindergarten will enjoy having their Year 6 buddies help them.

Harmony Day 21st March

This Wednesday – come dressed in orange to celebrate Harmony Day. It can be an orange shirt or shorts for example. Students will participate in a variety of rotational activities on Wednesday to further increase their understanding of diversity.

We believe that the diversity in our community makes individuals and our community stronger. Students bought home a questionnaire yesterday to do with their families to learn more about diversity. We appreciate you taking the time to fill this in with your child. During Harmony Day week there will be class discussions about diversity within our local community. A variety of books related to 'Belonging' will also be shared with students. This year's theme **'Everyone Belongs'** encourages inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.



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A big thank you to Mrs Clack and Mr Brooks for helping to get the school library organised again so students could start borrowing. Their assistance was invaluable and much appreciated.

Another thank you goes to Mrs Clack for donating some lovely brand new picture books.

A big thank you to Jacob and Leyton York, who save the plastic bags from their weekly shopping trips and bring them to the Library so students can still borrow a book, even if they have forgotten their Library Bag. With the rainy weather last week, the plastic bags were very useful. Thank you Jacob and Leyton for your thoughtfulness.



Fundraiser



just \$65

I will be fundraising for the school Library by selling the local Newcastle, Central Coast and Hunter Entertainment Books this year. You will receive great discounts and 2 for 1 deals, to be used throughout 2018 and to the end of June 2019.

The Entertainment Books offer savings on many family restaurants, shopping and activities. Each book, hard copy or digital, **costs \$65**. If you would like to take a look at this year's offers, go to the link below:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/about/flickbook/newcastle>

If you would like to purchase an Entertainment Book, go to Swansea Public School's special link:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/346k53>

Choose a digital copy or a hard copy.

Unfortunately we will only be accepting
ONLINE PAYMENTS!

There will be **NO CASH PURCHASES!**

If you have purchased a digital copy you will be able to access it immediately.

If you have purchased a hard copy, an email will come to me and you can collect it from the Office, from Monday 9th April, or it will be sent home with your child/ren. As most people purchase digital copies, I will only have a limited amount of hard copies at school until Term 2 holidays.



Thank you for your continued support.

Keep reading.

Dr Henry (Teacher/librarian)



Easter Raffle

Reminder to please return your Easter Raffle Tickets to school.

Easter Hat Parade is on Thursday 29th March and all tickets must be returned before then.

Thank you to those who have started donating towards the Easter Hampers - keep on bringing them to the Office....

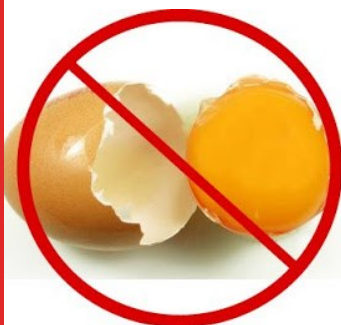


Swansea Public School is a Egg & Nut Free Zone

Your school is Eggs, nuts and nut products free zone.

Nut products such as Nutella and Peanut Butter should not be sent to school.

Please ensure that the food your children bring to school contains no egg or nut products.



ICAS Testing Dates



Digital Technologies

Sitting Date: 8 May



Science

Sitting Date: 29 May



Spelling

Sitting Date: 13 June



Writing

Sitting Date: 14 June



English

Sitting Date: 31 July



Mathematics

Sitting Date: 14 Aug

The date to apply for these tests are now closed. Thank you to those students who took the challenge.



Sports in Schools - Stage 2



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Community Notices



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HEALTHY NUTRITIOUS
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Visit healthylunchbox.com.au for recipes & information you can trust.

 **Eat It To Beat It**

 **Nutrition Snippet**

The simplest way

...to pack a lunch box is here!

The task of packing a healthy school lunch is now easier with the launch of our exciting new Healthy Lunch Box website healthylunchbox.com.au

The new website shows how easy it can be to pack a healthy lunch box that your kids will love.



It features an interactive lunch box builder that enables you to plan your kids' lunches on your phone, desktop or tablet - it's quick, easy and the kids will love helping too!

Healthy recipes and tips on adding more fruit and veg to lunch boxes will help set your child on a path of lifelong healthy eating to reduce their cancer risk.

Visit healthylunchbox.com.au for recipes & information you can trust.



J&B DANCE

Try your First Week Free!
Classes from \$5.50

Classes at Swansea Public School

Wednesday

- 3:15 pm - 5 to 12 Yrs Jazz Technique
- 3:45 pm - 5 to 12 Yrs Jazz
- 4:15 pm - 5 to 12 Yrs Hip Hop
- 4:45 pm - 5 to 12 Yrs Contemporary



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TERM 1 EVENTS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
W e e k 8	19	20	21 Harmony Day wear Orange to school	22 Easter Hat Making Day	23	4/25
W e e k 9	26	27 Head lice check K-6	28 High Sch Taster lessons 1:50 to 3 pm	29 Easter Hat Parade 11:30 to 1 pm Last Day of payment K-2 Blackbutt excursion	30 Good Friday	31/1 Easter Weekend
W e e k 1 0	2 Easter Monday	3 April	4	5	6 Athletics Carnival	7/8
W e e k 1 1	9	10 K-2 Blackbutt Excursion	11 P&C Meeting 6pm	12 ANZAC Day Ceremony School Disco	13 Last Day of Term 1	4/15

Harmony Day 21st March - everyone belongs



Buzzy says.....

Be Respectful



**Be an Active
Learner**



**Be Safe and
Responsible**

