



SMITHTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Week 6 Term 2 – Monday 29 May 2017

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TERM 2	
WEEK 6	
National Reconciliation Week	
Wednesday 31 May	Responsible Pet Program K/1
WEEK 7	
Tuesday 6 June	Canteen Breakfast Pancake Day
Thursday 8 June	RMS Boating Safety
Friday 9 June	Athletics Carnival P&C Sausage Sizzle Lunch
WEEK 8	
Monday 12 June	Queen's Birthday Long Weekend
Friday 16 June	SRG Fundraiser Crazy Hair Day
WEEK 9	
Monday 19 June	Canteen Breakfast P&C Meeting 6.00 pm
Tuesday 20 June	Small Schools Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 21 June	Glasshouse Excursion Mr Stink Years 2-6
WEEK 10	
Wednesday 28 June	NAIDOC Day South Kempsey PS
Friday 30 June	SRC Meeting Last day of Term 2



**Smithtown Public School is now taking
Kindergarten enrolments for 2018!**

PRINCIPAL REPORT

DATA

Every five weeks teachers conduct a complete assessment of student learning in addition to the daily assessment through learning tasks. This gives us a focus for explicit teaching over the next 5 weeks and a measurement of what we aim for students to achieve.

Our recent data was particularly impressive, especially in writing. Congratulations to all students who have made significant improvement.

SEE SAW

Years 5/6 and 2/3/4 have commenced the integration of the learning tool app titled "See – Saw". The tool enables students to upload examples of their learning and share it with you. You are then able to give them feedback in the form of a comment. Feedback is the most powerful enabler for all students, particularly from a significant person in their life. If you are having difficulty downloading it see Ms Williams, our young tech expert!

SRC

The BBQ breakfast was a huge success. Some lessons we learned were; buy small bread rolls for little people, don't use eggs that were left in the fridge to long and bacon and eggs cooking on the BBQ is an irresistible smell early in the morning. Sadly we didn't budget accurately and we didn't make any money! Pancake breakfast is Tuesday 6 June!

NAPLAN

Our school is part of a trial to prepare students to complete their NAPLAN test on line.

Trials are available on this website

<http://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/naplan-online/naplan-online-public-demonstration-site>

SPEECH

We have many children who require additional speech support. We have received a proposal from a local speech therapist. If you would like your child to be

part of this program, please contact the school by Friday 2 June.

ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

We are currently reviewing our School Anti-Bullying Policy. We have begun by asking students to review our School Anti Bullying Policy. We have conducted a survey asking all students in an anonymous survey if there thought that there were any bullies in our school. We asked who they thought was bullying, when did they do the bullying, how did they do the bullying, who have they told?

We would like any additional information that you may have heard from your children, as bullying is not acceptable ever. Please always let us know if you have information that we need to take action on as soon as possible.

We also asked students if there were any other students who got in the way of their learning in class.

Students who were consistently listed by their peers have had a conversation with me and have planned some strategies to monitor their own behaviour.

OUR GARDEN

Joel continues to do amazing work in our school garden. Graham has generously given us a range of healthy seedlings that we have planted and will be harvesting for our cooking classes in skills groups soon!

Do you know anyone who has some old sleepers lying around we could use in the garden?

Fishing

Wow. What a super success!

Jenny Sawyer
Principal

What a great catch of the day!

Well done Harper and Thomas!



LIBRARY DAY - THURSDAY

The library day for all classes from K-6 is Thursday. Please remind you child to return their books in their library bag every Thursday so they can continue to borrow and enjoy reading at home!

P & C NEWS

UNIFORMS

Girls school uniform dresses are now available to order at the Abbey Shop located in the Woolworths car park in Kempsey. The cost is approximately \$35.00 each.

CANTEEN

We have been successful in recruiting two lovely volunteers to assist in canteen this Friday 2 June! Thank you to Siobhan and Melissa

Please fill out the orange meal deal note attached and return it with your payment by Wednesday 31 May 2017.

At our last P & C meeting it was also suggested that we could change canteen days. Please take two minutes to fill out the survey below and return to the school office by Wednesday 31 May 2017.

The canteen is a wonderful opportunity for fundraising money to support your children in their school life.

**PLEASE CUT HERE AND RETURN TO
THE SCHOOL OFFICE**

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NAME:	
PHONE:	
	Please tick days available ✓
MONDAY	
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	
FRIDAY	

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GIVE ME 5 FOR KIDS



L:R Ella & Felicity preparing to organise fundraising

Give Me 5 for Kids is Southern Cross Austereo's national fundraiser which has been supporting and raising funds for local children's hospital wards across regional Australia for the last 20 years.

Smithtown Public School student wish to continue to raise more funds annually for our local children's hospital wards, and make a real difference to the lives of sick local kids.

LOWER MACLEAY SCHOOL BAND



Lower Macleay School Band looking a million bucks in their NEW shirts!

WEEK 5 ASSEMBLY PHOTOS



The simplest way

...to choose the best lunch box drink.

When it comes to packing a lunch box drink, water is the best choice!



Milk is a great drink too – add a plain milk popper to the lunch box as well to give kids a calcium boost.

Drinks such as fruit juice, cordial, flavoured mineral water, soft drink and sports drinks are high in sugar and low in nutritional value. So limit or avoid these drinks.

It is best to only drink juice occasionally and it should not be packed in the lunch box. Avoid “fruit drinks” as these are just sugar water and a little juice.

Remember, water is essential so make sure you pack a bottle of it in the lunch box every day.

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The simplest way

...to enjoy autumn produce.

In-season fruit and veg not only taste great, they're much cheaper than at other times of the year.



Plus there are plenty of ways to turn excess autumn produce into easy family-friendly meals and lunch box snacks.

Apple (red delicious, Granny Smith): apple porridge; apple crumble.

Banana: banana bread; banana and oats smoothie.

Mushroom: ginger, mushroom and fish stir-fry; chicken and mushroom sausage rolls; beef and mushroom meatloaf.

Pumpkin: pumpkin, spinach and cheese cannelloni; spicy pumpkin soup.

Zucchini: zucchini quiche with rice crust; zucchini and corn fritters.

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The simplest way

...to make beef kofta.

Cook extra for dinner and pack leftovers for lunch.

Serves: 12 | Preparation: 15 minutes | Cooking: 10 minutes

Ingredients

500g beef mince
1 small brown onion, grated
1/4 cup chopped fresh continental parsley
1 teaspoon minced garlic
1 1/2 tsps ground cumin
1 egg



Method

Combine all ingredients in a bowl, mixing together with your hands.

Divide the mixture into 12 portions and shape each into a log.

Heat the oil in a large frying pan over medium heat.

Add the koftas and cook, turning occasionally, for 10 minutes or until golden brown and cooked through.

Serve with tabbouleh and tzatziki on Lebanese bread or with a side salad.

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