

Sathya Sai College P&F

Annual Events Information & Volunteer Opportunities

Term 1

School Birthday

Sathya Sai College celebrates its birthday on March 9th. A special assembly usually held on this occasion for our school community.

- To help celebrate we ask for donations of cupcakes for each class and a few volunteers to help prepare class platters, which are shared at Morning tea. *

Cross Country

Cross Country is held at the Dungay Campus, at the end of the term. A track for all age groups is marked out for the event. Primary Students are familiarised with the track, with Kindergarten and their Buddies going first.

P&F run a tuckshop lunch of Veggie Sausages and homemade Veg Nut Burgers for this event. Order forms are usually emailed out the week before for students and family members to place an order.

Home baking donations* are also requested for students to purchase after lunch.

Volunteers can register at the school office. The list of requirements are below.

- Course Marshalls
- Timekeepers
- Tuckshop
- Home Baking* which can be dropped off at the primary campus or delivered straight to the canteen at Dungay Campus.

Term 2

Kinship Festival

The Kinship Festival is a local community organised event focused on sharing Aboriginal culture and connecting with our whole community. Our School holds a stall to showcase our values and offers fun activities to engage with children and adults at the festival.

The school coordinates the stall with staff and Parent volunteers.

- Coordinators for activities/Home baking
- Stall set up/Pack down

- [Volunteer Roster](#)

Murwillumbah Performing Arts Festival

Students perform as a class or group in Choral Speaking and Musical categories at the Murwillumbah Civic Centre. The event is open to the public to watch and is a ticketed event, entry is between \$5-\$8, under 2 free.

- [A couple of parent helpers are usually requested to help walk with the students from the Primary campus to the Civic Centre and back in good weather, or by bus in wet weather.](#)

School Dance

P&F organise an annual School Dance for the Primary Students at the end of Term 2. This is a great way to connect with other families in the school and enjoy the music and tasty food.

A theme is chosen by the organising committee and everyone is encouraged to be creative with a fancy-dress costume.

Vegetarian meals are served from 6pm on the breeze way. Following with the school's sustainability policy, families are asked to bring their own plates/bowls/cutlery/cups etc.

The cost is \$10 per family and includes evening meal. All other food and drinks are sold separately.

[How can you help make this an awesome event?](#)

- [Join the Dance Committee.](#)
- [Set up 1pm before the event.](#)
- [Savoury and Sweet Food donations* – a food donation list will be at the office 2 weeks before to ensure we have enough donations to cater for the event.](#)
- [Volunteer roster to serve food, wash up etc.](#)
- [Pack up.](#)

Term 3

Athletics Carnival

The Athletics Carnival is held at the Dungay Campus, with track and field events located around the sports field. Students are divided into age categories and move around each event through the day.

Kindergarten to Age 7 take part in selected events and do field games before lunch and return to Primary Campus around 12.30pm.

P&F run a tuckshop lunch of Veggie Sausages and homemade Veg Nut Burgers for this event. Order forms are usually emailed out the week before for students and family members to place an order.

Home baking donations* are also requested for students to purchase after lunch.

Volunteers can register at the school office. The list of requirements is below.

- Track and Field Marshalls
- Timekeepers
- Tuckshop
- Home Baking* which can be dropped off at the primary campus or delivered straight to the canteen at Dungay Campus.

Book Fair – Primary Campus

Primary students have the opportunity to purchase new books from the Book Stall set up in the library. All book sales help towards ordering new library books for the school.

- Parent volunteers help with book sales over 3 days 8.30am-9.15am and 2.45pm-3.30pm.

Gold Coast Eisteddfod – Dance Group

Students from Year 3-6 can audition for an opportunity to represent the school in a dance performance. Rehearsals are done during lunch break after the eating bell. Additional afterschool rehearsals are also scheduled before the event. A cost of \$50 per student applies for costumes.

The Eisteddfod is held at HOTA – Home of the Arts Centre in Bundall, GC. Transports to and from the event is shared between parents of children performing on the day. Tickets can be bought online or on the door.

Friendship Fest

Friendship Fest is an annual event of family fun for the whole school and local community. It is organised by a core committee of Staff, Parents, Board Members and International Sathya Sai Organisation Volunteers.

The Friendship Fest Volunteers can help in many ways.

- Stall coordinators for activities and food
- Sub committee members to assist Coordinators in organising all stall requirements including supplies, set up and pack down on the day.
- Volunteer on the day with stall rosters.

- Donate: baked goods*, plants, second hand items etc.

Term 4

Founders Day

A day of values-based activities for the whole school, organised by staff and parent volunteers connecting with the local environment, sharing knowledge and raising awareness of ourselves and surroundings.

P&F run a tuckshop lunch of Veggie Sausages and homemade Veg Nut Burgers for this event. Order forms are usually emailed out the week before for students and family members to place an order.

