

# The Kookaburra

North Nowra Public School News

*Quality Education in a dynamic and caring environment*

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Term 4, Week 7

Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2015

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term 4	
<b>Week 7</b>	
Tues, 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	P & C Meeting 7.00 pm
Wed, 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Nowra HS Orientation day Shoalhaven HS Information Evening 6 pm
<b>Week 9</b>	
Wed, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Bomaderry HS Orientation day Swimming Carnival
<b>Week 10</b>	
Wed, 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Presentation Assembly 1.00 pm
<b>Week 11</b>	
Mon, 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 6 Graduation 5.00 pm
Wed, 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of school for students

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Swim Scheme

Swim school has commenced for many students in Years 2 and 3. The first day went well and hopefully, by the end of next week, every student involved will have improved their swimming strokes and their endurance. Great work again by Mrs Thomson to organise this program and well supported by the rest of the staff to manage this variation to our normal operation.

### School Hours

We are noticing more children arriving before 8.30 am. Yesterday, there were 49 children at school before any supervision. It is important for your child's safety that you ensure that they do not arrive at school before 8.30 am each morning. Breakfast Club is not open until staff and volunteers are available which is just after 8.30 am. Your cooperation with this serious matter is appreciated.

### P & C AGM

The P & C AGM will be held tonight. I look forward to your attendance and involvement in some way. Thank you to the parents and carers who have taken on roles and ensured that the canteen remains viable, cleaned-up grounds and equipment, raised funds, consulted with the community to change some aspects of the school uniform, provided some wonderful community events such as for Mother's Day and Father's Day, discos, movie nights and also provided advice for school

policies. They are a wonderful group of people and are keen for others to get involved.

### Child Protection Lessons

There is information in another section of the newsletter about personal development programs that are being implemented in Years 5 and 6. Please be aware and if there are any concerns, please discuss with the class teacher.

### Public Speaking Finals

Unfortunately, I will not be able to listen to the Public Speaking finals for Kindergarten and Years 1 and 2. However, I did have an opportunity to hear Indiana Price and Taris Butler deliver their speeches in 1/2W last week – very impressive!



Have a brilliant week!

*Empowering a positive future for our school community!*

**Mrs Julie Ashby**  
*Principal*

### SHOALHAVEN PSSA DRAGON TAG DAY

Selected stage 2 & stage 3 students who have returned their signed permission notes and payment of \$5 will participate in Dragon Tag Day on Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> November at the Rugby Park at South Nowra. Students will depart school by bus at 9.00 am and return at approximately 2.30 pm. Students should wear full sports uniform including a school hat and bring recess, lunch and a water bottle. Parents are most welcome to attend this sporting event.

**Mrs Thornton**

### CHILD PROTECTION LESSONS

Child Protection Lessons will commence in Week 7 for students in Stage 3 and the support unit. Lessons will cover puberty. If you have any concerns please contact your child's classrooms teacher.

### LUNCH TIME BUSH BIKE RIDING FOR FUN

The weather forecast for Wednesday this week is looking promising. Students, who own a bike and helmet and have checked their brakes and chain are in good working order, are invited to bring their bikes to school on each Wednesday in November. Bike riding will be available during the first break. Please walk your bike on school grounds at all other times. Years 3 to 6 may ride their bikes to school independently. K – 2 please ride with an adult or bring it in a car. If our usual bike area overflows, bikes can be stored behind the library.

### P&C NEWS

#### P&C AGM

The P&C annual general meeting will be held on Tuesday, 17th November at 7.00 pm in the staffroom. At this meeting all positions will be declared vacant and new office bearers elected. We are asking for nominations for all positions

#### Uniform Sales

The canteen is open for uniform sales on Monday and Friday from 8.30 am – 9.00 am. Alternatively, uniforms can be ordered using the Uniform Order Form and left at the school office for processing.

**Wanted !** Pre-loved school uniforms. If you have any pre-loved school uniforms please consider donating them to the school where they will be re-sold to in the uniform shop to families in need. Thank you.

#### School Banking

School banking is on every Friday. Don't forget to put your bank deposit books in the banking box at the canteen



### P & C Voluntary School Contribution

Thank you to all families who have already paid their 2015 P&C Voluntary School Contribution. These funds are used to provide books, pencils, art supplies and other educational supplies to all students. The school contribution for 2015 is:

**1 child - \$25**

**2 children - \$45**

**3 or more children - \$60**

If you have not paid this contribution please consider making this payment as soon as you are financially able to do so. Thank you to all parents for your ongoing support.

*No student will be disadvantaged by non-payment or miss out on any educational program.*



Thank you P&C for the Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Disco

### Shoalhaven High School Information Evening

For parents and carers of students starting Year 7 in 2016

Parents, carers, students and family members welcome

**Wednesday, November 18, 2015 6.00 – 7.00pm**

Shoalhaven High School Library, 60 Park Road NOWRA

- Come along and find out about the school
- Start the learning journey your child will be on with us from Year 7 2016 to Year 12 2021
- Meet staff members who will help guide your child through the next 6 years
- Find out about uniforms, timetables, school values and more
- Learn about our outstanding results and why we are proud to teach at Shoalhaven High School



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SHS is a PBS High School offering value-added learning through:

- High Achieving Key Learning Areas
- Talented Sports Program
- Professional Hospitality Training
- Innovative Industrial Arts

### NOWRA HIGH SCHOOL

#### Year 7 Orientation Day

Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2015

9.30 am – 2.30 pm

For students starting Year 7 at Nowra High in 2016.

#### Parent Information Afternoon

Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2015

4.30 pm – 6.00 pm

This is a chance for parents to find out about uniforms, school expectations, Year 7 camp etc. Book packs and/or uniforms available for purchase