Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

Education Week 2014
Monday 28 July – Friday 1 August
Public Schools NSW – Celebrating the 60th Education Week

Students and staff invite parents, carers, family and friends of the Shoal Bay Public School Community to join us as we celebrate Education Week at Shoal Bay Public School.

Tuesday 29 July 2014: Shoal Bay Public School Open Day and P & C Adidas School Fun Run

Program of Events:
10.00am Open classes for KP, KC, KH, 1W, 1S, 1/2B, 2L and 2R
10.20am K – 2 Adidas FUN RUN commences
10.40am Open classes for 3A, 3W, 4B, 4D, 5C, 5/6H and 6B
11.10am Lunch – please join us for a picnic lunch. Sausage sizzle also available and school canteen will be open.
12.00 3 – 6 Adidas FUN RUN commences

Please come and join us to celebrate Education Week and support our P & C Fund Raising activity. Parent Helpers for Fun Run and BBQ also needed – your time would be greatly appreciated.

THEME for FUN RUN: ‘Go COMMANDO’
Children may come to school dressed in camouflage colours, khaki or brown to participate in Fun Run.
All children MUST wear closed in shoes or joggers and warm clothes (Track suit pants or trousers, jumpers or jackets - jumpers can be removed for run). NO T shirts tops or jumpers with inappropriate slogans are allowed. We look forward to seeing you there!

Planning to Plan
During this semester our school will be developing a school plan for the next three years (2015 – 2017). The process will be completed via consultation with our school community (including parents, staff and students) to develop a shared vision and identify three key strategic directions that will form the basis of the upcoming 3 year planning cycle. We will begin this consultation process by asking for your feedback and ideas at tomorrow’s Open Day. Staff may approach you to ask a couple of questions to get your honest opinions and feedback. These questions are to find out about what you think is good about our school and things that we could improve. If you don’t get a chance to speak to a staff member tomorrow other opportunities will occur through Terms 3 and 4. Your input into this process will be very valuable and much appreciated.

Last Thursday we participated in our own version of the Commonwealth Games coordinated by “Be Skilled, Be Fit”. The weather was fantastic and all children (representing their countries) ran, jumped, threw and kicked, etc. with enthusiasm and lots of energy. It was a wonderful day with lots of fun had by all.

On Friday our Year 6 students ran their second NUf NUf day and raised $818 towards their end of year activities. This was also hugely successful. Thank you to all for your support.

Narelle Mann
Principal

DID YOU KNOW?
Under the Companion Animals Act 1998 No 87 (14.1.e), dogs are prohibited in school grounds (whether or not they are leashed or otherwise controlled). For the safety of all students and staff, please do not bring dogs into the school grounds, even on leashes. Thank you for your support in this matter.
From Narelle’s Desk cont …

P&C Meeting: Change of Date
Due to Interrelate Special Evening Program being held next Tuesday 5 August, the P&C meeting has been scheduled for the following Tuesday 12 August at 6.30pm.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2015
To assist us with planning for 2015 we are now accepting expressions of interest if your child is eligible to enrol in Kindergarten in 2015. Please complete the form attached and return it to school and/or pass this information on to family and friends who have children who are eligible to start school in 2015.

You could also call in at school or contact us on ph. 4981 1007.

Student Profiles

Name: Eliza R Class: KP
Nickname: Eliza
Hobbies: Go to the Library
Favourite Book: Big Bear Little Bear by David Bedford
Favourite Movie: Princess & the Bay Rabbit
Favourite thing about school: Reading Groups
Favourite Subject: Reading
What do you want to be when you grow up? Plumber

Parent information about National Gonski Week (28 July to 1 August)
The primary purpose of this week is to inform parents, caregivers and community members of the critical importance of school funding reform and the real difference it will make to all schools including Shoal Bay Public School. Parents are invited to view the What is Gonski? Animation at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xylDiOl7RGI
If you would like to find out more about Gonski in the meantime, please visit www.giveagonski.com.au
Gai Swartz, NSW Teachers Federation School Representative

From the Library
Hi everyone, thank you so much for your support with bookclub last week remember every order earns us points to spend on fundraising! Students wanting to track their progress and use online fundraising can do so by logging onto schoolfunrun.com.au/students and setting up a personal fundraising page. Orders should be coming home this week sometime!

Also there seems to be some confusion over the Book Week dress up parade. It is on in week 6 (18 - 22 August) which is Book Week. The dress up parade is on Friday 22 and the theme is ‘Connect to Reading’ so start thinking of a costume that is connected to reading!!

Enjoy!
Gai Swartz, Teacher Librarian

Merit Awards

| KC  | Elara, Kai, Hunter |
| KP  | Campbell, Amy, Flynn |
| I1W | Lachlan, Lakeia, Caleb |
| 2L  | Riley, Sienna, Noah |
| 3A  | Ruben, Tori, Jenna |
| 4B  | Polina, Harrison, Jayden |
| 5C  | |
| 6B  | Dylan H, Jack, Kai |
| KH  | Alana, Shubham, Kobi |
| IS  | Estela, Kava, Jensen |
| 1/2B | Amy, Joshua |
| 2R  | |
| 3W  | Alex, Harry, Ebony |
| 4D  | Olivia, Kai, Ash |
| 5/6H | Zach, Mitch, Maddi |
Notes to Teacher

There have been lots of notes going out to students asking for notification as to their absence. Parents have been writing on these notes that they have notified or spoken to the teacher. Just so you are aware we always need written notification. If you are going to be away for a week or more you need to fill out an exemption form. These forms can be obtained in our office or from our website. If your child is away for a day or two, just send a sick note in with them the day that they return. If they are away for 3 days or more you need to ring and notify the school as to why your child is absent, but this still needs to be followed up with a note on their return. If we do not receive a note your child’s absence goes down as an unjustified absence. Thank you for your understanding. If you want to email the note you can do so to shoalbay-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

Adidas Fun Run Sponsorship Forms

On our right is an example that the P&C have done to show you how to fill out your sponsorship forms. Make sure that you have these on you when you are getting money from anyone from the public. It is recommended that you only see family and friends for sponsorship for the fun run. If you do any door knocking, you must tell people that you are from Shoal Bay Public School and be willing to give your name, class and show ID if asked for it.

Boys Touch Team

Last Monday 21 July, the boys touch team went to Salamander Touch fields to play touch against Tanilba Bay after beating Tomaree 5:3. The fields were muddy, slippery and wet and unfortunately we went down 7:2. They had some fast players down the middle. In the end the boys had a lot of fun and I think we all needed a good wash!

Toby F (Captain)
Around the School

Commonwealth Games Day

Nuf Nuf Day
Run by Year 6