Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

Welcome back to the start of Term 2. We hope that all our families had a great Easter and term break after a very hectic first term.

House Athletics
Thankfully, the weather was kind this time around and we could run our House Athletics Day last Wednesday. It was great to see students participating in the varying events and cheering their house mates on. After a close score count, Boeing was the winning house, followed by Hercules. Congratulations to our Champion Boy, Brody Watts and our Champion Girl, Chelsea Keck. Tomorrow, 42 students will move on to the next level, competing at the District Athletics at Boardman Stadium.

Sincere thanks to Ben Payton, staff and the many parents who assisted in making the event a great day for the children.

Save the Date
In 2016, in lieu of our camping program, the school will be hosting ‘Sunbury West On Show’ on Thursday 20th October. This will be an expo, showcasing the many programs we run across the school, with instrumental performances, class concert items, e-learning demonstrations and much more. It will also be an opportunity for the school community to see our Wakakirri performance, involving 30 students from years 3 - 6. As a whole school concert will be incorporated into the event, this will take the place of year level concerts throughout the year. FOSW is also on board, but we welcome any parents who might be able to assist in the lead up and preparation for the event.

Friendship Garden
We are pleased to finally show off our Friendship Garden. This is an area where children can come together, just to chat and enjoy each others’ company. Last year, all classes created mosaic pavers which now take pride of place in the area adjacent to the playground and a group of boys worked with Mrs. Duckworth to paint a friendship seat. Trees were obtained through a grant by Mrs. Langman and lots of helping hands worked together to bring the area to life. Special thanks to Mrs. Bronchinetti, the Environment Curriculum Team and the many teachers who came along on Saturday morning to complete the work.

Prep Information Sessions
Come one! Come all!
Our 2017 Prep Information Sessions have been scheduled for the following dates:

School Tour and Information Sessions
Tuesday 10th May 7.00pm – 8.30pm
Thursday 12th May 2.00pm – 3.15pm

Open morning and student led tours
Monday 23rd May 10.00am – 11.00am

We have already had a number of enquiries and are looking forward to meeting our prospective parents and students. 2017 enrolment forms are now available from the office.

Inga Wilson
Principal
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**Canteen Special!**

Orange Pop Tops reduced to $1.50 until further notice - however they can not be ordered on Qkr! at this price, please purchase over the counter.

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If you would like to join us please meet in the courtyard outside the front of the office. We aim to walk for approximately 1 hour. Hope to see you there!

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**2017 PREP ENROLMENTS**

Enrolments for the Year 2017 are now being taken. Enrolment forms can be collected from the office. If you have already picked up an enrolment form please return it to the office as soon as possible.

When enrolling please provide:
- Proof of Age – e.g. Birth Certificate
- School Immunisation Certificate
  
  (This can be obtained from the Medicare Website)

**Please note:** If you know of any potential enrolments, please ask families to contact the school as soon as possible.

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**FRIENDSHIP GARDEN**

Our school has a new ‘Friendship Garden’. It is a special place where we can go and sit to have some quiet time. We can also go there if we are looking for a friend to play with.

The mosaic pavers that all the grades made last year are in our garden. A seat made by the Boy’s Club is also in there. There are fruit trees in colourful pots of the House colours too.

Our ‘Friendship Garden’ helps to make our school a happy place to be.

*By Grade 3/4B.*

A very big thank-you to all our wonderful staff who came in on Saturday and helped to make our garden. It was a fabulous team effort and Sunbury West is very lucky to have such wonderful, dedicated staff. Mandy Langman, husband Steve and daughters, Daniel Gregory and partner Merryn, Robyn Norris, Debbie Attard, Claire Duckworth, Stephanie Barnes, Elissa Campbell and daughters and my very clever husband Gerald worked hard to complete our project. We also put in new plants near our office. Thank-you for all your support.

*Dianne Bronchinetti (Environment Co-Ordinator)*

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**Notices that have gone home….**

**Term 2**

- Prep Traffic School $18.00 due Thursday 28th April
- 3-6 Cross Country $4 due Tuesday 19th April
- Interschool Athletics $6 due Tuesday 19th April
- 3/4 Swimming $40 due Friday 22nd April
- 5/6 Sovereign Hill $44 due Friday 13th May
- Angry Birds Movie Night Flyer
- Premiers’ Reading Challenge Honour Roll Permission

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![Premiers' Reading Challenge](image)

The Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge is now open and Sunbury West Primary School is excited to be participating.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 29th August 2016.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or ‘experience’ 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and can choose to have their name included on the online Honour Roll. **If you would like your child’s name to appear on the Honour Roll, please sign the attached form and return it to your school.**

To read the Premier’s letter to parents, view the booklists and for more information about the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge, visit: [www.education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc)
## Student of the Week: Term 2 - 2016 - Monday 18th April

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<td>Prep CD</td>
<td>Kayla Jones, Mikayla Hermelin</td>
<td>For their great knowledge of the sounds.</td>
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<td>Prep LS</td>
<td>Chloe Hatcher, Rukman Kaur</td>
<td>For always creating beautiful pieces of work.</td>
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<td>1/2 A</td>
<td>Kasia Phillips, Charlotte Rawson</td>
<td>For a great start to Term 2. Welcome to Sunbury West.</td>
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<td>1/2 M</td>
<td>Jemma Monks Gomez, Chaney Kelly</td>
<td>For a great start to Term 2.</td>
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<td>1/2 T</td>
<td>Shynaide Vaiese, Lily Wakeling</td>
<td>For a great start to Term 2.</td>
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<td>3/4B</td>
<td>Lexie Romeijn, Ethan Lloyd</td>
<td>For always working well and being great class members.</td>
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<td>3/4F</td>
<td>Noah Chahine</td>
<td>For great mathematical estimations.</td>
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<td>3/4T</td>
<td>Trinity Watts, Earl Perez</td>
<td>For great effort in class.</td>
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<td>5/6 B</td>
<td>Ava Bedford-Carey, Chloe Thompson</td>
<td>For always being helpful and considerate classmates.</td>
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<td>5/6G</td>
<td>Chelsea Davis, Kimberly-Rose Tabamo</td>
<td>For an excellent effort at Athletics Day.</td>
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<td>5/6L</td>
<td>Lachlan Bonsack, Karla Tentonello</td>
<td>For starting term 2 with a positive attitude to work.                For being an enthusiastic, helpful class member.</td>
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<td>Art</td>
<td>3/4’s</td>
<td>For a great printing unit.</td>
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<td>Music</td>
<td>Charlie Pantano, Brodie Moore, Sierra Goddard</td>
<td>For terrific singing of the Punchinello song.</td>
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<td>P.E.</td>
<td>5/6L</td>
<td>Demonstrating great sportsmanship and attitude during our T-Ball session.</td>
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### ANZAC Day Dawn Service

The Sunbury ANZAC Day Dawn Service will be held at the Cenotaph, Stawell Street Sunbury on Monday 25th April commencing at 6.00am. All welcome to attend.

*Ian Ross, Sunbury Dawn Service Coordinator*