



Shoal Bay Public School SNIPPETS

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Term 3 Week 6

Monday 18 August 2014

Term 3 Calendar

Week 6	Aug: BOOK WEEK
18-22	Book Fair in Library
19	Soccer Gala Day
22	Book Week Dress Up Parade & assembly @ 9.30am
Week 7	Aug
25	Music Festival Rehearsal THS
26	Music Festival Dress Rehearsal
27-28	Music Festival Performances
29	Hunter Athletics
	IW Assembly @ 2.40pm

Canteen Open

The canteen will be open for lunch and recess on **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday's.**

Please do not send your children to school with lunch orders on **Monday's or Tuesday's.**



From Narelle's Desk ...

Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

Book Week 2014 "Connect to Reading"

Every year Shoal Bay Public School celebrates Book Week. During this time we stop to think about how special books are, how lucky we are to have them and how important they are in our lives. During the week children will be "Connecting to Reading" (this year's Book Week theme) as they complete activities during their library lessons with Mrs Swartz.

On Friday 22 August children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character and bring along their favourite story and/or the book that includes the character that they are dressed up as. We will be holding a special **Book Week Assembly from 9.30am**. The assembly will begin under the cola with a **Book Week Parade** followed by performances and then conclude with everyone moving into the hall for a little surprise. Parents, carers and friends are welcome to join us as we celebrate connecting to reading at Shoal Bay Public School.

Book Fair 2014

The Book fair will also be in our library during Book Week. This is a brilliant way to bring brand new books to our children and at the same time we earn new books for our school library. All children get the chance to buy new books. Please see the dates and times over the page, indicating when the Book fair is open.

Canteen Changes

As you are aware, from this week onwards (until further notice) our school canteen will be open on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays only from 8.40am to 2.20pm. This has come about due to financial difficulties and the need for more volunteers to assist with running the canteen each day. If you are able to assist on any day (Wednesday – Friday) please contact Donna in the canteen. The hours have been extended to include both lunch and recess.

Gala Days Galore

Our students are very lucky to be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of sports. Last week Ms Cains & Ms Haddad accompanied the

Payments Due (on or before)

Stage 3 Camp Payment No. 4

Amount

\$50

Due by

12 Sept

boys and girls touch teams to the Touch Gala Day. The teams had an enjoyable day and were excellent representatives, displaying sportsmanship and exemplary behaviour.

Tomorrow Mr Hamshaw & Mrs Challen will manage the soccer teams at a Soccer Gala Day.

Tomaree Music Festival

This exciting event is almost here ... one week to go. I have heard many reports about how amazing this event is and I am looking forward to seeing the talents of our boys and girls on the stage. There has been many lunchtime rehearsals and many hours of planning leading up to this event. A huge thank you to our teachers for all their hard work, particularly Mrs Powell, Ms Riley and Mrs Forrester.

Planning to Plan

This week some of our teachers will be inviting parents to get feedback relating to aspects of our school. These discussions will assist us to plan strategic directions for Shoal Bay Public School for the next three years. If you do not receive an invitation or are unable to make the set meeting time and would like to be involved, please contact me at school for an appointment.

Baby News

Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Lockey on the safe arrival of their baby girl, India Olive, born on the weekend. Mr Lockey will be on leave and Mrs Lawless will be taking 2L.

Narelle Mann

Principal

Student Profiles



Name: Noah G **Class:** I/2B
Nickname: None **Hobbies:** Fishing
Favourite Book: Harry Potter by J.K. Rowling
Favourite Movie: Harry Potter
Favourite thing about school: Reading Groups
Favourite Subject: Sport
What do you want to be when you grow up?
 Commonwealth Bank



Name: Amy S **Class:** I/2B
Nickname: Squizy **Hobbies:** Golf
Favourite Book: Frozen
Favourite Movie: Frozen
Favourite thing about school: Playing in the playground **Favourite Subject:** Art
What do you want to be when you grow up?
 Teacher

From the Library

Hi everyone

Book Week and Book Fair is all week this week!! Come check out the library to see our great assortment of books for sale. The sale times the library will be open for you is Wednesday 3.30-5pm, Thursday morning 8.15-9am, Thursday lunchtime (11.20-12) and Thursday after school from 3.30pm. The bookfair gets packed up Thursday night so please do not come Friday thinking you can buy before or after the dress up parade. Have you got your book character outfit sorted for the parade this Friday? Make sure that your costume *Connects to Reading* ... which is the theme for book week this year. See our bookfair ad on the back page! Make sure you check it out because there is a prize for best dressed child, offered by Scholastic.



Garden Club

The garden club will be holding a stall this Friday (22/8) outside the hall at the beginning of school. They are selling strawberries and rosemary, ranging from 50c to \$3.

Bunnings Father's Day Family Night

Thursday 4 September, Bunnings are having a family night from 6pm-8pm. You can make a gift for Dad and get it gift wrapped for free, there will be light refreshments and DIY workshops, along with horizontal bungee, jumping castle, mini jeeps and competitions/giveaways. The kids eat free but parents are a \$2 donation to Raymond Terrace Rotary Club. Bookings are recommended, phone 4916 3100.

