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NEWSLETTER

2015 Term 4 Week 10

TERM 4 IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 8 th December	K-2 Class parties! Special Arts Project art show launch, 10.30am, all welcome
Wednesday 9 th December	YOU CAN DO IT reward day Combined Christmas Scripture assembly, 10am, all welcome Community helper morning tea, 11am
Thursday 10 th December	YOU CAN DO IT assembly, 2pm, all welcome
Friday 11 th December	Yrs 3-6 Class parties! Ngargin Doctors Presentation, 2pm
Monday 14 th December	End of Year assembly, 9.00am, all welcome Reports sent home
Tuesday 15 th December	Year 6 Farewell, 11.20am-2.45pm, Bella Portofino, Shellharbour
Wednesday 16 th December	Students last day of school

Dear parents, carers, students and community members,
Oh wow, it is a REALLY busy countdown to the end of our school year!!

Swimming Scheme

I am so pleased to report the success, once again of our schools involvement in the Department of Education School Swimming Scheme. I have just read and signed 200 certificates that will be handed out with Semester 2 reports next Monday, showing the development of our kids in the water. I would like to thank all of our parents and carers who have supported this great program! Although the school subsidised \$14 per student, we believe that this experience (both socially and in the water) was amazing “value for money”. I really look forward to the school swimming carnival in February, where ALL students 8yrs and older will be asked to attend and participate to the best of their ability.

Parliament 2016

Today, the Front Bench for our school Parliament was announced. Congratulations to the following students: Aleksia M, Haley N, Emma S, Alana McG, Dakota T, Chelsea F, Christina R, Sean D, Max K, Haiden M, Denzel W, Jeremy J, Sam S, Nathan W. I would also like to acknowledge the hard work and leadership of our outgoing members, led by Jay I and Ruby McP. They have been outstanding examples of the types of young leaders our school grows and develops. Thank you all of our outgoing Front Bench! You have all done yourselves proud.

Special Art Program

30 of our talented artists have completed art classes with local artist Richard Zamora, and their pieces will be on display tomorrow in the pre-school room from 10.30am. If your child has participated in this program and you would like to view their work, please join us tomorrow for the launch. All other students will have an opportunity to look at our talented artists work throughout the week.

You Can Do It Award Assembly

This Thursday, all students receiving their Bronze, Silver or Gold You Can Do It Awards will attend a special assembly. Parents of recipients should have received a You Can Do It letter to invite them to the presentation assembly at 1/45pm in the hall. On Wednesday (prior), these students will participate in their reward day which includes:

Bronze Award recipients – may come to school in mufti

Silver Award recipients – may come to school in mufti and will receive a “Cold Rock” style ice cream cup
Gold Award recipients - may come to school in mufti, receive a “Cold Rock” style ice cream cup and will also enjoy a special movie afternoon in our school theatre with movie treats!

Year 6 Gold Award recipients will also be treated to a High Tea on Wednesday morning with Ms Scott, Mrs Wheeler, Mrs Broomham and myself.

Congratulations to all our well deserving achievers!

Ngargin Doctors Graduation

Our new round of Ngargin Doctors will graduate from their program on Wednesday. Parents of these students are invited to attend the graduation at 2pm.

Class Party Days

Tomorrow, all classes in Kindergarten, Year 1, Year 2 and K-6L will go to Shellharbour to the movies as a celebration of their learning and part of their end of year class party. All other classes will participate in class parties this Friday 11th December. Please ensure that all money has been paid at the office, so that your child may be included.

Presentation Day Assembly

Our schools end of year Presentation Assembly will be held next Monday 14th December. All parents, carers and family members to be seated by 9.00 in the hall. There will be reserved seating in the front row for special guests and award presenters. All other seating is on a first come basis. We look forward to a fantastic morning of celebration and achievement.

Sarah Rudling
Principal

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800
Crimestoppers 1800 333 000

Opal Cards for school bus passes

From 2016, Transport NSW will be issuing School Opal cards to students eligible for travel under the School Student Transport Scheme. Parents and guardians will need to apply if the student:

- is just starting school and has not had a bus pass before
- is going from Year 2 to Year 3 or Year 6 to year 7
- is changing schools
- or, if the student's personal details have changed (e.g. address)

Also, students who are not eligible for Free Travel Opal Cards may purchase a term card by going to www.transportnsw.info/school-students or buy a Child/Youth Opal Card from Participating retailers, online at opal.com.au or calling 136725 (13 opal) or by paying a cash fare when boarding the bus.

School Holiday Tennis Camp

Warilla Bowls and Recreation Club, Jason Avenue, Warilla.

9.00am-12.00noon

Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th January 2016

All standards welcome!

- Games and prizes
- Fun activities
- Special family rates apply

All bookings/enquiries contact: Brett & Michelle Edwards on 0432289974

Music Lessons

Haworth Music are now offering music lessons in both their Shellharbour and Wollongong stores! For a limited time primary school students are invited to our free guitar trial lessons. Lessons will be held in groups of 3-7 for 30 mins, in which you will learn the ins and outs of unleashing your inner rock star! If guitar is not your thing, we are also offering lessons in drums, keyboard, singing and violin. For more information please contact Haworth Guitars at 42252844 or contact tuition@haworthguitars.com.au

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FREE
GUITAR
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BEGINNER

K-6 *conditions apply

email: tuition@haworthguitars.com.au
phone: 02 4225 2844

Limited time only! Book your seat now!

*present this voucher to reserve your spot in a free group lesson

Kids' fishing workshop



Kids 8–14 years old are invited to come and learn to fish safely and responsibly. Instructors are experienced volunteers and staff from the Department of Primary Industries.

The day runs from 10 am to 2 pm and involves fishing techniques, bag and size limits, and fish handling for *best release techniques*.

COST is \$40 PER CHILD, and includes * rod and reel combination * shirt * hat * tackle box * show bag—all to take home!

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL.
Maximum 25 participants.

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Locations and Date

Lake Illawarra, Reddall Parade

Wednesday 13th January 2016

Wednesday 13th April 2016

To book, e-mail stephen.thurstan@dpi.nsw.gov.au or ring Stephen Thurstan, 02 4220 8484 or 0438 245 190

Details on the web: <http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries/recreational/info/workshop>

NSW DPI fishing workshops are run with the assistance of the Fishcare Volunteers and are supported by funds from the Recreational Fishing Trusts



RIDING THE WAVE - Surf Life Saving Program

Families of children of all abilities are being introduced to the fun of the beach and Surf Life Savings Nippers program through the Illawarra Branch's Riding the Wave Nippers program. This program provides the opportunity through the clubs for children of all abilities to participate in beach and water based activities such as beach ball games, relays, flags, boards and wades.

Get involved and have some fun !

Riding the Wave program aims to:

- Provide an opportunity for all to be a part of a Surf Life Saving Club
- Provide an opportunity for participants to be involved in a non competitive, flexible Nippers program
- Provide an opportunity for participants to enjoy the beach and its surrounds in a safe manner
- Have dedicated and trained water safety personnel deliver the program.

The Riding the Wave initiative is a joint program between Illawarra Surf Life Saving Clubs, Surf Life Saving Illawarra Branch and the Office of Sport, Sport and Recreation.

Riding the wave is a four week program conducted mid February to mid March.



Join your local
Riding the
Wave program
TODAY!



For further information and an application form please contact Catherine on 4228 5355 or email catherine.campbell@sport.nsw.gov.au

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