Dear Parents

Welcome back to term 4, with a very busy and full calendar ahead. A reminder to parents that tomorrow **Friday, 24 October as determined by the Minister is a Professional Learning Day** (students do not attend). Staff will be working across a range of areas over the course of the day, with a strong focus on moderating student work to ensure consistency in assessment leading into the end of year reporting process. Our specialist teachers in the areas of Health and Physical Education, the Arts, and Technology will meet with other staff from schools within our region to both moderate but also unpack and further develop their understanding of their respective Australian Curriculum documents.

**Railton Campus Building Works**

Students and parents at our Railton Campus would have noticed some considerable change on their return to school last week. During the last week of Term 3 and over the holiday period contractors have worked hard at trying to complete the scheduled works in time for the commencement of Term 4. On the whole they have been very successful, with only a small number of additional improvements to take place over the next week or so, with minimal impact to the school community anticipated. Pictured below are a number of our Kinder / Prep students enjoying their refurbished learning space!
Over the remainder of the term we will continue to consult with students, staff and the parent community regarding ideas to develop the space where the building 2 was previously positioned.

I would like to acknowledge and thank all of our Railton Campus community for their patience and flexibility whilst the building works has been occurring. I would also particularly like to thank Mrs Claire Kent, Mr Malcolm Von Stieglitz, Mrs Julie McCarthy and Mrs Rachael Watt for all of their additional work and effort leading up to, during and after the works to ensure the learning program for our Kinder / Prep students received minimal disruption.

Railton Campus Pool
Included in this newsletter is the information and pricing structure for the use of the Railton Campus Pool. A significant number of families and community members have already secured bookings, if you would like to make a season or holiday booking please contact our school office on 64918222.

Cultural Performances
As a school, over the course of the year we endeavour to ensure that our students experience at least one cultural / educational performance from an external provider which carries with it a specific message / focus that will help broaden students understanding on that particular topic or culture.

Earlier in the year K-6 students at the Sheffield campus were entertained and educated further in regard to the aboriginal culture in a performance by Lucas Proudfoot, and later this term students at our Railton Campus will have the opportunity to enjoy a story telling session by Kym Lardner.

During the last week of term 3 grade 7-10 students were treated to an inspiring, uplifting cultural performance by Bernard Mangakahia. Bernard used storytelling and dance to share the story of his Polynesian cultural background and share his message that strength and confidence comes from having a clear sense of identity. Students were fully engaged in the performance where Bernard shared his own journey to connect with his family, discover his cultural heritage and develop his own sense of identity and self-confidence. Some of our students volunteered to perform with Barnard and had a go at the New Zealand Haka and the Native American Indian Hoop Dance, well done Hamish, Patrick and Liam!

YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/user/Mrjasaku

Ron Daly
PRINCIPAL
APPLICATION FOR HIRE FORM:
To be collected, completed and returned to the Sheffield School (Sheffield Campus) Main Office. Upon completion and payment, the original is retained by the school and a photocopy is given the Pool User.

- Application for Hire forms can only be completed and signed by the approved adult (Hirer) who intends to use the Pool, or be legally responsible for supervision of others using the pool, and holds a current CPR certificate.

BOOKINGS:
- Bookings can be made in person at the Sheffield School (Sheffield Campus) Main Office or by phone on 64918222 from Monday 13th October 2014.
- All telephone bookings must be confirmed by payment and the completion of the agreement prior to the commencement of the season or the booking time may be re-allocated.

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<td>Friday 19th December 2014 to Thursday 29th January 2015 (6 week season)</td>
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KEYS:
Keys will be issued after payment of swimming hire costs plus $20 key deposit.
Keys MUST be returned to the Sheffield School (Sheffield Campus) office by the end of April 2015 to ensure your refund.

PRICES:
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EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:
- A landline phone is provided for dialing ‘000’ only.
- First aid supplies are provided and will be replenished by the school.
- Map of school grounds showing emergency assembly point is displayed.

Please remember you CANNOT swim alone! Maximum 10 people per booking.

