

NEWSLINE

Tuesday February 6, 2018

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OUR SCHOOL VALUES

RESPECT, HONESTY, ENJOYMENT, RESILIENCE & SUCCESS

Dates to Remember February

Wednesday February 7

- No School for Foundation students

Thursday February 8

- 7.30pm Garden Party Meeting (Everyone is welcome)

Monday February 12

- 2pm Parents and Friends AGM in conference room followed by Parents and Friends General meeting

Wednesday February 14

- No school for Foundation students
- Scholastic Book Club Orders close today at 3.30pm

Thursday February 15

- 7.30pm Garden Party Meeting (Everyone is welcome)

Friday February 16

- 545 House Swimming Carnival – Grades 3-6 students

Monday February 19

- 4pm School Council Elections close

Wednesday February 21

- No School for Foundation students
- 6.45pm School Council Building and Grounds Meeting
- 7.00pm School Council Finance Meeting
- 7.30pm School Council Meeting

Thursday February 22

- 7.30pm Garden Party Meeting (Everyone is welcome)

Wednesday February 28

- No school for Foundation students

March

Thursday March 1

- 7.30pm Garden Party Meeting (Everyone is welcome)

Wednesday March 7

- Foundation students commence full time

Thursday March 8

- 7.30pm Garden Party Meeting (Everyone is welcome)

Monday March 12

- Labour Day Public Holiday

Saturday March 17

- 545 Garden Party & 545 Ball

Wednesday March 21

- School Council Annual Reporting Meeting

Thursday March 29

- Last day of Term 1 – 2.30pm dismissal

April

Monday April 16

- First day of Term 2

Whole School Assembly 8.50 every Monday

School Banking – every Monday

Uniform Shop Open Tuesday & Wednesday 8.30am-9.15am



Principal's Report – Chris Malone

Welcome Back

On behalf of all staff at Sale Primary School No. 545, we warmly welcome all students and their families to what will be a very exciting year ahead. A special welcome is also extended to our 2018

Foundation (prep) students, other new students throughout the school and their families. We look forward to a positive and rewarding relationship in the years to come.

It was fantastic to see so many smiling faces eager to return to school as the students arrived at school last week. There was a real buzz about the place with lots of excitement.

There is excitement in the air as all staff continue to work hard in ensuring that we all provide the best learning experiences for all of our students.

The schools Strategic Plan (2014-2017) has finished and we are about to go through an extensive review. This is a great opportunity for the staff, students and parents to reflect on how things have been and to set some challenging new goals for the future. The school has some really good results in some areas, but has some work to do on others and this Review process will assist in identifying them and developing even better plans/strategies.

At the end of 2017, the school created their AIP (Annual Implementation Plan) based on the previous Strategic Plan. Therefore this years goals are as follows:

Student Achievement:

- To improve the student learning growth of all students with a focus on Literacy (Reading & Writing) and Numeracy.

Student Engagement:

- To enhance the learning growth and engagement of every student.

Student Wellbeing:

- To enhance support for every student to thrive in a safe and stimulating learning environment.

Productivity:

School Supervision: Children are supervised between the hours of 8.45am and 3.45pm.

- To maximise school resources (human, financial, time, space and materials) to enable optimum implementation of school goals and priorities.

These goals will be met through a variety of ongoing tools but staff will be specifically focussing on:

Improving Teaching & Learning Practices in English and Mathematics

Engagement of students through Challenging Learning and Growth Mindset

Development of effective Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)

In 2018, we also look forward to maintaining recent improvements that have included:

- School Wide Positive Behaviour Models (Student and Staff Matrixes) into our Behaviour Management approach that continues to be underpinned by our School Values and Traffic Light approach.

<u>School Values</u>	<u>Traffic Lights</u>
<p>Respect</p> <p>Honesty</p> <p>Enjoyment</p> <p>Resilience</p> <p>Success</p>	 <p>Consequences</p> <p>Responsibilities</p> <p>Rewards</p>

- Student learning outcomes, Assessment and Programming of Reading.



- Student learning outcomes, Assessment and Programming of Mathematics.



Hours of Supervision

Parents are reminded that the hours of supervision in the yard are from 8:45am until 3:45pm. As such, parents are encouraged to ensure their child/ren arrive at school **no earlier than 8:30am** and that they are prompt in collecting their child/ren at 3:30pm. Your support in this matter is appreciated as we work together to ensure the safety of your children.

