

Sai Insights

Value: Non Violence as Fair Go

Quote: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."



Sathya Sai
School

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"*Citius, Altius, Fortius*"
(faster, higher, stronger).



The Olympic Games are upon us and as we watch these Olympians compete we are amazed by their aim and ability to be "faster, higher, stronger". As we seek to understand their motivations and drive to get to where they are today, we marvel at their:

~ **devotion** to their sport
~ **discipline** to training
~ sense of **duty** to themselves and their country (*to be the best they can be*),
~ **discrimination** (*on what is best, to be the best*)
~ **determination** to succeed
ALL HUMAN VALUES!

These role models show us that "genius is one percent inspiration, ninety-nine percent perspiration". They are talented BUT to draw out those talents they needed to work hard, they needed to put in the effort.

At SSS we believe everyone of us is a role model, everyone of us has the ability to shine and everyone of us is divine! However like the Olympians of this modern era - we need to draw out these abilities and talents through constant, consistent, conscious effort! It requires all of us to practice these **5 Ds** of devotion, discipline, duty, discrimination and determination and have the patience to see our humanness take shape and form.

I invite all on this journey to our divine selves by consistently working towards our goals, being the best we can be and practice

The Golden Rule:
*Treat others the way
You want to be treated.*

♥ Leelah Broughton

The Great Book Swap

The Great Book Swap is organised by the Indigenous Literacy Foundation and encourages students to swap one of their favourite books for someone else's for a gold coin donation.

It is a fantastic way to celebrate reading locally, and raise much-needed funds to buy books for remote communities.

Sathya Sai is very keen to host a Great Book Swap but we need your help. All you need to do is swap one of your favourite books for someone else's - for a gold coin donation.

It is all about practising the value of 'sharing and caring'. This will take place on Tues 30th Aug to Thurs 1st Sept. 2016. Please support this cause.

Important dates:

8-10 Aug - Book Fair

9 Aug - Book Character
Parade

11 Aug - Gold Coast
Eisteddfods

12 Aug - SRC Assembly

16 Aug - ICAS Math

18 Aug - High School Info
Session

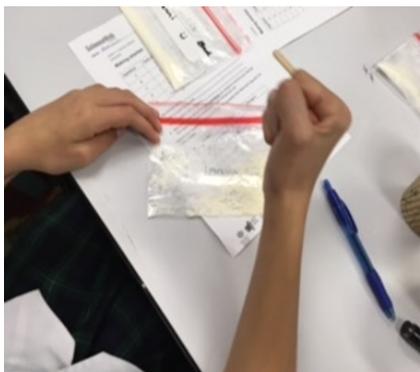
23 Aug - Kindy Dental
Clinic

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Year 7 ~ Science & English

In **Science**, Year 7 has just started their new topic **Mixing and Separating**. In this unit they investigate different mixtures and separation techniques. Students will apply their understanding of separation techniques to their daily lives and consider how people in different occupations use separation techniques. Students explore the water cycle and investigate how humans have mimicked natural separation techniques to produce clean water for drinking. They will consider the need for sustainability of water. Students will also have opportunities to plan and conduct investigations and analyse results



Smashing the mixture to an even consistency



Science Practical –playing with mixtures

In **English**, Year 7 has commenced the unit **Poetry**. Students explore different poetic genres including classic poems, contemporary poems and song lyrics while learning the basics of poetic deconstruction –the ways in which we analyse and discuss poetry. In this unit students learn how poets in the past have used poems to communicate their ideas and comment on social and political happening of their time; that these people were important recorders of the way people thought about, imagined, spoke about and understood the world. Song lyrics

and ballads will also be studied and analysed.

The class have just covered concepts in poetry revolving around rhyme, rhythm and similes.

Cheyenne's poem 'My New Friends' is written below:

My New Friends

*Some are as funny as a joke book
Some are as crazy as can be
Come along and take a look
Then you'll understand me*

*Some are as quiet as a flea
Some are as loud as a stampede
Some are a little of both
Though ear muffs are really what I need*

*All of them are really kind
Describing them never ends
And then you will find
They are my new friends*



School Notes

Early Morning Arrivals

We seek parents and care givers cooperation in ensuring **students do not arrive at school before 8.20 am**. If students do arrive before 8.20 am we require students to stay in the reception area of School. Students should not wander through the school or place their bags in front of their classrooms until a teacher comes on duty. Thank you for your cooperation.

School Uniforms

We thank parents for supporting the school with our efforts to ensure students are dressed in proper school uniforms which includes their school jumpers and black shoes with white or black socks. We understand that on rare occasions wearing the school uniform may not be possible; however we ask parents and carers to substitute the uniform for a colour and style which is as close to the school uniform as possible.

Parent Communication

Communication between parents and teachers is important and we ask parents to make an appointment to see teachers should they wish to discuss any matter regarding their child. It is difficult for teachers to speak to parents when they are doing yard duty or in the mornings when they are setting up their classroom or when they are walking their students back to class. We seek your understanding and cooperation in this matter. Please see school office to make an appointment.

Library News

Book Fair

It is that time of year again when we celebrate our love of literacy. The book fair is a wonderful way for families to celebrate the importance of reading and all of the wonderful interactions it creates.

The Book Fair will be open for preview on Friday the 5th of August and for purchase from Monday the 8th to the 10th of August at the following times:

Monday: from 8:30 to 9:15 and 2:45 to 3:20

Tuesday: from 8:30 to 8:45 (Book Character Parade) and from 2:45 to 3:20



Wednesday: from 8:30 to 9:15 and from 2:45 to 3:20

Students will also be able to preview and purchase books throughout the three days during their Library and Lunch times.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Book Character Parade

To celebrate the book fair students are invited to participate in the Book Character Parade that will be held on Tuesday morning during Assembly, so please be on time.

