



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### \* Mon 23, 30 Oct & 6 Nov:

123 Magic parent course

### \* Wed 25 Oct: School Photos

\* Wed  
1, 8 & 15 Nov:  
Kindergarten 2024  
Orientation sessions

### \* Wed 1 Nov 5-6pm: P&F Meeting

\* Fri 17 Nov:  
Just Like You K-2  
disability awareness  
workshop

### \* Wed 22 Nov: Preschool 2024 Orientation

### \* Fri 1 Dec 9-10am: P&F Meeting

\* Fri 8 Dec:  
- Cinema excursion  
- Yearly reports home

\* Mon 11 Dec:  
2023 Presentation  
award assembly

# Sefton Infants School Newsletter

Wednesday 18 October 2023

## Welcome to Term 4!

A warm welcome back to Term 4 to all our families. Our students have already made a great start to the new term, bringing much enthusiasm and energy to their learning. This term our students will continue to consolidate and extend their foundation skills in literacy and numeracy. It is wonderful to see the growth that all of our students have made so far this year in their English and Mathematics. We are striving to continue this strong growth right to the end of the school year.

In the learning area of Health and Personal Development, our students will be undertaking weekly fundamental movement skill lessons, as well as important studies related to sun and water safety during Term 4. We always encourage our families, as our students' first and primary educators, to help reinforce the messages of safety at home and in our community.

Our successful and popular Inquiry Learning Groups are continuing this term on Fridays. During this term our students will work in mixed small groups to develop their knowledge and skills in science and technology, STEM, history and geography.

Term 4 will also see our preparations for 2024 commence with Preschool and Kindergarten orientations starting soon. We are very much looking forward to meeting our new students and helping them to get ready for big school. Our Year 2 students will also be involved in transition visits to our local government schools during Term 4 so that they are ready for the next chapter in their primary education.

As we are now starting to organise our classes for 2024, it is very important to alert your child's class teacher or the principal if your family is planning to move home or to a different educational setting in the new year. For school records, we require you to inform the school in writing, outlining when your child will be leaving the school and the new educational setting your child will be attending. This information helps with the transition to the new school. We appreciate your support in providing this information to the school.

Wishing all of our students a productive, successful and fun term of learning.



Some great dance moves at our Term 3 after school disco.

## School Photos

Wed 25 Oct

Full summer school



Orientation Programs for Sefton Infants School taking place in November 2023



See more photos on our school website.

## School Photos

All students from Preschool to Year 2 will be involved in school photographs on **Wednesday 25 October**. Whole school, class and individual photos will be taken by visiting professional photographers. Information about the costing of photos has been distributed. If you would like to order any photographs, please complete the order form on the envelope already distributed to your child, enclose the exact payment required and return to the Payment Box in the School Office by Tuesday 24 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. Thank you for your support.

## Getting ready for 2024 - Preschool and Kindergarten

It is time for our new 2024 Preschool and Kindergarten students to start getting ready for their transition to big school. Letters have already been sent to individual families who have successfully applied for Preschool and Kindergarten placements for 2024.

School orientation programs are a very important part of children's transition to school. The school visits help to build children's confidence and school readiness skills across academic and social domains. It is vital that all children attend their orientation program. Very important information about school operations and programs will also be relayed to parents during the orientation sessions.

We are looking forward to meeting all of our new students and their families and welcoming them to our wonderful school.

2023 Orientation dates (Please refer to group times on your individual notes):

Preschool: Wednesday 22 November  
Kindergarten: Wednesday 1, 8 & 15 November

## Fun times at our recent after school disco...



## 1 2 3 Magic - Parenting Course

Sefton Infants School is hosting a practical parenting program called '1-2-3 Magic'. This three session program aims to help parents/carers respond to children's behaviour and set healthy boundaries with their children. The program teaches parents how to use an easy signalling system to manage children's inappropriate behaviour and how to set children on the path to more positive behaviours. The system also encourages the development of children's ability to manage their emotional reactions to parental boundaries.

1-2-3 Magic has helped millions of families grow stronger and more connected, with happier parents and, most importantly, happier kids! 1-2-3 Magic breaks the complex job of parenting down into **3 simple steps**:

1. Getting your kids to **stop** doing the things you don't want them to do (tantrums, whining, etc.)
2. Motivating your kids to **start** doing the things you want them to do (cleaning up, homework, etc.)
3. Bonding with your kids (**the best part!**)

The course will be led by a trained 1-2-3 Magic facilitator from Chester Hill Neighbourhood Centre and be held over three Mondays at Sefton Infants School:

1. 9:30-11:30am Monday 23 October
2. 9:30-11:30am Monday 30 October
3. 9:30-11:30am Monday 6 November

All parents/carers are welcome to register for the free program and the three sessions by completing the note already sent home and returning to school OR phoning the school on 9644 4079 to register your attendance. We hope to see you there.



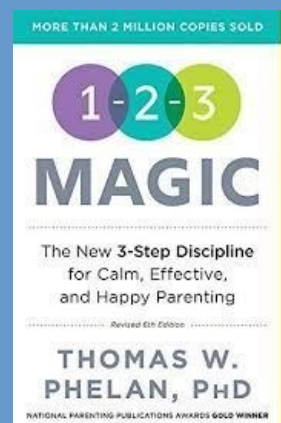
## Playgroup at Sefton Infants School

Playgroup sessions are now taking place at Sefton Infants School!

Playgroup provides an informal play session in a relaxed and friendly environment for children aged between 0-5 years. Mums, dads, grandparents or caregivers bring their children and stay at the session to interact with other adults and to play with their children. Play is vital for young children's learning. The playgroup sessions at Sefton Infants School are run by parents. Drop in to our playgroup or call the school for more information.

### PLAYGROUP AT SEFTON INFANTS SCHOOL

- WHEN:** Fridays 9:30am - 11am  
**WHERE:** Sefton Infants School playground  
**WHO:** Children aged 0-5 years and their parents or carers who live locally (You do not have to have children currently enrolled at Sefton Infants School).  
**WHAT:** Play activities. Please bring some fruit or snacks and drink for your child's morning tea.



## 1 2 3 Magic Parenting Program

**9:30 - 11:30am  
Mondays  
23 Oct  
30 Oct &  
6 Nov  
at Sefton  
Infants School**

**Register now  
9644 4079**



**Playgroup  
at  
Sefton Infants  
School  
Friday  
mornings  
9:30-11am**

**All local  
families  
welcome!**



**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.**

## Well done, Super Sefton students!

Commendations to all of our award recipients this fortnight:

### Bronze Award - 20 Super Sefton Awards

Sofia Clark KG

### Silver Award—30 Super Sefton Awards

Arabella Ta KG  
 Issa Dehen 1/2P  
 Audrey Merheb KG  
 Ahmed Baig 1/2P

Mariam Fares K/10  
 Aaliyah Djouah 1/2Y  
 Yunus El-Khatib 1/2P

### Gold Award - 40 Super Sefton Awards

Isaac Elrich KB  
 Safiyyah Assim KB  
 Cadie Tran K/10  
 Justin Phan K/10  
 Alexander Sarkis 1/2Y

Noha Dib KB  
 Huzaifah Adnan KG  
 Celine Awad K/10  
 Zeinab Toufaili 1/2P

### Platinum Award - 50 Super Sefton Awards

Ismael Zoobi KB  
 Riley Wickman 1/2P

Ayaana Mahfoud 1/2P  
 Sukaina Kazmi 1/2P

