



UPCOMING EVENTS:

*** Fri 25 Sep:**

Sports Fun /
Footy Colours Day

*** Fri 25 Sep:**

Last day of Term 3

*** Mon 12 Oct:**

Students return for
Term 4

*** Wed 14 Oct:**

Gymnastics starts

*** Wed 28 Oct:**

School Photos

*** Fri 6 Nov:**

Book Character Parade

Sefton Infants School Newsletter

Wednesday 23 September 2020

Principal's Report

Dear Parents/Carers,

This **Friday 25 September** Sefton Infants School will be celebrating the end of Term 3 with a special Sports Fun Day. This special sports day will involve the children completing a range of fun, non-competitive rotating sports games and activities on the school grounds with their teachers.

The sports day will be combined with a charity event known as **Footy Colours Day**. This charity supports the *Fight Cancer Foundation* which helps provide education programs for children undergoing treatment for cancer. We are asking our students to come to school on this day wearing their favourite team colours and sport clothes. It could be their favourite rugby league team colours, or soccer team or any sport that they like. We request that all children donate a gold coin on the day that will be sent on to the Fight Cancer Foundation. Any popcorn and ice block sales on the day will also be donated to this charity. We are very much looking forward to this fun sports day to celebrate the end of Term 3 and to support children with cancer.



This is our last newsletter for Term 3. The spring school holidays will take place from Monday 28 September to Friday 9 October. All students return to school on **Monday 12 October** for the final term of 2020. I would like to wish all of our staff, students and their families a safe and restful school break.

Kind regards,
Sharna Labbe



School Photos

**Wed 28 Oct
Term 4 Week 3**

**Full summer
school uniform
required**



School Photos 2020

All students from Preschool to Year 2 will be involved in school photographs on **Wednesday 28 October**. Whole school, class and individual photos will be taken by visiting professional photographers. Information about the costing of photos will be distributed after the school holidays. If you would like to order any photographs, please complete the order form on the envelope which will be distributed as soon as we return from the spring school holidays, enclose the exact payment required and return to your child's class teacher by Wednesday 28 October. If you would like to order a family photo for siblings who attend Sefton Infants School and Preschool, please visit the school office to obtain a special order form.

It is vital that all K-2 students wear **full summer uniform** on the day of the photographs. This full uniform includes a red short-sleeved polo shirt, navy blue shorts or culottes (for girls), navy blue socks and black school shoes. Many families, as well as the school, purchase photos and want the photos and the school to be represented at its best. Therefore, it is very important for students to be extra neat and tidy in their school uniform on the day. There will not be any gymnastics lessons on this day. Thank you for your support.

Social Media and Child Safety

Many children use technology at home to engage with games, apps or videos. Unfortunately, there may be instances when social media accounts or internet sites may expose children to inappropriate or disturbing content. It is vital that parents supervise their children's use of online technology.

The following advice may assist parents in limiting students' exposure to harmful online content:

- Engage in your child's online activity and discuss the types of apps, websites and games they are viewing to ensure content is age-appropriate
- Make use of parental control on devices to help limit your child's online exposure
- Help your child report and block inappropriate content on social media or apps
- Encourage your child to talk to you about anything upsetting they view online
- Visit www.esafety.gov.au for further advice on apps, social media and online safety issues.

The following services may help anyone who may be experiencing emotional distress related to online content or any distress related to any situation:

- **Kids Helpline. 1800 55 1800.** Phone support is there all day, every day. Online support is open from 8am-midnight every day
- **Lifeline. 13 11 14.** Phone support all day, every day. Online support 7pm-4am daily (AEST). <https://www.lifeline.org.au/>
- **Beyondblue. 1300 22 4636.** Phone support all day, every day. Online support 3pm-midnight every day. <https://www.beyondblue.org.au/>



Book Character Parade - Term 4

Due to COVID-19, this year's Children's Book Week celebrations had to be postponed until Term 4. Sefton Infants School will be holding a fun book character parade and literature activity day on **Friday 6 November 2020**.

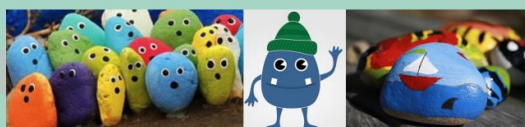
On this day, the students come to school in fancy dress costumes related to books. This year's Book Week theme is **'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds.'** Students might like to prepare a costume related to this theme or come dressed as their favourite book character. Please note our parade date on your calendar and start getting ready for this fun event now!

We will also be hosting a Book Club event during the week of the parade so that students can purchase books to celebrate Book Week as well. More information of this will come in Term 4.

Unfortunately, the current NSW Health and Department of Education COVID-19 restrictions prevent our parents/carers or any other external visitors from being a part of the gatherings on the school site. This means that only the students will be involved in the parade. We apologise for this situation. Sefton Infants School will seek to share photos of the event with our school community.



SCAVENGER HUNT HELP FIND SQUIGGLE'S HIDDEN ROCKS



Squiggle has hidden some special stones and friends for you to find. Can you help us get them back?

This activity is free and aimed at children 6 years and under and their families - Siblings welcome!

When: Tuesday 6 October, between 10am-2pm
Where: Magula Passive Park, Woods Rd, Birrong

AND

When: Thursday 8 October, between 10am-2pm
Where: Wiley Park, Canterbury Rd, Wiley Park

RECEIVE A FREE CRAFT PACK AND PICNIC BLANKET FOR PARTICIPATING

Multiple sessions available. Registrations are essential at cbcityrocks.eventbrite.com.au or by calling 9707 5585.



PAINTED ROCKS AND CRAFTY FRIENDS



Bring the kids along and join us in painting rocks and making crafty friends. There are multiple sessions available and morning tea is provided.

This activity is free and aimed at children 6 years and under and their families - Siblings welcome!

When: Tuesday 29 September, 10-11am or 12-1pm
Where: Bankstown Library and Knowledge Centre

AND

When: Thursday 1 October, 10-11am or 12-1pm
Where: Belmore Youth Resource Centre

Registrations are essential at cbcitycrafts.eventbrite.com.au or by calling 9707 5585.

At Sefton Infants School we are safe, respectful learners.

SAFE

- * Be in the right place.
- * Move safely.
- * Hands and feet to yourself.

RESPECTFUL

- * Follow teacher instructions.
- * Be kind to others.
- * Let others learn.
- * Care for our school.

LEARNERS

- * Try your best.
- * Be responsible for your own behaviour.

Super Sefton Awards

Commendations to our award recipients for this last fortnight.

Principal's Award - 10 Super Sefton Awards

Lamaar Mahfoud	1/2P	Ismael Khan	1/2P
Ahmad Zahir Angury	1/2P	Ali Chehade	1/2P
Layth Kanj	1.2O	Yasmin Hadafmamand	1/2O
Junayd Gebara	1/2O		

Bronze Award - 20 Super Sefton Awards

Ibrahim Chami	1/2P	Ladon Duong	1/2O
Amir Merheb	KG		

Gold Award - 40 Super Sefton Awards

Ruby Dao	1/2Y
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