Principal’s Message

By the time this newsletter comes out we’ll be just about wrapped up with the “Books for Speers Point Public” campaign with the Dymocks Children’s Charities.

After a hard slog we finally got the media interested and we’ve seen articles in both the Newcastle Weekly and Newcastle Herald, along with radio interviews on ABC radio and NEWFM.

We’ve seen great donations from Love Reality, Boolaroo Bowling Club, Pat Conroy, many of our community and relatives, and of course, the biggest donation of all, from our P&C. With close to $10,000 raised, Dymocks will match this and we’ll see somewhere in the vicinity of 1000 new books for our library.

Thank you to Mrs Hopton who got all of this rolling, and getting Elissa Gerrand from Dymocks to recognise and take an interest in our great school.

LMBR / Payments

The LMBR system has been successfully rolled out and we are all systems go! I say a very big thank you to Mrs Bowtell and Mrs Searl in the office who have been first and foremost on the front lines of this change. They have worked extra hours and through problems to ensure the school ran smoothly.

Starstruck

Congratulations to Miss Avery and her team for their fantastic performances at Star Struck this year. I was fortunate enough to see the final performance with the 3500 students from across the Hunter performing, instantly spotting our awesome performers!

We were all very proud to see you guys rock out on the big stage!
**Working Bee**

When the office was remodelled by a tree last year the foyer and admin was repainted, and while the hall got new carpet, it wasn’t on the painting schedule… so we’re going to do it.

In the first week of the holidays, on Monday 4\textsuperscript{th} and Tuesday 5\textsuperscript{th} we are holding a working bee for anyone who is available to come and help swing a paint brush around for an hour or two.

Our General Assistants, Mick and Phil will be hitting parts of the garden if you’re more interested in hitting the tools than a bucket of paint – but any help is appreciated.

**Day Restructure**

In case you missed the note last week, next term we having a significant restructure of our bell times around breaks. We will still start and 9am and finish at 3pm but we are moving to a structure of 3 sessions and 2 breaks.

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These new times are made to give maximum learning time as well as longer break periods allowing for things like Green Gang and team practices. Any feedback can be shared at [http://poll.fm/5miap](http://poll.fm/5miap)

**Reports / Parent-Teacher Meetings**

Student reports will be issued on Thursday this week. Teachers will be letting you know of available times early next term for Parent-Teacher meetings.

**3 Pea “Pop Up” Markets**

On Saturday 9\textsuperscript{th} July (middle weekend of the holidays) the 3 Pea Markets are operating at Speers Point Public School. A lot of great things will be happening between 9am and 2pm for all.

**New School Counselor**

Over the last two terms we have been very fortunate to have the experience and expertise of Mr Steve Watts as our school counselor. Mr Watts was filling the role in a temporary basis until a permanent appointment was made. While next term we welcome Mr Luke James to the family, we would like to thank Mr Watts for all the support he has given our school and our students in the short time he was with us.

**Next Term Heads Ups**

Looking at the schedule for next term there are a lot of things planned to make it another busy and exciting term.

In the first week back we have NAIDOC celebrations with special activities occurring on the Thursday. In Week 3 as part of Education / Book Week we have our parade up Main St with an Australian Theme. As always we encourage parents to dress up and join us in the parade, I know one parents already has their “Man From Snowy River” costume ready.

In the same week we also have the official launch of the Lake Macquarie Area Collegiate (LMAC), which is the cluster of schools for Lake Macquarie High School.

Towards the end of term is the big event, our school concert!

**Canteen**

Please don’t forget that the canteen will be CLOSED on Friday (last day of term) for stocktake / cleaning purposes. There is a P&C / Canteen meeting this Tuesday night at 7:30pm at Pippis.

The P&C is now running a BBQ for Election Day in the Council carpark this Saturday. Anyone able to help, even for an hour, please let the office know. Thanks

**Have a great week everyone**

Chris Payne
Principal
Notification for Parents/Carers regarding Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability and or Learning Difficulties

From 2015, all Government and non-Government schools across Australia are required to participate annually in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD).

Please be advised that all Australian schools will be collecting data at the end of this semester on students who are receiving adjustments within their classroom setting in order to meet their additional learning and support needs.

These adjustments are in accordance with teacher obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and Disability Standards for Education 2005.

A privacy notice has been developed by the Australian Government to provide students, parents and carers with important privacy information in relation to the data collection. This notice is available on the department’s website at http://education.gov.au/notices

If you have any questions about the data collection please do not hesitate to contact myself or your child’s classroom teacher.

Mrs Nicole Young  
Assistant Principal  
Speers Point Public School

Upcoming Events

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Lost & Found

A signet ring was found in the school playground. Please ring our office for further information.

The ring that was found near our school canteen has now been claimed.

AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

Week 9

Eucalypt     Kayla Cumming   Grace Ward
Wattle       Liam Dee        Ryan Keo
Waratah      Nicolas Lambert
Coachwood    Jake Bates      Hendrix Johnston
Blue Gum     Cayden Hitchcock
Cedar        Ciara Palmer    Tyra Boulton

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EXPECTATION AWARDS

Eucalypt     Sam Jackson
Casuarina    Gabriel Black
Wattle       Ryan Keo
Waratah      Abbie Carter
Coachwood    Taleaha Hay
Blue Gum      Bailey Convery
Cedar        Sindy-Lee Richards
Starstruck Stars!

Public Speaking Reminder

Parents are invited to our Public Speaking finals on Wednesday 29th June in our school hall commencing at 12.35pm.

Birthdays
Wishing the following students a very Happy Birthday!

- Claudia Black 28th June
- Quentin Perese 29th
- Archie Taylor 29th
- Gemma Watson 6th July
- Ella Allen 9th
- Hailee Weston 12th
- Aurora McLardy 13th
- Sharnie Allen 16th
- Ashley McHardie 25th

Canteen Roster

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*If unavailable to volunteer on your day please ring Liz 0431 675 102 Kristy-Lee 0400 709 559

Community News

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3 PEAS MARKETS PRESENTS
POP UP
Winter Market

STALLS
- FOOD & MUSIC
- FAMILY FUN DAY
- FREE ENTRY

Saturday 9th July, 9am - 2pm
Speers Point Public School
Bell Street, Speers Point

Warners Bay Community Garden

COMMUNITY GARDENING

Local Childcare Centres, Pre-Schools, Schools
We invite you to help our friendly community gardeners
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Contact Trish Jarvie
0249 471 821 | 0434 129 192
c.engagement@warnersbaycommunitygarden.org

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