Arriving at School On Time

Parents are reminded that school begins at 8:50am (Monday Morning Assembly) and 9:00am (Tuesday – Friday) and it would be appreciated if students could be here on time. We understand that there are occasions where late arrival is unavoidable but learning starts at 9:00am and a late arrival means lost learning and a disruption to the learning environment and this needs to be avoided as much as possible.

Students and parents are reminded that any student that arrives at school after 9:00am; must report to the office for a late slip, accompanied by a parent.

Student Attendance: 'It's Cool to be at School!'

In order for students to maximise their learning opportunities at school, they need to attend on a regular basis.

We are fully aware that there are times when students will be absent due to illness or unavoidable family commitments but hopefully, these would be rare events and that our students will be in attendance every other school day.

Slogans such as "It's Cool to be at School" and "It's not OK to be Away" will be enforced at the school in 2018

We ask that parents notify the school via phone, email (sale.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au), Skoolbag App, a note or in person confirming your child's absence on any given day so that we know that the absence is approved, as well as reassuring the school that your child is safe and in your care on a normal school day.

We will be following up on all unexplained absences and we ask parents to support this approach by communicating clearly with the school when your child is going to be absent.

Foundation Student Finishing Times

Just a reminder that the Foundation students will attend full school days on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday in February and **not attend on Wednesdays** as this day will be used for specific testing of these students.



Getting to know you

Throughout the term, different areas of the school may have a range of "getting to know you" events that include: Class Parties / Family Picnics / Excursions / Information Nights and Parent-Teacher Interviews. All of these are designed to assist in establishing positive relationships amongst staff, students and parents and I encourage ALL parents to get involved and take-up these opportunities when they arise this term.

Specific details regarding Information Nights will be sent home preceding the sessions – stay tuned!

Parent Participation at Sale Primary School

A feature of an effective school can be measured in part on parent participation and input. At 545 we welcome and encourage parent participation as it supports everything we do. As the year progresses, parents will be given many opportunities to be involved in the school and I encourage all parents to offer their assistance where and when possible. Please consider your involvement as follows:

- Parents and Friends Committee
- School Council
- Garden Party Committee
- Canteen
- Camps and Excursions
- Sporting Events
- Classroom Programs (as negotiated with classroom teachers)

- School Events (Concerts / Theme Days / Family Nights etc.)

Compulsory School Uniform

The school guidelines make it very clear as to the expectations of all students in regards to school uniform. It is expected, at this early stage of the year, that all students adhere to these guidelines and that they are in full school uniform, including a school hat and black shoes. Staff will issue 'out of uniform' slips to those students who are not in uniform and do not have a note from home explaining this.

Please note - Foundation-Grade 2 students can wear 'alternate runners' on their physical education day and remain in these shoes for the day to avoid changing. Students in Grades 3-6 are to bring their black shoes and 'alternate runners' on relevant days to change in and out as required.

A more simple solution is to wear black runners all day, every day!

Garden Party

The Garden Party is just under 6 weeks away and I encourage all staff, parents and students to get involved with this wonderful whole school event on **Saturday March 17**. Lots of opportunities to be involved exist, including being a member of the Garden Party Committee (**meeting on Thursday Nights at the school in The Nest at 7.30pm**) and / or enlisting as a volunteer during the day!

Student Management

Over the coming weeks, all students will be discussing with their teachers our approach to Student Management.

More specific details will follow in the weeks ahead but our Student Management will centre once again on all members of the 545 Community embracing our School Values (Respect, Honesty, Enjoyment, Resilience and Success)

When discussing behaviour expectations, teachers and students will explore:

- ***The types of positive behaviours we expect from each other throughout the school and the positive reinforcements that will follow when students exhibit these positive behaviours (GREEN).***
- ***The types of behaviours that students will be required to self-correct and the types of strategies they can use to do so (ORANGE).***
- ***The types of behaviours that will not be tolerated at school and the types of consequences that will follow if students behave in an unacceptable manner (RED).***

As always, parents will be informed as to how this approach will operate in each classroom with the understanding that the school and parents will work together to ensure a **safe, supportive and stimulating learning environment**.

School Council Elections

School Council elections are held in Term 1 of each school year. Nominations for the School Council of the Sale Primary School No. 545 opened yesterday on **Monday February 5** and will close at **4.00pm on Monday February 19**.