Our theme this year is

‘Characters that inspire us to live the values’. Students participating will need to come to school already dressed in their costumes. There will be acknowledgement awards for all who participate and a book voucher for the best dressed student from each class.

Please take the time to discuss characters reflect our values with your children. Reading is a vital life skill and should be enjoyed by all.

Happy reading
Mrs Banks

Gold Coast Eisteddfods

Students in the school dance troupe will be attending this amazing eisteddfod to show case their amazing talents. Our dance group have been working hard to polish our dance routine **“We are one”**, all year. Students are to be at the front steps of the Gold Coast Performing Arts Centre on **Thursday the 11th of August at 10:45am.** As

there may be traffic at this time of day please allow for delays when driving. We are excited and eager to present our dance and are looking forward to a wonderful opportunity. We would also like to acknowledge the support and time received from parents and school community members in preparation for this event. Please send positive

thoughts of courage to our dancers during their performance.



Byron Bay Writers Festival Primary School Events

This week Year 4, 5 and 6 will be venturing over to the Murwillumbah Civic and Cultural hall – connecting with our community while meeting and listening to top authors Anna Feinberg, Damon Young and Peter Carnavas.

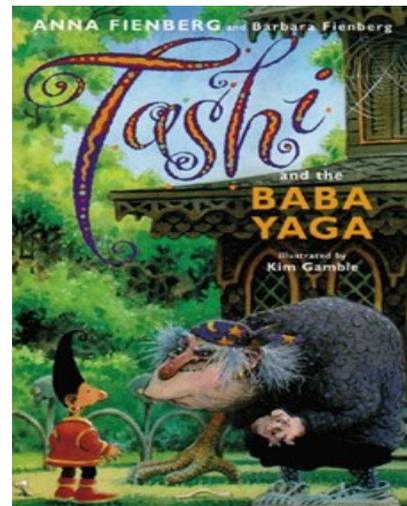
Anna Fienberg is the author of many inspiring and award winning books such as the Tashi series, Figaro and Rumba, Louis Beside Himself and many others. Damon Young is a philosopher and writer. He is the author of the pop-

ular non-fiction books including: Distraction, Philosophy in the Garden and How to Think About Exercise.

Peter Carnavas is the illustrator of My Nanna is a Ninja and Jessica’s Box. We can’t wait to learn about his drawings and illustration secrets.

We are all certainly looking forward to meeting these talented authors and illustrators while further igniting our passion for literature and reading.

Michelle Carlier (Year 4/5)



Athletics Carnival

On Thursday 28th July 2016 we held our annual Athletics Carnival. Students aged between 8 and 12 years participated enthusiastically in a range of track and field events, whilst the 5-7 years students had lots of fun and excitement with the novelty events.

All students need to be commended for their display of the values including: 'doing your best', perseverance, inclusion and courage. Students were also seen showing team spirit, cheering and encouraging each other. Gratitude goes to the parents who volunteered their time on the day. Thank you for your service.

A number of students have qualified for the NCIS Athletics Championships to be held in Coffs Harbour on Wednesday 17th August. Good luck to those students competing.



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Thank you for all your support at the Athletics carnival.

Help Needed

Our next school event is the Father's day Vege-Sausage Sizzle on Friday 2 Sept. 2016 and we need volunteers to

shop for the event and turn the veggie-sausages on the day. Please give you name at the front office if you can help.

Book covering required. See Office.

Important Notice ~

The performance dates for School Play 'The Jungle Book' is as follows:

**Thurs, 15th Sept— 12 pm
Matinee (\$10 per ticket)
Fri, 16th Sept—6pm
Evening (\$15 per ticket)**

Tickets for both performances will be available to parents & community for purchase at the Office from Monday 5th September on a 'first come, first served' basis.

The Jungle Book Play

Due to capacity constraint, each family is limited to purchase up to 4 tickets.

We seek your support in arranging for your child/ ward to be picked up at **1.00 pm on Friday 16 Sept 2016.**

Students will be required to return to school at **5.15 pm** and report to their teachers in their respective rooms for a **6pm performance.**

Please ensure your child has had



their evening tea before returning to school. We suggest parents pack a light sugar free snack and a drink bottle, so as students will not feel hungry or thirsty during the performance.

We are so excited about the performance and sincerely hope all parents and friends will be able to attend and enjoy.

Class 5/6 ~ Poems on Purity



Purity is being pure in thought
word and deed
Understanding changes
Right-conduct
In your heart is purity
Telling the truth always
You are pure no matter what

By Asha Curtis

Pure in thought, word and deed
Unity together
Respect everyone and everything
In everyone is a diamond
Together we are one
You can do anything you put
your mind to

By Kanhaiya Garcia-Cuenca

Purity comes from the heart!
Understanding is a part of being pure!
Right choices help you along the way!
I believe showing love is being pure!
The value of purity is important!
You're just the beginning!

By Kumbhi Tancredii

Father's Day Invite

All father's and caregivers are invited to attend our father's day veggie-sausage sizzle organised by the SRC.

Day & Date : Friday, 2 September 2016

Time : 8:30 am to 9:15 am

Place : Sathya Sai School Senior Block



We will also be having our class paper aeroplane finals on the day!

Please come and join in the fun!

**NEXT P & F MEETING:
on Monday, 5 Sept 2016**

FAMILY FUN DAY

Saturday 1st October, 1pm-6pm
Sathya Sai School (High School campus)
16 Jack Williams Place, Dungay, NSW 2484

An afternoon dedicated to unite, energise and connect through activities enjoyable for the family.

Come join us for an afternoon of Games, Arts and Crafts, 'An Amazing Race', Live entertainment, Free food and Medical services.

Enjoy a fun carnival style environment at our School!