Dear Parents,

It was terrific to see nearly every child dressed as one of their favourite book characters in support of Book Week 2014. I’m sure we had just about every book character conceivable from Noddy & Willy Wonka to The Hulk & Mad Hatter.

Congratulations to our teacher-librarian, Mrs Merriman (Morticia) for her thorough organisation of our Book Week events including the Book Fair and Parade. Thanks also to our library monitors for their assistance with running the assembly.

Our Book Week parade is always a lot of fun and we sincerely thank all parents for their support. We appreciate that organising your child’s outfit takes a lot of time and effort but, as you will have seen on the children’s faces, it’s well worth it. More photos will be uploaded to the website soon.

Community Survey
Thank you to those families who made time to complete our Student Welfare survey. Your constructive feedback is very important as it provides us with vital information which we can use to improve how we improve as a school.

Monday 25th August 2014

TMF – Whatever the Season
This Wednesday and Thursday evening more than 100 students from Soldiers Point Public School shall be taking to the stage as they participate in the 2014 Tomaree Music Festival (TMF). The TMF is an exciting opportunity for our students to perform for a wider audience and be involved in an authentic theatrical experience.

We wish all our students well with each of their performances.

I remind parents that children will need to be dropped off and collected from the Holding Rooms within Tomaree Public School on both nights. Drop off should be no earlier than 6:30 PM and collection, following the finale, which is approximately 8:15 PM.

In order to assist with a safe and efficient handover of children following the performance, parents will need to bring along a Collection Permit for their child / children. If you are collecting a friend’s child, you will need to bring a Collection Permit for that child signed by his or her parent.

Storytime
This Wednesday, August 27, we look forward to meeting lots of pre-schoolers who shall be attending the first of our Storytime sessions. Whilst at school children will visit one of the Kindergarten classrooms, meet some of our current Kindy students, as well as share in a story. Storytime will be held in HB1&2 from 2.15-2:45 PM.

Whilst your pre-schooler is participating in Storytime, parents are very welcome to join us in the hall where school staff will provide general information about the school, the enrolment process, student wellbeing and health care, as well as uniforms, canteen and the Parents & Citizens Association (P&C).
### Term Dates

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### An Evening of Music

**Featuring students of Soldiers Point Public School**

**When:** Monday, 1st September 5:00pm

**Where:** School Hall

**Cost:** Gold Coin Donation

All Welcome

### Art Recognition

Many children are very talented in the area of visual arts. Within the classrooms many displays include drawings, painting, collages, designs and portraits.

During the upcoming weeks your child/children will be involved in a **Whole School Art Program** to produce a piece of artwork which may be reproduced into greeting cards, calendars or diaries. Usually this activity is well supported within our school community. The inclusion of diaries this year should be very popular.

Cards and calendars will remain at last year’s prices ($10:00) while the diaries will sell for $15:00. All products are of a high quality and samples will be on display in the foyer.

Student’s artwork and order method will be sent home at the end of Week 9 and orders need to be placed before, or on, Thursday 18th September. No orders can be accepted on the last day of term.

### SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

**Friday 29th August – 1.30pm**

K-2 Assembly
Hosted by 1/2S

**Friday 5th September – 1.30pm**

3-6 Assembly
Hosted by 3/4W

All Welcome
YEAR 6 FUNDRAISING EVENTS

SPPS FATHERS’ DAY CELEBRATIONS

Friday 5th September 2014

The GREAT Present Swap

Students are asked to purchase and donate a suitable Fathers’ Day gift to the value of $5, which is then wrapped and brought into the classroom on Friday 5th September.

Students will then donate a gold coin to purchase a wrapped Fathers’ Day gift.

Gold coins go towards Year 6 fundraising.

This activity is not compulsory, only those wishing to participate.

BBQ Breakfast

Order a delicious Bacon and Egg Roll at the bargain price of $3 and come and enjoy breakfast and some games with the kids.

From 7.30am

Students will need to pre-order and extras will be made for on the spot purchase.

Look out for order forms this week.

Raffle

All students will take home a booklet of raffle tickets to sell for a Fathers’ Day raffle.

Tickets are $2 each or 3 for $5.

Prizes include:

- Calypso Fishing Adventures $400 Game Fishing Charter Voucher, donated by Tim & Rebecca Dean
- 6 month Family Pass to Tomaree Aquatic Centre,
- 6 month membership at IGYM 24/7 Salamander Bay,
- Family dolphin watch cruise with Moonshadow Cruises,
- $50 Holberts Oysters Voucher donated by the Holbert Family.

Many thanks to the supporters above for your generous donations.

