Dear Parents/Carers and Friends

Western Liverpool Festival

Congratulations to all our students who performed at the Western Liverpool Festival of Performing Arts. The choir sang magnificently and our dancers performed exceptionally well and were openly acknowledged for their talent and expertise. Many thanks to Mrs Low, Mrs Tamer and Mrs Tantaco for their passion and enthusiasm in teaching our students.

NAIDOC Day

A big thanks to the Gandangara Health Services for providing lunch for our entire school community as part of Sadleir’s NAIDOC day celebration. Special thanks to Jesty Nand and Jarred Wicks for their contribution to the assembly and to Gail Tobler for organising the day. Next week, local Aboriginal artist Roy Murray will be at the school, working with students to rejuvenate the large mural in the morning playground.

Learning Focus

As I visit classrooms during the day I am always very impressed when students are able to explain their thinking and justify answers and solutions. During the coming months we will be focusing on developing all students’ deep understanding of key concepts and their ability to use technical language to explain these concepts. Being able to do this has a positive impact on learning across the curriculum.

Spelling Bee

It has come to my attention that a number of students may have been disadvantaged by the process of selecting the finalists for the 2014 Sadleir PS Spelling Bee. It is always my intention to ensure that every student feels confident to participate in academic, sporting and arts competitions. The aim of the spelling bee is for students to improve their understanding of word origins and spelling rules and to find the best spellers on the day of the competition. Three ingredients needed to succeed will probably include spelling ability, practice and an element of luck.

To ensure that no student feels disadvantaged I have decided to reopen the event for any student who wishes to participate. The stage-based finals will be held on Monday 15 September (times to be confirmed). Parents are very welcome to attend.

If your child wishes to compete in the spelling bee final they should see their teacher on Monday 8 September to pick up the list of words to learn. The specific rules will be handed to all students as they pick up the word lists.
NAPLAN

All Year 3 and Year 5 students will receive their NAPLAN results on Friday 5 September. If you have any questions about your child’s NAPLAN results please contact the school. We will be holding a parent meeting at 9:15am on Tuesday 16 September to explain the results and answer any questions about NAPLAN.

Regards
Matthew Ralph
Principal

Stewart House

It’s time again to clean out our wardrobes and cupboards and gather together all the old clothes which we no longer have need for and donate them to Stewart House.

Stewart House has a proud history providing short term respite care for public school students in need of a break from their current circumstance. Through the generosity of schools, teachers, individuals, organisations and corporations, Stewart House has been able to cater for over 150,000 children since it opened in 1931.

Stewart House is a not for profit organisation and is the official charity of the Department of Education and Communities.

A Stewart House bag will be sent home with your copy of Sadleir Snippets and all clothing donations must be returned by Wednesday 17th September, 2014.

Kindergarten 2015

Kindergarten enrolments for 2015 are now being taken. If your child is turning five years of age by July 31, 2015, and they will be starting school next year, please call into the front office to collect an enrolment form. An up to date immunisation certificate from Medicare and proof of age will be required for each child enrolling. Enrolments returned to the office by the end of term 3 Friday 19th September will be given a free school hat.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tue 9th Sept Trainworks 1B, 1-2C, 1-2W, 2S
Thur 11th Sept Blue Mountains Excursion 3-6M, 5T, 6L & 5/6J
Mon 20th –Tues 21st Oct Wedderburn Camp Years 3-4

UPCOMING ASSEMBLIES

Fri 5th Sept 1-2W
Fri 12th Sept 3-4M
Preschool 2015

Preschool enrolments for 2015 are now being accepted. While there are still vacancies at this stage, they may not last long. Therefore, if you have a child turning 4 before July 31, 2015, and they will be starting Kindergarten in 2016, I urge you to come and pick up an application form as soon as possible. Preschool fees are very reasonable and priority will be given to children residing in the Sadleir local area.

Community Service

Inspire Community Services (near Wheat Park) are offering a free breakfast for students every Thursday morning 8:00am-9:00am on their way to school.

Students will receive cereal/toast/pancakes, a piece of fruit and a drink. All students are welcome.

