



## Principal's Message

### Students return - Term 3

Welcome back to term 3. It's a very busy term. A crisp and cool start, but hopefully the days will progressively get warmer and drier throughout the term.

### Mathematics Workshops Parents

Late last term I ran a parent workshop on Mathematics. The group that came along were keen to have the next workshop based on maths activities which are specifically to a year level and what the students learn in that year. As the group that attended was made up of parents with children in year 3, I will start the first sessions with that year level.

I will be sending home a note to parents of children in year 3 with a return slip on Monday with some details to get a level of interest, availability of day and convenient times after school hours. From the slips I will set up the first session.

### Minister for the Environments Visit

The Hon Stephen Dawson MLC, Minister for Environment: Disability Services will be here in the Samson Primary School Garden on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August to make an announcement about a food waste program that Mr Evans has been building into our sustainability programs.

A member of Waste Wise will come to the school and conduct a food waste audit straight after lunch with one of our classes to determine how much food would be wasted if we did not reuse our food scraps in various ways in the garden or for the chickens. This is a great initiative for our school and one that many schools will be participating in. Our green team members will be participating in the visit.

### **GIFTED AND TALENTED: Primary Extension and Challenge (PEAC) - ASSESSMENT OF YEAR 4 STUDENTS FOR THE PEAC PROGRAM 2017**

The PEAC Program provides part time extension and enrichment for exceptionally able students in Years 5 and 6. PEAC offers a range of courses that provide the most able students with work that is intellectually challenging. All students in Year 4 will have the opportunity to be assessed for suitability for the PEAC Program. Students who are performing well at school are possible candidates for the program. There are some students in Year 4 whose potential is not so easily recognised. There may be students who are underachieving at school and there are some students who demonstrate certain skills and abilities more at home than at school.

Together, we can ensure that all students who have the potential for high academic performance are identified. **Testing will occur sometime in week 3 from 9:00am onwards.** The test will measure the student's ability to recognise patterns and to predict with speed and accuracy and measure each child's ability to apply their knowledge and learning. The scores from the test will be used in the selection of students for PEAC courses and extension programs for 2018. If you require further information please call Deputy Principal Fleur Hargreaves 9314 1921.

A letter will be sent be sent home in week 2 regarding parental permission.

**Please send an SMS to the number below rather than an email to the school**

### SMS – Absence Messages



For the parents who would like to send an SMS in the morning for your child's absence, the phone number is **0418 948 875**.

Rhonda Spencer - Principal

## STUDENT COUNCILLOR PROCESS FOR Semester 2 2017– Term 3-4

In week 2 of term 3 on Thursday, the year 5 & 6 students will be involved in listening to and voting for Samson's Term 3 and 4 student councillors. The student councillor panel will consist of six Year 6 students and two Year 5 Students; however this does depend on numbers of year groups that apply. The year 5 students once again are mentored by the year 6 students, gaining an understanding of what it means to be leader.

The Semester 2 Student Councillors will be announced at Assembly in week 4, 9 August with badges presented. Students will be told a letter sent to parents informing them as well.

### Applications for Kindergarten in 2018

Applications for a place in kindergarten for 2018 close today. If you have lodged an application they will be processed over the next four weeks and you will receive a letter asking you to come into the school and enrol your child.

### Applications for PrePrimary in 2018

Applications close today, Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2017.

Pre Primary is a compulsory year of education for all students. A child who lives or moves into the Samson Primary school zone after this date can enrol straight in to a Pre Primary class for 2018.

## CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING

Students are practising the cross country course throughout the term. Students start the course on the oval and run along the Lawrence Way footpath towards the front office, turning at Philmore Way and continuing along the footpath running behind the kindy building. This is a part of their daily fitness program for the term and ensures that all students can participate in our school event later in the term. **The date is now week 8, Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> September.**



# School Events

## ART ROOMS NEWS

Each year, a small selection of student art works are framed and put on display in our administration area. This is the entry point for visitors to our school and the display promotes the value we give to Visual Arts. This year Riley D, Sarah R, Ava W and Amber D. are congratulated for having their artworks selected for this program.

**Suzanne Coleman - Visual Arts Teacher**



## Technology Leaders

Congratulations to Evan and Ben who were selected by Mr Marshall to be the Technology leaders for 2017. Part of this role is to organise sound and power point presentations

for school items at assembly. This will be a year 6 position each year. In 2018 students who are interested in this role will be asked to express their interest in term 1.



## DENTAL SCREENING – Pre-Primary, Year 3 and Year 6 2017



The dental team from Coolbellup Dental Therapy Centre will be visiting the school on **Thursday 7 September** at 1:40pm to carry out dental screening of Pre-Primary, Year 3 and Year 6 children. Children whose parents have

not given consent for treatment under the School Dental Service will not be examined.

Please contact the Therapy Centre between 3:30pm and 4pm, Monday to Friday on 9337 7256 if you have any concerns regarding screening.

