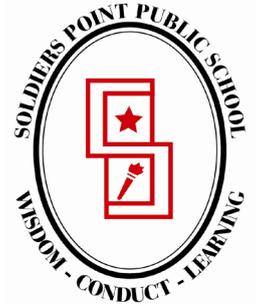


The Point

Newsletter of
Soldiers Point Public School



Monday 23rd May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I congratulate all of our participants in the Port Stephens Zone Cross Country trials, which took place at Lakeside Sporting Complex on Monday, May 9. Impressively, three of our students have been selected for the Hunter trials, they are:

- Riley finished 1st in the 10 years boys
- Mia finished 2nd in the 11 years girls
- Kyah finished 2nd in the 12 years girls



I would also like to extend a big thank you to Mrs Baxter, Miss Hunt, and the parents from Soldiers Point who were called upon to assist with the running of the event.

Done & Dusted

Our Year 3 & 5 students are pleased that this year's NAPLAN is now done & dusted. The staff and I are thrilled with the positive way the students approached their assessments. Indeed, after talking to a few students and hearing some of them describe their NAPLAN experience as *cool*, I was reminded of the quote:

**Attitude
is a little thing
that makes a big
difference.**

Stage One Koala Talk

On Wednesday, May 11, Mrs Egan came to school to talk to Stage One about koalas and the Koala Hospital at One Mile. Mrs Egan said that to have enough food during their life a koala needs 1000 eucalyptus trees. She told us that a healthy koala should do between 100 – 150 castings a day. Healthy koalas can jump really far from tree to tree.

Mrs Egan showed us a video of some injured koalas climbing and jumping in trees at the koala hospital. I learnt a lot about the Koala Hospital from Mrs Egan. I love that we have koalas in the trees at our school. Marlee 1/2D



Yarn Up

As part of our school's Aboriginal education program, our Yarn Up group has recommenced this term. Yarn Up will continue each week on a Wednesday afternoon. We usually meet in Koko's Cubby.



Learning at Yarn Up group would have been discussed during the PLP meetings, which occurred in Term 1. We also have a "Yarn Up" class dojo group where information and stories are shared. If you would like more information about Yarn Up or our class dojo group, please contact the school on 49827151.

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School Calendar

Term 2 2022

Term 2 – Week 5

Monday 23 rd May	
Tuesday 24 th May	GRIP leadership day
Wednesday 25 th May	PSSA touch – boys & girls at Tomaree sporting complex
Thursday 26 th May	PSSA soccer boys & girls at Tomaree sports complex
Friday 27 th May	Netball at Medowie

Term 2 – Week 6

Monday 30 th May	
Tuesday 31 st May	
Wednesday 1 st June	
Thursday 2 nd June	
Friday 3 rd June	

Term 2 – Week 7

Monday 6 th June	
Tuesday 7 th June	3-6 Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 8 th June	
Thursday 9 th June	
Friday 10 th June	

Term 2 – Week 8

Monday 13 th June	Public Holiday
Tuesday 14 th June	
Wednesday 15 th June	
Thursday 16 th June	Young Teen Talk – Year 6
Friday 17 th June	

Term 2 – Week 9

Monday 20 th June	
Tuesday 21 st June	
Wednesday 22 nd June	
Thursday 23 rd June	
Friday 24 th June	

Term 2 – Week 10

Monday 27 th June	
Tuesday 28 th June	
Wednesday 29 th June	
Thursday 30 th June	
Friday 1 st July	Term 2 concludes

WHICH ON-LINE PAYMENT DO I USE?????

Flexi Schools – use this platform to pay for Canteen, Uniform shop, and P&C purchases.

Parent On-line Payment – through the school’s web site (**Make a Payment**) to pay for all school related items e.g. excursions, incursions, book packs etc.

Please contact the office if you are unsure and before you make a payment. Thank you, Bronwyn & Simone,

Soldiers Point Public School
Every Minute Counts...

When your child misses...

Ten minutes a day.	That's 50 minutes of learning each week.	Which is nearly one and a half weeks a year.	Nearly six months of school between K-12
Twenty minutes a day.	That's 100 minutes of learning each week.	Which is nearly two and a half weeks a year.	Nearly one year of school between K-12
Half an hour a day.	Half a day of learning each week.	Four weeks a year.	Nearly 1.5 years of school between K-12
One hour a day.	One whole day of learning each week.	Eight weeks per year, or nearly a whole Term a year.	Over 2.5 years of learning between K-12

The best learning time for your child is during the beginning of the day.

School starts at **8:55am**

School Leaders Morning Tea

We drove with Mr Parson to Wirreanda Public School. We were then shown to the hall by one of their leaders.

We sat and listened to Kate Washington, Meryl Swanson and Doctor Emma about how to be a good leader and how to achieve success.

During brunch Kaylee, Hamish and Bryce talked to Kate Washington and shared one of Hamish's mishaps up the stairs while living in Medowie.

We then went back into the hall and got photos with Kate Washington, Doctor Emma and Meryl Swanson and we each received certificates for representing our school.

By Hamish, Kaylee and Bruce

**PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE
'KISS AND DROP' ZONE –**

**THIS ZONE MEANS 'NO
PARKING'**

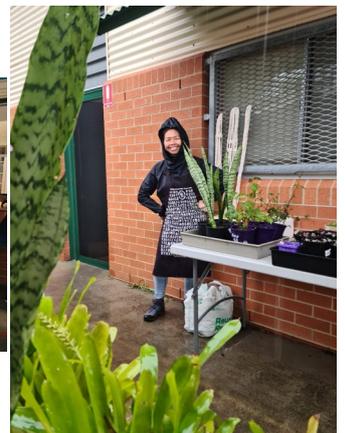
Thank you

**Speciality Photos are now available from
the school photographer.**

**Photos can be viewed in the school foyer
and purchased on-line.**



Thank you to our volunteers at the P&C Election Day Stall



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