Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

Celebrating Local Heroes: Education Week 2015
Monday 27 July – Friday 31 July

WELCOME TO EDUCATION WEEK. Events during this week include:

Tuesday 28 July
Stage 2 classes excursion to Civic Theatre, Newcastle – “The 26 Storey Treehouse”

Wednesday 29 July
Our local heroes will visit SBPS:
Tomaree SES – NSW branch of State Emergency Services
They will give a short presentation to K – 2 and 3 – 6 classes. Our premiers, Poppie and Alex, will present them with a certificate of appreciation for all they do to assist our community in times of need, e.g. recent storms.

Thursday 30 July
Celebrating Naidoc Week and Open Classrooms
The timetable for these events is as follows:

NAIDOC Activities
9.30 – 11.00: KH, KP, KK, 1B, 1S, 1W
11.00 – 11.50 Lunch
11.50 – 1.20: 2L, 2G, 2/3B, 3D, 3/4C
1.20 – 1.50: 3/4N, 4/5B, 5/6H, 5/6B, 6B – begin activities
1.50 – 2.15 Recess
2.15 – 3.10: 3/4N, 4/5B, 5/6H, 5/6B, 6B – continue activities

OPEN CLASSROOM Times:
12.10 – 12.40 – KH, KK, KP, 1S, 1W, 1B
12.40 – 1.10 – 3/4N, 4/5B, 5/6H, 5/6B, 6B
1.20 – 1.50 – 2L, 2G, 2/3B, 3D, 3/4C

Everyone is welcome to join us for these activities today.

NATIONAL TREE DAY FOR SCHOOLS
On Friday we celebrated National Tree Day for schools by planting some new shrubs and native plants in our school garden. Plants were kindly donated by Port Stephens Council and collected by our resident Garden Club coordinator/enthusiast, Mrs Kate Stenhouse. Mrs Stenhouse assisted Environmental leaders, Mikaela and Zac, and Premiers, Poppie and Alex, to plant a Lily Pily and Cinnamon Myrtle, while garden club members, Sophie, Jessie and Harry planted a grevillea.

Also keep watching the SBPS Garden Club facebook page for progress on the construction of the Sensory Garden which is taking shape adjacent to the library. We can’t thank Mrs Stenhouse enough for the time, enthusiasm and huge effort that she is giving to our school to make the school environment look so amazing.

P & C Meeting
A reminder that our first P & C meeting for Term 3 which will be held on Tuesday 4 August at 6.30pm.
Mrs Sue Xenox, Principal of Tomaree High School will be attending this meeting to meet and talk with parents and answer any questions that you may have regarding transition to high school.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
SBPS School Improvement and Finance Committee will also meet next Tuesday 4 August at 2pm.
The agenda will include:
• Reviewing school finances and budgeting;
• Begin writing a parent brochure to communicate key aspects of our school policies and procedures.

From Narelle’s Desk ...

Term 3 Week 3

2015 Term 3 Calendar

Wk 3
July: Education Week
28 26 Storey Treehouse S2
30 Naidoc Week Starts/Open Day
ICAS English Test
31 2G Assembly @ 2.40pm

Wk 4
Aug
3 ESI Public Speaking Final @ 12
Garden Suburb PS
4 S1 Public Speaking Final @ 12
Stockton PS
P&C Meeting @ 6.30pm
5 S3 Public Speaking Final @ 12
Soldiers Point PS
6 S2 Public Speaking Final @ 12
Hamilton South PS
Jarrod Mullin Cup S3
Touch Gala Day

Term 3 Week 3
Mon 27 Jul 2015

Payments Due (on or before) | Amount | Due by
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Stage 3 Camp #2 | $85 | W3 31 July
S3 Zumba | $15 |
CLAIMING THE DATE – SHOAL BAY SCHOOL SPECTACULAR

All classes are preparing for a special event, SBPS Spectacular, in Term 4. This will be a culmination of Creative Arts syllabus strands of music and dance and involve all students in performances including class items, dance, choir and bands. Please put these dates into your diaries:
- Wednesday 4 November: School Dress Rehearsal/ Matinee
- Thursday 5 November: Matinee performance and evening performance – times to be advised.

Public Speaking
Next week our public speaking champions will represent SBPS at the regional finals. Best wishes to all our representatives:
Early S1: Breanna & Bailey. Stage 1: Abbey & Harry,
Stage 2: Ebony & Noah. Stage 3: Enyah & Alex.

Fruit & Veg Sense
Last Wednesday, Cancer Council volunteers, Clare & Bhavanai presented an informative ‘fruit & veg sense’ program to parents. Thank you to those parents who took advantage of attending this free session. We hope you went away with some useful ideas and information.