## BOOK WEEK 2017



**Our Book Week dress up day is in Term 3 on Friday, 25 August.**

All students from Pre-primary to Year 6 come along dressed as a book character from a children's book. They bring along the book. We have a book week parade so that students can see each other. Parents are welcome to attend and dress up. This event may also be celebrated in the class through literacy activities. The parade begins at 9 am in the covered assembly area or on the basket-ball court (weather permitting).

**The Book Week theme for 2017 is "Escape to Everywhere"**

### Chess Club – Years 2-6

Chess club will begin in term 3. All students in years 2 to 6 are invited to come along and play in the senior wet area every **Tuesday** at lunchtime start in **Week 2**. Join up with another player and have a game. If you want to learn come along on Tuesday and someone will teach you the fundamentals. The large chess set will be in place for the more skilled students to use. If the weather is sunny we will play outside on the tables, if the weather is cold or overcast we will play inside the wet area.



## SAMSON'S GOT TALENT CONCERT TALENT CONCERT 2017



We are running a talent contest for our students from year 1 to 6. Children work together to learn a song, dance, play an instrument, say a poem, tell jokes or present any act to participate in our talent show.

### Auditions

Junior students (Yrs 1-3) on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August.

Senior students (Yrs 4-7) on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

Groups or individuals audition in the music room and if selected perform at our concert.

### Concert Dates

Monday 18 September Yrs 1-3 at 1:00-1:50

Tuesday 19 September Yrs 4-6 at 1:00-1:50

Parents are welcome to come along and join in the fun.

## LAPATHON UPDATE

We held our annual LAPATHON last term. So far we have raised **\$2821.70 – AWESOME!**

**THE BIG DRAW:** Is at assembly Wednesday 9 August, students will have the opportunity to win prizes of:

**\$100     \$50     \$30**

Students who participate in the lapathon will receive one ticket to go into the draw. Additional tickets will be given for each \$5.00 raised. For example, if \$40.00 is raised there will be nine (9) chances in the 'Big Draw', one for participating, and eight for the \$40.00 raised.

## LAST DAY FOR LAPATHON MONEY

**Week 3 Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August** - We are still happy to receive money after this date.

## SPORTS UPDATE

Term 3 is our Athletics term. Please read the following information regarding Cross Country and Sports Carnivals:

Students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 work with their faction, during sport time, on the games that we participate in, building speed and stamina for the running events, and improving our distance jumps and throws.

The following events take place in Week 5 & 9:

- Week 5 Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August is our Interschool Cross Country Event. Selected students will be taken to Manning Park to run various distances around the park, competing against our Cockburn School District Association schools. This is an afternoon event only. Students selected will receive further information soon.
- Week 9 Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September Year 1 – 6 students take part in our Cross Country event, held at school 9:00am
- Week 9 Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September selected students participate in the Field Events (jumps, throws & long distance races), throughout day

Week 9 Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September is our BIG Track Events day. On this day, PP- Year 6 students come dressed in their faction shirts and colours to gather on the oval under tents to participate and cheer on their team members in running and team game events. More information will follow closer to the

## WANTED - PLASTIC COOL DRINK BOTTLES WITH LIDS

Mrs Dwyer is looking for 2 litre cool drink bottles with lids on for another outdoor project. Please leave with Mrs Dwyer or in the mini sulo bin in the vegie garden shed.

Thank you

Mrs Dwyer

## Chaplain Chatter



Our Virtue for term 3 is **Co-operation**. Co-operation is about working with others, learning from others and compromising. It is about working as a team, finding solutions so that everyone can be happy. Cooperation is about including everyone too. Supporting Virtues are: helpfulness, patience, unity and trust.

## Health Matters

Towards the end of term we had many children who were feeling unwell and sent home from school. Throughout term 3 classes will continue to have hand wash in the room. Please encourage your child to wash their hands after eating and reinforce coughing into a tissue. These healthy habits may keep your child away from germs.

## Coughing and Sneezing

Without Contaminating



1 If you have to sneeze or cough, cover your mouth and nose with a tissue.

2 Dispose of soiled tissues in the trash.

3 If you do not have a tissue, turn your face into your shoulder or the bend of your elbow to sneeze or cough.

4 Wash your hands often. If soap and water are not available, use an antiseptic product.

IF YOU ARE ILL, AVOID VISITING FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

[www.pandemiequebec.gouv.qc.ca](http://www.pandemiequebec.gouv.qc.ca)

Santé et Services sociaux  
Québec

### Smoking is not permitted:

- in any Department school premises, including the land area up to the boundaries;
- within five metres of any Department building entrance;
- within 10 metres of any air intake for ventilation equipment; or
- in any other Department building or vehicle.



## ***Book Fair 2017***

**Sept 12<sup>th</sup> to Sept 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Tuesday and Thursday afternoons**

The Book Fair is wonderful reading celebration giving your family the perfect opportunity to select books together.

