



## Days to Remember!

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday** - Canteen Open

**Tuesday, Thursday** - Uniform Shop Open 8:30-9:00am

**Tuesday** - School Banking Day

**Wednesday** - Playgroup

**Thursday** - Parent Café, PSSA Training

**Friday** - K-6 Assembly, K-6 Sport Day, PSSA Sport

## Newsletter Dates

Term 2 Newsletter Dates:

Week 2 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May

Week 5 Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Week 8 Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June

Week 10 Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June



## What's on @ Sadleir

### Term 1 Week 10

- ♦ Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March - Easter Monday Public Holiday
- ♦ Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April - PSSA Round 6
- ♦ Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April - K-6 Assembly with an item performed by K/1P

### Term 1 Week 11

- ♦ Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April - 3C, 3/4Y, 4M, 4L excursion to Sydney Observatory
- ♦ Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April - Cops and Kids NRL League Tag day.
- ♦ Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April - PSSA Round 7
- ♦ Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April - K-6 Assembly hosted by the Class SRC Representatives.
- ♦ Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April - Crazy Sock Day
- ♦ Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April - Last day of Term 1

### Term 2 Week 1

- ♦ Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April - ANZAC Day Public Holiday
- ♦ Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April - Staff Development Day
- ♦ Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April - Students return to school
- ♦ Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April - PSSA Round 8
- ♦ Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April - K-6 Assembly hosted by the Oxley & Flinders House Captains

### Term 2 Week 2

- ♦ Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - K-6 School Cross Country
- ♦ Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May - PSSA Round 9
- ♦ Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May - K-6 Assembly with an item performed by 5/6T

### Term 2 Week 3

- ♦ Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May - Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN Language Conventions and Writing
- ♦ Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May - Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN Reading
- ♦ Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May - Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN Numeracy
- ♦ Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May - PSSA Round 10
- ♦ Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May - K-6 Assembly hosted by 4M

## Mr Ralph's Principals Report

During the last couple of weeks we have had a number of exciting developments at school. The new Support Unit playground has been completed and the children are already enjoying the shade, soft surface and play equipment. Last Thursday Stage 3 ran the 2016 Easter Fair. A big thanks to Miss James, Mr Tran and Mrs Low and all the stage 3 students for organising the day. Over 100 parents and carers attended and from what I could see everyone had a great time. The Easter Hat Parade was as always a highlight with some absolutely fantastic creations on show.

Last week members of our P&C executive met with a member of the Liverpool Council's traffic team. Traffic around the school is extremely busy and the P&C has made a number of recommendations to council to enhance safety around the school. Please read the tips for safe driving in and around our school.

Children are vulnerable road users. Their physical size and developmental limitations place them at risk in the traffic environment. Drivers are less likely to be able to see a small child and it is harder for children to see oncoming traffic. Their lack of road experience means it is difficult for children to judge dangerous situations. Children's safety to and from school is an important road safety issue. There are several tips for drivers and students for drop off and pick up in school zones.

### Tips for drivers:

- ♦ Always drop-off and pick-up from the designated area, following the school's procedure
- ♦ Drivers should remain in their vehicles at all times
- ♦ Ensure children use the footpath-side door when getting in and out of the car
- ♦ Make sure the hand brake is applied when the vehicle is stationary
- ♦ Never double park
- ♦ Never park across a pedestrian crossing
- ♦ Never make a U-turn close to the school
- ♦ Never call your children from across the road



### NAPLAN

Our Year 3 and Year 5 students will participate in the 2016 National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) early next term.

NAPLAN provides our school with useful data to evaluate our students' progress. You can help your child prepare for NAPLAN by encouraging them to read and by talking to them about what they have learnt at school or even what they have watched on TV or at the movies.

Mr Ralph



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## Clean Up Australia Day at Sadleir P.S

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March, Sadleir Public School participated in the Schools Clean Up Day. The aim of this day was to promote caring for our environment and to engage students in learning about sustainability. Students were involved in activities concerning conservation, waste reduction and recycling.

“We learnt that it is important to put rubbish in the bin otherwise it can end up in our waterways and harm sea animals.” Walid 3/4Y

“School clean up day is not just about picking up rubbish on one day but making sure our environment is always clean.” Ilesha 4M



## National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016 we celebrated the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence and Harmony Day. All classes helped decorate the hall and shared how they are going to take a stand against bullying. Brianna our 2016 School ambassador ran the assembly presentation along with the help of Janna, Ahmed, Mariam, Miah, Jasmine and Noah. They all did an outstanding job.

