

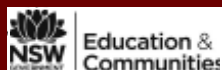


Shoal Bay Public School SNIPPETS

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Term 2 Week 1

Monday, 5th May 2014

Term 2 Calendar

Week 2 May

- 6 P&C Meeting @ 6.30pm
- 9 Hunter Cross Country
- Mother's Day Stall in classes

Week 3 May

- 13-15 NAPLAN
- 16 Zone Touch Football

Opportunity Class Placement

Thinking of applying for an opportunity class placement for year 5 entry in 2015? If so you need to register to apply online here:

<https://www.shsocplacement.org.au/registration/>.

Applications close Friday, 16th May. The OC placement test will be held on Wednesday, 23rd July and you, if successful, will have been notified if your child is to sit the test. All outcomes of the test will be sent out in October.



From Narelle's Desk ...



Dear parents and carers,

Shoal Bay Public School has started Term Two very smoothly and calmly. I have enjoyed meeting and greeting all of the students in our school as well as members of the school community including parents, carers, scripture teachers and other visitors. I have been impressed by the way students are able to demonstrate our school values of quality, care, respect, cooperation and honesty while working towards excellence through effort.

Last week the staff undertook extensive professional learning in the new Mathematics and Science syllabus and also updated their training in CPR. Professional Learning will be ongoing for staff in the implementation of the new syllabus documents so that our students will be provided with current, innovative and targeted teaching and learning programs into the future.

P & C Meeting

The first P & C meeting for Term 2 will be held this evening at 6.30pm. I am looking forward to meeting those who are able to attend. Everyone is welcome.

NAPLAN – NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM – LITERACY AND NUMERACY 2014

A reminder that the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3 and 5 at Shoal Bay Public School. The results of these tests will provide important information about what each student can do, and be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement in these tests. It is important to remember that these tests are a snapshot of each individual student's performance on a given day. At the end of this term you will

Payments Due (on or before)

- Book Packs
- Thompson Pies

Amount

\$70

Due by

OVERDUE

9th May

receive your child's Semester 1 report which will give a more comprehensive report on your child's overall progress.

NAPLAN testing will be completed by all students in Years 3 and 5 from 13 – 15 May 2014. These tests will be administered by school staff.

The program for testing is as follows:

TUESDAY 13 MAY – Language Conventions – (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) - 40 mins duration - Years 3 & 5, Writing - 40 mins duration - Years 3 & 5

WEDNESDAY 14 MAY – Reading - 45 mins duration - Year 3, 50 mins duration - Year 5

THURSDAY 15 MAY – Numeracy (Number; Algebra' function and pattern; Measurement, chance and data; and Space) - mins duration - Year 3, 50 mins duration - Year 5

A 'catch up' day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day on Friday 16 May.

Please contact me at school if you would like further information about your child's participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information for parents about the National Assessment Program can also be found on this website: [http:// www.naplan.edu.au/parents/parents.html](http://www.naplan.edu.au/parents/parents.html)

Kindergarten Enrolments 2015

To assist us with planning for 2015 we are now accepting expressions of interest if your child is eligible to enrol in Kindergarten in 2015.

Please complete the form attached and return it to school and/ or pass this information on to family and friends who have children who are eligible to start school in 2015.

You could also call in at school or contact us on ph. 49811007.

Narelle Mann, Principal



A Photo from our Easter Hat Parade. Photos are on the website.

New Government Dental Scheme

Have you heard about the new government dental scheme "Child Dental Benefits Schedule" From January 1st 2014, it is providing eligible kids with \$1,000 to spend on selected dental services over a 2 calendar year period. This great incentive expects to help around 3.4 million Australian kids between the ages of 2-17 years. To benefit from this scheme, children must be eligible for Medicare and the family must be in receipt of Family Tax Benefit A or receive a relevant Government payment. Services that will be covered include: examinations, x-rays, cleaning, fissure sealing, fillings, root canals and extractions. Benefits will not be available for services carried out in hospital, or for orthodontic or cosmetic dental work. To see if your kids are eligible, call your local Dentist who can look up the information for you.

