

Newsletter

Thursday 30th November 2017

Principal: Alex Artavilla

School Council President: Kylie Barker

School Supervision Times:

8.45am - 9.00am

3.15pm - 3.30pm

Uniform Shop Hours:

Tuesday & Thursday

8.45am - 9.15am / 3.00pm - 3.30pm



Newsletter will be available online & will be Flexi Buzzed each work

Parent Payments 2018

School Council has approved the Parent Payments for 2018. Parents Payments include all essential curriculum items that students require for learning in 2018. Notice being sent home next week with more details. Cost of Parent Payments for 2018 will be \$160.

Dates to remember 2017:

Term 4

Friday 1st December

Mind Body & Spirit Festival – Casual Dress Day

Monday 4th to 8th December

Planning week for teachers

Tuesday 12th

STEP UP DAY: Students informed of their class and teacher for 2018.

Thursday 14th December

Festive Concert / Art Show gates open from 5:00pm.

Wednesday 20th December

Year 6 Graduation Evening

Friday 22nd December

Last Day of Term 4

1:30pm Finish

Casual Dress Day

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

Ok, we have just over three weeks to go until the end of the 2017 school year, and with over 3,457 things to do, things are pretty busy at Sunshine Heights! So, here's a quick snap shot...

Tomorrow is the '**Celebration of Learning**' Festival Hub from 11:30am to 1:30pm. Due to the strong possibility of a very wet day, below are details of our wet weather plan:

- Preps exhibition will be held in the Library
- Year 1 exhibition to be held in the 1A and 1B room
- Year 2 exhibition to be held in the Gym
- Year 3A and 4A exhibition to be held at the Year 3 line up area
- Year 3/4A, 3B and 4B exhibition will be held in their classrooms
- Year 5A and 5B in the Music Room
- Year 6A exhibition to be held in 2C classroom (next to Year 6 rooms)
- Year 6B exhibition to be held in The Year 6 rooms

Big thank you to the teachers and students for these alternative arrangements. Although it would have been great to set up a Festival Hub on the basketball court area, the chance of heavy rain seems very likely for tomorrow!

Reminder also that **tomorrow is a Casual Dress Day!**

Keep an eye on Flexibuzz for any updated information.

Hope all families can join us from 11:30am to 1:30pm. Don't forget to sign in at the office.

Huge congratulations to the Uplift Collective for the Mind Body and Spirit Festival. There were a number of inspiring workshops all week!

Next week we have Planning Week. Teachers will be released from their classroom role for one full day to work with their team.

Currently we are in the process of selecting new **School Captains for 2018**. Big thank you and well done to the students that have expressed an interest. These students will be presenting a prepared speech to the students in Years 4 and 5 in the coming weeks. 2018 School Captains will be announced at the final assembly of the year. Good luck to these students!

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Today was the end of the formal part of the 2018 Prep Transition program. We can also share with everyone the Prep team for 2018. As you will notice, Jenny Lupo will be enjoying a new role in 2018 after many years as a Prep teacher.

Please note that we are currently still finalising the full workforce plan for 2018. **Introducing the Prep team for 2018:**

- Sally Fowler – who will be the Team Leader for 2018
- Ashlee Langer
- Welcome to Amalia Georgopoulos who will be joining our school community in 2018!

Teachers have also been busy working on **classes for 2018**. As you can imagine this is a big job and takes a great deal of time. The factors that teachers consider when preparing classes include:

- Ensuring there is a mixture of academic and social abilities.
- Ensuring students have others that they work well with. This is important, as some students may be friends, but distract each other too much from learning in the classroom.
- Gender balance.
- Equal class sizes in similar year levels.

Please also note that requests from parents have been considered, but may not have occurred, as it is not possible to act on all requests. Please also note that the only requests we will be considering in 2018 are those agreed to by the teacher and parent. This is something that we have discussed as a staff. I will share in a future newsletter the challenges associated with other types of requests.

Our class structure for 2018 will include

- 3x Preps
- 3x Year 1s
- 4x Year 2s
- 2x Year3s
- 2x Year 4s
- 1x Year 3/4
- 2x Year 5s
- 2x Year 6s

Hope you are able to drop in for a visit tomorrow!

Alex Artavilla
Principal
Sunshine Heights Primary School

First Day of School for 2018 Students

- Students in Year 1 to Year 6
Thursday 1st February 2018.
- 2018 Prep students Monday 5th
February 2018.

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

Friday 1st December

Celebration of Learning Festival Hub

Hope all Families can Join Us
11:30am – 1:30pm

Watch Flexibuzz for Updates

Fundraising

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| Pop Up Book Store | \$4,757.88 |
| Easter Raffle | \$ 928.00 |
| Mother's Day | \$ 815.60 |
| Father's Day Badges | \$ 182.00 |

2017 Book Packs

Book Pack Payments are now due.

Your earliest attention would be greatly appreciated. If you require assistance, please see the office.

Thank you