We have four elected parent category members up for re-election, as well as two elected DE&T employee category members and one community member.

If you would like to stand for School Council, or would like to nominate someone, please contact the school office for further information.

Bus Travellers

We have many students who use buses before and after school. Students who use the Town Run 2 bus need to report to Mr Jondahl or Mr Malone each afternoon of travel at 3.20pm at the bus shelter or 3.30pm if travelling on Town Run 1 or Airly buses. These students will be checked off each afternoon as they board their buses. Can parents please contact the school office if there are changes to their children's travel arrangements.

We ask that parents of any Foundation students who will be travelling to and from school via bus, to please see the bus driver to discuss pick-up and drop-off destinations.

Parents are also advised that they need to inform the office if their child/ren are to use Out of Town Bus Services that operate through the McMillan Park interchange. The school needs to be informed of the Bus Route and Number and the frequency of travel. These students will be supervised walking to and from McMillan Park and also whilst at McMillan Park waiting for their bus.

These students will be required to report to the school office at 3.15pm each day to be marked off the bus roll on days of travel.

School Fees

Yesterday an account for each family, a flyer detailing the school's 2018 parent payment and voluntary financial contributions and a CSEF (Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund) Application Form was sent home with the eldest in the family. Please take the time to view this document which details the breakdown of the charges for each student, as well as methods of payment. The school is most dependent on these funds to provide a range of resources and programs across the school. Could parents please check that the billing name and address are up to date on their account and if not, please let the school office know as soon as possible so that we can update our records.

Payment Options

Sale Primary School offers Centrepay. Centrepay is available to any family who receives any form of benefit/payment from Centrelink. Please refer to the fees letter accompanying accounts for further information, or call into the office to obtain the necessary forms.

We are also able to offer Bpay facilities to parents. Each family will have their own unique code printed

on their account and fee payment can be made this way.

The school also has the facilities for telephone card payments or payments can be made at the school office by cash, cheque or credit card (eftpos facility available).

Late Arrivals and Students Picked up early from school

Parents need to be aware that students who arrive late to school **must be signed in by their parent/guardian** at the school office and obtain a late slip to hand to their teacher.

Similarly parents/guardians must sign children out at the school office if they need to pick their child/ren up early from school. If children are returned to school they must be signed back in.

Only those people nominated by parents as emergency contacts are able to sign children out at the school office.

Children who are collected late (after 3.45pm) will be directed to the school office by yard duty teachers.

Personal goods brought to school at owner's risk

The Department of Education and Training (DE&T) has asked all schools to remind parents that any property brought to school by students is NOT insured and the DE&T, or the school, does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage. As a result, the school actively discourages students bringing expensive or precious toys, ipods, iphones, sporting equipment, etc. to school.



Student Accident Insurance

The Department of Education and Training have requested that all schools inform parents about details regarding DE&T coverage of medical expenses of students injured at school or during school activities (eg. excursions and camps).

- DE&T **will not** pay for the injury of a student who is injured in an **accident** at school or during a school activity (unless the injury is caused by negligence of DE&T, School Council, employee or volunteer)
- Therefore, in these cases where the student has been injured in any accident, the injured person (or their parent or guardian) is responsible for the cost of medical treatment. This includes the cost of transport to a medical facility or their home via ambulance.

Information regarding companies that provide individual student insurance can be obtained from the school office.

Student Information Forms – Update details

Please notify the office if there have been any changes to your telephone number, address, medical issues, emergency contacts or work phone numbers. It is **vital** that the school has this information for our records. There is a return slip accompanying today's Newsline for parents to record any changes and return

to the school office, or just use the Skoolbag App facility.

Mobile Phone Policy

Mobile phones and digital cameras are commonplace amongst children, and as a result, the school has been required to develop a policy to protect the personal privacy of students, staff and parents, and to ensure that the use of electronic devices such as mobile



phones is not disruptive to the learning environment at school.

As a consequence, only students with a valid reason to possess a mobile phone at school, and with the written

permission of their parents, are permitted to have restricted access at school. The school and DE&T will still take no responsibility for this personal property.

Copies of the school's mobile phone/camera policy are available from the school office.

If you require your child to have a mobile phone at school, please contact the Principal to obtain a copy of the permission form.

