

# SNIPPETS

Shoal Bay Public School

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Term 1 Week 5 | Mon 26 Feb 2018

From Kylie's Desk ....

## 2018 Term 1 Calendar

### Wk 5 Feb-Mar

- 27 Feb Funded Review Meetings
- 28 Scripture Begins
- 2 Mar Clean up Australia Day  
2D Assembly @ 2.30pm

### Wk 6 Mar

- 5 Funded Review Meetings
- 9 3/4B Assembly @ 2.30pm

## Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

Last week I was fortunate to be able to attend the new Principal's Induction Course in Sydney. There were many presentations including addresses by the Hon. Rob Stokes (MP), Mark Scott (Secretary of the Department of Education) and Murat Dizdar (Deputy Secretary, School Operations and Performance). It is great to be back at school this week. We have three staff members going to the Connected to Country training at the end of the week, scripture lessons begin on Wednesday and Friday is Clean Up Australia Day.

## WELCOME BBQ/INFORMATION EVENING

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Parent BBQ last Monday night. I hope you all enjoyed the evening and were able to discuss the year ahead with your child's class teacher. I have sent out a short survey for you so as we can continue to improve on our practices. I would appreciate it if you could jot down your ideas and return it to the office.

## STUDENT WELFARE

This week I have attached a copy of our school's anti-bullying brochure. Shortly Mr Lockey will be holding our annual parent session to gain feedback and thoughts on our school's welfare policy. Each year we review our policy and make any updates that are needed. The anti-bullying brochure is a component of this policy.

If you would like to support our school in updating the welfare policy please keep an eye out in next week's Snippets for information regarding the date and time of the meeting.

## PAYMENTS IN TERM 1

Thank you to the parents/carers who have already paid.

This year our school contribution remains at \$70. This money enables us to provide much needed resources for your children in the classrooms as well as their Mathletics subscription.

School contributions can be paid in smaller instalments. All payments can be made online using the POP payment system or at our school office. Look for the Make a Payment tab on our school webpage: [www.shoalbay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.shoalbay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

## MOVING INTO YEAR 7 in 2019

All Year 6 students should receive a *Moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government school in 2019* booklet by the 9<sup>th</sup> March. This booklet contains the expression of Interest form which needs to be returned to school no later than **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March**. If you misplaced this booklet the documents are also available at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-management-schools/year-6-to-year-7-transition>

## ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Please see page 4 for a detailed description of the fantastic effort from our Zone swimming kids on Friday.

## COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

We are participating in the Sports for Schools program this year. Please bring in your vouchers and place in the boxes in our school foyer.

## STAFF CARPARK

A reminder that our staff carpark is not a safe place for parents and children to be. Please enter and exit our school using the appropriate gates to ensure everyone's safety.



### PBL

Our 3 core values are **RESPECT**, **RESPONSIBILITY** and **EXCELLENCE**.

This week we are focussing on **Responsibility: Be Safe**

Payments Due	Amnt	Due by
Resource Pack	\$70	ASAP

### Canteen News

Thank you to volunteers Sally, Vanessa, Fran, Miki and Julie for your help last week in the School Canteen. Your help is greatly appreciated! Volunteers needed this week for ½ hour from 8.40am to 9.10am each morning. Please assist by placing your lunch order by 9.10am. Don't forget your name and class!

Belinda Lavers  
Canteen Manager



### Clean Up Australia Day

This Sunday, 4th March is Clean up Australia Day. We will be holding our Clean Up Shoal Bay School this Friday, 2nd March. Children will be allocated areas of the school to clean. They may bring gloves to wear if they wish. 3/4B will be the only class going off school grounds as they will be cleaning the outside boundary of the school. If you do not wish your child to leave the school grounds for this activity, please let Mr Beck know via a written note.

Mrs Beck.

### Water Challenge

Get ready to kick off the Water 4 Life Challenge! Our school challenge starts Monday, 5 March! You can get ready by signing up the kids and checking out the information about it here:

<https://water4lifechallenge.org.au/shoalbaypublicschool>



Hugh performing at the Parliamentarian assembly.



# Defence Families

We would like to extend an invite to any Defence Families in your school to attend this "Welcome Morning Tea".



## Tomaree Connect Day

Connecting the community with local support services.



