Principal’s Message

Dear Parents,

**Parent Survey**
To assist us in strategic planning for future school improvement we invite parents/carers to complete a survey which can be found at the following link.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/56HBYW3

We appreciate parents/carers taking the time to help us build on the school’s strengths to improve the learning, social and personal opportunities for SIPPS students. Thank you for taking part in this important process.

**Student leaders at Parliament House**

Last Friday, I had the pleasure of accompanying our school Captains and Vice Captains to State Parliament House. We enjoyed a guided tour of the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council. Nick, Emily, Tara and Hudson joined other student leaders from eleven other schools in the Davidson electorate and were presented with a certificate from the local Member of Parliament, Jonathan O’Dea.
**Taste of Kindergarten**

Last week and again this week we welcome the 2015 Kindergarten students to their ‘Taste of Kindy’ sessions. As our Kindergarten enrolment numbers have grown significantly for 2015, there will be two Kindergarten classes next year at SiPPS.

**Tennis Champions**

At last week’s assembly we presented the junior tennis team with their trophy to celebrate their success at this year’s interschool’s tennis challenge. Congratulations to Tyler F, Tyler W, Sean and Tom.
Remembrance Day 11.11.14
This year, 11 November marks the 96th anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18). At 11am tomorrow the school will be acknowledging this important day with all students observing one minutes silence in their classrooms. We will also observe the protocol to fly the Australian National Flag at half-mast to remember the sacrifice of all those who have died for Australia. The flag will be lowered at 10:30am until 11:02am. Students may also wish to bring a flower that can contribute to a class wreath that will be placed under the flagpole as a mark of remembrance.

Selective High School Applications (Year 5 for Year 7 – 2016)
Application information for entry to Year 7 in selective high schools in 2016 is now available. Applications close on Monday 17 November 2014. No late applications will be accepted. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 12 March 2015. Visit the following website for more information and to apply online: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/learning/K-6assessments/shsplacement/index.php

2015 Class Planning
Last week I met with the school executive team to begin the process of organising staffing and class organisation for 2015. This is a very important process to ensure that the start of next year is as smooth a transition as possible. If you know that you will not be returning to St Ives Park PS next year, please complete the form below and return to the office as soon as possible so we can plan our classes more accurately.

Enjoy your week
Gillian Tegg

K-5 STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO SIPPS IN 2015
To: The Principal, St Ives Park Public School

My child / children will not be attending St Ives Park Public School in 2015.

Please print student names below.

NAME:______________________CURRENT CLASS: ___________

Last day of attendance: ___________________________________

Name of new school: _____________________________________

Signature: _____________________________________________
Parents are invited to a meeting to hear about our plans to implement a 1-1 iPad program in Years 5 and 6 from 2015 on **Tuesday 25th November 2014 at 6.30pm** in the hall. At the meeting the principal and staff from St Ives Park will outline how technology has the potential to engage students in ways not previously possible, to improve learning outcomes, to create new learning possibilities and to extend students’ interaction with their local and global communities.

The model for implementation is Bring Your Own Designated Device (BYODD), and as we will outline at the meeting, we are designating an iPad as the device we would like all Year 5 and 6 to use.

With the integration of new and emerging technologies we can provide our students with the best opportunities for their learning. We believe with the implementation of a BYODD (Bring your own designated device) 1:1 policy starting with Year 5 and 6 in 2015 we will be doing this.

In our learning context, there is no intention to replace the teacher with the iPad, or that the iPad would be in use the total time a student is in class. Research tells us that it is the teacher who makes the significant improvement in learning achievement and learning gain for students, far and above any tool.

The iPad will not replace all books, writing, drawing, sport or art. The iPad will not be in constant use as it is intended to be a learning tool to complement and support the learning and achievement not TO BE the learning.

Content creation is the aspect of learning where students demonstrate & explain their learning – it is the choice and use of Apps to create that content. The students will learn to fluently move between Apps in order to accomplish any task.

The iPad is a tool for learning. Gaming and entertainment apps will be banned during school hours.