P&C News

Following on from the letter sent out to parents last week regarding revised canteen opening hours and changes to the menu I would like to provide a more detailed update. The canteen has been operating at a loss for a number of years (3+) and action is now required. The current

P&C acquired a debt (in the Canteen Account) of approximately \$5000 at the start of the year and have managed to reduce that debt considerably since January this year. However the income coming into the canteen each month is not matching our expenditure and as a result we cannot continue to operate as normal. We have had to use hard earned dollars from our main P&C account to pay our bills and this is not sustainable. In our opinion the P&C account should not be used to subsidise the canteen account as we would like to use this money for such things as new home readers and improving play equipment in the school grounds.

In consultation with Donna our canteen manager we have decided to reduce the number of days the canteen is open but open for longer on these days. This will allow the children to buy prepared snacks at recess time. The canteen will now be open until 2:30 on Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays. Opening longer on these days will also ensure the hours that Donna works are not drastically reduced. It is worth noting that a number of primary schools in the region only operate on certain days of the week. Very few open all 5 days.

With regard to the menu we are working to make this healthier and are using changes to the operating hours and recent P&C meeting discussions as a catalyst for this. We will be making some changes in the very near future as we are in agreement that standards can be improved. We would like to offer a reduced range of items but have more homemade choices on offer. We will continue to operate with the existing menu for a week or two until we run down current stocks. We will send out the new menu once we have finalised it. We may also have to increase costs slightly for some items in order to make ends meet.


In addition to the above changes we **cannot** continue to operate the canteen without volunteers. Please consider volunteering. We have over 370 kids in our school and a very low volunteer base. I appreciate everyone is busy. However even if you only have an hour to spare please consider helping out :-). You do not need to be there all day!

Also if you want to be part of the decision making with regard to P&C matters please come along to our meetings. If you do not communicate with us through official means we cannot use your feedback and ideas. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at shoalbay.pc@hotmail.com.au

Regards Sharon Molloy, P&C President on behalf of the P&C Executive

DID YOU KNOW?

Under the Companion Animals Act 1998 No 87 (14.1.e), dogs are prohibited in school grounds (whether or not they are leashed or otherwise controlled). For the safety of all students and staff, please do not bring dogs into the school grounds, even on leashes. Thank you for your support in this matter.



NO DOGS ALLOWED IN SCHOOL GROUNDS

Merit Awards

KC	Sara, Zhara-Lee, Tommy	KH	Will, Lillie Jack
KP	Jazmin, Campbell, Samuel	IS	Addie, Dmitri, Lucas
IW	Sierra, Hunter, Callum	I/2B	Summer, Sienna, Josh J
2L	Jack, Taj, Keltie	2R	Noah H, Vivelle, Declan
3A	Jye, Eliza, Zach S	3W	Axel, Ethan, Taleah
4B	Miranda, Lachlan, Lewis	4D	Ryan, Abbey, Stella, Nathan
5C		5/6H	
6B			

Around the School



Girls & Boys Touch Teams:
Certificate for Outstanding
Performance & Sportsman-
ship at Nelson Bay Primary
School Gala Day



Port Stephens Zone Athletics Carnival Rep-
resentatives from SBPS



Noah with his highly
commended S2 Zone
Public Speaking Certifi-
cate



The Library Honeycomb
With students from IW
Connecting to Reading



4B showing 2L's Connect to
Reading Poster



1/2B Connect to Reading



BOOK FAIR GARDEN

Catch the reading bug!



Hi everyone.... Next week is Book Week and to celebrate, Get ready to catch the reading bug at the Scholastic Book Fair Garden! Explore the coolest array of new books that are just waiting for you to dig into.

New titles and continuing series are popping up all over the place! Plus there will be a jar of wriggly book worms for you to count and for just 50cents a guess could be all yours... if your guess is correct...

We'll be launching this cheerful reading celebration in the Library from the Monday the 18th till Thursday the 21st of August (Week 6) *please see snippets and posters for sale times.* Our 'Connect to Reading' Book Week celebrations will continue on Friday 22nd when we will have a special Dress up Assembly starting at 9.30 am. Parents and Guardians are invited along to see the parade of costumes, watch our SBPS dancers perform and simply enjoy being together as a school community celebrating 'reading'.

Mrs Swartz



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Book Fairs

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book online now!

As always, Scholastic are super-excited that it is Book Week and we would love to see how

students are celebrating this special week in 2014.

Ten \$50 book vouchers are up for grabs for the best dressed-up students!

Simply dress up as a book character for Book Week and send us a photo.

EMAIL PHOTOS TO:

competitions@scholastic.com.au

Please include student's name, age and year level, teacher's name and school.

Competition closes 12th September, 2014.

<http://www.scholastic.com.au/schools/bookclub/competitions/Issue6StudentComp2.asp>