Ms Reid’s Message

Spring is finally here and we are all looking forward to warmer weather and sunny skies. Just a reminder that hats are to be worn outside at all times and students are encouraged to bring their own water bottle. Also as it is getting warmer the students will take their jackets and jumpers off during the day. Please ensure all your child’s clothing is labelled clearly with their name.

Book Week Celebration

The theme for Book Week 2015: ‘Books Light up our World’.
The students had a great time last Wednesday when they celebrated Book Week. Mrs Stoker read them a story, “The Lighthouse Cat” and then the students were able to read their favourite stories ‘under the covers’ using a torch. It was a fun and different activity which the students thoroughly enjoyed.

They then made a beautiful art creation of a lighthouse with a boat they had decorated and the name of their favourite story written on the sail. Well done students, it looks amazing!

Here are a few photos...

Parent Information

Afternoon/Evening - POSTPONED to: Wednesday 16th September @ 2:00pm
(in the classroom)

PLEASE NOTE:
This event was planned for tomorrow, Wednesday 2nd September & has now been postponed to Wednesday 16th September at 2:00pm. We would love to see as many parents as possible. Mrs Wilson will be providing a crèche, so little children will be cared for while parents learn all about our literacy and numeracy programs. Understanding what your children are doing at school will give you a guide to helping them at home with many daily activities.
The programs are the literacy program – L3 and the numeracy program – TEN & NUMERACY AT HOME. We plan on presenting the programs in a relaxed atmosphere of explanation and discussion with a cuppa and a snack.

P&C Father’s Day Raffle

The P&C are running a Father’s Day raffle. Tickets have gone home today for students to sell to family & friends. First Prize is a Bunnings Gift Voucher & Second Prize is a Drink Voucher. Please return money & tickets by Thursday 3rd September. Raffle will be drawn on Friday 4th September 2015.

Music Program

Our Music program started last week with our instructor Jamie Brown. The students loved the movement and dance and Mr Brown is organising a special surprise performance for our Presentation Night!
Focus Week: RESPECT

We often discuss respect and this week we are focusing on respecting property. We have had a couple of incidents at school where some students have shown very little respect or concern for our school property and equipment has been broken or damaged. This is very upsetting for the staff and the students as we all work very hard to provide an interesting environment for the students with great learning resources. When something is deliberately damaged it shows total disregard for our school and everyone involved in it. It is also very expensive to replace equipment. With constant reinforcing from home and school hopefully the students will understand the importance of respecting other people’s property.

Numeracy at Home Program

The students are enjoying the games! Thankyou students and parents for returning the games every Friday. Please remember that even if you don’t have time to play the games, they must be returned by Friday and they can be re-borrowed the following week.

Assembly Awards

Terrific Award:
Brendan Colley – for great dancing

Superstar Award:
Charlotte Heywood – excellent work in science.

Home Reading/Library

The students are encouraged to borrow our books, however they are unable to reborrow until they have returned the previous week’s books. We are missing some books borrowed from the library earlier in the year and last year, and notices have been sent home concerning these. We would appreciate your assistance in returning these books as soon as possible.

Cooking

Cooking is still happening every week – thank you to those parents who are sending in $2 every week to help cover the costs. This week the students are cooking a special treat for dad for Father’s Day.

School Photos

Thank you parents for sending your students to school beautifully dressed for the school photos last week. The photography company did a wonderful job and we are eagerly awaiting the photos to be returned to us.

Why not visit our Website:
http://www.somerton-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Enrolments are now being taken for students who are starting Kindergarten in 2016. An orientation program will be conducted in Term 4, where the students will come to school and be involved in activities to help them become familiar with our school and teachers in preparation for the commencement of their first year of school at Somerton Public School. If any of the community know of any families who have school aged students about to commence kindergarten in 2016, I would appreciate it if you could ask them to contact the school and I can give them an information pack and details of enrolling if they wish to do so.
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**Nutrition Snippet**

**The simplest way**

...to get organised for school lunches.

Over the course of your child’s school life, you will pack around 2,500 school lunches!

Follow our six-step method to make school lunches easy, healthy and eaten every day!

1. Always include a serve of fruit (cut up if your child is young)
2. Always include a serve of vegies (don’t forget legumes like baked beans count, too?)
3. Always include a drink of water
4. Always include a serve of wholegrains (bread, rice or pasta leftovers)
5. Always include a serve of reduced-fat dairy (cheese, yoghurt)
6. Always include a protein (egg, chicken, tuna).

See our website and facebook for more ideas!

For more information visit

- www.eattobeatit.com.au
- or join us at facebook.com/eattobeatit

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**Nutrition Snippet**

**The simplest way**

...to make a healthy after-school snack.

Most kids are starving as they walk through the door – and reach for processed or packaged snacks for a quick hunger fix.

Get them to head to the fruit bowl, or vegie box in the fridge, instead… it’s healthier, and will leave them fuller for longer. Try:

- Asking your kids to pick a vegetable and fruit, and cut both into smaller pieces
- Adding a vegie dip to keep it interesting
- Making a fruit salad
- Adding a reduced-fat yoghurt and a sprinkle of muesli
- Visit our website for great muffin recipes

Our website is packed full of healthy ideas to help you stay inspired… have a look today!

For more information visit

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