

# NEWSLETTER

Thursday 15th October 2020

## KEY REMINDERS

All updates will be sent on Xuno.

Please send water bottles as students cannot drink straight from taps.

All students must have a sunsmart hat for Term 4.

Please return all school resources and borrowed devices as soon as possible.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October:** Public holiday – school will be closed

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November:** Pupil Free Day - no students to attend

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November:** Public holiday – school will be closed

**Acting Principal**  
Jacinta Goldie

**School Council President**  
Sarah Weston

**School Supervision Times**  
8.40am - 9.00am  
3.15pm - 3.30pm

*'We are a child safe school and compliant with child safety standards. Child safety policies available on website.'*



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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Important reminders:

**All students need to have a sunsmart hat and a water bottle (they cannot drink directly from the tap)**

**Just a reminder to families that we have one more Curriculum/Student Free Day and two Public Holidays for 2020:**

- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October (Public holiday – school and Big Child Care closed)
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November (Curriculum/Student free day – Big Child Care open)
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November (Public holiday - school and Big Child Care closed )

Please note that Big Child Care will be operating **ONLY** on the pupil free day from 6:45am to 6:30pm. For bookings and information, please contact Big Child Care on 0432 802 045 or [sunshineheights@bigchildcare.com](mailto:sunshineheights@bigchildcare.com).

### Celebrating our success!

A big **'thank you'** to everyone for making our return to on-site learning such a success!

**Students:** You have all settled back into school routines and have re-connected with friends and teachers.

**Parents and community:** You have done an outstanding job of getting students here to school and your support and patience with staggered dismissal times is very much appreciated.

**Staff:** You have been amazing in the way you have supported students' wellbeing and have planned to meet the learning needs of each individual.

### Book Week but not as you know it!

This year, instead of the traditional dress up parade we are calling all Sunny Heights Curious Creatures to celebrate their love of reading and literature by letting their Wild Minds loose on the Children's Book Council Australia shortlisted books.

During this glorious week 17th October – 23rd October we will be bringing the images and stories of Australian children's authors and illustrators to life by sharing in library class activities around the 2020 theme Curious Creatures, Wild Minds.

Parents too can share in the celebrations by watching out on seesaw for updates and following our library take-over of Instagram!

To enjoy this year's notables list and read all about the shortlisted authors, illustrators and publishers for 2020, go here:


<https://www.cbca.org.au/shortlist-2020>

Happy Reading!

### Parent opinion survey


#### We want our parents to tell us what they think!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst all parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school

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climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from Monday 12th October to Friday 13th November.

The survey will be conducted online, only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

Every year we use the survey results to inform our Annual Implementation Plan and set targets for following year.

To access the survey click on the link below and use the school name:

Sunshine Heights Primary School

You will need a PIN code which, for security reasons, will be sent to all parents via **Xuno**.

**PARENT OPINION SURVEY LINK**

<https://www.orima.com.au/parent>

### Enrolments for 2021

We are currently taking enrolments for new Prep students. If you have a child due to start school next year, please contact the office for an enrolment form. Forms can also be downloaded from the school's website.

If your child will not be returning to the school in 2021 could you please let us know as soon as possible as we are starting to make preparations for the following year.

### School Photos

At this stage the Department of Education has stated that school photos cannot go ahead. We are working closely with Advancedlife Photography as we await further information. A notice regarding this has also been posted on Xuno.

### Preps – Celebrating 100 days of school

It's taken much longer than usual to get there, but yesterday our 2020 Preps celebrated 100 days of school. Teachers and students dressed up like '100 year olds' and the day was filled with activities all based on the number 100. This included lots of work seeing 100 as 10 groups of 10. Photos have been posted to Seesaw family for each grade.



