Dear Parents, Staff and Children,

Fitness Circuit
It has been great to see the children enjoying the new fitness circuit. Last Tuesday, we had the pleasure of inviting some special visitors to the school, who were instrumental in helping us achieve this improvement initiative, beyond the locally raised funds by the school. Josh Bull, the State Member for Sunbury assisted the school in obtaining a $12,000 grant from the Minister for Education, Mr. Merlino. Amanda Perry and Bernie Hetherington from Sunbury Community Health also supported us via a joint application for a $5,000 grant from the Lord Mayor’s Charitable Foundation. Sunbury Community Health also donated $500 towards the project. Both parties have been looking forward to seeing this project come to fruition and were extremely pleased with the final result. We really appreciated their time in celebrating this engagement and wellbeing initiative for our students.

Sunbury West On Show
Classes are busily preparing for our open evening, ‘Sunbury West On Show’ on Thursday 20th October. This will be an opportunity for children to showcase the various learning activities undertaken across the curriculum. Some of the items on show will include song items from particular year levels, bushdancing, digital technologies demonstrations, displays from our West Warriors, instrumental performances by children in Matt Rich’s program and an Archibald Art display. We are looking forward to everyone coming along for this exhibition of learning.

Wakakirri 2017
After the success of our Wakakirri program this year, we are keen to be involved again in 2017. Early next term, we will be calling for expressions of interest from families wishing for their children to participate. This year’s Wakakirri group will be performing their story dance item at our Sunbury West On Show open evening, so this will be an opportunity for parents and children to see the final product first hand.

Thankyou to all our families for yet another productive term. We wish everyone a wonderful break and look forward to seeing everyone for the home stretch. Only 15 weeks until Christmas I believe.

Inga Wilson
Principal

Last Day of Term 3 - Friday 16th September
Students will be dismissed at 2.30pm
Please make sure you have arrangements in place to pick up your child/ren at this earlier dismissal time.

First Day of Term 4 is Monday 3rd October
Notice that have gone home...

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10.00-12.00
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Mon 12th
CLOSED
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Tue 13th
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Wed 14th

Thurs 15th

Fri 16th

Trivia Night - Saturday 15th October
Start getting your friends and family ready for a fun night of Trivia!! Tickets are $15 per person and will be available until Friday 14th October.

Instrumental Music Program
A reminder to parents that Flute, Violin and Clarinet lessons are on offer for term 4. Please see the office for an expression of interest form.

Help Wanted
We are in great need of volunteers in the canteen on Fridays. If you could spare a couple of hours on a Friday (does not have to be every Friday), please contact Allison to put your name on the list, she would really appreciate an extra hand on our busiest canteen day.
Prep Werribee Zoo Excursion

On Wednesday the Prep children visited Werribee Zoo, they were invited into the Discovery Room where the children were able to dress up as vets and care for the animals.

- Charlie, Molly Rose, Kayla, Grace and Mikayla flew the helicopter to help save some animals.
- Max saved a gorilla and brought it back in the helicopter.
- Emma bandaged a monkey’s tail.
- Aiden cared for the gorilla.
- They also went on a safari and were very excited then the giraffe came up to the bus.
In the month of October, Sunbury West is again participating in VicHealth’s “Walk to School” initiative. Information about this has been sent home today. Walk to School is about encouraging primary school children to walk, ride or scoot to and from school throughout October. Prep to Grade 3 students must be accompanied by an adult if riding or scooting to school. Younger children are encouraged to walk with their parents/carers - and “part way is okay”. Even walking a shorter distance to school encourages healthy habits in our children.

There are some fantastic prizes on offer for participating schools - and hopefully some lovely “Spring Sunshine” will encourage us all too! Happy walking, riding and scooting!