

# The Point

Newsletter of  
Soldiers Point Public School



Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Parents,

As we approach the end of Term 3, I think it's timely that we remind ourselves of the amazing term we're having. Some of the term's highlights include:

- *Stage 3's excursion to Canberra;*
- *Book Week (including the author visit & parade);*
- *Our school musical – Game of Crowns;*
- *Public Speaking;*
- *Numerous sporting opportunities; and*
- *Storytime for our future learners.*

It's also appropriate to remind ourselves of the remarkable students we have at Soldiers Point Public School. Daily, as I interact with students of all ages, I am consistently impressed with their willingness to 'have a go' at the many learning opportunities put before them.

Last week's Student Representative Council (SRC) meeting is another great example of our students' initiative. At this meeting members discussed topics ranging from fundraising ideas to sporting equipment needs. The students were articulate and thoughtful. Indeed, one of their fundraising ideas will come to fruition on the last day of term when we'll hold a *Crazy Hair Day* to raise funds for the Australian Artificial Pancreas Program, which supports children with type 1 diabetes.

I would also like to thank all of our wonderful parents, grandparents and volunteers who give so much of their time to support the many programs we offer. Your time is greatly appreciated and, more importantly, making a real difference to our students' learning.

## Fathers' Day Breakfast

Thank you to everyone who attended our mighty Fathers' Day Breakfast last on September 1. It was a very successful morning with so many children, friends and families enjoying the time together.

A special thank you to all involved; parents, teachers and volunteers who rolled up their sleeves to make the morning a success. More information and pictures of the day will soon be available on our website.

## P-K Transition

Thank you to the many families who have already expressed interest in their child attending Soldiers Point Public School for Kindergarten in 2018. We're now up to our third session of *Storytime*, which will occur tomorrow, September 12.

Whilst your pre-schooler is participating in Storytime, parents are very welcome to join us in the staffroom where school staff will provide lots of information about the school.

## Term Dates

As Term 3 will be concluding on Friday, September 22, I would like to wish all families a happy & safe holiday. I trust you'll be able to have a few fun adventures as a family. It's also a great idea to set aside some time to enjoy a story together with your child.

Term 4 will commence for all students on Monday, October 9.

## Term Dates

### Term 3 – Week 9

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	Storytime P&C Meeting in Staffroom from 7:00
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Premier's Spelling Bee
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	

### Term 3 – Week 10

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Rugby Gala Day
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Last Day of Term

### Term 4 – Week 1

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Students return to School
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Stage 2 Excursion Sydney
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 Games Day

### Term 4 – Week 2

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Soccer Gala Day
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	

### Term 4 – Week 3

Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	

**Stage 2 Sydney Excursion** – payment must be paid for by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September so that final numbers can be confirmed.

## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September – K-2

KM

At 2.15pm

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September

Student Recognition

K-6 at 2.15pm

All Welcome

## CARD ART

During the last weeks of Term 3, your child will be/has been involved in a **Whole School Art Program** in order to produce a piece of artwork which may be reproduced into greeting cards, calendars, diaries or notebooks.

This activity has been well supported within our school community in previous years. The aim of the program is to celebrate art, not to raise money, therefore costs have been kept to a minimum.

**Cards & Calendars - \$10.00 each**

**Diaries & Notebooks - \$15.00 each**

Samples will be available in the office foyer.

To order, simply fill in the required number of items in the boxes on front of the artwork, along with your child's name and return the artwork and money to the school office. **Orders cannot be accepted after Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October.**

Thank you  
Rose Aitchison

# NEWS



## Fundraising Committee

### Raffle

Remember to bring your sold raffle tickets back to school by this Friday 15/9. If you would like more to sell over the holidays please drop into the Front Office to grab some more. Remember all profits go back into the school!

### Class Volunteer forms

We are seeking one parent volunteer for each class to coordinate a stall for the Schools 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party Celebrations. So far we only have coordinators for 2 classes so if you can help out it would be greatly appreciated. We are also seeking assistance from parents to run their child's class stall on the day. Please return your completed class volunteer forms by this Friday 15/9 (pink A5 note). Choose a 1 hour time slot for Saturday 4 November and just turn up on the day. It's that easy. The more volunteers we have the easier it becomes for everyone. Thank you for your time and assistance in advance.

### Plants

Please bring in any plants, cuttings or seeds for our school plant stall. You can drop these off near the new veggie garden (in front of Kindergarten classrooms – look for the small greenhouse). We need to pot these up early so that they are ready for sale on the 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party Celebration day.

## Canteen

Thank you to Davina Gamble, Ken Harper, Leanne Benbow, Casandra Butterworth, Deanne Cosgrove and Karen Jones for all their help over the last two weeks.

### Roster

Wed 13/9	Davina Gamble, Ken Harper
Thur 14/9	Yr 6 Emily I, Bre H
Fri 15/9	Leanne Benbow, Deanne Cosgrove, <i>Help Needed for Meal Deal Day</i>
Mon 18/9	<i>Help Needed</i>
Wed 20/9	Ken Harper, Matt Connor
Thur 21/9	Yr 6 Jordan H, Mackenzie C
Fri 22/9	Leanne Benbow, Casandra Butterworth

### Term 4

Mon 9/10	<i>Help Needed</i>
Wed 11/10	Ken Harper
Fri 13/10	Leanne Benbow, Deanne Cosgrove

Friday 15th September is Meal Deal Day. The products available on Meal Deal Day currently fall into the "green, everyday category" of foods and we would like your feedback about the new lunch items before a decision is made on whether to include them permanently on the canteen menu. Please send any comments in to the canteen via note, phone or in person.