Narelle Mann
Principal

Kindergarten Enrolments 2016
Our Little Learners and Kindergarten Orientation Programs for Kindergarten 2016 will begin this term. The dates are as follows:
Little Learners Visit 1: Term 3 - Week 9
Thursday 10th September from 2 – 3pm
Parents and carers are invited to afternoon tea in the school library.
Little Learners Visit 2: Term3 - Week 10
Thursday 17th September from 2 – 3pm
Parent Information Session to be held in school library.
Information on/ from:
Canteen Supervisor
Counsellor
From the office
P & C Representative
YMCA before and after school care provider
School Uniform
This session will also include first day information.
Little Learners Visit 3: Term 4 - Week 1
Thursday 8th October from 2 – 3pm
Little Learners Visit 4: Term 4 - Week 2
Thursday 15th October from 2 – 3pm
***PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIMES FOR NEXT TWO WEEKS***
Little Learners Visit 5: Term 4 - Week 3
Thursday 22nd October from 10 – 11.30am
Little Learners Visit 6: Term 4 - Week 4
Thursday 29th October from 10 – 11.30am
Narelle Mann, Principal

KINDERGARTEN 2016
To assist us with planning for 2016 we are now accepting expressions of interest if your child is eligible to enrol in Kindergarten in 2016. 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 2016. You could also call in at school or contact us on ph. 49811007.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/ CARERS
Communication Between Staff and Parents/Carers
Effective communication between staff, parents and students is vital to student wellbeing and success at school.
Our school newsletter, Snippets, is sent out each week, usually on a Monday. We report on important school events, notify the school community of upcoming activities and celebrate achievement. If possible we ask that parents receive Snippets by email or eSchool news as one of our environmental sustainability strategies. Parents are asked to keep the school office informed of any changes to their email address/ contact details. Snippets is also uploaded to the school website and there are always copies available in the office and on the website.
If you wish to discuss an issue with your child’s teacher, it is best to make an appointment so that they can give you the necessary time. Please do not speak to them for any great length of time when they are in charge of their class or at lines. You can phone the office and leave a message asking the teacher to contact you. You may email your child’s teacher directly, if they provide you with their email address. Please be considerate of the number of emails you send and the fact that teachers are teaching during school hours and will not be able to respond immediately.
We also appreciate parents/ carers who are able to give up their time to assist in the classroom or in the canteen. Please contact your child’s teacher or Donna, at the canteen, if you are available.
A reminder that all visitors to our school must report to the office to sign the visitors book.

DRAMA CLUB
Drama Club will be held in the school hall second half of lunch each Monday (this may change due to the duty roster - students will be advised).
All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 are welcome to attend.
Drama is about life. It is designed help foster involved, disciplined, highly creative and innovative learners.
During these experiences, students will be involved in individual, small and whole group activities that incorporate the use of voice, miming, games, movement and acting.
The lessons are designed for enjoyment and also learning skills such as developing a character, portraying a role and use of the body to assist in miming.
Students from K - 6 are encouraged to come along and have fun.
Miss Cains

Merit Awards

2L Jett, Ash, Sophie
3/4N Fletcher, Alyssa, Matt, Josh
4/5B Ebony, Bobby, Jackson
5/6B Olivia, Chaiyce, Jack
5/6H Valentina, Flynn, Lazel
Good work from 4/5B above and tree planting for National Tree planting day
EVERYONE WELCOME
CLANS ON THE COAST
CELTIC FESTIVAL- NELSON BAY
SATURDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 2015

Tomaree Sports Complex, Nelson Bay Rd
Gates open: 8.30am - 4.30pm
Adults $15, Pensioner $10
Child under 18 FREE
NOT FOR PROFIT, VOLUNTEER ORGANISATION
Mass Bands Start at 9.30am
Official Opening
Amateur Events Caber Toss Tug o War Push ups
Prizes To Be Won
A Relaxing Day of Entertainment
Pumpkin Juice Celtic Fiddle Band
Murphy’s Irish Dancer Group
Bay Thistle Highland Dancers
Australian Celtic Singers
Rusty Harper Irish Folk Band
Hunter Welsh Folk Dancers
Australian Celtic Choir
Vanguard Medieval Battles
East Coast Highland Strongman Championships
Food and Variety of Stalls Clans and more
Best Dressed Celtic Dog
McLeish Wines and Murray’s Brewery
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For any changes check our website
www.clansonthecoast.com
SUPPORTS CANCER APPEAL

Saturday night
Check our website for any changes
Under reconstruction due to web problem
www.clansonthecoast.com

Dinner Function Ceilidh
6.30pm Saturday Night
Bookings
Ibis Salamander Shores
Hotel/Motel
147 Soldiers Point Road
Soldiers Point 2317
(02) 49 160706
Adult $45 Child 12 & under $8
gm@salamandershores.com
Accommodation also available
bookings@salamandershores.com
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Sunday Morning 10.30 - 12noon
Kirkin of the Tartan
(Bless your Tartan)

d’Albora Marina’s
Teramby Rd Nelson Bay
Listen to
Ingleburn/Campbelltown Pipe band
Sit back and relax, have a bite to eat
and peruse the shops