

# The Point

Newsletter of  
Soldiers Point Public School



Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May

Dear Parents,

## NAPLAN 2017

Our Year 3 and 5 students will be undertaking the National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) Week 3 of this term. (**Tuesday 9 May-Thurs day 11 May**).

Tuesday 9 May	Wed 10 May	Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> May
Language Conventions	Reading	Numeracy
Writing		

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

## ANZAC ASSEMBLY

On Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, we held our school ANZAC Assembly. The assembly was impressively led by our school leaders & included a beautiful performance by our choir and a moving speech from Flight Lieutenant Daniel Price. The children should be commended for their outstanding manners and the many beautiful artwork displayed around the hall commemorating ANZAC Day. Photos and more information can be seen further in the newsletter in Defence News. A big thank you to Mrs Danielle Robinson for the amazing preparation and work that she put into the organisation of this event.

## SPORTING FEVER

Many children have been involved in sporting trials and games over the previous weeks. Congratulations to our **Girl's touch football team** who defeated Anna Bay Public School 5-1 in Round 2 of the PSSA Touch Football Knockout.

Congratulations to the ten Stage 3 boys who took part in the **Rugby 7's** last Friday at Lorn. While they went through the four games winless, they

showed persistence and great sportsmanship. Carter, Jai and Harry were the try scoring machines. Well done to all the boys!

**PSSA Hockey Team trials** were also held in Newcastle on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Year 6 students Cooper T, Hunter J, Dominic B, Ben C and Hannah B tried out. Cooper and Hannah were successful in reaching the Possibles and Probables stage, with Hannah being successful in earning a place in the Hunter Regional Team. Mrs Baxter was also named as the team's coach for 2017. All students represented our school proudly, putting in a big effort and demonstrating great sportsmanship on the day.

**Our boys and girls AFL teams** competed this week against schools across the peninsula. The boy's team came second overall winning 2 out of their 3 games. Our girls' team who consisted mostly of players who had never played AFL before also won 2 out of their 3 games. On percentages they ended up coming first and are off to the next round! All the children played well as a team and had a fantastic day! Thanks to all the teachers who give up their time to train and support these children in their sporting endeavours.

## Props for Musical

### We need your help

The musical committee is search for 3 strongly built tricycles or **small** bikes for our characters to use in our play. They will be riding them for a short period of time. Other items we are looking for include:

- Old style wooden desk chair (two would be ideal)
- Old desk lamp..older the better. It does not have to work.
- Old or empty large perfume bottles. Old fashioned ones would be ideal (we will take great care of them!)

**FLAG PRESENTATION****Term Dates****Term 2 – Week 3**

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	NAPLAN
	P&C Meeting
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	NAPLAN
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	NAPLAN
	Footsteps
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	

**Term 2 – Week 4**

Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Boys' Soccer V Tanilba Bay
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Footsteps
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	

**Term 2 – Week 5**

Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Musica Viva @ 11:50
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Footsteps
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	

**Term 2 – Week 6**

Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Koala Animation Crew visit
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Footsteps
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	

**SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**

*Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May – 2.15pm*  
*K-2 – Hosted by 1/2J*

*Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May – 2.15pm*  
*3-6 – Hosted by 5/6G*

*All Welcome*

**Entertainment Books**

Available at the office at a cost of \$65.00.

**Tomaree HS Year 7 Specialist Class  
 Program 2018**

Applications for the specialist classes are available to all families who are eligible to enrol in Tomaree High School. Closing date for applications is 2pm, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017.

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## Fundraising Committee

The Fundraising Committee would like to heartily thank all of the volunteers who helped with the set-up, operation and pack down of the 2017 Garage Sale. The following people's help was invaluable and greatly appreciated: Annette Buivydas, Lynda Simon, Nat Hollis, Kylie and Lance Herdegen, Thalia Chapman, Sarah Diemar, Richard Harris, Bill Grant, Steven Beach, Evan Lestone, Todd Bonniface, Helen Wheatley, Maureen Cramp, Sally FitzGerald, Charmaine Foster, Kelli McElwaine, Trish Bray, Cassie Butterworth, Megan McDonald and Sharon Egan. Thank you also to all our wonderful bakers!

We are happy to announce that we have banked \$3227 in profits from the event and must thank everyone who donated from within and outside the school community.