Contact points – Pool damage or malfunction: ☏ 64918222 and leave message.
**Calendar dates.....**

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<td>Assembly P-6 (commences 11.30am) Sheffield Campus</td>
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<td>Assembly P-4 (commences 12.00pm) Railton Campus – CBA representative will be speaking about school banking.</td>
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**2014 School Magazine**

This year we are offering the school magazine as a digital file or a printed booklet that will be produced here at school. The A4 colour printed booklets are $10 per copy and the digital PDF file will be free of charge. Printed school magazines need to be ordered through the school office by December 6.
K – 10 Canteen Price List 2014
Effective Term 4 2014

Recess & Pre-ordered Lunch Lines
Fruit Buns $1.50
Egg & Bacon Pies $1.00
Party Pies $1.20
Sausage Rolls $1.70
Savoury Toast $2.00
Toasted Ham and Cheese Sandwich $3.00
Hot Chocolate (pre-ordered with lunch orders only) $2.50
Hot Milo $2.50
Chocolate, Strawberry or Honeycomb Nippys Milk $2.00 (250ml) $2.70 (375ml)
Orange, Apple or Apple & Blackcurrant Juice $1.80
Hash Browns 2 for $2.50

Lunch Lines
Chicken Nuggets (x 6) $2.50
Seasoned Chicken Fillet with lot (Wrap) $4.50
Chicken Burger (in bread) $3.00
Chicken Burger (with lot) $4.50
Hot Chicken & Gravy Roll $4.50
Vegie Burger in Bread $3.00
Vegie Burger with Salad $4.50
Pie $4.00
Sausage Roll (large) $3.00
Fried Rice (Wednesday, Thursday & Friday only) $3.00 sml $3.50 lge
Pizza Singles (ham & pineapple, bacon and cheese) $2.80
Lasagne $4.00
Salad Tub (Ham/Chicken) $4.50
Salad Wrap (ham or chicken) $4.50
Salad Roll (ham or chicken, white or wholemeal bread) $4.50
Salad Sandwich (ham or chicken, white or wholemeal bread) $4.00
Bread Roll - vegemite, peanut butter, cheese $2.50
ham and cheese or chicken and cheese $3.50
Toasted Sandwich (One filling of cheese or tomato) $2.50
Add Ham or chicken $3.50
(Extra filling 50c) e.g. pineapple, tomato
Toasted Focaccias (turkey/cranberry or ham/cheese up to 3 fillings) $4.50
Tomato or BBQ Sauce $0.30

Term Special
Fruit Salad $3.00
Fruit Salad with yoghurt $3.50

Where possible, please send the correct money for lunch orders …… thank you!
Outline for Term 4

17th of October  Space Adventures
24th of October  No session due to Student Free Day
31st of October  How does your garden grow?
7th of November  Pete The Cat
               KINDER O: Uniform Information
               2015 Enrolment Forms due
14th of November  What’s in a Name?
               KINDER O: School Lunch Box Ideas
21st of November  Mini Beasts
               KINDER O: Parent Meeting (No Children please)
28th of November  No session due to Public Holiday
5th of December  Teddy Bear’s Picnic FINAL SESSION

Launching into Learning & Kinder Orientation—Sheffield Campus

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Sheffield School (Railton Campus)

Launching into Learning

Sessions held each Tuesday

The program aims to:

- Foster positive connections between school and local families
- Provide positive play and learning opportunities for adults and children
- Support and provide orientation for 2016 Kindergarten students and their parents

Where: (Railton Campus) Sheffield School, 94 Foster St, Railton
Who: Any local children aged 0-4 years and their families
When: Tuesdays 09:15am—10:30am (Kinder/Prep Classroom)
Cost: Free! So come join us.

For more information or enrolment details, please contact:
Mrs Elaine Kold at Railton Campus or through the office on 6491 3922.
VET COURSES AND ADULT LEARNING AT SHEFFIELD SCHOOL

Did you know that Sheffield School offers a range of courses for adult learners?

