

# The Point

Newsletter of  
Soldiers Point Public School



Tuesday • June 12 • 2018

Dear Parents,

As we approach the end of Semester 1 our teachers are busily writing each child's report, which will be sent home with your child on Wednesday, July 4. The primary purpose of the Student Report is to provide parents (and students) with feedback on their child's achievements in learning as well as their social development.

The format of our Student Report has been altered to accommodate your feedback which we received at the Parent Forums held in 2017. The new format, which was shared with parents at the May P&C Meeting, provides more detailed information for parents.

Each Student Report will contain information about your child's learning in the key learning areas i.e. English, mathematics, science, CAPA, history, PDHPE & geography. It will also provide parents with areas their child may require further attention, thus becoming future goals for the student. Some of these 'goals' may have already been discussed at the Parent-Teacher Conference at the end of Term 1.

Of course, parents are encouraged to support their child's learning each and every day by helping with homework, reading books, cooking, playing games etc. It's important to remember that any investment of time you can give to your child is never wasted.

## Star Struck

We wish all of our performers well in Star Struck this week. Our students will be performing at the Newcastle Entertainment Centre this Friday & Saturday.



## Need to Talk

The procedure for parents to request a meeting with a teacher to discuss their child's progress, wellbeing or other concerns is to either:

- Message your child's teacher via ClassDojo;
- Send a note in to the teacher with your child;
- Phone the office and leave a message; or
- Email the school.

Teachers will respond at their earliest opportunity.

*I remind parents to refrain from interrupting teachers when they are trying to teach, manage children or engaged in another conversation. This includes walking their students to or from their classroom.*

## Wet Weather Arrangements

Several parents have made enquiries about how students are looked after when we experience really wet weather. On days when it's too wet to go out into the playground, teachers will remain in their classrooms with their students. They will eat their recess & lunch in their rooms and then they're able to use classroom resources such as: board games, blocks, iPads during their 'play' time.

Teachers are very mindful of the need for students to be active throughout the day, thus take their classes to the covered areas or the hall for a run around. Indeed, we are extremely fortunate to have such terrific covered areas where students can run around when it's so wet.

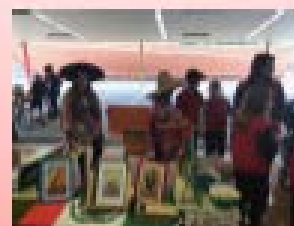
*Congratulations on such a fun and informative Multicultural Festival 5/6M. You taught me a lot about the countries represented and I particularly enjoyed tasting the food. More information about the day is available later in the newsletter.*

# MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL 2018



On Friday, June 8th, the O.C. presented a Multicultural Festival to the school. The purpose of this festival was for the students to creatively present their research of a country they have been researching for the past 8-10 weeks.

The O.C. presented their research in the form of a stall. Students from other classes walked through and were engaged by interactive presentations, trivia, cultural food samples and creative design.



All of the students, on both sides of the festival, had a wonderful time. Much was learnt and experienced... especially eating crickets.



## BOOKCLUB

Last day for bookclub orders is Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June.

## Kindergarten 2019

Please be advised that the school is now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2019. Please call into the office and collect the relevant paperwork if you have a child starting school next year.

## Term Dates

### Term 2 – Week 7

Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	UNSW – Spelling
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	UNSW – Writing
	Star Struck Rehearsal
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Star Struck Performance

### Term 2 – Week 8

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

### Term 2 – Week 9

Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Disco
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	

### Term 2 – Week 10

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

## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

15<sup>th</sup> June  
K-2 – 2.15pm  
Hosted by 1/2E

22<sup>nd</sup> June  
3-6 – 2.15pm  
Hosted by 5/6M

All Welcome

## Important Update

### UPDATE ON WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK WWCC

As from January 2019 all –

*Classroom Volunteers*

*Canteen Helpers*

*Anyone transporting students in private cars (other than their own children)*

will need to apply and have an Unpaid Volunteer WWCC number. **This is free** and must be applied for on-line at -

<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

After receiving your WWCC Number please bring to the school office and we can place you on our data base.

If for some reason you do not have access to a computer please let the school office know and we can help you to apply on-line.

**If you do not have this WWCC number, from 2019 you will not be able to help at the school as a Volunteer.**

Thank you  
Bronwyn Sherman  
Admin Manager

# Newsletter



## P&C News

Our monthly meeting is being held Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June in the school admin building at 7pm. This month Mrs Baxter will be joining us. As a committee we will be discussing how to spend the money raised from the 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations. Come along get the chance to have your voice heard. Membership is \$1 and this will allow you to vote.

## Fundraising News

Thompson's Pies Fundraiser has been a big success, thanks to all teachers and student's families we have raised \$387.35 for the school.

School Disco flyer attached. CALL OUT for parent volunteers including a qualified first aid officer to assist on the night, please contact Michelle Hall [0435 122 814](tel:0435122814)

## Canteen News

Our new menu has been received with great success. [Thanks to our volunteers over the last fortnight: we could not run the canteen without you.](#)

## Uniform Shop

Please note that the Uniform Shop will be closed this **Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> June**, but will be open **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> from 2.30pm – 3.15pm.**

Now that winter is here please purchase or order fleecy jackets or bombers so Karen can order more stock if needed. Bomber jackets are getting low. Karen will be doing a one off order for Boys double knee tracksuits pants at \$20. Please see Karen asap if you would like to order a pair of these pants the order will be placed 2 weeks.

