

SNIPPETS

Shoal Bay Public School

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Term 2 Week 6 | Mon 1 June 2020

From Troy's Desk

Term 2 Calendar 2020

W6 June

W7 June

8 Queen's Birthday Holiday

9 P&C AGM @5.30pm

All executive position must be filled



PBL

Our 3 core values are
RESPECT,
RESPONSIBILITY and
EXCELLENCE.

This week we are focussing on
"Open an Umbrella"

Selecting individual resolution strategies

Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

Last week it was great to see all the students back in class for a whole week of face to face learning. The teachers loved seeing all the students and have been concentrating on English, Mathematics, social skills, maintaining a routine and having fun. Changes to routines will remain the same due to COVID-19. However, I will continue to remind the parents and carers of these changes, as they are important to maintain and continue due to the health and safety of the children and staff at Shoal Bay Public School.

Bubblers

The bubblers will continue to be out of use, so we ask that the children bring a drink bottle to school.

Playground Equipment

The playground equipment will remain open and the access will be limited during lunch and recess on a stage by stage basis each day. The playground equipment will be cleaned after each use.

Dropping off and picking up arrangements

When dropping off your child, make sure it is to the school gate or just inside the school grounds and leave promptly. If you need to drop your child's lunch or anything to them please do not go to your child's classroom. Bring the item to the office and we will make sure your child gets it. **No parent or carer should be walking their child or anything up to the classroom.** When picking up your child, please wait in the Northern Playground (3-6) grassed area. Do not wait near the Library, as parents, carers, staff and the children will not be able to maintain social distancing procedures. Parents and carers need to continue to wait until roughly 3:00pm to come onto school grounds. The access to the school via Tomaree Road will continue to be open allowing another option for drop off and pick up. Also, could I suggest that families may need to park in streets that are close to the school and walk to school as this would allow parents and carers to maintain social distancing procedures and allow less congestion around the school entry points. If you do not follow the above procedures we may have to restrict parents or carers on school grounds, and this would be disappointing.

Volunteers and parent helpers

There will be no volunteers allowed in the classroom or onsite such as parent helpers, rotary readers, or scripture teachers as we are limiting adults coming into the school to avoid any unnecessary contact.

Assemblies

There will be no school assemblies this term.

Canteen

The school canteen will continue to operate this week and students are able to order their lunch **only** via Flexischools on a limited menu. Courtney (canteen supervisor) is following all necessary guidelines from a health and safety perspective. There are **NO** cash sales at the canteen on the day.

Attendance

All students are expected to attend school unless they are unwell. If parents believe that their child has a condition which means it is not safe for them to return to school, they will need to obtain a medical certificate. These are likely to be children with suppressed immune systems or undergoing treatment like chemotherapy. Please note, students who are residing with a family member in one of the categories identified as being at an increased risk, should attend school unless a medical practitioner advises otherwise. The parent or carer should provide written confirmation from the treating health professional that the student is unable to attend school. If students are away from school because they are unwell, there is no expectation that they complete schoolwork. It is important that unwell students rest.

Payments Due	Cost	Due by
Resource Pack	\$70	Now
Stage 3 Camp		
Y6 Hat & Shirt	\$30	ASAP

We only gone up to 45% of parents who have paid the resource packs. Can we get some payments coming in soon. Our school relies on these payments. Thanks to those who have paid.

Reports

Semester 1 reports will look different compared to previous years. There will be no specific grades or effort allocated to the students. Classroom teachers will be commenting on English, Mathematics and a general comment. The report will provide a summative account of student progress and achievement on learning covered during Semester 1, at school and at home, with information about what might need to be done to support your child's learning growth. The reports will not be given out until next term and further information will be provided about exactly what these will look like and when you will receive them. This information will be provided later in the term.

Opportunity Class Placement for 2021

The 2020 opportunity class placement process has been revised to accommodate the shorter timeline due to the postponement of the test. To ensure the fair and consistent assessment of students across all schools and regions of NSW, this year students will be placed on test results only. Taking this approach reduces the effect of the disrupted start to the school year, which could compromise school assessment scores, and ensures that all students are placed using the same test performed under the same conditions. The test is created by an independent educational assessment provider and measures academic ability, not achievement, giving a reliable method for identifying highly gifted applicants which is not subject to the variable classroom conditions experienced this year. The date you will need to know are below. Also, a letter has been sent out via email to all Year 4 parents and carers in regards to the opportunity class.