Everyone received a wristband and pledged to say no way to bullying. Thank you to all the parents and friends who joined us and congratulations to our class ‘Bullying. No Way!’ poster winners!



KH - Abdul

1W - Monica

3C - Aisha

4/5L - Dan

3-6M - Wael

KM - Sing

1/2B - Jayda

3/4M - Uyen

5/6J - Amar

1-5C - James

K/1P - Abir

2W - Jinan

4M - Amali

5/6T - Kristine



## 5L, 5/6J & 5/6T Journey to Antarctica Incursion with Chris Olsen

The time we had on Wednesday with Chris Olsen was awesome! We learnt a lot about Antarctica and Chris' experiences travelling there. We got to touch ice from Antarctica and also rocks. Chris taught us about his tools and gear that he used in his three trips to Antarctica. We all learnt so much about penguins and the ice. Chris showed us some funny videos of penguins. It was a great experience. By Jasmine 5/6T



Our incursion was a lot of fun. We got to touch real ice from Antarctica and we got to touch real rocks too. Chris Olsen talked to us about Antarctica and he showed us a lot of photos of animals he had taken. He had a slideshow that showed us all the photos and videos. Three people got to help him smash ice. The ice went everywhere. It was a lot of fun and I learnt a lot of new things. By Alyssa 5/6T



## Sadleir Super Stars!

Sara of 3C is traveling to Hong Kong to dance in the April school holidays!

"I am travelling with 25 members of SJ Dance to perform in Hong Kong. I will be dancing at Disneyland, Ocean Park and Stanley Plaza. I will also be taking a professional Chinese dance class there too! I can't wait, it is going to be so much fun!" by Sara.

We wish you the best of luck Sara and can't wait to hear all about your adventures when you get back!

Congratulations to George from 5/6J who has been selected in the Green Valley PSSA Open Rugby League team. George will play in the Sydney South West Regional Championships next term. Good luck George!



We love sharing our students' success both in and out of school. If you have any exciting news to share please see Miss Collas.



## Easter Fun Fair & Easter Hat Parade

The Easter Celebration was a huge event. The first thing was the Easter Fair where there were lots of activities. For example; the great bunny race, footy pass, lucky numbers and magic cups and a bunch more. As prizes you could win chocolate eggs. There were also free activities, face painting, hair spray, a raffle run by the Senior SRC and an Easter photo booth. Next we had lunch where the parents and carers were invited to stay. The parents also had a parent café. After lunch we had our Easter Hat Parade where everyone had made a hat to present at the parade. It was a colourful and creative parade. We had prizes for the people whose hats won and also prizes for people who won the raffle. After that we had afternoon tea. The money raised from the event was put towards the Year 6 farewell that is at the end of the year. At the end of the day everyone had lots of eggs and everyone had a blast! By Janna 5/6J



Our Easter Celebration was a huge success and it was an enjoyable event for everybody. First we had our Easter Fair and it had many activities including hoopla, footy pass, lucky numbers, the great bunny race and lots more. We also had some other things such as hair spray, face painting, a raffle run by the SRC and an Easter photo booth. Next we had lunch where parents and carers could have lunch with their children if desired. After lunch we had our annual Easter Parade where all students presented their Easter hats, when announced, in classes. There were many Easter hats made out of different colours, shapes and textures. Every class had a winner and a runner up and some students were lucky to win some prizes from the raffle. After afternoon tea students went back to their classes to do some Easter activities. In summary, it was a great day for everybody. By Mariam 5/6J



## PSSA Report

Season 1 of PSSA is at the halfway point and we are continuing to have a successful season. Just a reminder that PSSA is representative sport and all students, parents and spectators are expected to adhere to the GVPSSA code of conduct. We have included the code of behaviour below. Round 5 was cancelled due to the weather.