## **Contact Us**

Email: [sppspc@live.com.au](mailto:sppspc@live.com.au)

P&C Website: [sppspc.weebly.com](http://sppspc.weebly.com)



Soldiers Point Public School Parents





**K–2 disco: 5.00pm to 6.00pm + Years 3–6 disco: 6.30pm to 7.30pm**  
**Cost: \$5 per child**

The P&C is hosting a school disco on **Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018**  
 Located in the Soldiers Point Bowling Club Auditorium, with DJ Tim Halls

- **Lucky door prize! Pre-pay at the school in the box at the Office marked "SCHOOL DISCO" before Mon 25.6.18 to win!** (\$30 voucher for White Sands Bistro – can be used on the night). This will also ensure a quicker entry with your name already on a list at the door.
  - Correct money at the door is appreciated if you can't pay beforehand.
- The event will be supervised, but please note the following:
- children will be required, by safety rules, to keep their shoes on
  - please remember to take your child to the toilet before drop-off
  - children will need to be picked up individually from inside the room of the disco and not in Club foyer
  - parents/guardians please note strict drop-off and pick-up times.

**This form needs to be filled in before your child can attend the school disco.**

Please fill in one form (below) for each child attending and put in the office in box marked 'school disco' with payment (\$5 per child) , or take form to the bowling club on the night to hand in.

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/carer name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number/s on night: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (optional)\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/medical conditions to be aware of: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Please provide your email if you are interested in receiving emails from the P&C about upcoming events that we are trying to organise.

## Family Residential Addresses

Each year a report is run to validate families residential addresses to identify any errors e.g. multiple addresses, misspelt names etc.

Can you please ensure that you have updated any change of address with the school office as soon as possible.

When updating address details you will also need **'Proof of Residence'** e.g. utilities bill, lease agreement (we cannot accept licences), before we can change your details.

All families who have Kindergarten children starting in 2019 will also need **'Proof of Residence'**, even if you already have children at school.

Please call the office if you need further clarification.

Thanks

Bronwyn Sherman

Admin Manager

Port Stephens Women's Cancer Support Group Inc.


THE FEEL-GOOD CINEMA EVENT RETURNS

CHRISTINE PERCE DOMINIC COLIN AHER LAY ANANDA STEADY JUNE HEAVY  
BENJAMIN MORGAN COOPER TONY GARCIA JAMES TOWERS GILLIAN WATSON CHRIS JONES

# MAMMA MIA!

— HERE WE GO AGAIN —

JULY 2018



Opening Night - Thursday 19 July 2018

6.30pm for 7.30pm Screening

Nelson Bay Cinema Complex

**Tickets \$25** includes a glass of champagne on arrival, canapés & movie ticket.

To secure your seat visit:

The Greater Bank Salamander Bay or Nelson Bay,  
or Soldiers Point Public School,  
or contact:

Jo – 0412 637 467 (Corlette)  
Terese – 0409 321 349 (Anna Bay)  
Rachel – 0402 592 853 (Soldiers Point)  
Cathy – 0431 574 457 (Fingal Bay)

## Port Stephens Library July School Holiday Program



Date	Activity	Venue	Time	Cost	Age
10 July	Storytime & Craft	Tomaree Library	10.30-11.15am	\$1.50	2+
11 July	Slimeastic	Tomaree Library	10.30-11.30am	\$5.00	6-10
12 July	Storytime & Craft	Raymond Terrace Library	10.30-11.15am	\$1.50	2-5
12 July	Family Movie – Babar the Movie	Tomaree Library	2.00-4.00pm	Free	2+
16 July	Earthen Rhythms Drumming Workshop	Raymond Terrace Library	10.30-11.30am	\$10.00	3+
16 July	Earthen Rhythms Drumming Workshop	Tomaree Library	2.00-3.00pm	\$10.00	3+
17 July	Storytime & Craft	Tomaree Library	10.30-11.15am	\$1.50	2+
18 July	Collage Workshop	Raymond Terrace Library	2.30-3.30pm	\$5.00	7-12
19 July	Nature Walk & Haiku Poetry Workshop	Tomaree Library	4.00-5.30pm	Free	10+
19 July	Storytime & Craft	Raymond Terrace Library	10.30-11.15am	\$1.50	2-5
20 July	Moonhack	Raymond Terrace Library	10.00am-12.00pm 2.00-4.00pm	Free	7-18

Bookings are essential as places are limited. Payment will confirm your booking.  
Tomaree Library on 4988 0670 / Raymond Terrace Library on 4988 0111



Port Stephens  
**LIBRARY**  
Start here, go anywhere...

CALEDONIAN NIGHT

rscds Dance Scottish

PORT STEPHENS COUNCIL

## ALL THINGS SCOTTISH

Music • Singing  
Dancing • Bagpipes

**WEDNESDAY 11 JULY – 7.30 to 9.30pm**  
**TOMAREE HIGH SCHOOL HALL**  
**Salamander Way, Salamander Bay**  
**\$10 Adult – accompanied children FREE!**  
*Light Supper Included*

*A great family night of Scottish Entertainment*  
Come along and join in the Ceilidh dancing of  
Dashing White Sergeant, Gay Gordons,  
The Flying Scotsman & more!

*If you would like to learn some of the dances for the night join Jan at the Tomaree High School Hall, Salamander Way, Salamander Bay between 2.00 to 4.00pm for FREE tuition*

Enquiries & Information  
0417 294 839



HUNTER VALLEY 2018  
TOMAREE... THE PLACE TO BE