PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

15 March 2013

Happy Birthday Sunnybank State High School

This month marks the 50th year that our school has been providing strong educational programs for the young people of our community. Join our school community to recognise this milestone on the evening of Friday 22 March or our Open Day on Saturday 23 March.

Every Day Counts

As we reach the end of term one, I wish to thank all parents and guardians for your fantastic support for our school. Your engagement with the school in helping students to focus on their studies, wear the correct uniform and being at school each day is making a difference to your student’s results. We have high expectations that your young person is achieving their absolute personal best.

Every day at school is important.

Every day counts….because children achieve better when they attend school all day, every day.

Every day counts….because going to school means getting a better chance at life.

Every day counts….because school helps children build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience.

Every day counts….because going to school is a legal requirement.

Visit the Department of Education and Training website for more information: www.education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts

Parent Teacher Evening

Parent teacher evening is on Tuesday 23 April. All parents are invited to meet with teaching staff to discuss your student’s progress. No appointment is necessary.

School will finish for term one on Thursday 28 of March and recommences on Monday 15 April. Please note that there is not a student free day on the first day of term. I wish you happy and safe holidays.

Diane Hicks,
Principal

Tuckshop Specials

Wednesday 20 March - Beef, chicken or fish burgers $3.50
Thursday 21 March - Spaghetti (small $3.00, large $4.50)
- Spinach and cheese sausage rolls $3.50
Wednesday 27 March - Cheese and tomato crepes $4.50

The P&C annual general meeting will be held on 26 March in the school admin block. All parents are invited to attend and support their association.
CREATIVE AND PRACTICAL ARTS
Asia Pacific Triennial 7 (APT7) Art Exhibition
On Tuesday 12 March, the year 11 and 12 Art classes visited the Gallery of Modern Art (GoMA) to view the Asia Pacific Triennial 7 (APT7) art exhibition. The purpose of the trip was to view the Exhibition in preparation for the year 12 “Multi-cultural Community” unit and the year 11 “Aspects of a Person” unit, both of which contain integral aspects drawn from this exhibition. The day was a great success and the students were very impressed with the range and scope of the pieces on show.

Instrumental Music
Just a reminder, that Instrumental Music lessons take place every Thursday in room 803 with Miss Lowe. Lessons are also posted on the music noticeboard outside the block 8 staffroom and also on the door of the Instrumental Music room.
Band rehearsals are held every Thursday morning at 7.30 am. It is a requirement of the programme that all continuing students participate – Band can often be the most rewarding part of learning an instrument, as you are able to play different kinds of music as part of a team. There are a number of positions still available for beginning students on flute, clarinet, oboe, saxophone, trumpet, trombone and tuba. There are also limited positions available for keyboard and piano students as well as those students wishing to learn the drums. Please come and see Miss Lowe next Thursday if you are interested.

Be sure to keep an eye on this newsletter for all upcoming Creative and Practical Arts (CPA) events initiatives. It is going to be a huge year and your continued support for the CPA faculty at Sunnybank is greatly appreciated.

Kelly Niland
HOD – Creative and Practical Arts

CONSTRUCTION
As usual, time flies when you’re having fun. The construction classes are well into the building of the cubby house with the paint work underway. Students have been constructing the fences and the well for our display at the HIA EXPO on the Mayday long weekend. We have entered our Cubby into the “Funky Sheds” competition and hope to be able to again show industry what our students are capable of achieving.

The “Wishing Well” will be used by Kyabra Early Child Minding Centre to raise money at our 50th Anniversary where all visitors will be encouraged to dig deep into their pockets for loose coins and stray $50 notes. The construction classes are currently building the Cubby House in order to raise money through a raffle.

All proceeds will go to the Kyabra Early Child Minding Centre to assist them with their running costs for next year.

This has been a fantastic opportunity for our school to become actively involved with the community. Sunnybank SHS could not undertake such a project without the support of industry partners such as HIA Apprenticeships, Langs Building Supplies and Dulux Paints. Master Builders have provided White Cards in WH&S to our students at a very low cost.

As a school community we greatly appreciate our industry partners and value their generosity enormously. We trust that these partnerships will continue into the future and we encourage our school community to access these businesses and use their products.

Please come and visit our display at the HIA EXPO on the Mayday Weekend and vote for our entry. More information regarding that will be made known as we draw nearer. Thank you for all your support.

Chris Ralph
Senior Construction Teacher

SCIENCE NEWS
Year 9 students with a liking for forensics?
Have you ever solved a crime? No? I didn’t think so. They don’t tend to trust kids with that sort of thing BUT if forensics is your thing, keep reading.

We would like to offer you the opportunity to participate in the 2013 Talented Students Forensics Science Camp. The camp is a five day residential experience held at The Armidale School from 16 to 20 April. It will be a challenge and a chance to work with talented students from all over Australia.

