

Monday/Thursday	Active After School Program- Starts the first week of May
Wednesday	School Banking
Thursdays	CANTEEN
Wednesday 21 st May	Open Day Parents Club- 10am at school
Thursday 22 nd May	Fundraiser Lorraine Lea Linen Party at school

Principals Report

Don't forget our Open Day next Wednesday. Details are in today's newsletter and offer an opportunity for all of the community to visit and share a day of activities. As an incentive to attend, we are offering a free BBQ lunch. There is never a free lunch though!!! In return we ask that you complete the attached evaluation form or complete one on the day.

As well we are asking for feedback on our School's Purpose Statement. We are completing a Self Evaluation that will assist us to document a Strategic Plan which determines our direction for the next 4 years. A Schools Purpose Statement answers the basic questions of "What are we here for?" & "What is the school's fundamental reason for being?" Your responses can simply be included on the evaluation form.

Swan Hill Specialist School's objective for the education of students centres on the following Purpose Statement.

"Our school respects the individual and maximises opportunities for students to achieve their educational, social and emotional development in a safe and positive environment."

The values and guiding principles which form the basis of our actions are: Respect, Commitment, Humour, Confidence, Integrity and Teamwork.

Graeme

Parents Club Report

The next Parents Club meeting will be Wednesday 21st May at 10am at school.

Mother's Day Raffle

Our Mothers Day raffle was drawn last Friday. Kathy Alford was the lucky winner of the \$50.00 meal voucher from the Peppercorn on Campbell Restaurant and a bottle of wine.

Welcome Morning Tea

It was great to see some new faces at our Welcome Morning Tea. Thank you to our parents who supplied the delicious morning tea.

Lorraine Lea Linen

2 pm -22nd May

The Parent club will be holding a Lorraine Lea Linen Party here at school to raise money for blinds, heating and cover for the pool complex.

Catering

Thank you to the staff, students and parents who helped with the catering at Swan Hill North last Friday.

Welcome back to Di and Jono. We are very pleased to hear that Jono has made a speedy recovery.

Pauline Wynne,
Secretary.

<p align="center">Canteen Menu: Soup Savoury Scones Fruit Salad \$2.00</p>

Room 2 News

This term students in room 2 are continuing on with the theme of Growing Things and have been looking at and discussing how people, plants and animals change and grow.

We have been reading books, looking at photos and discussing how things in the environment have been changing. Some students have brought in photos of themselves at different stages in their lives which we have enjoyed looking at and students will scan on to the computer and create a slide show to present to our class.

We have also begun our cooking program this term in which students have been making their sandwiches for lunch every Monday. Students have been leaning to add different spreads to their bread and toasting their sandwiches. Students have enjoyed trying new things in their

sandwiches and really enjoy our weekly shopping trips to buy the ingredients.

Earlier this week we all celebrated Nathan's 9th birthday.



Music Thank you!



Another HUGE thankyou this week goes to Brian Butler who has very kindly donated an Alto Saxophone to the school. This is an instrument, that to buy brand new would cost over \$1,000.00 to buy.

So an absolutely enormous thank you goes to Brian for this very generous gift.

Kye King (pictured) has been learning saxophone for the last year and a half and he will be the student who will benefit from this.

YOU CAN DO IT

Section One

Bailey H is our Section One, You Can Do It award winner for this week. Bailey received his award for his 'persistence in developing friendships'.

Congratulations, Bailey. Well done.

Section Two

Our Section Two, You Can Do It award winner is Sama S. Sama received her award for her 'persistence with all of her tasks including the towels, the Talking Guardian and Meals on Wheels'.

Great work, Sama. Keep it up.

Section Three

The You Can Do It award winner for Section Three was Max J. Max received his award for his 'persistence in achieving his goals, especially his "L's"'.
Congratulations, Max. Well done, mate.

Music Award

Jessica I received the Music award this week. Jessica has been working extremely hard in her lessons and is always very keen to learn. Well done, Jessica.

Healthy Value Award

Our Healthy Value Award winner is Chris W. Chris has received tickets for 'staying on task, 'supporting others' and for being a 'good friend' so it is easy to see why Chris is this week's winner.

Art Award

Bianca M received the Art award. Bianca received her award for her fantastic effort with collage. Congratulations, Bianca. Well done.

Before School Award

Congratulations Shaniah G on receiving the Before School award. Shaniah is always very well behaved and always does her morning chores without complaint. Well done, Shaniah.

PE Award

Again we have two winners of the PE awards. First Jai C received his award for his great effort at the cross country but also for the way that he helped the smaller children after he had run. Great effort, Jai. Keep it up.



Kaitlin W is our other PE award winner for the week. Kaitlin also received her award for her effort in the cross country and for trying hard during PE sessions. Well done, Kaitlyn.

Cross Country



Cross Country Report:

What a terrific day we all had last Wednesday. I would like to thank all the students, teachers and parents who supported our Cross Country Challenge for 2008.

Results were as follows:

Senior Section Rooms 5, 6 & 7

1st Place – Aarron L -12.11 minutes
2nd Place – Shaquille C -12.38 minutes
3rd Place – Kaleb J -13.00 mins.

1st Girl – Joanne S -15.48 mins

Middle Section Rooms 4 & 5

1st Place – Chris W -15.32 mins.
2nd Place – Jessica I – 17.17 mins.
3rd Place – Patrick F – 17.38 mins.

Junior Section Rooms 1 & 2

1st Place – Bailey M – 19.47 mins
2nd place – Nathan W – 21.28 mins
3rd Place – Rian K – 22.35 mins



SHORT COURSE RESULTS

ROOM	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
1	James R	Elijah L	Josh M
2	Bill P	Jesse M	Hazel T
3	Brenton D	Lochie N	Brent E
4	Brooke B	Sebastian P	
5	Tess D	Daniel W	Sama S
6	Rebecca H		
7	Steffanie F		

LONG COURSE RESULTS

ROOM	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
1	Rian K	Connor G-Andrews	
2	Bailey M	Nathan W	Mary Ann G
3	Patrick F	Lachlan G	Jorja R
4	Chris W	Jessica I	Katy R
5	Aarron L	Shaquille C	Bianca M
6	Max J	Kyrsty H	
7	Kaleb J	Jai C	Joanne S

be held at school on Friday 16th May from 10.45 to 11.30am. We would like parents and friends of the school, to join with staff for morning tea.

A gold coin donation for morning tea will be donated to the Anti Cancer Council.

How your cup counts

\$5.00= Newly Diagnosed patients support and information

\$10.00 =The Cancer Council Helpline

\$20.00= Cancer Connect one-to-one support

\$50.00= Clinical Trails

\$100.00= Research & Treatment



Once again
"The Biggest Morning Tea" will

If you can't make it for lunch, what about Morning Tea? The same offer applies with a free Morning Tea being available.

Swan Hill Specialist School Open Day Sausage Sizzle Lunch Order

Again this year we will be running a sausage sizzle on our Open Day.
If you would like to join us for lunch you are welcome to order your lunch with your child's lunch order.


Student's Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Room No: _____

FREE

Number _____ Sausage/s Amount enclosed: None but I will
complete an evaluation form when I attend the Open Day.



Parents Club Fundraiser

Lorraine Lea Linen

2pm

Thursday 22nd May, 2008.

At School

Funds raised will help cover costs for blinds for the pool complex and a cover for the pool, which will assist with keeping heating costs down.