

Sutton School Newsletter

"Value Learning, Learning Values"

Term 3 Week 6

Principal: Clare Pritchard

Friday 31st August, 2018

Principal's Message

Last Thursday I met both our local member Ms Pru Goward and the NSW Minister for Education, Mr Rob Stokes, when the Premier and Cabinet Ministers joined representatives from key community organisations at a morning tea in Queanbeyan. The Premier and Cabinet Ministers hear directly from the community about important issues and priorities in the local area. This was the perfect opportunity to raise awareness of our needs and priorities for future planning as our school and community continue to grow. Work continues to develop our Masterplan Concept and further meetings between the community and the Department of Education through the year are planned to finalise plans for school renewal and improvement.

This week Mrs Lochrin has attended an Induction conference for Assistant Principals. She has had an inspiring time and will bring back to school up to date information regarding programs and policies of the Department including changes to the delivery of NAPLAN, the introduction of new curriculum documents for 2019 and research and practices which support school leadership at all levels and enhanced learning outcomes for our school.

Mrs Lochrin has heard from a broad range of Keynote speakers and thoroughly enjoyed meeting Mr Eddie Woo. Mr Woo gave the Australia Day address in NSW in 2018, the first time a teacher has done so. On 25 January 2018, Mr Woo won the Australian Local Hero Award at the Australian of the Year Awards. Eddie Woo has been teaching mathematics for more than 10 years. His YouTube channel has over 330,000 subscribers and had more than 18 million views worldwide as of August 2018.



Clare Pritchard
Principal

Diary Dates

Sat 1st Sept - Sutton Spring Fling

Tues 11th Sept - Year 3/4 Deep Space excursion

Fri 21st Sept - Grandparents Day

Fri 28th Sept - Last Day of Term 3

Mon 15th Oct - First Day Term 4



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Head Lice

Head lice have once again been reported in the school. Please examine your child's hair and if needed treat with a number of solutions which are available from the chemist or supermarkets. Alternatively you could use the conditioner treatment with the head lice comb. You will need to treat your child for 7 continuous days.



Southern Stars

The students are preparing to start their rehearsals. Good luck and have fun!



More Snow Sport News

This week the Sutton Public School Snow Sports team participated in the NSW Interschools State Titles at Thredbo.

The boys' team, Jet and Jack finished 5th in both Boarder Cross and Giant Slalom and have qualified for the Australian Interschools Championships to be held at Perisher in early September.

The highlight of the event was Winter winning silver in Boarder Cross. Winter has also qualified for the Australia Interschools Championships.

Congratulations to all involved, another great effort in both events.

Voluntary School Contributions

Voluntary family contributions have been set for this year at *\$100 for one child and \$130 for multiple children* attending the school. School contributions are voluntary - not compulsory. Payment is a matter for decision by parents and the school will ensure the confidentiality of all matters dealing with the collection of contributions. If you would like further information, or would like to discuss this, please do not hesitate to contact the Principal. We are most grateful for your support.

Payments can be made online. In "Payment Options" please select "Voluntary School Contributions". Cash payments and EFTPOS can be made at the school office.



Sutton Spring Fling

To be held at the Sutton Hall

Saturday 1st September

Students are encouraged to take part in the Mini -Show by entering their work in the Cooking, Photography or Junior Art displays. Show entry forms are attached to this newsletter and available from our website. The show will be held between 10am and 2pm in the Sutton Hall.

The Bushdance will kick off from 6:30pm. Tickets for the dance are available from The Baker and Sutton Store. We hope you can support our local community.

SEE YOU THERE

SPELLING BEE FINALS

Best of luck to our four Spelling Bee Finalists. Tom B, Olsen P, Sam T and Chantal W will travel to Nimmitabel next Wednesday to compete in the 2018 Regional Finals of the Premier's Spelling Bee.

Play basketball this summer!

Do you want to play basketball this summer? Or just want to try a new sport?

On Tuesday September 4 and 11 Stuart Whitten (and some happy helpers!) will be running a 'come and try basketball' session after school for years 3 and up. The boys and girls who played last summer are very keen to play again and we hope to have at least one boys and a girls team from Sutton playing with Ginninderra Rats in the Canberra Competition again this summer. As in previous years we will train at Sutton school afternoons initially and moving to mornings when the heat hits. Any year 1 or 2 children who are interested in playing should get in touch with Stuart too.

Supporting Our Farmers!

A collection point for items of assistance to donate to drought stricken farmers has been placed in the front office. **Items welcomed include:**

Non-Perishable Food, Pet Food, Personal Hygiene Products, Milk Replacement for calves and lambs, Fuel Vouchers, Other Necessities.

Thanks for your generosity.

Communication Survey

In an effort to streamline our communication methods for easy access of information, we are asking parents and community members to take part in a communication survey.

The link is also available on Skoolbag and our website. We appreciate your feedback!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LFC38MC>

Attention: Year 3 and 5 Parents

NAPLAN Online Readiness Test

As part of the transition to move NAPLAN from a paper based to an online test, a School readiness test will be undertaken by NSW schools in August and September. Our students will complete the trial during Week 7.

P&C NEWS

NEXT P&C MEETING

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH

7PM

IN MRS DEACON'S CLASSROOM

ALL WELCOME

SCHOOL FAIR 2019

Saturday April 6th

At the end of this term planning will begin for next year's Country Fair. As there will be no Car Carnival, we're looking for fun, new ideas for events to be held on the day.

If you're interested in being part of the organising committee, returning as a stall coordinator or just having a say in our biggest fundraising event for the year, please come along to our first meeting.

Thursday 6th September, 7pm

Location: Mrs Deacon's Class Room.

MURRAMBATEMAN FIELD DAYS

20th – 21st October

Volunteers are once again needed to help out at Murrumbateman Field Days. This is a great way to spend a few hours in the fresh air, raising money for our school.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Sophie Davis on 0455 756 127 or email parcelpickups@hotmail.com

If you would like to **volunteer** or discuss any of the P&C fundraising or events, please contact Linda Uzubalis on 0410 294 420 or suttonpublicschool-fun@pandcaffiliate.org.au