Visitor's Policy

All visitors to the school must report to the office to sign in and collect a visitor's pass. You will then be required to sign out on your departure. Visitors to the school include:

- 1) Parent helpers in classrooms, canteen or uniform shop.
- 2) Special guests to the school.
- 3) Tradesmen working at the school for a short period.

If you are dropping off or picking up a student in school hours you do not need to sign in, however you are expected to attend the school office for a late arrival, or early departure as is normally the case. The Visitor's Policy has benefits to our school community both in student safety and emergency management procedures.

It would be greatly appreciated if you can fully support this Policy.

Severe Allergies

We have students at our school with severe allergies to **peanuts, eggs and dairy products**.

These allergies can result in the affected students having an anaphylactic reaction, a potential life threatening situation, if exposed.

Letters were sent home last week to all families regarding the importance of maintaining a safe environment for all of our students through education. Please speak with your child about the importance of:

- Washing hands
- Not sharing food or drink bottles etc.

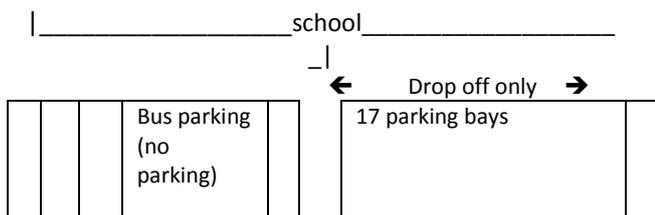
Parking in Dundas Street – Drop off Zone

As we have a number of new families to 545 this year many may not be aware that there is a drop-off zone in Dundas



Street, where cars cannot be left unattended. It operates in the first 17 car parking spaces (marked with a yellow line parallel with the middle of the road) north of the Dundas Street gate and parents need to also be aware that they cannot use the bus parking zone to pick up or drop off students.

Just to re-affirm parking regulations in Dundas Street.



Please note:



Bus zone 8.30am – 9.00am & 3.00pm-4.00pm school days – No parking during these times.

Drop off zone 8.30am – 9.30am & 3.00pm -4.00pm



Parents are permitted to park for a maximum of 2 minutes and must remain within 3 metres of their vehicle at all times.

A driver must not stop at the side of a road marked with a continuous yellow edge line.

The shire traffic officers do police this area and will issue fines to cars left unattended in the 'drop

off' zone, or if cars remain stationary in this area beyond the 2 minute timeframe.

There are also other parking restrictions that parents need to be aware that are operating in Cunninghame Street. The parallel parking zone directly behind the angled parking (near the BER building) was removed to ease the bottleneck that was being created in this area. Parents are encouraged to drop their children off in Market Street (well back from the Market Street/Cunninghame Street T intersection) to allow them to continue using the Cunninghame Street crossing.

There is also a 'no parking' zone at the corner of Dundas and Cunninghame Streets (directly under the big tree). This has been established to ensure no vehicle or its occupants are positioned under the big red gum tree at any time.

Parents are reminded that there are plenty of parking spaces further up Cunninghame Street (outside of the Church) and Marley Street (adjoining Victoria Park).

Messages for Students

Where possible, we ask that if parents wish the office staff to pass a message on to their child/ren, they do so early enough so that the message can be relayed at either the recess (11.00am-11.30am) or lunchtime (1.00pm-2.00pm) breaks.

This will minimise interruption of phone calls and announcements for teachers and students during class time.

Obviously there will be instances where this is not possible, but we do ask for parent cooperation with this request.

Morning Tea

Thank you to our Parents & Friends Association for providing morning tea for all of our new parents to the school last Thursday. It was terrific to be able to welcome our new families in such a friendly way.

Questions to ask your child/ren after school instead of 'How was your day?'

Ewen Jondahl, Assistant Principal



Too often our children come home from school giving us little detail about his or her day.

We sometimes ask them questions that elicit a one answer reply like "good", "okay" or "nothing".

To help parents with how to delve deeper into your child/ren's day, I will be putting a few different questions into the newsletter each

week to help him/her become more intuned with their school day; (explain to your child/ren that they are not allowed to give one word answers)

Any feedback as to how helpful or unhelpful these questions are would be extremely useful for future newsletters.

Good luck!

This week's questions are:

1. Tell me 3 girl's names and 3 boy's names from the new class?
2. What was something that made you laugh today?
3. What did you do at school today to help someone?