Mrs Byrnes

NAIDOC celebration

On Wednesday 27th August we invited Mrs Betty Sapienza to our NAIDOC celebration. Mrs Sapienza is a neighbour of our school and is has a great deal of knowledge about our school history. She was the president of the P and C as well as being a school cleaner for many years. She has countless stories and historical facts to share. The students had many questions for Mrs Sapienza and they found her answers amazing. We will be compiling her stories into an ongoing history of our school.

Stage 1 Excursion

A reminder that all money for the Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) excursion to ‘Trainworks’ must be paid by Monday 8th September. We will be visiting this museum on Tuesday, September 9th to supplement our studies on transport in HSIE and Science. If you need another excursion note, please see your child’s teacher.

Mrs Brown

Father’s Day Special 1/2 Joining fee Save $50!!
$1 a Day, September only – Available to anyone over 18yrs.
Call us: 9607 3580
Email: miller@anytimefitness.com.au
PSSA Sport

Our netball season was awesome! We had some amazing shooters such as Amanda, Tanesha, and Emma. We played some pretty hard teams, but the good thing is we came fourth on the ladder and that’s pretty good for a team that has never played netball before! Prince Jack was a really fierce player. He was always right up in people’s faces and the coach would blow the whistle and say “STOP you’re too close, stand beside her or him” and the others would just sigh. Calvin was also like Prince Jack but just needed to take his time when he was about to throw the ball. And as for myself I think I’m a good player. I shed blood in the last game while I was playing Wing Attack. The junior team did very well. They came second in the competition and most of the team has never played before! They had some excellent shooters like Kristine and Tiana. Their defence was great too! Omega did an excellent job in Goal Keeper and Jana played Goal Defence really well. All of the other players on the team were very supportive and they all had lots of fun! Netball is a very interactive and cooperative game. I think anyone would be lucky to play and enjoy it.

Sasha Sindyan

PSSA Soccer was the best! We had the best strikers in our team like Bryce and Yacoob. We played a lot of hard teams and we only won two matches. Our best we’ve ever played was when we were up against Busby West Public School. We beat them 7 to 0 thanks to Bryce and Yacoob. As the coach blew his whistle everyone was exhausted. Our team celebrated. The junior team was really good too! They won a few more matches than us and drew a lot as well. While we waited for the juniors to play, we played a short game with other schools to help us practise our new skills. Kennye, Ryan, Hadi and Noah C were fantastic team players and helped their team to score goals and stop others teams from getting too close. Soccer is a great sport to play as it teaches you cooperation and helps you to develop excellent sportsmanship.

Ken Mai

I enjoyed playing Newcombeball because everyone had team spirit. When I play Newcombeball I don’t care if I lose or win, because even when we lose we still have fun. When we win congratulations to us! We had a tough season only winning a few games, but it doesn’t really matter, as long as we were having fun!

Aishe Ghazzaoui

I enjoyed Newcombeball because I enjoyed encouraging the juniors this season. They tried their best and really improved over the season. I loved playing because the whole team was polite and had excellent sportsmanship. I liked winning against Greenway Park and Hinchinbrook because we all tried our best and we ended up winning the game!

Mohomad Sarab
KC

KC are growing sunflowers as part of our science unit ‘The Farm’. We have planted seeds and can’t wait to see them grow into beautiful sunflowers!

Seeds need air, sun and water to grow.

We estimate the sunflower will grow in 19 days.

1 2 3 4

Sun

Soil

Water

Air
We water our seeds every day and check if they are growing.

Sun, soil, water, air.

Some seeds have split open and have leaves growing.

1  2  3  4
Playtime with GoGo at Sadleir

Come and join a free playtime at Sadleir with GoGo the Gecko. Bring your children along to get some tips about early literacy and numeracy skills.

**When and where:**
- Every Tuesday from 5 August to 9 September 2014 at Sadleir Primary School
  27 Insignia St, Sadleir
- Every Thursday from 7 August to 11 September 2014 at St. Therese Primary School
  Cabramatta Avenue, Sadleir

**Time:** 9.30am – 11am
(Including morning tea)

**Contacts:**
Sadleir Primary:
Sonia on 9607 8201
St Therese Primary:
Kerrie on 9607 7879

**Remember:**
* To wear sunscreen and a hat
* Parents are required to stay with their children at all times