We are drawing toward the end of another busy term at SAPS, but it isn’t over yet!

**Soccer Success**
Our school soccer team heads to Sydney on Thursday to contest the State Finals. This is a great achievement for the team and something to be proud of as a school. This will be a big day for the team. They will be leaving Salt Ash at 5:30am and return well after school finishes. They will play “the best of the rest” in the state and to make it to this level is something the kids will remember forever. Good luck team!

**Salt Ash Has Talent**
And not just in soccer.
As part of their fundraising for a gift to the school the student leaders have organised some confident kids to put on a show at lunch time on Friday and are inviting students to attend. The leaders will be selling tickets at 50 cents each and this comes with a free Honey Joy cup cake (they sold like hot cakes last time) or if you prefer buy a Honey Joy and get the show for free or if you like just buy a Honey Joy. Get the hint, please buy a Honey Joy treat for 50 cents.

**Canberra Excursion**
Week 8 of next term sees our 3-6 Canberra trip. Payments are still being taken in instalments at the office with the final payment due no later than **Friday 6th November (Week 5 Term 4)**. A detailed information sheet including what to bring lists and consent and medical forms will come home early in the new term.

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**Canteen News**
A special Milk Shake Day will be held this week by the canteen. Chocolate, Strawberry and Caramel shakes will be on sale for students to enjoy at lunch time. The milk shakes cost $2.00 each and should be ordered through normal lunch order processes.

**Up Coming Dates**
- **Thursday 17th September** - Soccer team to Sydney for State Finals
- **Friday 18th September** - Salt Ash Has talent & Honey Joy sale (50 cents) Last day of Term 3
- **Tuesday 6th October** - First Day of term 4
- **Friday 23rd October** - School Photos
- **Thursday 28th October** - Book Fair Preview
- **Friday 29th October** - Book Fair Grand Parents Day
- **Friday 6th November** - Hunter River High, Small Schools Transition Day
- **Wednesday 25th November** - Canberra Excursion
- **Wednesday 3rd December** - Hunter River High Orientation Day Hunter River High, Parent info evening.
Bronze Awards:
Jakob May, Patrick Slade, Mikayla Anderson and Kye Disney.

Silver Awards:
Sophie Robinson and William Liston-Smith.

Well done to all our award recipients, especially our Silver certificates!!!!

Volunteers working with children check
We very much value the support of our community and thank all those people who contribute to our school. Whether it be assisting in the canteen or at any of our other P&C activities, helping to transport students to events or assisting in the classroom with things like reading groups, everything helps our kids and we thank you.

All volunteers in schools need a Working with Children clearance. The Department of Education is transitioning to a Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance for all staff and volunteers as prescribed in the Child Protection (Working with Children) Regulation 2013 and require schools to keep a record that their volunteers have this clearance.

What does this mean?
It means if you have been volunteering at our school since 2013 or before, your declaration and proof of identity continue to be appropriate and the school will just update current records until we all change over in 2017. If you have joined us since 2013 you need to apply for a WWCC Clearance through the Children’s Guardian and provide the clearance number to the school. This is easy to do online at http://www.newcheck.kids.nsw.gov.au. AND IT’S FREE! If you need a hand with this let me know and we can do it together at school.

Attendance
Attending school every day makes learning easier for your child and helps build and maintain friendships with other children.

If students miss the basic skills in the early years of school, they may have problems later on.
Regular attendance at school will help your child succeed in later life.
Please do not keep your child away from school for:
- birthdays
- pension day
- minding other children
- hair cuts
- Interpreting for other family members.
  Or other less important reasons.
Try to make children’s appointments with people like dentists or doctors before or after school.

Woolworths Earn & Learn
We are now ready to return all the stickers saved by our school community and handed in at the school.
A great big thank you to all who supported this initiative and we look forward to a successful program with lots of resources for our school.

2016 Enrolment
It is once again time to consider our enrolments for next year. If you know of any families who may be enrolling pupils could you please ask them to contact the school to fill out enrolment forms and return them to school. This will allow us to start planning for next year’s classes.
Urgent - Junior Cricket Players still Required

Medowie Cricket Club still need registrations to complete our teams for this coming season.

We need 3-4 kids aged 9 & 10 year (or up to 11 year old girls) for our Under 11’s competition team;

1-2 kids aged 13 & 14 years for our Under 15’s competition team,

4-5 kids aged 8 - 10 year olds for our Tonkin Tens teams, and

3-5 kids aged 7-11 years for T20 Blast to be held on a Wednesday at Harker Oval, New Lambton

Jump onto the Medowie Cricket Website and register online or email us on medowie_cricket@icloud.com
Come and play cricket at our wonderful facilities at Raymond Terrace. Established in 1882 we proudly support Junior Cricket, promoting player participation for enjoyment and skills development.

**Milo in2Cricket**  
Age guide 4½ – 8 years  $75 Registration  
Saturdays 9:00 – 10:30am King Park Raymond Terrace  
Players receive a backpack, hat, drink bottle, bat, ball & playing shirt.

**Milo T20 Blast**  
Age guide 7 – 9 years  $99 Registration  
Saturdays 9:00 – 10:30am King Park Raymond Terrace  
Players receive a bag, hat & playing shirt.

**Junior Cricket**  
Age guide 10 – 16 years  $65 Registration & match fees or $130 season  
Saturdays in Raymond Terrace & Maitland District 8:30 – 11:30am.  
New players receive a club playing shirt & hat.

**Seniors**  
Teams also available and requiring players.

*Come along for some fun, fitness & friendship!*

For more information please contact:  
**Juniors – Dana Wells**  0400 854 014  
rtdjcc@hotmail.com  
**Seniors – Dave Farmer**  0422 755 214  