

# NEWSLETTER

Available online and Flexi buzzed each week.

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018

## KEY REMINDERS

### True Soul Kitchen news...

Don't forget you can also order sandwiches for lunch from the canteen. This includes cheese & salad, chicken with salad or just salad. Even spring rolls or sweet potato chips!

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Twilight School Day  
1:00pm to 7:15pm

### Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May

Midterm Casual Dress Day

### Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Parent Teacher Interviews

### Last Day Term Two

29<sup>th</sup> June – school finishes at 2:30pm.  
Casual Dress Day

### Year 5 and 6 Camp

October 31<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> November

### Year 3 and 4 Camp

7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> November

### Year 2 Sleepover

TBC



Dear Parents and Carers,

### Education week!

Next week to celebrate Education Week, we have our Twilight School Day event. Don't forget that students need to arrive at school between 12:45pm to 1:00pm. Crossings will be supervised by staff. This includes the crossing on Mailey Street, Lachlan Road and Oldfield Street. Please remind students to be careful if they are walking to school!

The theme for 2018 is celebrating the 'Arts'! Although reading, writing and mathematics are our major school priorities, the 'Arts' is also a major priority as they allow the students to express themselves in a variety of ways. We all should be so proud of how our 'Art's' program has developed over the years with some exciting additions in 2018. This includes the work that our Visual Arts teachers Francine Sculli and Aasta Delaney have been doing in giving students greater choice in how they learn and create, as well as the work that Greg Perkins has been doing in his Music/Performing Arts session.

This is why you need to take the time to not only visit your child's classroom, but to also head over to see how the Arts are incorporated into the learning at Sunshine Heights PS. It's the perfect way to 'Celebrate the Arts'!

Our goal for the Twilight School Day is to showcase a normal school day. You are able to visit early in the evening, and then come back later in the evening. There will be minor changes to the timetable. I also hear that the Year 1 and 2 students will be involved in an incursion related to their Term 2 unit of work and the Preps will be spending time with their buddies later in the evening. We will send out a schedule of the day to families via Flexi buzz so that you know where to go. If your child's class is not in their room teachers will leave a note on the door.

Speaking of the Arts and Twilight School Day, one of our resident cartoonist, Callum from Year 3 wants to add more spark to the newsletter by including a cartoon strip. Callum produces cartoons exclusively for our school, which is exciting! Here is his first creation, which fits well into the themes of next week! Well done Callum!



Principal  
Alex Artavilla

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School Supervision Times  
8.45am - 9.00am  
3.15pm - 3.30pm



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**Twilight School Day key reminders:**

- True Soul Kitchen are arranging a special dinner order for students. Parents can also order a meal. Order forms sent home this week. Parents can join their child for dinner.
- Dinner will commence at 4:30pm.
- True Soul Kitchen will also be open at recess between 3:00pm to 3:30pm.
- Students to wear school uniform.
- When you arrive, please sign in at office.

**A busy next few weeks for teachers...**

I just wanted to give families the heads up that over the next three weeks all classroom teachers will be released from their grade for up to two full days to complete assessments on students, and to also participate in the second Professional Practice day. On the Professional Practice days, teachers will be released to work with their team to learn more about how all students are progressing as writers, readers and mathematicians. Teachers will be released using relief teachers.

I have always been passionate about giving teachers time to do the work that they need to do. The culture that we have created ensures that even though teachers are not with their class at times, things will function as normal – our expectations are the same.

**Writers Festival 2018**

Don't forget that from the 28<sup>th</sup> May to 1<sup>st</sup> of June we have the 2018 Writers Festival! The Writers Group has been busy working with Francine Sculli preparing the week of events brainstorming recess and lunchtime workshops that they will run for our students, open to every year level! The program was Flexibuzzed to families this week. Francine said that she is proud of the writers in the group for the unique ideas they have come up with (all their own workshop ideas) and how passionate and excited they are about running them!

I've also included the Writers Festival Writing Competition details...

Many exciting things happening! Hope you can join us next week for the Twilight School Day!

Alex Artavilla  
Principal  
Sunshine Heights Primary School



**COMPETITION DETAILS**

**DATES**

The competition opens on Monday 30th April 2018 and closes on Thursday 28th June 2018. An entry box will be placed at the office. No entries will be accepted after Thursday 28th June. Please make sure all entries are clearly labelled with the writer's name and grade.

Winning and shortlisted entries will be announced an assembly in Term 3.

**THEME**

This year's theme is OPEN. So let your imagination run wild and set your ideas free.

**MICROFICTION**

This year's genre of writing is MICROFICTION. Microfiction is a style of writing that sees writers tell stories within very short word counts. For this competition, you have 200 words or less to write your story.

**PRIZES**

All entrants will receive a certificate. Winning & shortlisted writers will be published in the school magazine!

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