



Plympton PRIMARY SCHOOL

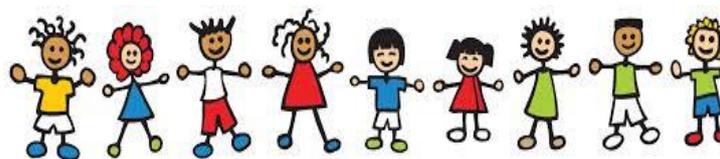
14 October, 2015
Week 1, Term 4



New landscaping under the fig tree provides shaded seating and relaxing spaces.

Diary Dates

October	
23	Assembly: Room 2.2 hosts
27	School Council meets
29	Disco - Halloween
November	
3	Casual Day-Melbourne Cup theme
6	Assembly: Room 2.1 hosts
11	Open morning
13	Japanese Games Day
20	Assembly: Room 2.7 hosts
25	Orientation for 2016 starters
December	
1	School Council meets
2	Music Concert
3	Celebration Night
4	Assembly: Room 2.4 hosts Reports
	2016 Class placements
8	Yr 7 leaving Ceremony
10	School Picnic
11	last Day of T4. 1pm dismissal



White Ribbon Day.

Our children are growing up in a world where violence against girls and women is in the news and in our communities.

At Plympton Primary School, through our Health Education and Child Protection Curriculum we promote safe, respectful and equal relationships between both boys and girls. White Ribbon Australia observes the International Day of the Elimination of Violence against Women, also known as White Ribbon Day, annually on November 25th.

Wearing a white ribbon is a personal pledge that the wearer does not excuse violence against women, and is committed to supporting community action to stop violence against women. Wearing a white ribbon demonstrates opposition to violence against women.

In support of the White Ribbon campaign we will be selling the white ribbons in the front office for \$2; all the proceeds go to the White Ribbon Campaign. Please call in and purchase one.

UNIFORM SALE

For Sale at a reduced price – all brand new with tags attached

- Black cargo pants size 6 x 1 - \$20 (normally \$37)
- Green long sleeve t-shirt size 14 x 1 - \$15 each (normally \$29)
- Green short sleeve t-shirt size Large x 1 - \$15 (normally \$29)
- Green short sleeve t-shirt size 3 x 1 - \$15 (normally \$29)
- White long sleeve t-shirt size 12 x 1 - \$5 (old stock)

Please see Alison in the Finance Office on Tuesdays – Thursdays to purchase.

Class placements for 2016

Over the next few weeks, staff are placing students into classes for next year. Do parents need to be involved in this process? No! Leave it to us.

However sometimes, parents have information about their child that may help in making the best placement for a particular child. If you have some information that will help us in placing your child in a particular class, please either put it in writing, or make an appointment to speak with Tom by Thursday 29 October. Please look at this as an information-sharing process, rather than a request for a certain teacher. Remember, the final decision about class placement rests with the school. Trust us! We'll make the best placement for your child.

CELEBRATION NIGHT

Celebration Night is fast approaching – Thursday December 3rd. We are trying to organise a raffle to raise funds for the school. If you have any items in good condition that you would like to donate for raffle prizes, please drop them into the Finance Office. We also need volunteers to help cook the BBQ and serve food/drinks on the night. Please leave your name with Wendy at the Front Office and the Fundraising Committee will contact you closer to the night to organise a roster. Thankyou in advance for your help – we couldn't put a night like this together without your help!

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Principal's Awards

Room 1 (Reception)

Kerry Baldwin

Yudi L for completing writing tasks with effort

Rhyle W for completing his work with care and effort

Room 6 (Reception)

Stephanie Kakoschke

Jessica R for using lines and numbers and being a great speech sound detective

Tyrus B for working hard to learn high frequency words at home

Room 2 (Reception & Year 1)

Georgina Ninos

Chloe A for putting a lot of effort into her animal big book!

Seth B for being responsible for his listening and learning. Well Done!

