Dear Parents and Carers,

Don’t forget that tomorrow we conclude our Children’s Book Week celebrations with a Pirate related dress up day! Parade in gym at 9:10am. Hope you can join us!

Also, our Father’s Day/Special person in our lives breakfast celebration is next Friday 31st August starting from 7:30am at the Sunshine Social. Don’t forget to return ‘food indication forms’. Contact office for more information.

**Acting Principal role**

29th of August to the 26th of September

I also just wanted to let everyone know that from the 29th of August to the 26th of September, I will be taking on an Acting Senior Education Improvement Leader position in Western Melbourne for the South Western Victorian Region Department of Education. This is an exciting leadership opportunity for me as it allows me to work with a number of selected schools to support Principals within the western area of Melbourne. While I am on leave, Sharon Noel will be taking on the position of Acting Principal. It is also important to note that Sharon will be supported by the members of the leadership team, as well as the whole school staff.

**Sporting News - Athletics Day and Swimming Update**

Last week we had a group of Year 4-6 students represent Sunshine Heights Primary School at the Sunshine District Athletics Day.

The students that took part in the Sunshine District Athletics Day were selected from trials held during Physical Education classes. We had students participate in every event. This included discus, shotput, high/long/triple jumps, 800/200/100/80 metre individual running races, and 4x100 relays.

Overall, the staff that attended the day were very pleased with how the students represented the school. The students that qualify for the next round will be competing in the ‘regional level’. Confirmation of which students move through to the next level will be confirmed in the coming day.

Congratulations and well done to all the students involved.

Mr Damnics is also busily putting together the final details of the Year Prep to 4 swimming program, which will be held at the Sunshine Leisure Centre, which commences in the coming weeks. We are currently in the process of confirming and finalising numbers, which looks, set to be around 120 students. A confirmation letter for participants will be sent home in the coming days will include more details about the program.

I hope everyone had a good week, and I look forward to hearing about how things are going as I will be keeping in touch with the school while I am away.

Thanks,
Alex Artavilla
Principal