Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

SBPS Spectacular
What an exciting week!!!!! All students have been practising to perform with their class, in choirs and/or in the Junior or Senior Dance Troupes at all three performances next Wednesday and Thursday. Here are some of the details in preparation for our Shoal Bay PS Spectacular this week.

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Thursday 5th November - This is our matinee performance. The show begins at 12.30pm.

Thursday 5th November - This is the second evening performance. Please follow the same routine outlined for the first evening performance.

All children will be supervised in classrooms before and after their performance as follows:

- Kindergarten (KH, KP, KK) – KP & KK classrooms
- Year 1 (1B, 1W, 1S) – 1W & 1S classrooms
- Year 2 (2L & 2G – 2L & 2G classrooms
- 2/3B, 3D, 3/4C, 3/4N – in their own classrooms
- 4/5B, 5/6H, 5/6B, 6B – 5/6 classrooms & 6B classroom

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Entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 entry in 2017

Applications for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2017 will be open to parents of students in Year 5 from 13 October to 16 November 2015. Detailed instructions on how to apply online are available at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement. The application website is open and closes on 16 November 2015. No late applications will be accepted. Copies of the printed application information booklet are also available from the office.

Parents are able to email the High Performing Students Unit: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au or telephone: 1300 880 367 if they have enquiries not covered in the application information booklet.

Narelle Mann
Principal

From Narelle’s Desk ...

Class for 2016

We are beginning the process for developing classes for 2016. The teachers have a comprehensive knowledge of the children and use this when creating class groups for next year. In some cases parents may have a knowledge about specific needs of their child that they would like to provide to the school. If you have a suggestion regarding the peer group of your child please write a note, email or make an appointment to discuss with me. Whilst we can’t guarantee the request can be accommodated we certainly can take it into account when developing the classes.

School Spectacular Raffle

There will be a raffle each time that the School Spectacular is on. Each PERFORMANCE the raffle prizes will be:

- 1st: $50
- 2nd: $30
- 3rd: $15

Special Swim School – 9 – 20 November

This annual swimming program will begin next Monday and continue every day for two weeks for students in Year 2 and 3 who have been given permission to attend. Lessons will be provided by Austswim qualified staff including Miss Powell, Mr Lockey and Mrs Allwood.

P & C Meeting Reminder

The next P & C meeting will be held on next Tuesday 10 November at 6.30pm in the library. We look forward to seeing you there.
Our staff dressed in green on Friday, for I give a Gonski, to campaign for the government to continue giving public education funding as promised.

Noah & Aj won the Port Stephens Surf School Raffle, in conjunction with the Mindstorm fundraiser they had on at Fingal Bay yesterday. Quote from Noah “I was hoping I’d win it but I didn’t really think I would”. :) Needless to say he was VERY excited. It was very hard to keep him standing still for this photo!

KP all dressed and ready for the School Spectacular.