Nala's Annual Health Check-Up

Thank you to Jeremy and his staff at 'The Vets' for their



great care of Nala during her recent health check-up. She had her annual vaccinations, along with getting her nails clipped and teeth checked. Thanks Jeremy! Nala is enjoying being back at school and has so far visited most classrooms. The students, especially our new Foundation (Prep) children, are loving her visits, especially in the mornings. They enjoy the cuddles, along with patting her, especially if they are feeling a little upset.

Starting Week 3 onwards, Nala will be at school on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays unless there is a special activity/event that staff want her present at.

Newsline

Our Newsline is produced each Tuesday.

Parents are able to access a copy in the following ways:

- Email. Please provide the office with current email address/es,
- Via the school's website at www.saleps.vic.edu.au
- Via a link on our Facebook page to the website
- Via our Skoolbag App, or
- A hard copy can be collected by parents or students from the school office.

We are encouraging parents to, where possible, receive their copy via email (which will include full colour photographs) or to view an edited version (without photographs) on our school's website at www.saleps.vic.edu.au which will be uploaded every Tuesday afternoon.

A return slip for parents to complete and return to the school office, nominating their preferred email address/s can be found at the end of this Newsline, for those parents not currently receiving an electronic copy.

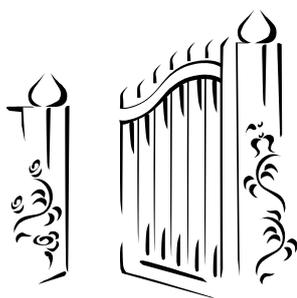
Locking of Gates

The 2 Macalister Street gates, the Cunninghame Street gate and the Victoria Park gate will be locked between 9.30am – 3.00pm, Monday - Friday.

Families and visitors will therefore need to use the Dundas Street entry during this time.

Thank you for your understanding and support in ensuring that the well-being of

our students is considered at all times.



Parents and Friends – Miranda Peverill

A warm welcome to all families for the start of our 2018 school year.

Canteen

The canteen is closed at the moment. More information will be available shortly with regard to the long term operation of the canteen.

Parents and Friends Annual General Meeting

The Parents and Friends Club Annual General Meeting will be held next **Monday February 12 at 2pm** in the Parents & Friends Room followed by a general meeting. All parents and friends are urged and welcome to attend. Please consider taking on a position in 2018 or come along to add your support to those who do. All positions will be declared vacant and the following positions will be elected:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Assistant Secretary
- Treasurer
- Assistant Treasurer
- School Council Representative
- Canteen Coordinator

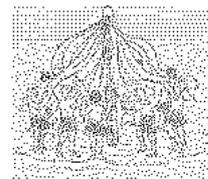
Items to be discussed at the General meeting following the AGM will be as follows:

- 2018 school wish list
- Fundraising calendar 2018
- Canteen operations.

Garden Party 2018

This year's Garden Party will be held on **Saturday March 17.**

The second Garden Party meeting will be held this **THURSDAY FEBRUARY 8, at 7.30pm**, in the Parents Room here at school. Many hands make light work!! Everyone is most welcome to offer any suggestions on how we can make this fundraiser even better. See you there!



Swimming Trials & Carnival

– Bree Courtney

Welcome back to Sport, Health and Physical Education for 2018. The grades 3-6 swimming trials were held yesterday and the subsequent House carnival is fast approaching.



Swimming Trials

Well done to all students who participated in yesterday's swimming time trials. It was wonderful to see so many of you 'have a go' at the different swimming strokes and distances. The House Swimming Carnival will be held next **Friday February 16** at the Sale Outdoor Pool. The swimming program for the carnival is based upon the results of yesterday's timed trials and will be published for student viewing by next Monday February 12. All students, regardless of ability will have the opportunity to participate in the carnival in either 50m or 25m races, or swimming activities in the Modified Activity Pool (MAP).

We will require parent helpers to assist at the swimming carnival. The jobs are easy and involve direct contact with all the action so you won't miss a thing! Giving out place cards, timing, marshalling and recording are the roles that need filling. Please note, you MUST have a valid Working with Children Check (WWCC) provided to the school office in order to assist at any school event.

A big thanks to the following parents who offered their assistance at Monday's timed swimming trials; Shelley Young, Michael Peverill, Colin Vinicombe, Myra Lindrea, Suzie Heywood, Kristy Johns, Mick Hatwell, Bianca Horder, Melissa Wain, Sharon Ray, Simone Kelsey, Kelly Jones, Rachel Lett, Leonie Morris, Helen Holliday, John Archer, Jenny Roberts and Mel Trease.

