

Sheffield School

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



Welcome to Sheffield School

A warm Sheffield School welcome to Jessica Stewart (Room 1) and Brooklyn Henry (Room 3) who have joined our learning team in the last week. We are so pleased have you join us and are all looking forward to seeing you 'Reach new P.E.A.K.'s' while you're at Sheffield School.

Senior School Parent Teacher Interviews

In Week 7, the senior school parents and their child/ren will be sitting down with the teachers to talk about the children's learning and share key next steps that need to be collectively targeted to ensure they're reaching their academic and social P.E.A.K..

These 15 minute '3 Way Conferences' will take place on the following afternoons and evenings:

Monday 14 March (3:15pm - 5:30pm)

Tuesday 15 March (6:00pm - 8:15pm)

Wednesday 16 March (3:15pm - 5:30pm)

This opportunity is crucial in a child's academic and social development and whilst these conferences are a great starting point they should not be viewed as a 'stand alone' goal setting opportunity. Goal setting and consolidation of learning is a continual process so we need to pave the way for parents and the children to feel free and confident in catching up with the teaching team about their learning. As a Sheffield School community and learning team it is crucial that we set a tone of constantly reflecting on where the children's learning is at, but more importantly being reflective and active in identifying and actioning their key next learning steps. A form with interview time slots is going home today. Please indicate your preferred times and we will do our best to confirm a time for you 3 way conference. If you are unable to make any of the planned times, then please phone Karen or talk to the teacher to arrange another suitable time.

Junior School Anniversary Reporting

The Junior School teaching team will be in touch with parents to confirm when their child's Anniversary Reports and conferences are due to go out and take place.

These will take place at the following teims:

1st Year at Sheffield School: 20 Weeks and 40 Weeks

2nd Year at Sheffield School: 60 Weeks and 80 Weeks

3rd Year at Sheffield School: 100 Weeks and 120 Weeks

Please contact your child's teacher if you have any queries.

Old Videos

We have some old children's videos (VCR) here that we no longer use. These are free to a loving home. Please see Karyn Scollay if you would like them.

ICAS 2016

Last chance to enter your child in the International Competition Assessments for Schools (Australian Tests) coming up for 2016. 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

Swimming Sports

This year's Sheffield & Springfield Schools' Swimming Sports are being split into a Junior and Senior competition. The Junior competition will start at 11:30am and we're anticipating it finishing at 12:30pm. The Senior competition will start at 1:15pm and will finish at approximately 2:45pm. We are wanting the children, parents and staff to get the most out of this year's event and have put a lot of thought into planning the swimming sports programme. Please see your child's teacher if you'd like any further details about your child's events.

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.

Camp letters are going out today with your child. Please complete these and return them to us as soon as possible.

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

We have attached the second poster of this term's virtue of '**service**' to this week's newsletter. 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



**Real service is looking
for ways to be helpful
instead of waiting to be
asked**

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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Malvern Aprons & Tea Towels



Aprons - \$ 20

Tea Towels - \$ 10

Available from

Mason Drapery, Darfield

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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](http://www.sheffieldschool.co.nz).

Term 1 Diary

3 Mar BOT Meeting
4 Mar Singing
7 Mar PTA Meeting
7 Mar PAL Workshop
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



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PTA Meeting

Monday 7th March

School Staffroom

7:30pm

All Welcome