- Activity volunteers may be requested
- P&F lunch volunteers are required to help prepare orders by lunch break and distribute to each class.

Swimming Carnival

The Swimming Carnival is held around week 7 and Tweed Regional Aquatic Centre in Murwillumbah (Town Pool). Students age 8 and over walk to the pool and start racing around 9.30am. All students are encouraged to take part and enjoy the competition. Family members can spectate with their children in the grandstand during the events.

Junior School K – 2 arrive at 11am and take part in novelty races in the learn to swim pool inside.

At the end of the day students have some free time to swim, slide and dive, before returning to school at 2.15pm.

Tuckshop lunch is available from the Pool Canteen. Order forms are emailed out before the event and returned to the school office.

Volunteers for the event are required

- Timekeeping
- Junior school Novelty races- Parent helpers in the pool for each lane.

Other Events through the year

Class Excursions

Parent helpers are sometimes required for excursions through the year.

School Plays

A great opportunity for students to perform on stage and be involved in all aspects of the production.

Individual class plays are sometimes organised by teachers throughout the year and may request help if required.

A whole school play is organised when suitable to the school year (not annually).

The chosen play is normally announced at the beginning of the year, and classes begin learning scripts and auditions for key roles are held.

Parent help is greatly appreciated with making costumes, props and stage sets leading up to the Performance dates. Requests for parent helpers and list of jobs is sent out at the beginning of the year.

NCIS – North Coast Independent Schools Competitions

Soccer (Term 1 Coffs), Cross Country (Term 2 @), Athletics (Term 3 @Coffs International Sports Stadium), Netball, Swimming etc.

Should your child qualify for an NCIS event (Y3+) Parents are asked to make their own travel arrangements and cover costs involved including event registration costs. Carpooling is encouraged, should you need assistance with this please contact the school office.

- Our School is required to help at these events, which can include marshalling, timekeeping, Food Stalls etc. Specific event information is shared as and when required.

***Food Donations**

***All food donations are to be clearly labelled with a list of ingredients.**

If donations are suitable for specific dietary requirements, please label accordingly.

*Containers brought to events and celebrations if not collected on the day are taken to the Primary Campus Kitchen, where they can be collected later.

Other Volunteer Opportunities

Primary Classroom helpers

Junior School classroom helpers

- Sight words

- Reading groups
- Special occasion activities

Senior School classroom helpers

- Special occasion activities

Working Bees

A working Bee is usually scheduled before the beginning of each term, and occasionally during term time, to help keep the school grounds maintained and looking fresh.

- BYO tools, hat, sunscreen etc
- A gardening Coordinator is there with a list of jobs to be completed.

Mowing

The help keep the primary campus looking good, especially during summer, help is greatly appreciated with mowing & whipper snipping. Names can be added to the roster by contacting the office or Gardening Coordinator.

Morning Tea

Throughout the year morning or afternoon tea is set up for new parent information sessions, night to shine.

- Set up with table, urn, tea coffee etc.
- Pack up

Tuckshop

Samurai Sushi supplies our Primary Campus tuck shop on Thursdays. To keep this great lunch option going help is required to

- Process orders on a Wednesday morning before 12pm
- Distribute orders on Thursday lunch time from 12pm – 1.30pm.
(SRC also help with this. Students bring their own container to put their order in on a Thursday)

If you would like to add your name to the roster, please contact the school office or contact the Tuck Shop Coordinator.

High School Canteen

Every Wednesday canteen lunch is offered to high school students. Each term there is one option available to keep preparation simple.

Term 1- Salad wraps

Term 2 – Soup

Term 3- Toasted sandwiches

Term 4 – Buddha Bowls

One parent volunteer per week is required to assist with preparation and serving along side 2 student volunteers. Approx 12pm – 2pm. Ideally 5-6 volunteers for the roster shares the weekly commitment.

Please contact Kaye McNaught if you would like to be added to the roster.

P&F Meetings

Once a month the P&F meeting with the Principals from both Campuses to discuss school updates, events, information and how the P&F can provide support.

Meetings are open to all parents and friends of the school and we encourage everyone to attend if they can. To maximise opportunities for attendance, meetings are not held on the same day or time each month, however they are usually held during school hours.

Meeting dates and agenda are emailed out a week before the meeting and posted on Sentral and the P&F Facebook page. If you wish to add agenda items, please send through an email or contact Mel Scanlon.

If you feel you can commit to an office bearer role, please come along to the AGM to join the team.

The AGM is held in April, with a summary of the year given in the Presidents report and financial account presented by the Treasurer. All positions are made vacant, followed by nominations and voting to fill office bearer positions.

Please contact any member of the committee for more information if you have any questions or suggestions.

P&F Facebook group

Sathya Sai College P&F

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1671960463108611/>

Keep up to date with P&F messages by joining the P&F group. The group is moderated, and new members are asked to complete a couple of questions before being accepted.

P&F Members

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