SSV Team Victoria Nominations

Bree Courtney

School Sport Victoria (SSV) information

Please note that the information below pertains to students who are gifted and talented in any of the mentioned sports below – as a minimum they would be currently participating in a representative program. If you wish to nominate your child for any of the trials below, your nomination MUST be discussed with Chris Malone and myself in order for us to determine your child's capability of representing the school at a state level trial.

School Sport Victoria State Team Trial Registrations

School Sport Victoria State Team Trial Registrations are open; Australian Football, Netball, Basketball, Football (Soccer), Softball, Tennis, and Volleyball. These trial registrations close Thursday, 1 March 2018. You can find all the details via [School Sport Victoria's website](http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/team-vic). <http://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/team-vic>. If you are looking for a document that details the process please download the "[Team Vic Online Registrations Process](#)". This will give you all the information you need to know before registering.

It needs to be emphasised that these trials form part of School Sport Victoria's Gifted and Talented program and are not 'come and try' opportunities. Each child is trialling for a state team and as such we must attest to each child's athleticism, skill level and school behaviour.

Each school is allowed a maximum of three (3) students per team sport mentioned above to attend these trials so it's important that as a school, we acknowledge the capacity and ability of these nominated students to be able to participate well in these trials.

School Banking

School Banking days will be Mondays. Banking will recommence **Monday February 12**. If parents of new students would like their child to participate in school banking, please contact the school office to obtain the necessary forms. Thanks to parent, Kate McKenzie, for once again, coordinating this program for our students.



Instrumental Music – Robert Dorber

Let's make music!

I am looking forward to an exciting year of singing, dancing, creating and playing music together.

Once again, Mrs. Julie Ward and I will be teaching instrumental music this year.

The following information will inform you about some of the different types of musical experiences children can have at 545 this year.

The Middle Choir (Grades 3/4) and Senior Choir (Grades 5/6) will begin with 'Give it a go' sessions this week and next week to give each interested child the



opportunity to see what singing in a choir is like. Choir does not involve a fee and is a terrific way for children to experience the pleasure of making music with a group, learning good vocal technique, the discipline of rehearsal and the excitement of performance. In Week 4, children will be asked to choose whether they would like to commit to participating in choir for the rest of Semester 1.

Band

The band is open to students in Grades 5 and 6. (Grade 4 students who have reached a level of proficiency on their instrument can be invited to join). Students



can attend two sessions of band before deciding whether to commit to becoming a member of the band for the remainder of the year. Any senior student who is learning an instrument at the school is strongly encouraged to join the band as it really gives them a boost in mastering their chosen instrument, as well as experiencing the joy of playing in an ensemble. If your child does not learn an instrument but would still like to be in the band, there are opportunities for students to play percussion (including mallet percussion e.g. xylophones) if they are willing to work hard at learning to read music! This year the school band will rehearse at school on **Thursday lunch times**.

Taiko (Japanese Drumming) Auditions

Auditions for this year's Taiko Japanese Drumming Group will take place next **Tuesday February 13**. During the year, the Taiko musicians will learn many drumming patterns and a number of songs as well as some Japanese culture and language which relates to Taiko. They will also enjoy performing dramatic actions and making impassioned calls to accompany their drumming! Selected students will be committing to being part of this privileged group for the whole year.

Instrumental Lessons

545 offers the opportunity for students to learn a variety of instruments by providing tutors in school

hours and instruments for hire (clarinet, flute, trumpet and saxophone).

Mrs. Julie Ward teaches piano, keyboard, flute, clarinet and guitar.

Mr Rob Dorber will be available on Thursdays or Fridays to teach ukulele or contemporary guitar to interested students.

Primary school is a wonderful time to begin learning an instrument. It teaches many skills: playing in time, reading music, working together, coordination and multi-tasking as you are required to concentrate on many tasks at one time! Also, playing an instrument can be most rewarding and fabulous fun.

Lessons are generally for half an hour in small groups and are payable by Week 3 of each term. A letter from Mrs. Ward or Mr Dorber detailing the nature and cost of the lessons will be given to your child once you have indicated your interest in him/her having lessons. Instrument hire is \$45 for Semester 1 and \$65 for Semester 2. Some instruments are too difficult for very little fingers, so we recommend a minimum age of Grade 1 for piano/keyboard and Grade 2 for guitar.

