

The Point

Newsletter of
Soldiers Point Public School



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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Soldiers Point for what has already commenced as an *extraordinary* term. I trust families had an enjoyable holiday with opportunities to spend some special time together.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to families for keeping children home today. With such wild weather causing havoc across the area the safest place for students to be was at home with family.

The school sustained some damage with flooding in several classrooms as well as numerous trees losing limbs across the site. Importantly, we'll be back in full operation very soon.

Annual Report Available

Each year schools are required to prepare an Annual School Report, which provides the wider community with information about school programs, results and other achievements. The Soldiers Point Annual School Report is complete and available on our school website for all to enjoy. I encourage parents to have a read of the report as it provides a great reflection on the school year. A link to our website is <http://www.soldierspt-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Printed copies of the Annual School Report are also available from the school's office.

Student Recognition

As is stated in our Effective Learning Code, 3 students are chosen by the class teacher to receive Student Recognition Awards. Later in this newsletter you will find a full list of students recognised for their efforts throughout Term 1.

ANZAC Commemoration

Each Year students and staff from Soldiers Point Public School commemorate ANZAC Day in a number of ways and acknowledge this most significant day in our proud history. This year's activities include:

- A whole school **ANZAC** Assembly will be held on **Friday 24th April at 1.30pm** with a guest speaker from the Williamstown RAAF Base attending (Week 1 of Term 2); and
- The school will participate in the ANZAC march and service in Nelson Bay on Saturday 25th April (ANZAC Day).

This year being the **Centenary of ANZAC** we hope to have strong representation from SPPS in the ANZAC march and service. If you are able to join us we will meet in the Nelson Bay Bowling Club car park at 10.30am and will start the march at 10.50am. *Please come dressed in full school uniform.*

As a school, students and staff will proudly march down Stockton St to ANZAC Park for the service. Following the service, students can be collected from staff attending.

NAPLAN 2015

As was mentioned at the end of Term 1, our Year 3 and 5 students will be undertaking the National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) shortly.

Tuesday, May 12	Language Conventions & Writing
Wednesday, May 13	Reading
Thursday, May 14	Numeracy

We wish all our Year 3 and 5 students well with their assessment tasks.

Term 2 Dates

Term 2 – Week 1

Monday 20 th April	Staff Development Day - Staff Return
Tuesday 21 st April	Students (K-6) Return
Wednesday 22 nd April	
Thursday 23 rd April	Footsteps K-6
Friday 24 th April	

Term 2 – Week 2

Monday 27 th April	Public Holiday
Tuesday 28 th April	
Wednesday 29 th April	
Thursday 30 th April	Footsteps K-6
Friday 1 st May	

Term 2 – Week 3

Monday 4 th May	
Tuesday 5 th May	Antarctic Adventure – Stage 3
Wednesday 6 th May	School Improvement & Finance Committee Meeting from 7:00pm
Thursday 7 th May	Footsteps K-6
Friday 8 th May	

Term 2 – Week 4

Monday 11 th May	NAPLAN
Tuesday 12 th May	NAPLAN P&C Meeting
Wednesday 13 th May	NAPLAN Brainstorm Production K-6
Thursday 14 th May	NAPLAN
Friday 15 th May	Footsteps K-6

Term 2 – Week 5

Monday 18 th May	
Tuesday 19 th May	
Wednesday 20 th May	
Thursday 21 st May	Footsteps K-6
Friday 22 nd May	

Term 2 – Week 6

Monday 25 th May	
Tuesday 26 th May	
Wednesday 27 th May	
Thursday 28 th May	Footsteps K-6
Friday 29 th May	

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

*Week 1 – Friday 24th April
ANZAC Assembly
1.30pm*

*Week 2 – Friday 1st May
Councillor Induction K-6
1.30pm
Hosted by 2H*

All Welcome

Footsteps – Ten Week Program

As part of our school's PDHPE program, all students will be participating in the Footsteps dance program.

Footsteps will commence this Thursday 23rd April and continue for the whole of Term 2.

Permission notes and information has been sent out to all students.

Copies of Notes Sent Home

Commencing in Term 2 a PDF copy of all notes sent home for school events e.g. excursions, class information, permission notes etc. will be available on the school's website.

Class teachers ensure ALL children receive a copy of notes even if they are absent.

Due to the high volume of copying lost notes, as from Term 2, there will be a 50c charge for each additional note printed at the office.

Thank you

School Hours

I remind families that our school hours are:

8:55 AM ~ 2:55 PM.

