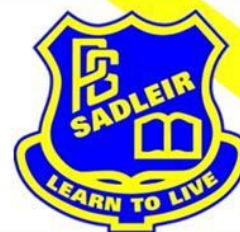


SADLEIR SNIPPETS



7th May 2014

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Thank you to all the students, parents and teachers who have welcomed me so warmly to Sadleir Public School. Even after one week I can see that Sadleir is a great school and the students are an outstanding group. I was very impressed with the respect the students showed at the ANZAC Assembly last week. Our special guest, Mr Lewsam, from the RSL praised the behaviour and attitude of our students.

During my first week I have observed that classrooms at Sadleir are very well organised, attractive and engaging learning spaces and that the teachers are very committed to providing all our students with a high quality education. I believe that all students can achieve success and that when the school works with parents and the community, outcomes for students are greatly enhanced.

A big thanks to Mr Gray for giving up his time in the holidays to help me settle in. I am very much looking forward to getting to know everyone and building on the great things happening at the school.

Matthew Ralph
Principal

Teachers as learners

Our teaching staff spent last week's School Development Day with teachers from 14 local schools learning about current research and practical strategies in relation to quality teaching and learning and student engagement. Teachers from all participating schools shared knowledge and expertise. A big

thanks to Mrs Byrnes and Mrs Duricic for organising and presenting the Sadleir PS workshop.

Kids, social media and privacy

Regardless of your child's age, the world may already know a lot more about them than you suspect. According to recent research:

- 92% of children under the age of 2 have a digital shadow (- it starts with proud parents posting newborn baby photos on Facebook or Instagram)
- a quarter of Australian children 8 - 12 years old use Facebook, but the minimum age for a user is 13 years.
- more than 20 per cent of tweens publish photos of themselves on Instagram

2014 Privacy Awareness Week, 4 - 10 May 2014, is a good time to review your family's privacy settings and discuss online security. You'll find lots of practical information and resources to share with your kids at www.ipc.nsw.gov.au

Printable planners for homework and study

School A to Z has printable monthly planners which include school holidays and the numbered weeks of each Term (for example Monday 19 May is the start of Week 4, in Term 2). Print one for each child to stick on the fridge or on their noticeboards. It's a great way to teach them how scheduling their time.

Download May 2014 at <http://bit.ly/UbmQz8>



Application for opportunity class placement in Year 5 in 2015

Government schools use a range of strategies to meet the educational needs of gifted and talented students. One strategy is opportunity class placement which provides intellectual stimulation and an educationally enriched environment for gifted and talented students.

Offers for opportunity class placement will be made on the basis of the Opportunity Class Placement Test results and school assessment.

Parents seeking opportunity class placement for Year 5 entry in 2015 are required to submit an application by 16 May 2014. Parents with access to the internet, a printer and their own email address (not the student's) should apply for opportunity class placement online by going to this internet website: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. If you do not have internet access and wish to complete a form, please see Mrs Byrnes before Tuesday 12 May.

Late applications will not be accepted after the closing date of 16 May 2014 except in areas where there is a shortage of suitable candidates. Any other enquiries please contact Mrs Byrnes.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

8th May – School Photos

13th May – Sydney Aquarium - KC & KP

13th 14th 15th May - NAPLAN

Uniform Shop

Uniform Shop is open on:

Tuesday and Thursday mornings only

8:30am – 9:00am.

Please report to the school office first. If you are not able to come at this time you may phone through an order and pick it up later. Don't forget long sleeve polo shirts are available for Winter.



PSSA Representative

Congratulations to Calvin Kongmalavong and Prince Jack Fretton who have recently been selected in the Green Valley PSSA Boys Softball team and Bryce Wilson who has been selected to play in the Sydney South West PSSA Rugby League team. We wish them good luck in their upcoming matches.

UPCOMING ASSEMBLIES

9th May 3/4Y

16th May 5/6J



ANZAC Day Service

School Captains, Ken and Sasha, did a wonderful job as speakers for the ANZAC Service we held last Thursday in our school hall to commemorate the men and women who have fought bravely in wars for our country.

Mr Geoff Lewsam was a guest speaker on the day, and was very impressed with our behaviour as a school, which was pleasing to hear.

The wreath Mrs Kazzi made was beautiful, and I know Yarrah and Blade were proud to lay it beneath the Australian flag during the service.

Thank you to those parents and families who attended.

Mrs Brown



Stewart House

It's time again to clean out our wardrobes and cupboards and gather together all the old clothes which we no longer have need for and donate them to Stewart House.

Stewart House has a proud history providing short term respite care for public school students in need of a break from their current circumstance. Through the generosity of schools, teachers, individuals, organisations and corporations, Stewart House has been able to cater for over 150,000 children since it opened in 1931.

Stewart House is a not for profit organisation and is the official charity of the Department of Education and Communities.

A Stewart House bag will be sent home with your copy of Sadleir Snippets and all clothing donations must be returned by **Thursday 22 May 2014.**



2014 Cross Country

The Sadleir School Cross Country was held on Tuesday 6th May.

We had a great day, the sun was shining, we proudly wore our house colours and we were ready to run.

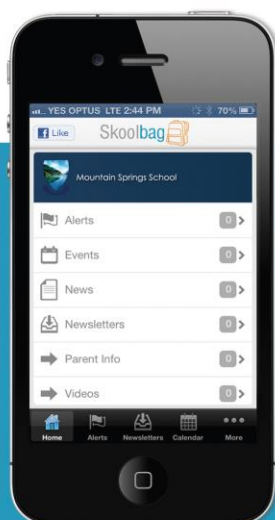
It was wonderful to see the house captains leading their houses and promoting their house to gain house spirit points.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended and supported all our amazing students.

Well done to all the students who participated in the carnival, you all did yourselves proud.



Get ready to run!



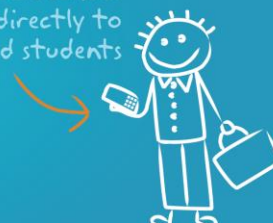
Skoolbag

Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- > School, free push notification alerts
- > School events
- > School newsletters
- > School documents
- > School RSS feeds
- > School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

iPhone & iPad Users

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



Android Users

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
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