Dear Parents and Carers

The end of the year is a busy time for us all. Please take note of the calendar below for a full list of up and coming events.

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Today 25 parents and helpers attended our annual Thank You Morning Tea. During the year scripture teachers, canteen helpers, P&C members and classroom volunteers provide a great assistance to our students. We all really appreciate the fantastic support given. It makes our school a better place.

Sadleir History Project

As part of the Sadleir Public School Local History Project, Jan Turner, Betty Sapienza and Denise Moore (pictured below) attended the school today. Mrs O’Grady collected stories and historical facts from the ladies. Denise attended the school in 1963, the year it opened. The material compiled will form part of next year’s history project.

Thank You Morning Tea

Former students of Sadleir Public School
ANZAC Canberra Trip

On Monday 24th November Ripel, Tayla, Kai and David went to the Canberra War Memorial as part of the commemoration of the 100th year of the ANZACs. They have recounted some of their day:

We left very early on Monday morning and travelled to Canberra. There were representatives from a number of other schools who came with us. When we arrived we got sorted into groups and were given a guide. We saw a SAS patrol vehicle that ran over a land mine in Afghanistan. We viewed the Victoria Cross war medals and saw weapons that have been used in wars. We saw ‘G for George’, a huge plane that didn’t lose any of its soldiers in the war. There was an Australian Navy plane that had wings that folded up too.

We saw a plaque for a soldier from WW1 that has never been identified. We learnt that soldiers are sometimes never identified which was really sad. We learnt about ‘dog fights’ which are plane fights in the air. We saw lots of planes, submarines, medals, paintings and canons.

We also visited the Wall of Honour which was really interesting. There were thousands of poppies along the wall. We could see the new and old Parliament House in the distance. There were areas in the War Memorial for WW1, WW2, Vietnam, Gulf wars and Afghanistan. It was interesting.

We wrote a special message on a cross that will be sent to Gallipoli and placed on the Australian soldier’s graves. We learnt about how many people sacrificed their lives for us and the importance of our current soldiers.

David, Ripel, Tayla and Kai

Kindergarten Orientation

Last Tuesday was the final session of our 2015 Kindergarten orientation program. Currently we have 38 students enrolled for next year. Every child participated extremely well in the activities and they were all very engaged in the learning activities. Each child received a certificate and a library bag. We are looking forward to seeing everyone next year. A big thanks to the parents who assisted the school by making teaching and learning resources. Everyone received an activity pack that can be used to help develop literacy and numeracy skills over the holiday break.
Thanks to Miss Collas, Mrs Pepper, Mrs Hour, Mrs Ma, Mrs Pitt and Mrs Byrnes for putting such a great orientation program together.

**School Planning 2015-2017**

Our school is required to identify 3 priority areas for the next 3 years. After careful analysis of school data, gathering feedback at our parent and community forums and from the teacher and student feedback, we have decided to base our plans around student learning and wellbeing, quality teaching and educational leadership and productive partnerships with parents, local community agencies and the wider education community.

There will be more details available on our website in the new year. Thank you to everyone who has returned surveys and attended forums and meetings.

**P&C Fundraising Disco**

Next Tuesday, 2 December the P&C will be holding a fundraising disco. The times are as follows.

- **Kindergarten** 9:15-10:15
- **Stage 2** 10:20-11:20
- **Stage 3** 12:15-1:15
- **Stage 1** 2:00 – 3:00

All students who have paid their $5 will receive a slushy, bag of lollies, glow stick and packet of chips.

This will be the first time that we will be using the new disco lights and ball.

Due the disco day our final **P&C meeting for 2014 will be held on Tuesday 9 December at 9:15.**

Everyone is very welcome to attend and join us for morning tea.

**Chess Tournament**

On Wednesday 12 November Emman, Aidan and Vinh represented Sadleir PS at the South Western Suburbs one day teams chess tournament. Each competitor played 8 games against a range of public and private schools. The boys were extremely competitive and finished with an overall score of 9, which placed our school in the middle of the final table. We look forward to competing again next year.

Mr Scully

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**Regards**

Matthew Ralph
Principal