There are TQA courses for those who wish to re-enter the work force and need to update their Literacy/English or Numeracy/Maths skills, and there are also entry level (Certificate 2) VET courses for those who wish to pursue a career in their particular field of interest.

All of these courses are also suitable for recent school leavers who need basic life skill courses to improve their employment prospects.

There are no pre-requisites or age restrictions, and we will do our best to tailor courses to suit individual needs.

For more information contact Norm Gregory (VET Coordinator) at the school on 64918235
Option Courses 2015

The 2015 Grade 9/10 Curriculum Handbook will be available for students and parents on Monday 27th October. This document will be accessible on our webpage and hard copies of this booklet will be provided for students upon request.

The Curriculum handbook has course descriptors for the Option Courses that will be offered next year and our grade 8 and 9 students will need to make their course selections by Friday 31st October. Optional courses in 2015 will cover a wide range of subjects but centre around the themes of technology, creativity, leadership and enrichment programs. During the option course selection process teachers will provide support for students making choices. I strongly encourage you to discuss the option choices with your child at home. Students have significant choice in what they study and the process used to make the decision is very important. Parents who would like more information about a particular course can make contact with Mr Jamie Skirving through the school office.

Link to handbook
https://education.tas.edu.au/sheffield/Shared%20Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx

Bring Your Own Technology (BYOT)

Students from grades 7-10 have the option to bring their own personal netbook, laptop or tablet computer to use at school as a learning resources. Many schools have adopted a BYOT program to assist students in gaining greater access to technology and learning resources at school and beyond. BYOT users will be able to connect to our network and access filtered internet as normal. A parent information session about BYOT will be held in the Library on Tuesday 4th November starting at 5pm. Information about the suitability of devices, software, security, access to learning resources and BYOT policy information will be presented. The Department of Education in partnership with Microsoft will be offering free access to software and cloud storage for students in 2015, this will be explained at the information session. If you would like more information please contact Mr Jamie Skirving through the school office.

TIMMS Testing

A number of year 4 and year 8 students from our school have been randomly selected to take part in the Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMMS). TIMMS is an important educational research project investigating student achievement in Mathematics and Science. More than 60 countries, including Australia, are participating in this study. TIMMS is an important activity to keep us, parents and citizens, informed about how our students in Australia are performing in comparison to their peers in other countries and to compare programs of study and teaching practices. We will be able to obtain current national and international information which will help improve the teaching and learning of Mathematics and Science in our country.

Selected students will do an assessment in Mathematics and Science and complete a questionnaire about their experiences at home and school in relation to these. There is no need for students to study specifically for the assessment. Testing will take place on November 10th; an information brochure for parents will be sent home with students selected for participation prior to the testing taking place.

Parents with questions relating to TIMMS Testing, should contact Carmen Pearce at the school for more information.
The secret to raising happy, confident kids

Despite what you may think, the fundamental job of the parent has not changed since the dawn of time. And it’s never too early to start.

It’s amazing how resourceful kids can be when they are given the chance to resolve their own problems.

Character, which is essential for success, is forged under hardship and is needed if kids are to live a sturdy life. Kids need to be exposed to disappointment, failure and conflict if character strengths such as grit and perseverance are to be forged.

INDEPENDENCE TAKES MANY FORMS
Independence has many guises and can be developed in many ways, though in the end it is adults who are the gatekeepers for their children’s independence.

On a basic level developing independence is about developing children’s autonomy. Without realizing it, many parents make choices on their children’s behalf. Kids build self-confidence when they do things for themselves, and make their own decisions.

Independence is built when children spend time in unpredictable circumstances and environments such as the bush, and also have the opportunity to navigate their neighbourhoods on their own. There may be some risk involved but that is where the learning lies.

Eliminate the risk and you eliminate the learning.

Allowing kids to follow their own impulses even if they are different to your own is the key to gaining independence. This may mean that your children choose healthy interests and pursuits that you are unfamiliar with, or even swim against the tide of your wishes.

Allowing kids to take responsibility and own their own problems builds confidence and competence.

Start by expecting kids to help at home. Look for ways to develop self-help skills and don’t take their problems on as your problems.