	Round 3				Round 4		
Girls Touch	Sadleir P.S	v's	Mount Pritchard PS		Sadleir P.S	v's	Green Valley PS
Junior	6	defeated	1		9	defeated	0
Senior	4	defeated	0		6	defeated	1
Boys Softball	Sadleir P.S	v's	Greenway Park PS		Sadleir P.S	v's	Ashcroft PS
Junior	9	defeated	6		14	defeated	2
Senior	6	defeated	0		12	defeated	3
Newcombeball	Sadleir P.S	v's	Hoxton Park PS		Sadleir P.S	v's	Greenway Park PS
Junior	2	defeated	0		2	defeated	0
Senior	1	defeated by	2		2	defeated	0

### GREEN VALLEY DISTRICT P.S.S.A. CODES OF BEHAVIOUR

#### Players Code

- Be a good sport
- Play for enjoyment
- Work hard for your team as well as yourself
- Treat all team mates and opponents as you enjoy being treated yourself
- Play by the rules
- Co-operate with team and game officials
- Learn to value honest effort, skilled performance and improvement
- Wear appropriate safety equipment
- Wear full school sports uniform including a school hat
- Respect the venue, opposition and game officials

#### Parents Code

- Encourage participation by your children
- Provide a model of good sportsmanship for your child to copy
- Be courteous in your communication with players, team officials, game officials and sport administrators
- Encourage honest effort, skilled performance and team loyalty
- Do not interfere with the conduct of any event
- Ensure your child wears appropriate safety equipment
- Ensure your child is dressed in full school sports uniform including a school hat
- Respect the venue, opposition and game officials

#### Spectators Code

- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour
- Remember children play for enjoyment. Don't let your behaviour detract from their enjoyment
- Let game officials conduct events without interference
- Support skilled performances and team play with generous applause
- Demonstrate respect for opposing players and their supporters
- No alcohol
- No smoking
- No spectators behind plate markers
- Respect the venue, opposition and game officials





## Community News from Mrs Shashati

### Playgroup

Playgroup was full of fun and surprises during our Easter week! From egg & spoon races, Easter basket making, puppet shows, storytelling, to our playgroup Easter egg hunt! Thanks to Ms Blunt and the help of our awesome playgroup mums, we were able to collect lots of yummy Easter eggs in our newly created bunny baskets! Yum yum!

Playgroup is Wednesday mornings 9:00-11:00am, new members are very welcome.



### Parent Café

Thanks to Mrs Ali and Mrs Al Zahaowy, we were able to show off our creative flair in a basket making workshop, during our Parent Cafe. Mrs Ali showed us how to make beautiful but simple baskets for all occasions. Thanks for a fun morning!

Parent Cafe is every Thursday morning 9:15-10:15am, we hope to see you all there!



## P&C News

Thank you to all the parents and friends who came to our Annual General Parents and Citizens meeting. Congratulations to our 2016 officer bearers:



Safaa Achour  
President



Maria Tsoukalas  
Vice President



Kelly Rowland  
Vice President



Jenny Blunt  
Secretary



Randa Kalaoun  
Treasurer



Iman Skaf  
Fundraising



Layla Charafeddine  
Canteen Coordinator

Gjurgja Nedeska and Rezan Ali were also elected as members of the executive. We look forward to an exciting year ahead. Our P&C are meeting with our local member next week and are already discussing focus areas of 2016. The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2016. We hope to see you all there!

## April School Holidays

Just a reminder that the last day of Term 1 is Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2016.  
Term 2 begins for students on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2016.  
We hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe break and we look forward to an exciting Term 2.





## News from the Support Unit - K-2J, 1-5C & 3-6M

### Learning to Play

Students and Staff of the Support Unit are delighted to be spending time in their new playground area. With blue and red soft fall, whirly gigs for spinning and child sized table and seats, the playground offers a new learning area for our students. Under a new roof, the playground is an all weather space. Many of our students with sensory processing difficulties require movement and calm down spaces to support them to be in the zone for learning. The new playground offers a safe space for many of our students who find other areas in the school overwhelming.



### Sensory Board

A new feature in the playground is a sensory board. A sensory board is an interactive board with aspects that meet a young persons sensory needs. On this board you will feel textures, see light (from a torch the student has to push), spin wheels and make sounds (auditory). In this play students are able to get sensory needs met. Many thanks to Mrs Cass' dad, Abbey Caines, for his creativity, curiosity and inspiration in making the sensory board.



### Autism Spectrum Disorder

Children with ASD think and learn differently to other people. This means they find some things difficult that you might do easily, but they also find some things easier. People with Autism can have difficulties with social skills and communicating with others. They can find it hard making sense of information from their senses and tend to prefer repetitive activities or have a narrow range of interests. People with Autism often have strengths like strong visual memory, or a great memory for facts, like to focus on details or the ability to remain focused on tasks for a long time.



