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Education

The Husky★Star

Bay and Basin



Term 4 Week 3, 31 October 2019

Responsible Students

Achieving

Tolerant

Safe

Principal's Message

Just two days to go until the Great Husky Fair.

Last night at the P&C Meeting all the finer details were teased out and confirmed. It promises to be a great day. As a school community your support is vital. Together we can make the day vibrant, energetic and highly successful.



The weekend also has many competing athletes and their families in town for the triathlon on the Sunday. We hope to encourage them to come and have a look, join in the festivities and spend some money.

Tickets to our raffle are still available. There are some great prizes on offer. Make sure you also have a look at our silent auction. There are some wonderful items that have been donated by local community businesses and families that are worthy of a bid.

After last night's meeting I sat and reflected on the amazing level of support by the local community and the absolute commitment and dedication by our organising committee. Thank you everyone I'm looking forward to a big Saturday!

Kindergarten Orientation

Today we welcomed our new Kindergarten Students for 2020. They impressed our teachers with their keenness to learn and participate in 'big school'.

While they were busy getting to know each other, our parents were also getting to know each other at the Orientation Presentation. Ms Lewis, Mrs Watson and I were very pleased with the morning and felt we have a very interested and supportive group of parents.



2020 Kindergarten students and parents can look forward to a very successful start to school.

Basketball Challenge

Last Friday we entered two teams in the Shoalhaven Basketball Challenge.

Our girls were competitive throughout the day, enjoying a win, a draw and a loss.

Our boys won all three of their round games to qualify for the semi-finals. We were matched against the eventual winners St Michaels. Our boys were up against a team dominated by Shoalhaven Basketball Representatives. As coach, I thought they played their best game even though they lost.

Congratulations to both teams. You were great ambassadors for the school. You also had the privilege of playing on the courts of the new stadium.

Staffing Update

This week we welcomed back Mr Frost from his trip to England. He had a great time, but knows why he lives in Australia. It rained all but three days while he was in England.

Next Week

It's huge! We have Camp Coolendel for Stages Two & Three. Music Count Us in for Stage 1, Swim School for 60 students, our second Kindergarten Orientation Day and a visit from a group of Korean teachers, interested in looking at our kindergarten. Phew!

Glenn Sansom - Principal

Together we are Stronger and Smarter

Week 3 Library News.

Technology lessons in the library sometimes can be a bit challenging especially when you are in Kindergarten! I am really proud of how well our youngest learners are tackling the different platforms we are using to access the internet and our Google Classroom. Students have been learning how to log onto our PCs, laptops and our new Chromebooks as well as accessing G-Suite to make a slide presentation. Well done kindergarten, your digital learning skills are supreme!

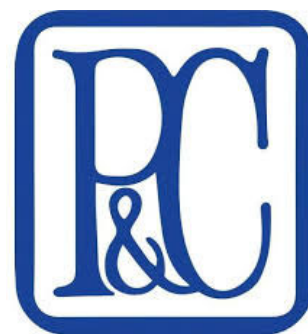


Stage 1 learners have also been using our computers to access G-Suite and have been learning all about making presentations on Google Slides. It is really interesting to see them work through many of the functions of that program to make their presentations look great. Both Stage 2 and 3 have been doing technology rotations using some of the most modern digital learning tools. I am most impressed with how they are discovering how to use Clips on the iPads. Their mini-movies are both entertaining and full of great creative surprises!



This week the Stage 3 learners have become aware of the Plantation Point Reserve playground improvement plan put forth by our local council. They have given some thought about how it should look and have

filled in a survey about their ideas for an inclusive playground in that area. Well done Years 5 and 6, it is so nice to see that you can act on your ideas and have a say on the development of our beautiful area. If you want to have a say too go to the SCC website on this link to fill in the survey before 1 November 2019. <https://getinvolved.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/vincentia->



October meeting Thursday
28 November 9.15am In
Bunaan Gudjah Waraga Rm

Diary Dates

Saturday 2 November

The Great Husky Fair

Monday 4 November

Swim Scheme commences

Tuesday 5 – Friday 8 November

Stage 2 and Stage 3 camp

Wednesday 13 November

Parent BYOD session

Wednesday 4 December

HPS Celebration Day

Monday 9 December

Year 6 Farewell Dinner

Tuesday 10 December

Presentation Night

Tuesday 17 December

Year 6 Final Assembly

Wednesday 18 December

Last day of Term 4



It's almost here—two more sleeps.