Have a great break, see you next term. Paula

## Meetings

**School Improvement and Finance Committee (SIFC) Meeting:** Wednesday 8 November. Meet in the School Library at 6.30pm. This meeting will be a Parent Focus Group session for the new School Plan providing an opportunity to comment on teaching/learning, student wellbeing and school community initiatives. What's working well and what could be done better?

**P&C Meeting:** Tuesday 12 Sept held in the School Administration Building at 7pm. All welcome.

## Uniform Shop

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

### Contact Us

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Soldiers Point Public School Parents

# ANNA BAY SCOUT'S CAR BOOT SALE

**Saturday 16th September 2017**

**Starts 9.00am till 1.00pm**

**Scout Hall - Fishermans Bay Road**



**FUN FAMILY  
DAY OUT !!!!!**



TO BOOK A STALL—  
CALL  
CHERYL 0430786 233 OR  
PETER 0433 583 957

PLUS lots of local stall holders on the day—bric a brac, plants, cake stalls, crafts, kids toys & lots lots more .....

All funds raised will go towards our troops trip to Norfolk Is Jan'18

# FORESHORE TENNIS SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP

**Fingal Bay Tennis Club  
Monday 2/10/17 - Friday 6/10/17**

**9am - 3pm**

**\$50 per day or \$200 per week**

**10% early bird discount**

**offered for payments made before 19/09/17**

**Presentation on Friday  
Lunch provided Friday only**

**Bring racquet,  
hat, sunscreen,  
swimmers, towel  
snacks, lunch  
& water**

Call or email James  
on 0421 212 169  
foreshoretennis@gmail.com  
to book your spot



**THE RUGBY LEAGUE  
ACADEMY**

## Summer Program 2017

Looking for some Rugby League in the off season or are you considering playing Rugby League in 2018?

For as little as \$20 per session you'll receive:

- 8 training sessions with RLA's High Performance Coaches
- Vital skill education
- Game based coaching
- Positional coaching
- Improve fitness levels
- FUN environment

Commencing week of 23rd October

Concluding week of 11th December

Cost: \$160

Time: 5pm - 6pm

Age: 8yrs - 17yrs (must be turning 8 in 2017)

### Venues:

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| <b>Mondays</b>    | Peacock Field Toronto or Salamander Bay Sports Complex |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>   | Highbrook Park Muswellbrook                            |
| <b>Wednesdays</b> | Kentish Ovals Lambton                                  |
| <b>Thursdays</b>  | Haricher Oval Telarah                                  |

To secure your spot register now at  
rugbyleagueacademy.com.au/rla-summer-registration/  
(strictly limited spots available)



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Our school community is committed to providing a supportive learning environment fostering reading and excellence.



Department of  
Primary Industries

**GONE  
FISHING**  
15TH OCT  
2017 DAY

AN AUSTRALIAN RECREATIONAL  
FISHING FOUNDATION INITIATIVE

**Nelson Bay foreshore**

**VICTORIA PARADE (EASTERN GROYNES)**

**9AM - 3PM**

Free how to fish workshops, casting comp,  
free goodie bags with bonus fishing lures,  
fishing tip classes by local experts,  
touch tank, loads of kids activities  
and lots more on show.

### MORE INFO

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## Kelly's Swim Academy Learn to Swim Program 2017 at Horizons Golf Course

INTENSIVE PROGRAM -SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2017  
Monday 2nd October - Friday 6th October

### LEARN TO SWIM LESSONS -

5 Days of Group Lessons: \$60 5 Days of Private Lessons: \$110

\*\* Lessons will operate on MONDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER – PUBLIC HOLIDAY

SQUAD SWIM CAMP WEEK - 8.00am-9.00am (dates as detailed above)

5 days of Squad: \$50

TERM 4 PROGRAM 2017 - 10 weeks  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October - Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December

### LEARN TO SWIM

Swimmer attends lessons once or twice per week, at the same time each week, for 10 consecutive weeks.

10 Weeks of 1 Group Lesson per Week: \$120

10 Weeks of 2 Group Lessons per Week: \$215

10 Weeks of 1 Private Lesson per Week: \$230

10 Weeks of 2 Private Lessons per Week: \$415

10 Weeks of 1 Private and 1 Group/Week: \$315

We also offer Senior and Junior Squad sessions, Adult lessons, Aqua and Junior Lifeguard Programs.

### FLUFFY DUCKS PROGRAM – 5 weeks

Fluffy Ducks (baby) plus an adult (parent/guardian) attend a 30-minute class for five consecutive weeks. Classes are conducted on a Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday. Bookings are essential.

Stage 1 (beginner), 2 (intermediate) and 3 (advanced) – subject to availability. They usually run at 10.30am (or later if two classes operate on the same day).

5 Weeks of 1 Group Lesson per Week: \$70.00

Tuesday Course	Thursday Courses	Saturday Course
<b>Course 1</b> October 10 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup> and 31 <sup>st</sup> November 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Course 1</b> October 12 <sup>th</sup> , 19 <sup>th</sup> and 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Course 1</b> October 14 <sup>th</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> and 28 <sup>th</sup> November 4 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Course 2</b> November 13 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup> December 4 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Course 2</b> November 16 <sup>th</sup> , 23 <sup>rd</sup> and 30 <sup>th</sup> December 7 <sup>th</sup> and 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Course 2</b> November 18 <sup>th</sup> and 25 <sup>th</sup> December 2 <sup>nd</sup> 9 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup>

Payments are due 7 days from invoice date.

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