Action	Date
Applications open	9 June 2020
Applications close	26 June 2020
Opportunity Class Placement Test date	16 September 2020
Parents and schools advised of placement outcome information	From 1 December 2020
Parents accept or decline first round placement	By 15 December 2020
Principals arrange orientation day for successful candidates	December 2020
Reserve places offered	From mid-December 2020
Authority to attend an opportunity class letter sent to parents	Late January 2021
Successful candidates enrol in Year 5 at a school with an opportunity class	Late January 2021

A visual timeline showing the key dates is printed on the next page.

Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be held June 9 at 5:30pm, location to be announced. For more information please email: Shoalbaypublicschool-main@pandcaffiliate.org.au.

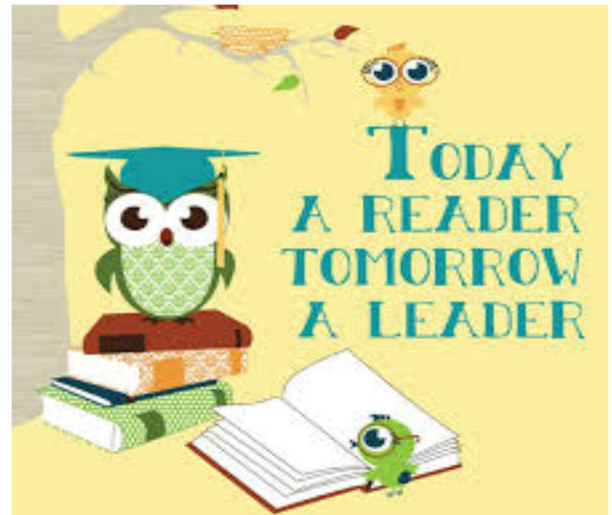
Scholastic Book club Issue 4

<https://www.scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/>

Only LOOP orders are available at this stage. To avoid disappointment and freight charges, please get your orders in by 12 June.

Every book purchased counts. Thank you.

Mrs Swartz, Teacher Librarian



Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

At Shoal Bay Public School we demonstrate our PBL Values: RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY and EXCELLENCE in all settings

Respect
Shoal Bay students respect themselves, others and the environment.

Be caring
Be cooperative
Be polite



RESPECT
Respect involves everyone being polite and respectful to each other, their belongings and the environment.

Responsibility
Shoal Bay students are safe and responsible in all their actions.

Be safe
Make good choices
Own your own actions



RESPONSIBILITY
Responsibility involves being a dependable and reliable person that is committed to keeping themselves safe, following through their obligations and taking responsibility for their actions.

Excellence
Shoal Bay students strive to do their personal best.

Be prepared
Be involved
Be your best



EXCELLENCE
Excellence involves everyone being active learners who are prepared for learning and strive to achieve their personal best.



Puberty, Sexuality and Relationships:

A webinar for parents and carers of people with intellectual disability and autism spectrum disorders

Find out how to support your family member's personal development and sexuality in a positive way!



Come join the team at Family Planning NSW for an interactive webinar that will cover issues across the lifespan including:

- Disability and sexuality
- Preparing for puberty
- Decision making and safety
- Taking care of health and hygiene
- Supporting positive and safe sexual expression
- Tips for talking about sex and answering tricky questions

Parents, foster parents, relatives and other unpaid carers of people with intellectual disability and autism spectrum disorders of all ages are welcome.

Unfortunately we are unable to accept registrations from professionals for this event.

Date: Thursday 18th of June 2020

Time: Online 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Venue: Zoom link provided on registration

Cost: This course is funded by the Hunter New England Local Health District.

Priority will be given to people living or working in the Hunter New England area.



For more information:

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[Click here to register online](#)

Nutrition Snippet



Let the kids choose and cook (or help cook) a healthy recipe. They will be sure to eat their own creations.

Check out the website for lots of quick and easy recipes.