Open Morning

9am to 9.30am

Tea, coffee and cake available from the canteen at a bargain price.
Come and enjoy a visit in your child’s classroom.
Read a book together, play a maths game, look at their wonderful work or enjoy some fitness together.

All welcome.

All events Friday 5th September 2014

Able to BBQ? Have apron, willing to travel? See Miss Pawley if you can volunteer some time and BBQ skills.
WE NEED YOU!!

Would you consider taking on a new role to assist our school next year? The following positions will be vacant in 2015 and we will need you!

- President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Fundraising Officer
- Publicity Officer

If President, Secretary or Treasurer positions are NOT filled, there will be no P&C.

This means there may be no P&C run Uniform Shop and Canteen, as well as events such as the school disco, Welcome BBQ, and other fundraisers.

As many of you know, the P&C is an organisation made up of parent and citizen volunteers of the school community. We need YOU to keep our P&C operating and to be a successful, active and open enterprise that looks after the students, school’s and school community’s best interests.

Come along to our next meeting to learn what’s involved in these positions and to see if you’d like to be involved.

Tuesday 9th September at 7pm in the School Admin building.

Upcoming meetings

- SIFC meeting is on Wednesday 3 September
- P&C meeting is on Tuesday 9 September.

Both meetings are at 7pm in the School Administration building. Minutes from previous meetings can be found at http://sppspc.weebly.com/meetings.html

All welcome.

Canteen

Thank you to Karen Jones, Liz Dennison, Lauren Fuller, Deanne Cosgrove, Tammy Peach and Rebekah Newell for all their help over the last two weeks. Roster:

- Wed 27/8 Cassandra Butterworth, Tammy Peach
- Thu 28/8 Year 6: Aidan M.; Lucas W.
- Fri 29/8 Liz Dennison, Lauren Fuller
- Mon 1/9 Karen Jones
- Wed 3/9 Belinda Lavers, Bekk Paradisis
- Thu 4/9 Year 6: Madeleine L.; Paige D.
- Fri 5/9 Lauren Fuller, Rebekah Newell
- Mon 8/9 Julie Thomson

Twilight markets

Friday 17 October 2014 (Term 4).

The Fundraising Committee is meeting regularly leading up to the markets to ensure the markets are a fun, successful event.

If you would like to come along to these meetings, if you have any helpful ideas, or can assist for even 30 minutes at the event, please email sppspc@live.com.au or contact Anna (0414 672 252) or Trish (0425 336 934).

CALL FOR BOOKS! One of the stalls at the Twilight Markets will be selling used books and board games. If you have some of these items in good repair, please deliver to the Uniform Shop (see orange box for opening hours).

Uniform shop

The Uniform Shop is open:
- Tuesday from 8.30–9.30am and
- Friday from 2.15–3.15pm.

We accept cash or cheque only for your payment. (There is NO EFTPOS available.)

IKEA and DFO trip

A Sydney shopping trip to IKEA Rhodes Shopping Complex and DFO Homebush is being planned for OCTOBER. See flyer for details.
Our school community is committed to providing a supportive learning environment which promotes success & equity.

Sydney Shopping Trip Fundraiser

Date: Saturday 25 October 2014
Cost: $45.00 per person
Departs: 7.30am Port Stephens Coaches Depot
Returns: 7.00pm

DFO (Direct Factory Outlets) has over 80 stores offering up to 70% off all brand names. Recently refurbished including a new Homemaker Centre and various new stores. There are also many cafes and eateries to relax and enjoy lunch or a cup of coffee.

IKEA has great ideas for your home, gifts and flat pack furniture which can all be transported home on our bus. (Great freight & petrol savings!)

There is also a great café restaurant offering light snacks, a full-course meal or just a cup of coffee.

The IKEA catalogue is available online, so don’t forget to check it out.

Limited spaces available. Don’t be disappointed!

It’s going to be a great day out. Tell your family and friends. (If they live in Newcastle the bus can even pick them up on the way at Beresfield.)

Purchase your tickets at the Uniform Shop and if you have any queries please call Belinda at home on 49191435.
NELSON BAY TOUCH – JUNIORS
2014/15 REGISTRATION

Registration Dates, Cost & Venue
When: Wednesdays 10 & 17 September 2014 - 4.30 - 6.30pm
(Teams & Individuals – players not already in a team)

Cost: $50.00 per player

Article I. Where: Salamander Sports Complex (Junior Rugby League fields), Salamander Bay

Article II. Rego Forms can be downloaded from: www.nelsonbay.touch.asn.au

Article III. Boys & Girls Age Divisions

Article IV. (Age Divisions are based on State Cup Criteria for 2015)

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New players must bring Birth Certificate or Passport for sighting

If you require any further information please contact:
Maree Edmond, Jnr Co-Ordinator, Mobile 0417616865