Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back for Term 4!

We have a jammed packed term four, which is very exciting! Hope everyone was able to have time off work at some stage over the holidays! Due to the newsletter being sent home today, there will be no newsletter sent home on Thursday this week. Next week the newsletter will be Flexi buzzed only on Thursday.

This week our Year 3 and 4 students head off for their school camp. I just wanted to wish them well and hope to pop in for a visit over the three-day event. In two weeks, our Year 5 and 6s will be heading off on their camp!

Here is a quick summary of the term and things that will be happening:

- This week will be the final week of the Footsteps Dance program that is facilitated by the Footsteps dance instructor. From next week, the teachers will be taking rehearsal sessions with the students to prepare them for the end of year Festive Concert/Art Show.

- On Wednesday this week, I’m heading off to the city to be presented with a design concept for our new school logo!

- The Buildings and Grounds School Council subcommittee is at an exciting stage! Our goal over the Christmas holidays is to add up to four trees for shade in the middle area of the school (this will depend on a report of what is under the surface of the concrete area), as well as the colourful line display that will inspire the students to create their own form of play!
- Due to the busy schedule of Term 4, there will be no Drumming sessions. There will however be four drumming sessions for the extension group to prepare for the opening of the Festive Concert/Art Show.

- We have also advertised for a full time Music and/or Performing Arts teacher for 2018. In 2018, we will no longer have drumming sessions, as we will be introducing weekly Music/Performing Arts sessions for the students in Years Prep to Six.

- A notice will be coming home soon to invite parents to submit questions for the student reports. Please start thinking about your questions!

- This term we welcome our 2018 Prep students as part of the transition program. Due to our enrolment capacity, we can only have three prep classes for 2018 at this stage.

- Spanish Festival Day on the 3rd of November! Casual Dress Day. Parents and grandparents are welcome to join us for the day to celebrate everything Spanish!

- No school for students on Monday 6th of November. This is the final curriculum day of the year.

- Be Yourself, Express Yourself, Love Yourself Day on Friday 1st of December – this is a day where we are inviting parents and grandparents to visit the school so that the students can share their learning from their Term 4 Unit of Work. It is another ‘Celebration of Learning Exhibition’. Casual Dress Day!

- Festive Concert / Art Show on Thursday 14th of December from 5:45pm.

- Year 6 Graduation evening on Wednesday 20th December.

As you can see there is a lot going on! We will also be selecting our new leaders for 2018, and wishing our current Year 6s all the best as they embark on the next stage of their schooling career. As a staff, we will also be busy preparing our new 2018 Learning Plan and finalising details for 2018!

### Key dates for 2018

I also have some key dates to share for your 2018 Diary. This includes:

- First day of school for 2018 for students in Year 1 to Year 6 is Thursday 1st of February 2018. The reason for this is that we have allocated three curriculum days at the beginning of the 2018 school year. This is to allow the staff to work together to deepen our knowledge of the key focus areas of our new four year school strategic plan.

- To ensure that we are prepared for the arrival of our newest school community members, the first day of school for the 2018 Prep students will be Monday 5th of February 2018.

- Our final curriculum day for the year will be on Monday 5th of November 2018.

Please note these dates and share with other parents.

Looking forward to another amazing term! Hope you can join us for one of the many events that will be happening over the next 11 weeks!

Also congratulations to all the Tiger and Storm fans!

Alex Artavilla  
Principal  
Sunshine Heights Primary School
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Prep Transition dates:
- Session 1: Thursday 16th November 9:30-11:00am
- Session 2: Thursday 23rd November 9:30-11:00am
- Session 3: Thursday 30th November 9:30-11:00am

Fundraising
- Pop Up Book Store: $4,757.88
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Thank you