**Thursday 8th March**  
**Salamander Bay Shopping Centre**  
**9am - 5pm**

For more information call  
**02 4984 6220**



### THURSDAY 15TH MARCH WELCOME TO THE PENINSULA!

A combined DSTA and Buddies in the Suburbs Defence partner event.

Are you a Defence partner residing in the peninsula regions of Port Stephens? Then come along to a welcome to the peninsula morning tea!

It's a great opportunity to meet other Defence partners in your local area. A staff member from Defence Community Organisation will be in attendance to discuss support services available.

Everyone is very welcome to attend. Please RSVP by Monday 12th March 18 to Danielle Robinson on

0438 430 616 or email [danielle.robinson16@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:danielle.robinson16@det.nsw.edu.au)

We look forward to seeing you there!

Thursday 15th  
March

from 10:00am

C3 Spectrum  
Church  
Port Stephens

Children's play  
area

All Defence  
partners are  
welcome!

C3 Spectrum Church  
Port Stephens,  
4310 Nelson Bay Road



Please RSVP if you wish to attend by Monday 12th March 2018

Kind regards

Danielle Robinson DSTA Soldiers Point Public School

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Nutrition Snippet

# The simplest way

...to pack a lunch box is here!

The task of packing a healthy school lunch is now easier with the launch of our exciting new Healthy Lunch Box website [healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

The new website shows how easy it can be to pack a healthy lunch box that your kids will love.



It features an interactive lunch box builder that enables you to plan your kids' lunches on your phone, desktop or tablet - it's quick, easy and the kids will love helping too!

Healthy recipes and tips on adding more fruit and veg to lunch boxes will help set your child on a path of lifelong healthy eating to reduce their cancer risk.

Visit [healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au) for recipes & information you can trust.



## Could \$500 help you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for school costs.

- laptops & tablets
- lessons & activities
- uniforms & shoes
- books & supplies
- sports fees & gear
- camps & excursions

To join Saver Plus, you must have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, be at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner), and have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself.



**Contact**  
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your local Saver Plus  
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[www.saverplus.org.au](http://www.saverplus.org.au)



Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community agencies. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services. Go to [www.dss.gov.au](http://www.dss.gov.au) for more information.

Kinder kids in the playground



## Are you thinking about becoming a foster carer?



Hunter Child and Family District Unit

Carer Development team

Ph: 40882001

<http://childstory.net.au/>

<http://www.fosteringnsw.com.au/>

It is said, "It takes a community to raise a child".

Your Community needs you!

Across the Hunter we are recruiting for carers of all ages and backgrounds to meet the needs of our resilient, courageous children and young people up to the age of 18!



We are looking for motivated people to open their hearts and homes to children and young people requiring short-term assistance. Foster carers may be individuals, couples or families who are able to provide care on weekends, for a few days in an emergency, or for a few weeks until a more permanent home is available. All carers receive training, ongoing support and financial assistance. Our Community is in need of passionate caring people especially if you are willing to care for children who are: older than 7, part of a sibling group, have a disability or health needs and or from an Aboriginal or culturally diverse background.



### Zone Swimming

Congratulations to the 26 students who represented our school at Zone Swimming in Raymond Terrace last week. This is the largest qualifying team our school has had in many years!

In addition to a large number of personal bests, our students placed in almost every event we participated in. Shoal Bay Public School was well represented in the water but also alongside the pool with a huge number of parents and students cheering on our athletes. SBPS placed second overall with a whopping 239 points and will be represented at Regionals by our senior boys' relay team (Louis, Luke, Jed and Josh) and Josh in the senior boys 50m freestyle. Anakin had such an outstanding day that he was awarded overall Junior Boys Champion. Congratulations to each and every one of our students for a job well done!

I would also like to extend my thanks to all of the parents who came out to support our school. It was so nice to have such a large support group standing by. In particular, to Mrs Jo Banner, Mrs Joe Williams and Mrs Gwenda Fyvie for offering to help with official duties throughout the day. Mrs O'Brien

### 2018 Technology Team

These guys are very helpful to our technology team of teachers, in doing jobs and learning about our IT needs in the school.



Shari attended the Regional Little Athletics championships in Tumby Umbi and won gold medals in all three of her events for 400m, 200m and 100m. In 4 weeks she will be competing in State Championships at Olympic Park in Sydney from 23-25 March. Well done Shari.

