

Sheffield School

*Learning in Partnership
Reaching Our P.E.A.K*



Coast 2 Coast

WOW, what an incredible effort from all involved in this year's fundraiser. This mammoth catering gig had some unique challenges and innovative refinements in 2016. This year certainly tested the Sheffield Team up at Klondyke Corner. This is an incredible undertaking which was nailed with the amazing team effort of all the PTA, BOT and school parents involved. Once again I was blown away with both the enormity of this task and the thorough organisation that went on behind the scenes. The team representing Sheffield School were professional, courteous, hard-working, fun to work with and they all certainly reached their P.E.A.K. Thanks to their efforts, the significant funds raised can now be used to benefit students learning at Sheffield

School.

Malvern Schools' Triathlon

The results from last week's triathlon have just come in and we're delighted to announce our team's efforts. The Sheffield results are as follows: Brayden Barnhill 4th Place Yr 6 Boys (30 min 12sec), Laura Wason 5th Place Yr 6 Girls (42min 3sec), Coco Edwards 9th Place Yr 6 Girls (49min 19sec).

Meet the teacher evening

We are having a 'Meet the Teacher Evening' next Wednesday 24 February. This evening will start at 6:00pm with a community picnic and then be followed by presentations from all staff in their classrooms. Parents will be able to go to all of their children's teachers and hear about the 2016 classroom structures, routines and most importantly how we can collaboratively 'Learn in Partnership'. Each teacher will give three 15 minute presentations. This will allow parents to visit each of their children's teachers if they have more than one child at Sheffield School. It will also allow parents to go and hear from teachers that may be taking their child for certain subjects (Reading, Writing, Mathematics).

This is a fantastic opportunity to get families and whanau through our gates and engage with the teaching team on what we're doing to accelerate learning at Sheffield School. It is also an important opportunity for parents to become an integral part of the curriculum design process at Sheffield School. All children are more than welcome to come along and will be supervised.

P.E.A.K. Day

Wow, what an action-packed 'P.E.A.K. Day' we all had yesterday. The children all started the morning by displaying this term's virtue of 'SERVICE'. Each classroom identified acts of '**service**' they could put into practise. The children were able to discuss and identify the difference between '**service**' and '**responsibility**' and then delivered acts of '**service**'. The children were brilliant as they collectively did their bit to help others and improve their environment.

After morning tea we got into the 'Top Team' competition. The children were in teams that consisted of children from all four classrooms. The problem solving, team building and leadership skills came out in all competitors and the children can all be well proud of their achievements.

Finally we went over to the pool where the seniors were able to develop some sound water survival skills under the guidance and coaching from the Selwyn Aquatic Centre Staff. The Juniors joined us a little bit later and were able to play some fun games in the pool. (However, I was deeply disappointed by the mutiny that erupted which resulted in me 'walking the plank'!)

A huge thank you to all of the parents that joined in and helped run the 'Top Team'

stations. The children greatly benefited from your support.



ICAS 2016

International Competition Assessments for Schools (Australian Tests) are coming around again. These are available for Years 4-6 students. If you would like your child to sit these exams please let Karen know. If you are unsure about what is involved please talk to Nick or your child's class teacher. Costs are as follows

Digital Technologies	\$8.50	17 May
Science	\$8.80	31 May
Writing	\$19.50	13 June
Spelling	\$10.50	15 June
English	\$8.50	2 Aug
Maths	\$8.50	16 Aug

School Safety Vests

All children need to be wearing a safety vest on the bus. Please ensure your child/ren have one on in the morning when they get on the bus. Contact Karen in the office if your child/ren does not have one at home.

Swimming

Please ensure your children have their togs, towels, goggles etc at school every day.

Camp 2016

The Year 5/6 students will leave for camp on Tuesday 29 March and the Year 4 children will join them on Wednesday 30 March. We will all return from 'Camp 2016' on Friday 1 April.

Please note: Tuesday 29 March is not a 'Public Holiday' but is a 'School Holiday'. **School will not be open on Tuesday 29 March.**

We are able to start our 'Camp 2016' on Tuesday 29 March. If you do not want your Year 5/6 child to start their 'Camp 2016' on the Tuesday then we are more than happy for them to join us on the Wednesday.

Please see me if you have any queries.

Term 1's P.E.A.K. Virtue - Service

Attached to this newsletter is the first poster of this term's virtue of '**service**'. Please

take the time to discuss this with your child/ren and identify acts of service they can do at home, school and in their community.



SERVICE



Experience the joy of giving to others and wanting to make a difference in their lives

SchoolDocs

This is a very timely opportunity to highlight the need for all families to familiarise themselves with our 'SchoolDocs' site. This site highlights all of Sheffield School's

Policies and Procedures. Visit School Docs [here](#).

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Term Dates Calendar

Please check out the school's calendar on our Ultranet site for all of Term 1's key dates. These can be accessed here [Sheffield School](#).

Term 1 Diary

18 Feb	PAL Workshop
19 Feb	Singing
24 Feb	Meet the teachers
25 Feb	Top Team Yr 5-6 only
26 Feb	Assembly Rm 2
3 Mar	BOT Meeting <i>(Date change)</i>
4 Mar	Singing
8 Mar	Sheff/Spring Swim Sports
11 Mar	Assembly Rm 3z
18 Mar	Singing
21 Mar	Malvern Swimming Sports
25 Mar	Good Friday
28 Mar	Easter Monday
29 Mar	Easter Tuesday
1 Apr	Campers return
7 Apr	BOT Meeting
8 Apr	Assembly Rm 1
12 Apr	Life Education with Harold
14 Apr	Life Education with Harold
15 Apr	Last Day of Term 1

Coast to Coast Left-Overs

We have some rump steak and some bags of sliced onions left over from our big weekend available for you to purchase. Rump Steak \$13 per kg and onions \$4 per bag.

Please text Debs Abraham 021 510 406 if you would like to purchase some. Debs will be at school on Friday afternoon at 3pm for you to pick up.

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