

SAIL Program Newsletter 6

Altona Campus – November 2006



The 'let us know' list

- 1 If any of your contact details have changed, please let us know.
- 2 If you are planning to have contact with your student outside of SAIL hours you must let us know first and complete the contact request form.
- 3 If you intend to bring a friend to SAIL please direct them to the website first and direct them to apply online or just let us know beforehand.
- 4 Let us know if you are going to miss a Saturday via the online "Can't Come Sheet".
- 5 Please check and read your emails each week – if possible, Friday is best!
- 6 Please let us know before you speak publicly or publish an article about SAIL.

Ongoing offers

- 1 Photocopying – for any SAIL related photocopying, simply mark the pages from the books you want copied and give the book to the co-ordinators on Saturday – it will be ready for you the following week!
- 2 The Tutor Resources section of the website is available at all times to provide tutors with ideas, games, work-sheets and support. We strongly suggest that if you are experiencing difficulties of any kind when working with your student, you post a request for advice on the SAIL Panel of Experts Bulletin Board.

Diary dates

- 1 The week 5 tutor talks for 2006 occur on 22 November.
- 2 If you are interested in attending any upcoming African Australian events click here for the details.

Please read this newsletter in the following week it gives updates on SAIL past, present and future!



Tutor Talks!

22 November
6.00pm
TBA in the City

We've decided to have tutor talks at ONE location on ONE evening each month, rather than have them spread out across all three SAIL campuses. The first of these will take place in the city (location to be advised) on November 22nd at 6pm. This will not only be a chance for you to listen to a tutor talk, but will also be a chance to catch up on all of SAIL's latest news, give feedback or ask any questions you have about the program and it will also be a great way to meet SAILors from all campuses.

SAILAway at Somers

Fifteen SAIL Altona students, along with fifty of their compatriots from Dandenong and Footscray took part in an amazing weekend of fun and activities at Somers on October 20-22. Highlights of the weekend included a magic show, volleyball, break-dance workshop, filmmaking, open mike night and swimming at the beach. Thank you to all those tutors who made sure their students returned their forms all reports indicate it was a brilliant weekend!

To hear more about camp, look out for the upcoming edition of SAIL Star for student reflections on a weekend of good food, good fun and great mateship.

SAIL Birthday Snaps - Online Now!

A couple of months ago, you might remember our great big birthday bash at the Footscray Drill Hall. The happy snaps are now available for viewing at: <http://www.sailprogram.org>.

[au/SAILPhotos/Birthday2006](http://www.sailprogram.org/au/SAILPhotos/Birthday2006). So jump online to have a squiz!

New faces at SAIL!

You may have noticed a few new faces at SAIL over the last few weeks. We've had a small influx of new students and tutors! Although things at SAIL are a little busier as a result, feel free to take time to welcome new SAILors by introducing yourself whenever you can!

If you are finding it difficult to find a place to work, there is still plenty of room in the church, although we do ask that the church remains only for the use of Secondary students!

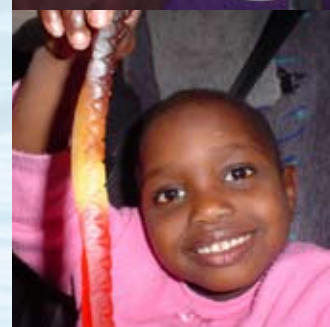
Car Seats Wanted

Do you have an old toddler's car seat getting dusty in your shed? If so, we know of some little SAILors who could make very good use of it. Due to the fact that most of our families rely on public transport during the week, when they come to SAIL on Saturdays, they don't have car seats for their little ones. If you either have or know of somebody who has a car seat that can be donated or lent to a Sudanese family in order to get some little SAILors to SAIL a little more safely, please let Catherine know.

WholeSAIL News

Protecting the people of Darfur –UN Peacekeepers Now!

Amnesty International is looking for signatures – 23,000 or more – to petition for 23,000 UN peacekeepers to be sent into Darfur to help put a stop to the killings, rapes and displacement of civilians, which has not decreased since the signing of a peace treaty on the 5th of May this year.



You can make your mark at: <http://www.amnesty.org/protectdardfur/> and help bring the blue helmets to the region.

MAKE POVERTY HISTORY – And score some free tickets to a sizzling concert!

Friday 17 November 2006
Sidney Myer Music Bowl,
Melbourne

The fabulous lineup for this year's **MAKE POVERTY HISTORY** concert has been announced and includes Eskimo Joe, John Butler Trio, Paul Kelly and more. All the money in the world won't be able to get you tickets – tickets are free – and the only way to get your hands on them is to WIN them.

For updates on the concert and information on how to win tickets, sign up for The Oaktree Foundation's newsletter at: <https://theoaktree.org/Public/RegisterMph.aspx> and get yourself exclusive insider information!

TOTAL TRIVIA

People come from far and wide to join the SAIL team but there are two notable members who have come from very far. Iman lives in Khartoum. He emailed to offer his services and through his generosity, the SAIL website is now partially bilingual. Iman's contribution would rate as the second most remarkable international contribution after Tanya. Tanya managed the car collections of the Footscray campus for a few months.... after she moved from Melbourne to London!

With our sincere thanks for making time to keep SAIL on your agenda through essays, exams and busy periods of work,

Matthew & Catherine

