

The Point

Newsletter of
Soldiers Point Public School



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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Soldiers Point for what I'm sure will be a *great* term ahead. I trust you all had an enjoyable holiday with opportunities to spend some special time together.

During the break we experienced some wild weather resulting in a number of trees / branches falling. Much of the debris has been cleared and most damage repaired.



I would like to wholeheartedly thank our relieving general assistant, Steve, and cleaner, Howard, for their extraordinary efforts in getting the school tidied so promptly. Both went well above and beyond their normal duties to ensure the school would be presentable for the start of term.

Home – Class Communication

Following numerous discussions as a staff, we have decided to utilise the application *ClassDojo* as our preferred home – class communication tool. Later this week parents should receive a note inviting them to join *ClassDojo*, along with instructions on how to download the application and an explanation of how it is best used.

It is important to remember that using applications such as *ClassDojo* is not mandatory for teachers, it is their choice. Similarly, some parents may elect not to use this facility.

NAPLAN 2018

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) in Week 3. The dates for each of the assessment tasks are:

Tuesday, May 15	Language Conventions & Writing
Wednesday, May 16	Reading
Thursday, May 17	Numeracy

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

ANZAC Day 2018

We extend a big thank you to all the families who were able to join us for this year's ANZAC Day march and service. Soldiers Point had a contingent of approximately 50 students who were supported by several staff members and parents. Our students were keen to participate and were appropriately respectful throughout the service. We would like to acknowledge our school captains for the great job they did leading our school and laying the wreath.

A whole school ANZAC Assembly will take place at school on Friday, May 4, with a guest speaker from RAAF Base Williamstown attending amongst distinguished guests.

Thanks to our DSTA, Danielle Robinson, and Mrs Wagland for their coordination of these events.



Term Dates

Term 2 – Week 1

Tuesday 1 st May	Students return to school
Wednesday 2 nd May	
Thursday 3 rd May	
Friday 4 th May	ANZAC Assembly – 1.30pm

Term 2 – Week 2

Monday 7 th May	Port Stephens Zone Rugby Trials
Tuesday 8 th May	UNSW – Computer
	Star Struck Rehearsal
Wednesday 9 th May	Star Struck Rehearsal
Thursday 10 th May	
Friday 11 th May	Mother's Day Breakfast from 7:30am

Term 2 – Week 3

Monday 14 th May	
Tuesday 15 th May	NAPLAN
	AECG Meeting
Wednesday 16 th May	NAPLAN
Thursday 17 th May	NAPLAN
Friday 18 th May	NAPLAN
	OC On-line Applications CLOSE

Term 2 – Week 4

Monday 21 st May	
Tuesday 22 nd May	
Wednesday 23 rd May	Stage 1 Excursion to Newcastle Museum
Thursday 24 th May	Grip Leadership – SRC
	Preschool – Kindergarten
Friday 25 th May	Transition Expo @ Tomaree PS

Term 2 – Week 5

Monday 28 th May	
Tuesday 29 th May	UNSW - Science
Wednesday 30 th May	Star Struck Rehearsal
Thursday 31 st May	
Friday 1 st June	

Term 2 – Week 6

Monday 4 th June
Tuesday 5 th June
Wednesday 6 th June
Thursday 7 th June
Friday 8 th June

Term 2 – Week 7

Monday 11 th June	Queens's Birthday Holiday
Tuesday 12 th June	
Wednesday 13 th June	UNSW - Spelling
Thursday 14 th June	UNSW – Writing
	Star Struck Rehearsal
Friday 15 th June	Star Struck Performance

Term 2 – Week 8

Monday 18 th June	
Tuesday 19 th June	Year 6 Sports Gala Day @ Tomaree
Wednesday 20 th June	AECG Meeting
Thursday 21 st June	
Friday 22 nd June	

Term 2 – Week 9

Monday 25 th June
Tuesday 26 th June
Wednesday 27 th June
Thursday 28 th June
Friday 29 th June

Term 2 – Week 10

Monday 2 nd July	
Tuesday 3 rd July	
Wednesday 4 th July	
Thursday 5 th July	Pedlar's Parade
Friday 6 th July	Term 2 Concludes

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

4th May
ANZAC Assembly – 1.30pm
Whole School

11th May
Councilor Induction – 2.15pm
Whole School

All Welcome

Annual Report Available

Each year schools are required to prepare an Annual Report, which provides the wider community with information about school programs, results and other achievements. The Soldiers Point Annual School Report is now 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/> and printed copies of the Annual Report can also be arranged through the school's office.

Star Struck

Sewers needed to make 16 costumes. Please contact the office if you can assist.

A sewing day has been organised for Monday 14th May 2018

Entertainment Books

Flyers are being sent home today. You can order one online at <http://www.entertainment.com.au/3908k6> or from the office using the order form on the flyer. The school receives a commission for any books sold which will go towards our literacy programs

STATE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Ebony for her achievement at State Swimming. Ebony finished 5th in 50m butterfly, 12th in 50m Backstroke and 14th in the 50m Freestyle.

What a fantastic effort – Well done!

Opportunity Class On-line
Applications for Year 4 students are now open – please see flyer sent home to each child.

YEAR 6 FUNDRAISING EVENTS

SPPS MOTHERS DAY CELEBRATIONS

The GREAT Gift Swap

Students are asked to purchase and donate a suitable Mother's Day gift to the value of \$5, which is then wrapped and brought into the classroom on **Friday 11th May**.

Students will then donate a **gold coin** to purchase a wrapped Mother's Day gift.

Gold coins go towards Year 6 fundraising.

This activity is not compulsory, only those wishing to participate.



Mother's Day Breakfast

Join us on **FRIDAY 11th MAY** for a delicious Mother's Day BBQ Breakfast!

All money raised goes towards Year 6 fundraising.

Enjoy a game with your children in the playground.

Breakfast orders will be sent home with your child.

All welcome! Our school canteen will operate as normal on the day.

=GUITAR LESSONS=

=SALAMANDER BAY=

ROCK/BLUES

CLASSICAL/LATIN

SPANISH GUITAR

ALL AGES

BEGINNERS

WELCOME

PHONE ANGELO

0402 331 451



A big thank you

To all our families for not
sending money and notes in
PLASTIC BAGS.

Money and notes are best
sent in old envelopes or paper
bags.



UNIFORM SHOP

Is open this Thursday at 2.30pm
not Friday due to the Volunteers
work commitments.

Newsletter



Welcome back to Term 2

Our P&C Committee attended a P&C Information Session on April 10, well worth the trip to Lambton.

As a P&C we are all doing a fabulous job, given our school population we are raising funds well above the larger schools and we are compliant with policies and procedures as per the P&C Federation.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th May at 7:00pm in the School Administration Building.

Uniform Shop

Please note that the Uniform shop will be open this Thursday 3rd May instead of Friday 4th. ***THIS IS ONLY FOR THIS WEEK.***

Canteen

Our Canteen is always looking for volunteers, whether it be for 1 hour or the whole day we need you! Please contact Paula Brown in the Canteen if you can assist her in any way.

Contact Us

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