Visit http://wordpress.as.edu/forensic/ or email forensic@as.edu.au for more information.

BOOKS FOR SALE
A commemorative book is being produced for Sunnybank’s 50th Anniversary on 22 and 23 March. It will detail Sunnybank High’s history and will be a valuable resource for anyone with a link to Sunnybank High. The cost is $65. Please contact the school on 3323 8111 to order.

Sunny Stories
An Anthology of Student Work, 2012
View a sample on the website. Purchase your own copy for $10.00 from Financial Services in the Administration block.
**ADVANCE NOTICE OF IMPORTANT DATES**

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

Long leg shorts have arrived. All shorts cost $30.00.

**Sale:** Old style pullovers (XL,2XL,3XL) - $20. Old style polo shirts (16,20,22,3XL,4XL) - $15.

**Students are reminded that spray deodorants are not permitted at school.**

**DOES YOUR CHILD SUFFER ASTHMA OR ECZEMA?**

Every day thousands of Australian children suffer the effects of asthma and eczema, and families struggle with illness management and children’s behavioural and emotional adjustment.

Over the next few months and for a limited time only, parents of 3-10 year old children suffering asthma or eczema are able to access Positive Parenting for Healthy Living Triple P free of charge as part of a University of Queensland research project.

For more information, contact Amy Mitchell on (07) 3365 7305, email healthyliving@uq.edu.au, or visit www.exp psy.uq.edu.au/healthyliving.

**MATHS TUTORING**

Personalised one on one training catered to suit each child’s needs specific to their level. Available after school and weekends. Contact Colin Chow 0424 428 131, colinchow76@gmail.com

**NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY**

Children, teachers and parents are encouraged to ride or walk to school on Friday 22 March to help promote the benefits of physical activity and active transport to the health and well being of our children. The benefits of participating:

- Happier and healthier students
- Improved education outcomes from students arriving fresh, alert and ready to learn
- Reduced congestion on our roads and fewer school parking issues.

**SCHOOLS FOR IMPROVEMENT**

The QTMB (Qld Teachers Mutual Bank) is running a promotion until September 2013 where they are giving away $100,000 each month to Queensland schools. For more information or to register your interest in donating to Sunnybank SHS visit http://www.schoolsforimprovement.com.au/.

**SEEKING BAND MEMBERS**

The Qld Services Heritage Band Association is seeking band members to perform in our marching band at an upcoming charity event for the Melanoma Awareness Foundation on Sunday 24 March at Wynnum. Contact Paul Jones 0418 740 919.

**RECIPES OF THE WEEK**

**Savoury Slice**

Makes 4
Preparation time 30 minutes
Cooking time 30 minutes
Oven 220°C

**Ingredients**

- 2 sheets ready rolled puff pastry
- 250g whole-kernel sweet corn
- 2 eggs
- 1 tomato
- 1 onion
- 2 rashers bacon
- Salt and pepper

**Method**

1. Preheat oven to 220°C
2. Line lamington tray with oven proof paper
3. Lay one sheet of pastry on tray
4. Sauté diced onion and chopped bacon to partly cook
5. Combine onion, bacon, diced tomato, salt, pepper, drained corn and beaten eggs
6. Spread filling over pastry
7. Cover with other sheet of pastry
8. Brush with beaten egg and milk. Prick with a fork to decorate
9. Bake in a hot oven for 15 minutes. Reduce heat to finish cooking for further 15 minutes
10. Cut into fingers. Serve hot

**Easter Treat**

Makes 6
Preparation time 15 minutes

**Ingredients**

- 100g milk compound cooking chocolate
- 50g dried fried noodles (Cheng noodles)
- 1 tablespoon crunchy peanut butter (optional)

**Method**

1. Place muffin papers into muffin tray
2. Melt chocolate in a double boiler or in microwave. Add peanut butter and stir
3. Add the noodles, mix well
4. Spoon the mixture into the muffin papers. Use a spoon to press mixture over the base and up the sides of the papers to resemble a nest shape
5. Refrigerate until set, remove from papers and fill with chocolate eggs, lollies, etc.

These recipes and more can be found in the Sunny Creations Cookbook, available from the Finance office for $15. Happy holidays.

**BUS QUEENSLAND - PARK RIDGE**

School Run 24 and School Run 37 now commence 10 minutes earlier for the morning routes. This should ease the ongoing issues of the routes constantly running late. If you have any concerns, please phone Bus Queensland on 3802 1233.

**MT GRAVATT BLUE LIGHT DANCE PARTY**

The next Dance Party is Friday 5 April, from 7.00 pm to 9.30 pm, at Mt Gravatt PCYC, 90 Klumpp Road, Upper Mt Gravatt, next to the Hibiscus Centre. The dance is for children aged between 7 and 14 and the cost of entry is $5. For more information please contact the Sunnybank School Based Police Officer, Senior Constable Shane Stanley on 3323 8106.