Woolworths and Dairy Farmers also very kindly donated food and dairy items for use on the day for which we are most appreciative and would like to thank them for their support.

Planning begins soon for our next exciting school event. Watch this space!

## Canteen

Thank you to Leanne Benbow, Deanne Cosgrove, Casandra Butterworth, Karen Jones and Angela Hearn for all their help over the last two weeks.

### Roster

Wed 10/5	Michelle Campbell
Thur 11/5	Yr 6 - Jordan H, Mackenzie C
Fri 12/5	Deanne Cosgrove, Julie Thompson
Mon 15/5	Help Needed
Wed 17/5	Help Needed
Thur 18/5	Yr 6 - Bre H, Emily I
Fri 19/5	Casandra Butterworth, Help Needed
Mon 22/5	Help Needed

If you have a spare hour or two during school hours we would love to see you in the canteen. We rely on our volunteers to prepare and serve healthy, fresh and affordable food to our school community. We are a friendly group of men and women and we welcome any new volunteers to the canteen. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

## Meetings

**P&C Meeting:** Tuesday 9 May held in the School Administration Building at 7pm. All welcome.

**School Improvement and Finance Committee (SIFC) Meeting:** Wednesday 7 June held in the School Administration Building at 7pm. All welcome.

## Uniform Shop

Open Tuesday 8.30am – 9.30am and Friday 2.15pm – 3.15pm

We try to keep our prices as low as possible but we have to increase some items in Term 2 due to our suppliers increasing their prices. New prices are: Hats \$14, Library Bags \$14, Skorts \$18, Cargo Shorts \$18, Cargo Long Pants \$22, Microfibre Shorts \$15, Full Zip Polar Fleece Jackets \$28 & Bomber Jackets \$42. The Uniform Shop has a seconds rack and families are encouraged to drop off their pre-loved uniforms to us throughout the year. Thank you, Karen and Brooke.

## Contact Us

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## Thank you to our CONTINUING P&C Members for 2017

The school would not be able to provide an affordable canteen or uniform shop without the help of our continuing and dedicated P&C volunteers and staff. Their time and assistance in the smooth operation of our essential services is so appreciated. Many thanks to:

### Uniform Shop

Ms Karen Jones

Ms Brooke Hill

### Canteen

Ms Paula Browne (staff)

Ms Casandra Butterworth (treasurer)

and the regular weekly volunteers who contribute to daily canteen operation

We look forward to achieving some great things together in 2017.



### Open Day at Salamander Fire Station

Firefighters are encouraging people to visit Salamander Bay Fire Station on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May from 10am to 2pm..

A range of free activities will be on offer and children will be able to see the fire engine and firefighting equipment up close.

This year the focus is “Keep Looking When Cooking”.

**Defence Aide News**

In term one the defence children at SPPS spent a day cooking & learning about the history of the ANZAC biscuit. We had a great day cooking and decided to sell the biscuits made as a fundraiser for "Soldier On" this year.

"Soldier On" supports wounded service men and women and helps those suffering from PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) when they return from operations overseas.

As a school we raised **\$220.00** dollars through selling them to students from our school canteen. We received a Thank you certificate for our school from "Soldier On" acknowledging our contribution.

I would like to thank Petrina Carpenter & Yasmin McIntyre who helped on the cooking day, Danielle Whitmore for cooking more biscuits as we sold out very quickly, Paula for the kind use of her canteen and The P&C for donating money towards ingredients for the day. It really was a great team effort and Amy and Georgia Whitmore enjoyed selling them to other students.



Danielle Robinson DSTA

As a school we acknowledged ANZAC Day by marching in Nelson Bay and holding an ANZAC Commemoration Assembly last Friday.

Our whole school ANZAC Assembly was attended by distinguished guests from The Nelson Bay RSL Sub-Branch, Legacy, Probus, The Combined Forces of Australia and Lieutenant Daniel Price from RAAF Base Williamtown who addressed our assembly with a very moving speech.

I received wonderful feedback from all our guests on how respectful all the children in assembly were. They were very impressed with all the artwork, the singing of the choir and loved the fact our students ran the assembly.

Sienna, Ruby & Summer Penfold, & Emily & Jessica Williams received deployment medals from their Dad's, recognising their resilience whilst their Dad's had been deployed overseas and these girls were very proud to have a medal to wear.

Well done SPPS.

Danielle Robinson