The students in the support unit at Sadleir Public School learn the same things as everyone else in the school. They learn English skills, maths, science, history, physical education and arts. Their learning is adjusted for each individual, and most learning happens with visual supports and is functional and interests based. Learning also focuses on the students' priorities – maybe speech, social skills, sensory processing, behaviour understanding...so lives can be as meaningful and productive as anyone else.

## World Autism Month

The month of April is World Autism Month. The aim of this month is to provide understanding and information on the world of people with Autism – so people can have compassion and patience for difference, and those who experience the world differently to you.

On the last day of Term One at Sadleir Public School, you might see people wearing wrist bands celebrating World Autism Month, blue jigsaw puzzle pieces in our classroom windows and students celebrating the theme “Dare to be different”. Like our recent learning in Bullying No Way! having a good life is about understanding difference and celebrating that we are all different but all the same. This is also the day we are celebrating the opening of our new playground.



## Preschool News



We have started our own awards in Preschool, as we want to recognise children when they have achieved something they've been working hard on. Last week Rihaan received the first award for listening to the teachers at lunch, and packing his bag properly, a big task we've been learning. This will be a random award, and although they will all want an award straight away, the children will learn the value of their achievement when they least expect it.

Mrs Elliott will be completing her Primary Teaching Uni prac, 3 days a week over the coming weeks. Miss Dixon, who you all now know, will be replacing her for the duration of this time.



Parent helper days will be starting again in Term 2, on a Monday and Friday, so please see the teachers to arrange a WWCC form and write your name on the calendar in our room.

Make sure you read the photo day book on Wednesday and Friday to see what your children are interested in, and use it as a discussion point for finding out more about their days.



## School Uniform

Just a reminder that it is expected that **all** students K-6 will wear the new school sport shirt and royal blue sport shorts/pants or royal blue track pants on a Friday by the **beginning of Term 2**. This uniform is compulsory for students representing our school in PSSA and district events. All students K-6 are expected to wear **plain black school** shoes Monday to Thursday. Boys wear grey socks and girls white socks. Sports shoes will need to be worn on a Friday with the sport uniform.

As the cooler months approach please make sure that students are wearing the correct winter uniform. Plain blue jumpers and jackets are not considered school uniform and students are asked to wear the school jumper and jacket with the school crest. Any accessories including gloves, scarves and beanies need to be plain royal blue.

### Monday - Thursday winter uniform for boys and girls

- ♦ Royal blue track pants or royal blue ankle length skirt
- ♦ Yellow polo shirt with crest or yellow long sleeve polo with crest or yellow skivvy
- ♦ Royal blue and yellow school jumper or school jacket with the SPS crest
- ♦ Grey socks for boys, white socks for girls.
- ♦ Black shoes
- ♦ School hat



### Fridays - winter sport uniform for boys and girls

- ♦ Royal blue sport shorts, royal blue track pants, royal blue long sport pants
- ♦ Royal blue and yellow sport shirt with school crest or royal blue and yellow long sleeve sport shirt with school crest
- ♦ Royal blue and yellow school jumper or school jacket with the SPS crest
- ♦ White socks or school soccer socks
- ♦ Joggers/sandshoes
- ♦ School hat

## Using Technology at Home

Did you know that you can access Mathletics and ABC Reading Eggs at home? Sadleir Public School pays for all students K-6 to use these programs both at school and at home.

Mathletics is an educational website that allows students from across the world to engage in high level mathematical tasks, activities and competitions 24/7.

**Website:** [www.mathletics.com.au](http://www.mathletics.com.au)

**iPad App:** Mathletics Student



ABC Reading Eggs makes learning to read interesting and engaging for kids, with great online reading games and activities. ABC Reading Eggs supports each child's learning by offering individual, one-on-one lessons. These online lessons allow your child to progress at their own rate.

**Website:** [www.readingeggs.com.au](http://www.readingeggs.com.au)

**iPad App:** ABC Reading Eggs



Students will need their Mathletics and ABC Reading Eggs usernames and passwords.

# APRIL IS NATIONAL AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

join us in  
CELEBRATION



awareness

action

acceptance

inclusion

appreciation

## CRAZY SOCKS DAY

AT SADLEIR PUBLIC SCHOOL

**FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL (Last day of term)**

**Wear your sports uniform and **Dare to be Different** with your Socks!!!**

**Don't buy new ones just decorate the ones you have.**

**Please bring a Gold coin donation to support Autism Awareness**

**Prizes to be won**



**(PSSA students please bring plain white sport socks to change into for sport)**