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From Narelle’s Desk …

We have had a very smooth start to the school year with all students enjoying catching up with friends and making new friends. After finalisation of enrolments at this point in time we are in the process of forming 16 classes. Children moved into these classes today. Thank you for your patience as we want to ensure that we have the best possible model for classes and place your child in the class that is best suited to them achieving their potential in 2016.

Welcome Kindergarten

Yesterday our new Kindergarten children started ‘big school’. The Year 5 students greeted their Kinder buddies when they arrived at school with big smiles and escorted them to their classrooms to meet their teachers and classmates. The Year 5 students will continue to assist their buddies as they settle into school at lunch and recess breaks for the first week or so.

Voluntary School Contribution/ School Fees

Thank you to everyone who has already paid this year’s Voluntary Contribution/ School Fees. This year the fees have been set once again at $70.00. $45.00 of this money goes towards the purchase of basic classroom resources including writing/drawing equipment, rulers, erasers and workbooks, etc.

$35 will cover $12 fee per student to cover the licence for the online program, Mathletics, and cost of other improvements needed to continue the upgrade of technology in our classrooms.

Year 5 Leadership Training Workshop

Yesterday our Year 5 students participated in a full day of activities and workshops to teach, practise and feel comfortable with their new roles as leaders and role models in our school as they move into Stage 3. Mr Hamshaw and Mrs Bzadough lead the children through the program skills such as team work, demonstrating our school values of caring, honesty, quality, cooperation and respect and how to be responsible citizens in our school. Their first major leadership role this year has been to assist our new Kindergarten students as they settle into school life.

P & C Meeting

Our first P & C meeting was last night in the library. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 1 March at 6.30pm. This will be our AGM. Please come along.

Swimming Carnival

Our first major sporting event for the year is the annual swimming carnival. Students from Year 2 (who turn 8 this year) to Year 6 will compete at the carnival which will take place on Monday 8 February at Tomaree Aquatic Centre.

Sporting House Captains

Today our sporting houses, Bagnall, Fingal, Halifax and Zenith met to elect their leaders for 2016. Their first role will be to support their team at next week’s swimming carnival. Good luck to all children who stand for these positions at their meetings.

Safe School Entry and Exits

Our school would like to ensure that everyone is safe on their way to and from school. To assist with this I need to remind families that the car park is for staff parking only. It is not a drop off or pick up point for students. It is also unsafe to walk through this area as vehicles are often coming and going at the start and end of each day. Please use the safe entry and exit by walking down the path to the gate.

Narelle Mann
Principal

Miss King doing a best start appointment with one of our new Kinder kids
We will be holding an adidas School Fun Run as a major fundraising event this year. The event will be held on Tuesday, 29 July within the school grounds.

The adidas School Fun Run is a healthy, fun and active fundraiser that ensures we send the right message to our students about getting active, having fun and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. The main focus of this event is on participation. Family support is most appreciated as we encourage eating a healthy lunchbox for the day.

To get there, you go onto Facebook and search for Shoal Bay Public School.

There is also a school app. See below to find out how to install it. All our notes and school newsletter (called Snippets) go to this app.

**How to install School Enews**

2. Click “Like” and follow us.
3. To find our app, visit the app store and search for Shoal Bay Public School.
4. Download our app and follow the steps to sign up.

**Subscribe for Email Updates**

1. Visit your school website. On the homepage, click “Subscriptions & Newsletters”.
2. Under the “Subscribe” heading, tick on appropriate lists.
3. Enter in your name and email address.
4. Click “Subscribe”. An email will be sent to your email address. You MUST check the “Activate Now” inside this email that is sent to you.

You can also subscribe to the class your child/ren are in and to the newsletter.

If you do not have a computer at home and need to get a hard copy of the newsletter, please fill in the information below and return to the office:

I need a hard copy of the newsletter sent home with my oldest child:

Child’s Name: ___________________________
Child’s Class: ___________________________

Our website also has notes and the school calendar, where you can find out information.

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**NELSON BAY MARLINS JUNIOR AFL CLUB**

Dick Burwell Oval, Tomaree Sporting Complex

**2016 Registration Day at Dick Burwell Oval**

Sunday 14th February 9.00am - 12.00pm

**NAB Auskick - 5 Years to 8 Years**

$75 for 1st child (includes 2016 Auskick Pack)$65 for 2nd child (includes 2016 Auskick Pack)$55 for 3rd child (includes 2016 Auskick Pack)

**Juniors – U9s, U11s, U13s, U15s, U17s**

$110 for 1st child (includes Club Bag)$100 for 2nd child (includes Club Bag)$90 for 3rd child (includes Club Bag)

**Youth Girls (13-16yrs)**

$90 (includes Club Bag)

New registrations receive shirts and socks

*NO WEEKLY FEES* ****

For further information please contact Wayne Anderson on 0425 293 789 or visit website www.embayjuniors.com.au

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**Good for Kids**

**Packing a Healthy Lunchbox**

Many products marketed as being a healthy lunchbox addition can be high in sugar and fat, and low in nutrients. Here are some healthy options to consider swapping in your child’s lunchbox:

- An apple or banana instead of a fruit roll-up.
- Swap chips for unsalted air-popped popcorn.
- Include low-fat plain milk instead of drinks high in sugar such as sports drinks and fruit drinks with less than 99% juice.
- Swap sugary snacks, such as cake or biscuits, for a low-fat plain/fruit-based yoghurt.
- Use wholemeal or multi-grain bread instead of white bread for sandwiches.

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**Health Hunter New England Local Health District**

PHONE 4924 6499
Port Stephens Council rangers would like parents to take notice of these signs, because they are going to crack down on Shoal Bay School and illegal parking this year. Please make sure you don’t park in the wrong places, as the fines are quite hefty. Thanks for your understanding.

**WHAT DO THESE SIGNS MEAN?**

Parents/carers are requested to obey all parking restrictions when picking up or setting down their children from school.

Do not park in No Stopping and Bus Zones for any reason at anytime unless outside the time restrictions stated on the sign.

When waiting to pick-up children never call them across a road to you.

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**No Parking Signs**

You must not stop for more than two minutes in a No Parking area. You must remain in or within three metres of the vehicle.

Hours of operations may apply to some signs. This means restrictions apply for those times only. Mobility Parking Permit holders are allowed to park for up to five minutes.

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**No Stopping Signs**

These signs mean that in the area in the direction of the arrow you must not stop your vehicle at any point on the road or kerb, unless there is a medical or other emergency.

Sometimes a no stopping area is indicated by a solid yellow edge line. Hours of operation may apply to some signs. This means restrictions apply for those times only.

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**Bus Zones**

This sign means that in the direction of the arrow or arrows you are not allowed to stop your vehicle unless you are driving a bus. Hours of operation may apply to some signs. This means restrictions apply for those times only.

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For more information contact Port Stephens Council’s Road Safety Officer

Telephone 4980 0201

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Kindergarten’s first day