

April 18	Last Day of Term 1 – School closes 3.00pm
May 05	First Day of Term 2
May 06	Kids for Kids Choir
May 07	20-Hour Famine Assembly

Dear Parents / Caregivers

**WELCOME:**

We welcome Raven Valencia and his family to our school community

We are making plans to open our fourth New Entrant class in Term 2 and would encourage any parents with young children nearing school age to contact us to enable us to organise staffing for later in the year. Mrs Livingston and I will be visiting local Kindergartens to remind parents to enrol earlier.

**TERM 2 ACTIVITIES:**

We have a very full range of educational experiences planned for Term Two. We begin with the Kids for Kids Choir and finish with a Netball Tournament.

One whole school event we have planned is BOOK WEEK beginning June 16. Book Week is focused around the Library and involves the Library Bus, Theatre groups, Authors, and Illustrators plus books and books and more books. During the week books will be on display for families to buy for themselves or donate to the school. The week will finish with a Book Character Parade on the Friday when children dress up as their favourite Book Character.

**Ruby Anniversary:**

As 2008 is Sunnynook Primary Schools 40<sup>th</sup> birthday we are planning a birthday celebration on the day of the Book Parade. The Parent Teacher Association is planning some commemorative events for June 20<sup>th</sup> and will keep you informed.

**ASSEMBLY**

Last weeks School Assembly was an entertaining affair with Room 3 dancers and our Song Leaders singing while the Trolley Derby children showed off their cart.

Mrs Olsen's children in Room 15 received the School Banner for their conservation work on the Little Blue penguin. The class, on their own initiative, have sent letters and posters to the Sea Week Team expressing their concern about the plight of this little creature of the sea.

**KIDS FOR KIDS CHOIR:**

The school choir will be performing at the Bruce Mason Theatre with Suzanne Prentice at the Shake Rattle & Roll Concert on Tuesday 6 May at 7.30pm. (Children in the choir need to be there at 7.00pm). Tickets are available through Ticketmaster at a cost of \$16 & \$18 per adult and \$10 & \$12 per student. This is a fantastic evening and enjoyed by all who attend.

**CONGRATULATIONS:**

Congratulations to Rachael Findlay – Clarke (Room 12 teacher) on receiving her Post Graduate Diploma in Educational Management through Massey University. Well done!

**BOT MEETING:**

The April Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Wednesday 30 April in the Staffroom at 6.30pm. All parents are welcome to attend.

**POOL KEYS:**

A reminder that the swimming season has now closed and all pool keys should be returned to school tomorrow.

**LUNCHROOM:**

As stocktaking is taking place there will be no Spaghetti Bolognaise or Wraps available tomorrow. These will be back on the menu next term.

**SPORT:**

Tomorrow Friday 18 April, the Year 5 / 6 children will be involved in Sports activities with students from A.U.T. who are involved in specialty sports teaching programmes. Can you please ensure your child dresses appropriately for these activities and that they bring their hat and water bottles.

**Shore to Shore Fun Run** - A final thank you to all those who helped make this event a great success. Spot Prizes donated by the P.T.A., were given to children last week at our School Assembly. The winner of the Spot Prize for North Harbour Sport was Keyi Yin who received a \$50 voucher from the Retailers Group. Congratulations to all the children who received prizes for entering the Fun run. The fastest time by a Sunnynook student was 28minutes (the time to beat next year!) and this achieved by Mitchell Whitehead a Year 6 student.

**Rugby**

I have been conducting the trials for Tackle and Rippa Rugby over the past week. The Tackle Rugby Team has been announced. I would like to see the children who are keen on Rippa Rugby for another game before selecting that team. The trial for this group will be on the first next fine day.

**Miniball:**

The Sunnynook Slammers Year 5 - 6 Miniball team are playing each Friday night at the YMCA. Last Friday they played the Bayview Breakers and just lost 12-9. The team is now playing in Grade 2.

**PTA NEWS:**

**Entertainment Books** – Books will be delivered to the school during the holidays and will come home pre-labelled with the children on the first day of next term i.e., Monday 5 May. If you do not wish to purchase the book, please return it to the school. If books are not returned, you will be charged for them.

**Disco** – A school disco will be held for the children on Friday 6 June. More details later.

**Book Week** – See notice above. The PTA encourages parents to support this event.

**Ruby Anniversary** – The school's Ruby Anniversary (40 years) will coincide with Book Week. A celebratory cake will be made, Tea Towels and cards will be designed by the children and sold as a fundraiser.

**Trivial Pursuit Night** – Friday 27 June. A fun filled evening is planned with questions, games and prizes. Tickets cost \$15 per person or a table of 8 can be pre-purchased for \$80. Now is a good time to get organised and brush up on your general knowledge.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES:**

**North Shore Chess Club** – A junior club night will start again in Term 2 at the North Shore Chess Club. The night is aimed at school children and will include coaching sessions each week. Classes will be held from 6.30 – 8.00pm starting 2 May at the Northcote Community Centre. For further information contact Peter Stuart on 449 1812 or Philip Hair on 445 8673. Flyers are available from the school office.

Yours sincerely

Peter Mulcahy  
**PRINCIPAL**