

From Troy's Desk ....

Term 4 Week 10| Mon 14 Dec 2020

Term 4 Calendar 2020

# Dec

- 5 S1 Movie Day Year 6 Farewell
- 16 Canteen CLOSEDLast day of School 2020

# Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

We had the opportunity to celebrate an amazing Presentation Day assembly on Thursday 10 December. It was great to see all the students in their K-2 Presentation Day. I was so proud of all the Kindergarten students graduating. All the Stage I students who received an award congratulations. The 3-6 assembly was full of awards and it was great to see everyone's faces when receiving an award and all the other students being proud of their friends for receiving an award. I would like to acknowledge Mrs Beck and her support team for organising the Presentation Day you did a fantastic job of putting together this year's presentation day assemblies. Thank you to Lauren Jones for giving up her time and taking photos of all the award winners. Below are our parliamentarians for 2021.

Premiers: Leon & Breanna. Parliamentarians: Emily, Maddi, Lily, Thomas, Flynn, Rory.



# Thank you to our wonderful staff, our fantastic students and amazing parents and community

I want to take this time to reflect and say thank you to the staff, students, parents and the community for this amazing and difficult year. We have survived a year like no other. Students have attended school during a pandemic known as the Corona Virus or COVID-19. Three quarters of all the events were cancelled. Students learnt from home and through Google Classroom. To be honest I was concerned

that this year students would not have had the opportunity to make much academic progress but you know what? The Shoal Bay students proved me wrong! Students have continued to extend their learning by using learning intentions and success criteria in writing. Students are continuing to develop their reading and mathematical skills and are thriving. The students did a lot of this under the guidance of their parents and teachers via Google Classroom and working from home during a global pandemic!

The students have made this year memorable for the staff and I. In this most difficult year, the students have inspired us, to laugh and smile and have given us hope as they continued to strive through these tough times with a positive mindset, showing that the students are in fact Responsible, Respectful and Excellent.

Shoal Bay PS have amazing staff who continue to go above and beyond for the love of the students. The staff went from setting up their classrooms for their new students to creating a whole new way of teaching the students they love via Google Classroom during a global pandemic. And in a blink of an eye. The staff navigated technology that some of you had never heard of – let alone taught a class of students to use, and became experts. Newly appointed staff were leading more experienced teachers with technology and driving the school where it needed to go. The staff then did a complete 360 and had all the students come back and still did it without a fuss. The staff at Shoal Bay you are truly dedicated to this job. The students and I are so lucky to have amazing staff like you.



#### PBL

Our 3 core values are
RESPECT
RESPONSIBILITY and
EXCELLENCE
This week we are focussing on
Wrapping up well

Payments Due	Cost	Due by	,
Resource Pack	\$70	overdue	
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I do not look back on this year with negativity, rather I reflect on this year in a positive light and feel so proud of all that we accomplished and achieved despite the challenges in our way. Staff, students, parents, and the community should all be very proud of themselves. I hope you have a wonderful, safe and happy Christmas and New Year. I am looking forward to an amazing year in 2021.



#### Year 6 Farewell

We are looking forward to our 2020 Year 6 Farewell on Tuesday, 15 December which will be held at school this year. Unfortunately, Year 5 will not be joining Year 6 for the second half of the evening as they would normally do. Parents and guardians of Year 6 students keep an eye out for a note which has specific information for you regarding the farewell. It will come home this week.

### **Year 6 Clap Out**

On the last day of school, we will have our Year 6 clap out. Again, like most things this year, it will look a little different. We have made provisions for Year 6 parents and guardians to be able to participate in this tradition. Year 6 parents and guardians, you will receive information about the time and exact location within the school.

### **School Reports**

Your child's Semester 2 academic report were given out on Friday 11 December if your child did not receive their report on Friday they will receive it Monday 14 December. If you have any questions in regard to the report please make an appointment to discuss these with your child's current class teacher.

# Starting School in 2021

Kindergarten to Year 6 will begin school on Friday 29 January and this will be Week 1 for all students. Kindergarten will have a staggered starting time on the first few days of Week 1 and Week 2. Kindergarten students have received a separate note regarding this.

Our Kindergarten students for 2021 will have their Best Start Interviews a few weeks into the school term. Our School contribution costs will remain at \$70 for 2021.

#### **End of Year**

School concludes for all students on Wednesday 16 December. This will be the last day for all staff as well because staff participate in long SDD during the year so they did not have to come in on this day.

### P&C Report 2020

This year being the year that it was, the P&C were unfortunately unable to do a lot of fundraising. We did manage to get in the Easter raffle at the start of the year.

We also have some games being painted in the coming days in the south playground.

With the help of Job Keeper we were able to keep the canteen running and I would like to thank Courtney for her outstanding commitment and patience thru the unprecedented time we have all experienced this year.

I would like to thank Port Stephens Veterans and Citizens Aged Care for their donation to keep breakfast club running.

I would like to thank Aldi for their donation of fruit.

I would like to thank Tomra (Recycling Program) for kindly placing us on their return and earn again this year.

I have decided to step down from the position of President and would like to thank the past and present committee, volunteers, Troy and the staff of SBPS for all your help and support over the last 3 years.

I wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and all the best for 2021.

Thank you

Shannon Newcombe



Thank you to Port Stephens Council for their donation of our new lectern.
We really appreciate it and it arrived just in time for Presentation Day.



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# NOTIFICATION OF INTENDED ENROLMENT KINDERGARTEN - Year .....

If you have a child eligible to enrol in Kindergarten, could you please complete the following and return to school as soon as possible. This will assist us in planning.

CHILD'S NAME:		DOB:	M/F			
CHILD'S NAME:		DOB:	M/F			
OTHER CHILDREN CURRENT TAFE:	LY ATTENDING	NSW GOVT.SCH	100L OR			
NAME:		DOB:	M/F			
NAME:		DOB:	M/F			
PARENT CONTACT: Mrs/Mr/M	s/Miss					
SURNAME:	FIRST	NAME:				
ADDRESS:						
OTHER PARENT NOT RESIDING WITH CHILD:						
PRESCHOOL:						
MEDICAL CONDITIONS THE SCHOOL SHOULD BE AWARE OF:						
DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE AN						
WILL YOUR CHILD REQUIWHILST AT SCHOOL? YES  NO	RE REGULAR	PRESCRIBED	MEDICATION			







Congratulations Lola & Grace for Dux & Citizen of the year.