

NEWSLETTER

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2019 Friday 1st February

Key reminders

Parent Teacher meetings for Prep to 6 parents are scheduled for Wednesday 20th February. A form will be sent home in the coming days to allow parents to book a time online.

Dates to remember

- 4th Feb: Preps first day of school.
- 7th Feb: Notice of School Council elections and calling for nominations form sent home.
- 20th Feb: Prep – 6 Parent Teacher meetings 1pm to 7:45pm.

Principal
Alex Artavilla

School Supervision Times

8.45am - 9.00am
3.15pm - 3.30pm



Welcome back everyone!

Although I enjoyed the opportunity of working with the Education Department's Western Melbourne team and schools, I am also excited about catching up with everyone and returning to Sunshine Heights Primary School. I must admit that I did miss the visit to my office from eager students keen to show their work.

Thank you to everyone for welcoming Sue Muir as she spoke highly of our school community and enjoyed her time in the Principal role. Sue's commitment to the opportunity and role has ensured that we will have a smooth start to the 2019 school year.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank our School Council President Kylie Barker for her passion and support for the school over a number of years. While volunteering her time for the school, as well as her time with her family, Kylie was also completing a Masters of Teaching. At the end of last year, Kylie was successful in being appointed to a teaching position at another school and as a result of now being an employee of the Department of Education, Kylie has had to resign from her position as School Council President. I have had the privilege of working with Kylie for a number of years as a member of school council. I've always admired her professionalism and commitment to the students and community of Sunshine Heights. Although Kylie has had to resign from being a School Council president, she will remain a member of school council (in the parent category). For the next 6 weeks, Vice President Gordon McKenzie will be taking on the role of School Council President. I would like to thank Gordon for taking on this role.

Speaking of School Council, the election process for 2019 will be commencing shortly where information will be sent home calling for parent nominations. The composition of school council includes 10 parent members, 5 Department of Education members (that work at the school). There will be 5 parent vacancies in 2019 that are for two-year terms. If you would like to learn more about the role of School Council, please feel free to contact me at the school.

Parent Teacher meetings 20th February 1:00pm to 7:45pm

Note for your diary. Parent teacher meetings for Term One have been scheduled for 20th February. The purpose of these meetings is to strengthen the working partnership between parents/carers and teachers, and to also allow parents/carers to share information about their child. An information notice will be sent home shortly that will outline how parents can book a time for interviews online. Parent Teacher meetings for Term One will also include Prep students.

Finally, I look forward to welcoming the Prep students on Monday. Families had the chance to catch up at the Prep family picnic on Thursday evening, which included an appearance from the Mexican Music Man.

We hope everyone has a fantastic year and I look forward to catching up with you throughout 2019!

Alex Artavilla
Principal

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