Please fill in the form at the end of the Newline if you would like your child to have instrumental lessons and return it to the office as soon as possible.



From The Art room- Mrs Vuillermin



Welcome back for 2018!

I am looking forward to working with the following grades this half year and am asking that all students bring their named art smocks ready for their next

lesson. Art smocks can be store bought or an old 'adult sized' shirt with the sleeves cut to size, as long as it covers all of the school uniform (including sleeves). Please note if you do use an adult sized shirt, ensure the sleeves are cut and hemmed as often students have difficulty with rolling them up all the time and dragging into their artworks, paint or glue. Thank you.

The following grades have Visual Art this half year and need to bring in Art Smocks:

Tuesday: FGS, FJR, MT, SC

Wednesday: JD, JS, JC, SG

Thursday: MY, FSB, FB & FS



Lost Property

Parents, please ensure that all items that your child brings to school are **clearly named**. This includes all items of their uniform, lunch boxes, drink bottles, bathers, towels, goggles, etc.

The lost property box is located in the office and all items that are named are promptly returned to their respective owners. Any unnamed property is kept for a short period of time before being sent to either a local opportunity shop or the second hand uniform shop.



Student Leadership

Ben Chivers

Student leadership positions will be finalised later this week.. The leadership presentations will be made at upcoming whole school assemblies on Monday mornings. Due to the large number of student leaders the presentations will take place as follows;

Monday February 12 – JSC, House Captains and Vice Captains & PAL Leaders

Monday February 26 – Music, Art, Library, Japanese, Garden Guerillas and ICT Captains

2018 Grade 6 Tops

All Grade 6 students will have received a note to bring home last week regarding the 2018 Grade 6 top. Additional order forms are available from the school office. Fittings took place this morning and will again take place tomorrow morning at 8.15am – 9.00am. Orders will close on Wednesday February 14 – this is a one off production run and there will be NO opportunity for late orders.

Special Weekly Awards

Special Weekly Awards were presented to these students at assembly on Monday February 5, 2018

Grade	Name	Reason
JJ	Mollie	For a great start at 545 and for being a friendly classmate
JS	Isabel	For fitting in so well at 545
ML	Tobias	For showing right from the start of the year what a great learner he is
MS	Ziggy	For his excellent start at 545 and for being a friendly class member
MT	Vanessa	For her great use of describing words in her acrostic poem
MY	Nash	For being a friendly and helpful classmate

Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic Book Club Orders close Wednesday **Wednesday February 14 at 3.30pm**



NEWSLINE RETURN SLIPS

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Instrumental Music 2018 (please return to the school office as soon as possible)

My child _____ Grade _____

would like to learn to play an instrument at school.

1st preference _____ Flute / Clarinet / Saxophone / Brass (trumpet) / Guitar / Piano/ Keyboard/ Percussion / Ukulele
(please circle)

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Signed: _____ Phone _____

Is your child a returning instrumental music student? YES / NO (please circle)

Does your child need to hire an instrument? ? YES / NO (please circle)

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Newsline (please return to the school office as soon as possible)

Please email a copy of the Newsline to me each Tuesday _____ (email address)

Name: _____

Signed: _____ Phone _____

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545 House Swimming Carnival Friday February 16, 2018 (please return to the school office as soon as possible)

I am able to assist at the House Swimming Carnival on **Thursday February 16, 2018.**

Name: _____

Signed: _____ Phone _____

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Change of Details (please return to the school office as soon as possible)

Name of student/s _____

Have you recently had a change of:
address? _____

phone number? _____

emergency contacts? _____

medical information? _____

any other changes? _____

Sale Primary School has an APP!!

Our school has its own Skoolbag iphone/ipad/smartphone and Android App to help us communicate effectively with our parent community. We are asking any parents yet to do so, to install our Skoolbag School App.

Please search for Sale Primary School in either the Apple App Store, or Google Play Store (instructions on the following page). This App is free for parents to download. The App has many features including:

- The ability for us to quickly notify parents of an emergency
- Parents can access the uniform price list, etc.
- Parents can use the app to email the school, notify us of change of details, notify us of student absences etc.
- Keep up to date with events etc.
- Important dates calendar

More information is available at the Skoolbag website www.skoolbag.com.au

Spacers and Schools: Reminder for Parents & Carers

Schools/preschools in Victoria have been informed by The Asthma Foundation of Victoria regarding guidelines for the use of spacers for children with asthma. Spacers are essential equipment when following Asthma First Aid best practice, however schools/preschools are no longer be able to wash, sterilise and re-use spacers from their asthma emergency kits when assisting students with asthma symptoms.