Room 13.7 (Year 1)

Kerry Briggs

Claire S for not giving up and working more confidently in Maths

Vasiliki B for trying hard and making good progress with reading

Room 13.8 (Year 2)

Tina Bridgland & Jane Finlayson

Dilraj B for always trying his best and settling well into a new school

Jake L for trying hard to complete work

Room 13.2 (Year 2)

Margie Barylak & Lynn Johnson

Riley B for your learning by listening more carefully to the teacher, packing up your work more quickly and working on task at learning times

Ashley S for taking responsibility for your feelings and calming yourself down after disappointments

Room 13.1 (Year 3)

Brenton Woolford

Emaan K for working consistently on her goals as an effective learner and keeping focus in the classroom

Flynn S for consistently focusing on controlling his emotions and getting on well with his classmates

Room 2.4 (Years 3&4)

Cath Newbould

Utkarsha GC for his collaborative work on the explorer Captain James Cook

Chitmanpreet D for her collaborative work on the explorer Robert Ballard

Maram I for her collaborative work on the explorer Leif Ericsson

Room 2.5 (Year 4)

Tracey Niekel

Dylan L for applying himself consistently throughout the term to produce an outstanding Personal Learning Project

Aneri K for always striving to achieve the very best she can in all learning areas

Room 2.3 (Year 5)

Merryn Jones

Cameron N for being a considerate and helpful class member

Cooper L for taking responsibility for the safety of others

Room 2.7 (Years 5&6)

Jonathan Gardner

Bradley T for fantastic work in completing his koala narrative and picture book

Ahnaaf M for fantastic art and literacy in his Dingo narrative

Room 2.1 (Years 6&7)

Rose McCarty Jones

Simarjit K for applying herself and striving for improvement across all learning areas

Zarlie L for consistently managing her time well and always meeting deadlines

Room 2.2 (Years 6&7)

Lauren Ireland

Ethan J for showing respect towards his peers and adults in the school community and also being an honest sportsman

Amber F for writing a well-structured essay in Health and carefully editing her writing always

PSWCORNER

Welcome back to the last term for 2016! I hope that you have all had a refreshing break and are ready to race through the last 9 weeks of the school year. It is always an exciting term as we head through spring into summer towards the longest holiday break of the Christmas and summer holidays, the children prepare for the end-of-year concert, the Year 7's prepare for Graduation and plans are made to farewell people who are leaving and to welcome new faces for next year. I had the privilege of attending an Australia-wide Church Convention in Brisbane. At the end of a week of hard work there were the AFL and NRL finals to enjoy. Then I relaxed and visited relatives in the country and on the Sunshine Coast, finally ending up in Brisbane again for a family wedding. Weddings are very special occasions for getting families together. Not only does this allow the families to support the new family that is being created, but it also allows relatives and friends to support those whose spouse is ill or has died or those who are experiencing relationship and marital difficulties. After the wedding it was time to come home to my very, very excited dog "Toby" and a flooded kitchen floor from a leaky tap! Aaarrgh! And hooray – a new problem to learn about and solve! **Leaky taps remind us that school never really ends!**

It was also **Mental Health Week** last week where the spotlight was on the promotion of good mental health and the prevention, treatment and management of poor mental health. Mental health has many different facets but among the topics I heard discussed were drugs (especially ice), cyber-bullying and suicide. It is usually shame and guilt that lead to unhealthy risk taking and to not being able to seek help once one is in trouble. But it is even better to know that there are people who care enough to engage with these topics and who research ways to help themselves and others with these issues. **There is always hope.**

Til next time – Karen (CPS)

Karen Tromans works in our school as a Pastoral Support Worker, and her role is supported through the Federal Government Schools' Chaplaincy Program.

Community Notices



The Wonderful World of Toddlers

Parenting SA is providing a free seminar for parents 'The Wonderful World of Toddlers', from 7.15 to 9.00 pm on Wednesday 4 November 2015. The seminar will help you understand more about toddler development and provide practical ways to help them thrive and manage their strong feelings. Attend in person at the Adelaide Convention Centre, or view the live webcast. To book or access the live webcast, go to [Eventbrite](http://www.eventbrite.com.au).

Parent Workshop

As part of the Parents in Education Week, a series of free workshops are being held for parents in Adelaide. Workshop presenters include Nature Play SA, SACE, Autism SA and SHine SA. You can register to attend any of the sessions through [Eventbrite](http://www.eventbrite.com.au).

A peak forum will be held on Wednesday 21 October 2015, featuring a panel discussion about parental engagement in schools. This forum will be [streamed live](#) (from 2.00–4.00pm) and live tweeting is encouraged using the hashtag #ParentsInEd. You can forward questions to the panel prior to the event by emailing DECD.SiteGovernance@sa.gov.au. Unanswered questions on the day will be responded to after the event.

The Blue Book

CaFHS want to hear from parents and caregivers about their experience using the current Blue Book. This feedback will ensure it continues to be a useful and relevant resource to raise happy and healthy children. Visit www.yoursay.sa.gov.au/bluebook to have your say until Friday 16 October 2015."