Digital Citizenship & Cyber safety policies will be strictly enforced. We understand parents have many questions about how we are going to use the iPads, security and safety. We hope this evening will be able to answer your questions and concerns. If you wish to attend the evening please fill in the form below. We will be serving light refreshments at the beginning of the evening.

There are many recent research articles on the use of iPads at school some which are listed below.


iPad Evening 25/11/14

Name___________________________________________________________

I will be attending the iPad information evening.

Signed_______________________________________________________

Please return to your child’s class teacher

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Science Fair

Parents are invited to attend the Year 5 and 6 Science Fair on Monday 17th November in the Hall from 10-11.10am. Hands-on scientific investigations are the focus at our fair. Students have designed, tested, analysed, and will present a project that uses scientific methods to solve a problem.

Notes from Office

• **G3-6 Surf Safe Program** to be held at Freshwater Beach on **Thursday 20th November**. Completed permission notes and program fee for all children wishing to attend need to be returned by **Thursday 13th November**.

• The PSSA summer competition rounds have finished but it has been decided that schools not competing in the semi-finals and finals will continue to play “friendlies” with other schools in the competition. Charter buses have been booked for Fridays 14th and 21st November. A permission note will need to be signed by parents and returned by this Thursday 13th November.

• **Sports/Specialty Photographs:** These photographs are now displayed in the office foyer. These are available to order online at $14.00 per group or manual order (cash/credit card) at $18.00 per group. Manual order envelopes are available in the foyer. Manual orders will close on Friday 14th November.

• **SRC Wheelies Day** – permission notes for children to bring their bikes/scooters etc have been sent home and must be returned for Wednesday’s Wheelie Day.

• Students who have collected sufficient Awards Certificates to gain their next merit award please place them in the box in the foyer before Friday 21st November for collating and names being added to the next Award Assembly.
**PSSA**

**Term 4 PSSA Results**

**Week 5**

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**P&C**

**P&C AGM Wednesday 19th November**

Our next P&C Meeting is the AGM which will take place in the School Library on Wednesday 19th November.

It will begin at 7.15 (refreshments) for 7.30 - 9.00. All positions are up for re-election. A description of the P&C roles and responsibilities may be found on the school website under P&C.

We are particularly keen to hear from anyone who is interested in taking over the positions of Treasurer and Canteen Co-ordinator. In both cases the current job-holders are available now and next year to provide all the help and advice necessary. If you would like to discuss, please contact keitholiver@hotmail.com.

Keith Oliver, P&C President

keitholiver@hotmail.com

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SIPPS Tennis Courts available for permanent and casual hire. To arrange a booking please call Vera Dedijer 0403 500 301 or sippstennis@gmail.com
Uniform Shop

ROSTER:

Wed 19 Nov:  Amanda, Matt (til 9.15), (2 vacancies)
Wed 3 Dec   Amanda, Mijeong, Monica, (vacancy)
Wed 17 Dec  Amanda, Matt (til 9.15am), 2 vacancies

The Uniform Shop is open again on Wednesday 19 Nov from 8.45, so come and see us for any items you may still require for summer.

And also, don’t forget that you are able to place orders via the email address sippsuniforms@yahoo.com.au by the form available on the school website or outside the office in the foyer. Cash or cheque only. See you in the red and green!

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Amanda Vince
SIPPS Uniforms Coordinator 0417 083650

Canteen

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Maria Kleschtanow 10-12  
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Martine Maxwell |
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Sony Robson 10- Close  
Melissa Hick 10-Close  
Steph Kosasih 11-Close | 20th November  
Kerren Lumsden  
Ange Sposari |
| 8    | 24th November  
Susie Bright 10 -Close  
Carla Wilson 10-12 | 27th November  
Hana Kim  
Mijong |
FREE CHRISTMAS DISCO

SATURDAY 13TH DECEMBER
6.30PM - 8.30PM
AGE: UNDER 13'S

Canteen Available - Including chicken nuggets and hot dogs
LUCKY DOOR PRIZES DRAWN ON THE NIGHT

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