MedicAlert® in Schools Program

The MedicAlert® Foundation have given us brochures, which are in the front office, if you would like to come and grab one. Your student's medical information and special needs can be communicated in an emergency with a MedicAlert® medical ID. For every student who joins, as a new member, \$10 will be donated to your school. To help parents, MedicAlert® are waiving the member registration fee for children who join (\$15 saving). You need our unique school code, which is SHO5MT. For more information about this program and to request additional resources visit www.medicalert.org.au/schools or contact Kelly Moffatt, Program Coordinator via email schools@medicalert.org.au or call 1800 88 22 22 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm CST.

Lamington Orders

Please remember that lamington and pie orders are due in THIS FRIDAY, 9th May and NO LATER :) quick get your orders in.

School Ambulance Cover Scheme

The Ambulance Cover Scheme provides assurance that if a student has an accident or falls ill whilst at school or on an organised school excursion or activity, and requires the ambulance service, the cost will be met through the Scheme. Further information can be found at : www.det.nsw.edu.au/workhealthandsafety/bulletins

Gymnastics

Monday: 5/6, Year 5, Year 1, Kinder and 1/2B
Tuesday: 6B, Year 3, Year 4, Year 2

Bunnings Mother's Day FREE Family Night

Thursday, 8th May from 6pm to 8pm there will be a night of fun where kids can make a gift for mum, teacup ride, jumping castle, petting zoo, light refreshments, free gift wrapping, DIY workshops. Bookings are recommended in store or visit www.bunnings.com.au.

Enrolments now open for Term Two

48 Watt Street, Newcastle & The Place, Charlestown

From less than \$15 per week www.tantrum.org.au



Tantrum offers **dynamic, creative opportunities** to young people aged **3-26 years**. Our workshops explore **play and imagination** through character play, physical theatre, storytelling, dance, installation art, improvisation, visual arts, writing and filmmaking.



HELEN O'GRADY DRAMA ACADEMY SALAMANDER BAY 2014

*"Increase your child's
communication skills, self-confidence
and creative talents.
(Improvisation, Movement and Scriptwork)"*

DRAMA CLASSES - 2014

PRIMARY: 7 - 11 YEARS

YOUTH : 12 - 15 YEARS

MONDAYS: Tomaree Primary Hall

Enrolments now being taken.

Principal: Shane Skerly

Ph: 02 49 692338 - dramacorp@bigpond.com



**2013-2014
Family
Energy
Rebate**

**DON'T MISS
THE DEADLINE!**
Apply before 5pm
Friday 13 June 2014

2 MINUTES TO FILL IN A FORM
<https://applications.fer.trade.nsw.gov.au/>
* eligibility criteria apply

WHAT IS THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE?
The Family Energy Rebate helps to cover the costs of energy bills for NSW households with dependent children. In 2013 - 2014 the rebate gives:
- A \$125 credit against electricity bills for eligible applicants who receive electricity from an electricity retailer.
- A \$137.50 direct payment to nominated bank accounts for eligible applicants who live in a caravan or mobile home park and receive electricity from the park operator.

AM I ELIGIBLE FOR THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE?
To be eligible you MUST:
- Be eligible for Family Tax Benefit A or B during 2012-2013 and have received a relevant payment; and
- Be the primary account holder of an electricity retailer, OR a long-term resident of a caravan or mobile home park, whose name appears on the electricity bills supplied by the park operator.

YOU CHOOSE HOW YOU WANT TO APPLY FOR THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE
- **ONLINE** - It takes a few minutes to submit and processing starts immediately.
- **PAPER** - download a form from the website, complete and submit by email, fax or post.

FOR MORE INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE
PHONE: Service NSW 13 77 88
EMAIL: fer.program@trade.nsw.gov.au
WEB: www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au/info/familyenergyrebate

**\$125*
TOWARDS
ENERGY
BILLS**

**APPLY
ONLINE
NOW!**

Merit Awards

KC	Harry, Sara, Tommy	KH	Shubham, Cooper, Tillyrose
KP	Oscar, Tate, Max	IS	
IW	Abbie, Lachlan, Jade	1/2B	Evie, Kira, Tyler
2L		2R	
3A	Jacob, Toby, Emma	3W	Ebony, Josh, Reece
4B	Polina, Olivia, Miranda, Hayley	4D	
5C		5/6H	Hailie, Brodie, Harry
6B	Campbell, Gemma, Joel		