

NEWSLETTER

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COMING EVENTS

Mon 4 May	Parents' Club meeting 9:15 am
Thurs 7 May	Mothers' Day stall
Fri 8 May	Last chance—Mothers' Day stall Sale and District Cross Country Yr 5/6 camp balance due
Sun 10 May	Happy Mothers' Day!
Tues 12 May	Active After School program Prep-Yr 2 recommences
Wed 13 May	Active After School program Year 3-6 recommences
Mon 18 May	School Council
<i>Education Week 18-22 May</i>	
Tues 19 May	Open Day School tours 9:30 a.m./7 p.m. Concert 1:45 p.m.

ANZAC Day Ceremony

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Last Friday afternoon we held a short ceremony in our hall to commemorate ANZAC day. There were over 200 students present and our teachers were extremely proud of the very respectful way the children conducted themselves—particularly during the Minute's Silence. Thank you to Student Council for conducting the ceremony and also to Student Councillors Jakk, Shari and Chantelle who placed wreaths on behalf of our school at the Sale ANZAC ceremony on Saturday. Guthridge P.S. was the only primary school represented. Thank you also to teachers, Sue Kennedy and Wendy Morgan (on leave) who supervised the children.

Education Week 18-22 May

"Helping Your Child Shine"

Education Week is an opportunity for us to promote all the good things that are happening in government schools. Our Open Day is on Tuesday 19 May and we will be conducting school tours at 9:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. There will also be a whole-school concert at 1:45 p.m. Please mark these dates and times on your calendar now. Parents ... you are the best promoters of our school. If you know of any families with children starting Prep next year, or who are interested in finding out more about our Modified Prep program or would just like to come and have a look, please let them know of our school tour times—better still, come along with them. If the date doesn't suit, we are always happy to take families on personal tours. We are very proud of the great teaching and learning happening at our school and we love to welcome visitors.

Congratulations to our Learning Heroes for this week - Your certificate will be presented at Monday's Assembly

Rm 1	Anthony (Prep)	His willingness to practise his writing whenever he can
Rm. 2	William (Prep)	Listening, trying hard and following instructions
Rm. 3	Luke (Prep)	Trying hard with his reading and learning new words
Rm. 4	Molly	Writing super sentences in her diary
Rm. 5	Clara (Yr 1)	Completing a fantastic food diary and always having a go
Rm. 6	Jai (Yr 6)	Trying his hardest in Maths
Rm. 9	Emma (Yr 6)	Always being focussed on her learning
Rm.10	Blake (Yr 4)	Maths—completing all his addition facts
Rm.11	Melanie (Yr 3)	Applying herself well to writing activities
Art	Luke (Prep)	Making home made soap
French	William (Prep)	The French Room - a wonderful listener and hard worker.
P.E.	Clayton (Yr 3)	Great long distance running

Lessons for Living—Being a good loser

Next week's social skill is "being a good loser". It follows very closely on from playing fairly and being a good winner. How do children learn to be good losers? Probably mostly by the behaviour that they see modelled in the family home. Think about how family members react when their favourite footy team loses. Is it always the umpire's fault? Is there one player in the team who cops the most blame? Being a good loser is being able to say, "Maybe we didn't play so well today, but at least we tried." Or perhaps, "The other team was just too good on the day." Good losers are great at "bouncing back". They know it is just a game and the most important part is staying friends. Good losers have great getting along skills. Children need to be taught how to be good winners and losers so they need lots of opportunity to play games at home with their family as well as at school with their friends.

Active After School Program

This is a great program for keep children fit and active after school. We have a few vacancies for the Term 2 program which re-commences for Prep-Year 2 on Tuesday 12 May and for Year 3-6 children Wednesday 13 May. The program starts straight after school with a healthy snack of fruit and concludes at 4:30 p.m. Please see Sue Burnett if you would like your child(ren) to be part of the program. Those children who were in the program last term will continue this term. If children missed a lot of sessions last term with no explanation, their spots will be offered to someone else.

State-Wide School Closure Friday 12 June

An early reminder to families that there will be no school for students on Friday 12 June. This is a state-wide report writing day for government schools.

Parents' Club News

Don't forget our next meeting straight after Assembly on Monday 4 May.

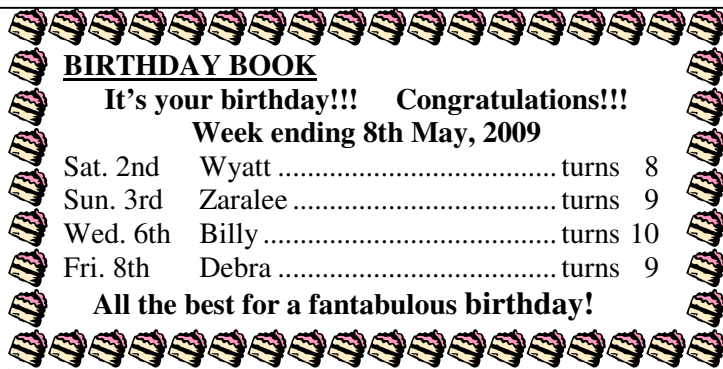
Mothers'/Special Persons' Day Stall Thurs 7 May

Parents' Club has organised a wonderful variety of gifts for purchase ranging in price from \$1 to \$6. Children need to bring their money on Thursday. The stall will also be open Friday morning before school in the hall unless already sold out.

Term 1 fundraising

Fun food Day 1 (\$422), Bulb fundraiser (\$632), Easter Raffle (\$1294), Hot cross buns (\$394), Fun food Day 2 (\$385) Total: \$3127

This was a fantastic effort for a school our size in just one term! When you support a Parents' Club fundraising effort, be assured that every cent raised goes straight back into purchasing equipment for our students. This year we will be fundraising to provide extra equipment and facilities in our new building. Your support is vital. Thank you to our Parents' Club members who work so tirelessly organising our fundraising events. Your efforts are very much appreciated by our school community.



BIRTHDAY BOOK

It's your birthday!!! Congratulations!!!

Week ending 8th May, 2009

Sat. 2nd	Wyatt	turns	8
Sun. 3rd	Zaralee	turns	9
Wed. 6th	Billy	turns	10
Fri. 8th	Debra	turns	9

All the best for a fantabulous birthday!

Thank you to Michelle Lay who donated a popcorn maker to our school.

Community News

T.A.G. is a homework group staffed by volunteer tutors who provide assistance to Year 5-8 students in a supportive and fun environment. Sale Community Library. Wednesdays after school. Homework 4.30-5.30. To show your interest in volunteering or to find out more please ring Amanda Bailey on 5144 2258.

Sale & District Autism Support Group meeting

Tuesday May 12 10-12 noon. Carer Respite Centre, 52 McArthur St, Sale. For further info call Sharyn on 5147 2738 or Lisa on 5144 4691

1/2 Price School Jumpers and Jackets

We have a very limited supply of jumpers and jackets for sale at 1/2 price. Jackets (\$14) and Jumpers (\$12). There is a limit of one per child and they will be available for purchase from the Student Wellbeing Office from 8:45 a.m. next Monday 4 May.

Found last term ... Toddler's blue, red, green and yellow back pack with change of clothes and the name "Zak" on the outside. Please check at the office.

Net-Set-Go (NETTA) - 10 weeks

Registration: Saturday 9th May 11 am - 3pm

Sessions: Saturdays 9.30 - 10.30 am

First Session: 16th May Last Session: 15th August

Fees: SNA \$15 plus NV \$28 = \$43.00

If interested please collect form from the office.

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Congratulations to last week's Cross Country age group winners—great role models in "Being a Good Winner"