MANAGE VISUALLY
When your end game is redundancy and your priority is independence building then managing your kids in a visual way becomes your most obvious strategy. Management by mouth, in contrast, is a dependency strategy. So talk less, use signs, lists and rosters backed up by consequences to develop independence and responsibility in your children.

CREATE JUNIOR VERSIONS OF INDEPENDENCE
It can be scary and also difficult developing independence in one big step. Smart parents intuitively develop junior versions of independence by breaking up big activities into digestible bits.

Want your three-year-old to make the bed? Then start by arranging the teddies and the pillows (a junior version of making the bed) and let them work their way up from there. Similarly, if you want your five-year-old to walk to school on his own but it’s currently beyond him, then accompany him most of the way and let him walk the last 200 metres on his own. That’s a junior version of walking to school.

In all the noise and commotion about raising kids today it’s easy to forget that the job description for parents hasn’t changed since the dawn of time. Love them, bond with them, teach them and spend time with them. But also work like mad to develop their real independence so they become capable of handling what life will throw their way.

Then you’ll know your job as a parent is done! It doesn’t mean you won’t stop worrying about them... that’s a story for another time. But it does mean you’ve finished the main task of parenting, that is, to make yourself redundant at the earliest possible age.


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KIDS GREAT DAY OUT @ SHEFFIELD
SATURDAY 1st & SUNDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE 100 YEARS
SINCE RAIL FIRST CAME TO SHEFFIELD!

BIRTHDAY CAKE AT 1:30PM EACH DAY

- NO ENTRY FEES THIS YEAR—pay for train, food
- Steam Train rides on Claude the Krauss every half hour (fares on left)
- Traction engines and a steam roller with faces like everyone’s favourite cartoon engines
- Model train displays in the new Model Railway Club Room—in the Printery shed
- Steam Roller Tug ‘O’ War—Kids versus the Steam Roller! And a free Lolly scramble during the Tug ‘O’ War Starts 11:30 am & 2:30 am
- Historic Printing Press providing kid’s mementos!
- A Giant Maze with a difference!
- Spreyton Scouts Rope Bridge
- Allison the Balloon Lady
- Jumping Castle
- Food stalls
- Sausage Sizzle
- And MORE ……..

AND ALSO—
- COLOURING COMPETITION: Closing @ 1:30pm Sunday - Judging @ 2pm. Open to age 10 and under. Prizes: 6 and under-$20; ages 7 & 8 - $30; ages 9 & 10 - $50.
- Entries can be dropped into the Museum letter box at the front of the Sheffield Museum at 93 Main Street or posted to PO Box 143 Sheffield 7306—they must reach us by Thursday 30 October.
- Image to be coloured may be distributed through schools. It can also be downloaded from our website—
- Click on Kids’ Great Day Out on www.redwater.org.au home page.
- All entries will be on display in the Big Shed on Sunday.

AT THE STATION COFFEE SHOP:
- Great coffee, a variety of teas, hot chocolate $3
- Cold cans drink 375ml @ $2.50
- Small fruit juices for the kids @1.00
- Yummy home-baked goodies @ great prices
- Healthy special treats for the children
- Tasty light meals cooked to order
- COME CHECK OUT OUR MENU!

Souvenirs and other memorabilia
Membership Forms—we are always keen to welcome new members

GARAGE SALE AND CAR BOOT SALE AT KIDS GREAT DAY OUT
Spring Cleaning? $5 to sell from your car boot OR grab a bargain at the garage sale
It’s Cricket Time!!!
Sheffield Mountaineers Cricket Club are looking for u15 & u17 cricketers for this season.
Training is held during the week with games played on Sundays.
To join the club and start playing this season, contact
Tim Irvine (0427225015) for more information. All new players welcome.

Disclaimer: Parents should note that advertisements for education services, companies, activities or similar events are published as a ‘community service’. Sheffield School is in no way liable for the quality, supervision or integrity of the provider and strongly suggests that parents make their own enquiries before engaging with the advertised event.

Ron Daly, Principal