Parents should refrain from dropping their children at school before 8:25 AM and ensure they are collected soon after the 2:55 PM bell to go home. Students arriving at school before 8:25 AM will not be supervised by school staff.

		TERM 1, 2015
CLASS	NAME	AWARD
KC	Matilda Ethan Amali	Her enthusiasm and her attitude towards her learning Showing confidence in all parts of his learning Settling into Kindergarten and classroom routines
KM	Marina Luka Maree	Confidence in Mathematics His commitment and positive attitude to all school activities Settling into Kindergarten with a smile
K/1F	Sophie Macey Cyanlee	Her generous and caring attitude towards others Her consistent effort in helping others His enthusiastic attitude towards school
1/2E	Noah Saxon Taylee	Being able to follow all of the You Can Do It foundations respectfully Participating in discussions with enthusiasm and great ideas Very good work habits across all Key Learning Areas
1/2L	Charlie Lilly Archie	Improved confidence and concentration in class activities Getting along and improved confidence in the classroom Consistent effort and achievement in all Key Learning Areas
1/2S	Lachlan Jonah Oliver	For showing confidence with all his work and for great participation in whole class lessons For consistent hard effort in all class work For great results in his spelling this term
2H	Charlie Ashton Logan	Consistent hard work in all activities Enthusiasm and effort in all class activities A confident and positive attitude to all learning
3A	Ellyse Summer Jake	A persistent attitude and commitment to all learning Displaying enthusiasm , confidence and persistence in all that she does Persistent work ethic and exemplary behaviour
3/4N	Claire Lucinda Zoe	Showing greater confidence during discussions Showing persistence in all subjects For displaying persistence and resilience and getting along with her peers
4W	Catrina William Joshua	Persistence and improved confidence in all work tasks Outstanding class work and homework demonstrating strong organisational skills and persistence Being a caring, understanding and helpful student who completes class work at an exceptional level. Well done Josh!
4/5E	Jorja Emily Jarod	Persistence in all classroom activities Emotional resilience in Mathematics An awesome classroom attitude!
5/6C	Libby Isaac Kara-Jayde	Conscientious effort and consistent application Enthusiastic learner and persistent worker Continually striving to produce quality work in all Key Learning Areas
5/6G	Brianna Cameron Erika	Confident and persistent attitude to all learning Enthusiastic attitude and persistence Persistence and confidence in all subject areas
5/6P	Halle Holden Jackson	Excellence and persistence in all Key Learning Areas and with homework tasks A positive and persistent effort in all key learning Persistence and improvement in writing
5/6SB	Cooper Jorja Abbie	Persistent effort to produce quality writing Confidence in completing tasks independently Consistently producing high quality writing
Library	Harrison Anthony Sasha	Love of literature and enthusiasm for library lessons Enthusiasm and participation in library lessons Enthusiasm and quality work in Library
RFF	Angel Harvey Nicholas	For her enthusiastic attitude towards learning His persistence and positive attitude in all PDHPE lessons His continuous effort in making connections and expressing his understanding of new concepts

P&C news

Meetings

Next SIFC meeting:

Wednesday 6 May at 7pm.

Next P&C meeting:

Tuesday 12 May at 7pm.

All welcome in the Admin Building.

Uniform shop

The Uniform Shop is open:

- Tuesday from 8.30–9.30am and
- Friday from 2.15–3.15pm.

We accept cash or cheque only for your payment. (There is NO EFTPOS available.)

If you would like to volunteer in the Uniform shop, please contact Belinda.

P&C Facebook page

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Soldiers Point Public School FUNDRAISING Code: SPPS14

Watch this space!

Upcoming events

School banking

Thanks to the efforts of volunteers Julie and Narelle, School Banking is coming to SPPS!

2015 School Disco

Pencilled in for either Friday 12th or 19th June 2015.

Canteen

Roster:

Wed 22/4 Cassandra Butterworth

Thu 23/4 Year 6: Josh W, Holden H

Fri 24/4 Deanne Cosgrove,
Lauren Fuller

Mon 27/4 Karen Jones

The roster for Term 2 will be out soon.

We are desperately short of volunteers particularly on Wednesdays. I have not been able to secure a volunteer for Wed 6/5, 20/5, 27/5, 3/6, 17/6, 24/6. If anyone can help out please let me know.

Paula.

Positions vacant on the P&C:

- Vice President
- Grounds Convenor

If anyone is interested in taking up these roles please join us at the next meeting or register your interest at

sppspc@live.com.au