- Please send in all raffle tickets tomorrow.
- Please send in all labelled baking goods tomorrow.

Remember to volunteer some time on one of the school stalls and bring your money and friends along to have some fun at The Great Husky Fair.

Saturday November 2 9.00-2.00



Jervis Bay Kids Kayak Clinic

Check out our website for event details & book online!

www.jervisbaykayaks.com.au

- All equipment provided
- Focus on safety, awareness & fun
- \$20 per child for 90 minutes

Build on-water confidence with paddle & safety skills!

Ruby's Limerick

This is an extension activity completed at home.

There once was an old man from Rome.

He had a very big white home.

His name was Jim

He was very slim.

He had a very cool blue comb.

There once was a boy from Spain.

He really, really liked to ride trains.

He got on the bus.

But didn't like the fuss.

He never did it again

2020 Bus Pass Moratorium Period

Nowra Coaches has been advised that a review of the school free travel moratorium period, previously 8 weeks has now been reduced to **4 weeks** at the start of each school year.

This will assist bus operators to manage student loadings and make changes to services much earlier in the year as required.

Could you please pass this message to existing students and through your orientation paperwork to new students enrolling for 2020?

Applications for 2020 open 14 October 2019 so the earlier students register the better.

Drivers will encourage students in the first 4 weeks to register as soon as possible to avoid being denied travel.

Nowra Coaches will commence printing of passes for all registered students mid January to ensure the bulk of the passes are at the schools the first day of Term 1.

The following links provide information for parents regarding the application process.

To Apply - <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/#/applyNow>

To Track the Application - <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/#/trackApplication>

Once the student has been approved by Transport for NSW they can travel with the approval letter until such time as their pass arrives. Please note the drivers will still confirm their details with the office until the student is holding the physical bus pass.

Until such time as the approval letter is received a fare must be tendered to use the service if it is after the initial moratorium period of 4 weeks from start of Term 1.



Fairgrounds Festival

December 6th and 7th

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Australian Childhood Anxiety TREATMENT STUDY

Free home-based assessment and treatment for 7 to 12 year old children with fear and anxiety disorders.

Does your child become very afraid of certain situations or objects, worry about a lot of things, get very distressed, or try to avoid things they fear?

About the study

Our team at Griffith University may be able to assist you. We are conducting a nationwide study that includes the following services at no cost to families:

- A thorough assessment of your child's anxiety with a trained psychologist via the telephone;
- Your child receiving one of two kinds of home-based treatments delivered on a PC, laptop or tablet; and
- Two follow-up telephone assessments with a trained psychologist 6- and 12-months after treatment to track your child's progress.

The study aims to find out if these two treatments are as effective as each other, and which children have the best response to each kind of treatment. This will mean that there are more evidence-based treatments available for helping anxious children.

About the treatments

Each treatment involves your child completing treatment sessions at home on a PC, laptop or tablet.

Each treatment involves your child learning practical strategies to better manage anxiety.

- One treatment helps children learn to control the focus of their attention on helpful things around them.
- The other treatment helps children learn to think differently and approach things they fear.

Each treatment includes information, telephone or email support for parents in assisting their child to better manage anxiety.

Prior studies have shown that children who complete each treatment experience significant reductions in anxiety.

Contact us

This study is being funded by the National Health and Medical Research Council and is led by Professor Allison Waters and a team of experts in childhood anxiety disorders.

For more information about our study and our team, or if you would like your child to participate, please contact us:



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