Asthma first aid kits should only ever be used as a back-up for when a student does not have their own spacer available, if it is a first asthma attack or the cause of breathing difficulty is unknown. Our school does have spacers to use in an emergency but as these spacers are quite expensive and cannot be reused, we ask that parents provide their own child with their own spacer.

Even if your child has mild asthma, it is essential that their medication and spacer is always available to school staff. Please make sure your child always brings a spacer with them to school, or has one that stays at school.

Parents are also asked to make sure that if their child has asthma that they provide a CURRENT asthma plan to the school office.



For more information, please contact the Asthma Foundation of Victoria on 1800 278 462 or email schools@asthma.org.au



Skoolbag

Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- > School, free push notification alerts
- > School events
- > School newsletters
- > School documents
- > School RSS feeds
- > School social media (Facebook, Twitter)

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

iPhone & iPad Users

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help. *SALE PRIMARY SCHOOL*
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



Android Users

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search. *SALE PRIMARY SCHOOL*
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
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Don't forget to like us on Facebook! 

Find out more at www.skoolbag.com.au

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Sale Football Netball Club Auskick registration day 2018.

SFNC will be holding a registration day on **Sunday 25 February from 11:00 till noon at the SFNC oval.**

Special guest-Western Bulldogs superstar **Josh Dunkley** will be in attendance.

BBQ lunch will be provided.



To register please click on the link to the AFL website.

<http://www.aflauskick.com.au/>

Sale Magpies Auskick proudly sponsored by Sale City Holden.

Please contact Nathan Maxfield on 0401 -876-587 if you have any questions



PARENT WORKSHOPS 2018 REGIONAL VICTORIA

SALE, 27 FEB
Helpful Guide for Effective School Communication

WARNAMBOOL, 15 MARCH
Helpful Guide for Effective School Communication

BALLARAT, 23 APRIL
Understanding Specific Learning Difficulties assessment reports

WODONGA, 1 MAY
Building Parent Confidence in supporting children with Dyscalculia

GEELONG, 7 JUNE
Navigating VCE

Click for more info or to book your spot
<http://www.speldvic.org.au/upcoming-events/>

What else is coming up in Melbourne?

TEACHERS

Sounds Write (Phonics Program)
Tuesday 20th to Friday 23rd Feb

Individual and Small Group Teaching of Students with Learning Difficulties
Mon 26th to Wed 28th March

Talk for Writing - Early Years
Thursday 26th April

Talk for Writing - Primary School
Friday 27th and Saturday 28th April

PARENTS

Helpful Guide for Effective School Communication
Thursday 19th April



Don't forget to 'like' our school's facebook page

noah's ark VICTORIA Education and Training
Strengthening Parent Support Program. Parent To Parent Gippsland info list for **27 February 2018**

CP / Physical Disabilities Parent Group
Do you have a child with physical disability / Cerebral Palsy? Would you be interested in meeting other families? Do you live in or near the Latrobe Valley region?
If you would like to register your interest, contact Yvonne at p2pg@noahsarkinc.org.au 0430 205 641 or Natalie on jnradford@hotmail.com 0407 642 989

Did you know?
ECIA (Early Childhood Intervention Australia) National hosts a website that is called the Inclusion Hub which has some great information
<http://www.theinclusionhub.com.au/resource-directory/>

Association for Children with a Disability
ACD provides:
Support: through free telephone information and support
Educate: Training for professionals and parent workshops
Influence: Policy development and system change
NDIS Support: Providing NDIS funded supports
To obtain an ACD membership go to: <http://acd.org.au/join-now/>

Sale Girl Guides
Come and Try

GIRL GUIDES AUSTRALIA VICTORIA

When: Saturday 10th February
Time: 2pm – 4.30pm
Where: 120 Market Street Sale
Contact: Helen - 0438 378 687

Come and discover what Girl Guides is all about
Have Fun, Make New Friends and Have an Adventure
Notes: Parents/Guardians must stay with their child/ren on this day.

We're For Girls