Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

Term 3 has begun very smoothly with everyone settling back into school routine. It has been pleasing to see everyone playing happily in the playground and getting involved in their learning in the classroom.

A big welcome to the new families who have begun this term. I am sure that your children will enjoy their time at our school.

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Thank you, good luck and happy fundraising!

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Student Profiles

Name: Rory T  Class: KH
Nickname: Roardog
Hobbies: Riding quad bikes
Favourite Book: Hot Wheels
Favourite Movie: The Avengers
Favourite thing about school: Soccer
Favourite Subject: Technology
What do you want to be when you grow up? Fireman, Policeman or a soldier

Name: Emilee E  Class: KH
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Favourite Book: The Monster Book
Favourite Movie: The Dance Movie
Favourite thing about school: Play
Favourite Subject: Maths
What do you want to be when you grow up? A dance teacher

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In Home Child Care

Nelson Bay Preschool is now also offering an In Home Child Care Service. In Home Care offers flexible childcare in the comfort and security of the Child’s own home by trained educators and is affordable as it provides the benefit of government subsidised fees (CCB & CCR). In Home Care is able to cater for families with one or more of the following criteria:

1. Parent or child illness/disability
2. Childcare for parents who work outside normal business hours
3. Families with 3 or more children not yet attending school
4. Families living in rural or remote areas with no access to child care services
5. Childcare for families whose needs cannot be met by existing child care services

If In Home Care would suit your family needs please contact Nelson Bay Preschool on 4981 1372 or nelsonbaypreschool@bigpond.com to make an enquiry.

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Commonwealth Games Day

This Thursday, 24 July Shoal Bay Public will be holding a Commonwealth Games Gala Day.

Each child has a nation to represent as they participate in an opening ceremony, a series of tabloid sports activities and a closing ceremony. The day is free and children may wear clothes to match the national colours of their country.

Jack S & Mackenzie G  Mr Hamshaw
(Ministers for Functions and Events) (Coordinator)

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A note from your P&C

Hi everyone. I have had few parents approach me who are not on our Executive or a member of the P&C but would like to help out from time to time at various events we organise. I thought it might be useful to create an email contact list so I can keep interested parents informed of such events. So if you would like to be on such a list could you email me at Sharon.molloy@environment.nsw.gov.au. I hope to see some familiar faces at our next P&C meeting on Tuesday night …and maybe some new faces! All welcome. Thank you.

Cheers Sharon (P&C President)
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Nuf Nuf
This Friday we will be holding our second Nuf Nuf day for 2014. Year 6 will again be hard at work organising and running fun activities for the other children in the school. All children who participate will receive an ice-block. The cost for the Nuf Nuf day will again be $3 per child. Children can pay this money on the day to their teacher or prior to the day to the office (please remember to have the money in an envelope with the child’s name). The money raised on this day will allow Year 6 to purchase a gift for the school which can be enjoyed by all children for years to come as well as assisting us to subsidise the costs involved with a Year 6 farewell. Your support is greatly appreciated.
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From the library..
Hi everyone.....the latest exciting issue of book club is out and is due back on Thursday of this week (24th) no late orders will be put in and you don’t want to miss out!!
While we are on my favourite topic of reading.... The Premiers Reading Challenge closes at the end of August and there are many students who need to record what they have read online. If access to the internet is a problem or if anyone needs a reminder on how to log titles onto the PRC website, the library is open each day from 11.35 - 12pm. The theme for Book Week is ‘Connect to Reading’ and I hope everyone is thinking of a great outfit/costume that connects them to a book or character that they can wear....... watch this space for other great book week activities...!!
Book week will be in week 6, which is the 18-22 August. Book fair will be in the library during this week.
Happy Reading everyone!!
Gai Swartz
Teacher Librarian