**BOOK FAIR WILL BE OPEN ON  
PARENT NIGHT  
WEDNESDAY SEPT 20<sup>th</sup>**

Your support of this Library fundraiser provides learning resources for your school library.

Jo De Buelle and Bev Bennett

### **Term 4 Dates**

Mon	9 Oct	Pupil Free Day
Tues	10 Oct	Students Return
Mon	16 Oct	School Photos PPA Kindy Kangaroo
Tues	17 Oct	Kindy Emu, PPB Yr 1-6
Wed	18 Oct	Interschool Athletics Carnival Field Events
9 - 20 Nov		PP – Yr 4 Swimming
Wed 13 Dec		Graduation ceremony
Thurs 14 Dec		Last day of school for students

### **DATES TO REMEMBER - Term 3 2017**

**New items will be entered in red**

<b>Tues 18 July</b>	<b>Students Return</b>
<b>Wed 26 July</b>	General Assembly
<b>Thurs 20 July</b>	Newsletter
<b>Fri 28 July</b>	Semester 2
<b>1-8 August</b>	Councillor Speeches
<b>Thurs 3 August</b>	Year 4 PEAC testing
<b>Wed 9 Aug</b>	Newsletter
<b>Tues 15 August</b>	Rm 3 & 4 Assembly
<b>Tues 9 August</b>	Mass Choir Rehearsal 8:50-12:10
<b>Thurs 17 August</b>	Samson's Got Talent Audition (Years 1-3)
<b>14-15 August</b>	School Council meeting 7pm
<b>Tues 22 August</b>	Newsletter
<b>Wed 23 August</b>	Interschool Cross Country Manning Park Yr 4-6
<b>Fri 25 August</b>	Science Week
<b>Thurs 31 August</b>	Samson's Got Talent Yr 4-6 auditions
<b>4-6<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	Assembly Rm 12
<b>Wed 6 Sept</b>	Book week dress Up Parade at 9:00am PP-6
<b>Wed 6 Sept</b>	Newsletter
<b>Fri 8 Sept</b>	Year 6 Camp
<b>Mon 11 Sept</b>	School Council 7pm
<b>Tues 12 Sept</b>	Assembly Rm 8 & 9
<b>Wed 13 Sept</b>	<b>Dental Visit 1:40 PP Yr 3 Yr 6</b>
<b>12-21 Sept</b>	<b>Faction Cross Country</b>
<b>Thurs 14 Sept</b>	Mass Choir Rehearsal 8:50-2:00 Churchlands
<b>Mon 18 Sept</b>	Faction Carnival Field Events 8:35-12:00
<b>Tues 19 Sept</b>	Massed Choir Rehearsal & Performance 4:40pm -9:00pm
<b>Wed 21 Sept</b>	Book Fair
<b>Fri 23 Sept</b>	Faction Carnival Track Event
	Newsletter
	Samson's Got Talent Concert Yr 1-3 (1:00-1:50)
	Samson's Got Talent Yr 4-6 (1:00-1:50)
	Parent Night 6-7pm
	<b>Last day of school</b>

# P & C News

The next P & C Meeting is **Term 3, Monday 24 July** at 7pm in the staff room. Everyone is welcome.

## Canteen News – seeking volunteers

Do you want to support your school but not sure how you can? Join the canteen committee! We are looking for new members to support our wonderful canteen. If you are unable to volunteer in the canteen during the day but would like to help in some way join us!

The canteen committee is a key requirement of running our canteen and we NEED people to keep it going!

Just 2 meetings a term, we are flexible with meeting times so can accommodate and welcome working parents. As well as general members we are looking for:

- A convenor: this person is the primary support for Jess Tercier (canteen supervisor) and assists her in creating the menu, organising canteen committee meetings and providing feedback to the P and C. (Can be out of school hours)
- A secretary: to make simple notes at 2 canteen committee meetings per term (can be out of school hours)
- A finance assistant: assisting with counting and paying in canteen takings (would be beneficial to be available to collect takings from canteen at pick up time)

If you could do one of these roles, please comment here or email [samsonpandc@gmail.com](mailto:samsonpandc@gmail.com).

Canteen Committee

# Community News

## SCHOOL NOTICE BOARDS

All items for display on for the school's notice boards need to be handed to the office, and staff will place them on the board. Note the board is cleared every month.

Thank you.



**Kardinya**  
**RED SOX**

**REGISTRATION & FUN DAY**  
**SOFTBALL TEEBALL BASEBALL**  
**SEASON 2017/18**

**Player registration**    **Give it a go**  
**Free sausage sizzle**    **Uniforms**  
**Batting cage**    **Meet the Committee**



**Sunday 13 August**  
**1:00 - 5:00PM**  
**Morris Buzacott Reserve Kardinya**



**Kardinya**  
**RED SOX**  
TEEBALL - SOFTBALL - BASEBALL  
**Everyone gets their time to shine**



**Online registration opens**  
**Monday 7 August**  
Ages 4 - 15  
[www.kardinyaredux.com.au](http://www.kardinyaredux.com.au)

