



# Greenwell Point Public School

## NEWSLETTER

**'School Motto – Growing and Learning Together'**

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**29th August, 2011**

**Term 3 Week 7**

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### AUGUST

30 Shoalhaven High School information afternoon 1pm to 2:30pm

#### SEPTEMBER

7 Music Festival Night 7:30pm at Nowra High School

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Although not a notifiable disease we do have one reported case of hand, foot and mouth disease. This is not to be confused with the animal disease of a similar name. Please read the attached information and keep your child at home until all the blisters have dried.

Our school Captains Katie and Taasha have been invited to meet with Joanna Gash The Federal member for Gilmore. Ms Gash runs these meetings as part of a leadership opportunity for the school captains in the Shoalhaven.

**Parents are reminded not to stop in the new crossing to let children in or out of their cars. There has been some parents reported as not following the signage around the school.**

We are yet to use the crossing officially because we have an issue with the council not providing adequate disabled parking. I have discussed this with council officials and they are looking into the problem.

We are celebrating Book Week this week. If for no other reason than to encourage every child to read a bit more, we are having a dress up day on this Friday. Please see below for more details.

Never before in our history has the ability to read been more important to your child's future. We all know a story about a person who went through life not being able to read or write —my father in law was a good example. But the part of the story no one ever tells you, he had a family around him that could. Your children are very forgiving and they love having a story read to them. If you have difficulty reading, then be honest and share the reading. You'll both improve and one day you'll see the benefits.

Our school website has been brought into the 21st century with thanks to Mrs Hiscox. We are having a few minor glitches from our end but you should be able to see it by going to

**[www.greenwelpt-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.greenwelpt-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)**

NB There is only one "l" in the address. Newsletters and information will appear on the site shortly. This will allow parents the flexibility to read the newsletters at any time.

Don't forget the Father's Day stall this Friday morning children can purchase presents for their dads and select from a variety of items.

Yours In Education

Kate Murphy

#### MATHS AFTERNOON

Unfortunately this was poorly attended and a disappointment because Mrs Collins had put a lot of thought into her presentation to help parents understand the mathematics that is being taught to their children.

#### WHITE SHIRTS

The school has a box of ex school uniform long sleeve white polo shirts for sale. They are not official uniform any more and would need to be worn under an official school top. But at the bargain price of \$5 they would be cheap and of good quality. They have the school crest so not really suitable unless worn at home or for under something on the weekend. On this FRIDAY ONLY available from the new library at 2.30pm, limited sizes are available.

### BOOK WEEK

The theme for Book Week is 'One World, Many Stories.' This Friday the children are asked to dress up as a character from a story and to identify the country they would be from, for example: Dora the Explorer is from Spain, Mickey Mouse from America, Mary Poppins from England etc. To add to the fun of the day the children are asked to bring a small plate of food to share that relates to their character. The children will have this at the play break in the afternoon at 2.15pm. Where possible could you think of healthy food items.

### SEATS FOR THE CHOIR PERFORMANCE

Choir tickets for the performance on Wednesday September 7th are now available from the office. The cost is \$6 each with no concessions. However participating children do not pay. Please purchase your tickets early to avoid disappointment.

### FATHERS DAY STALL

The P&C will be holding Father's Day stall this Friday 2nd September. Do you have any items that could be used for gifts? The children love purchasing a gift for their dad's and love the variety we offer at a cheap price. Prices range from \$1.00 up to \$5.00

### BOOK CLUB

The order from the 'clearance sale' book club has found a home "Thank you". The next book club is due in **NO LATER** than the **31st August**.

### NSW PREMIER READING CHALLENGE

We have just three days left to complete the challenge. The cut off date is the close of school Wednesday 31st August as Mrs Hiscox has to validate all entries by the 1st September. Congratulations Kye Tynan, Keesha Devet and Emily Pratt for completing the challenge.

### SCHOOL CHICKENS

Our chickens are now starting to lay, if you are interested in buying half a dozen eggs at \$2 then please leave your name at the office and we will contact you when we have some. This will help the school pay for pellets.

### SCHOOL TRIVIA NIGHT

Please start thinking about organising a table of 10 for the school's annual trivia night to be held in October. This is the first year that we will be hosting the night in our school hall with more far more potential for a great night. More details to follow regarding this night.

## SPORTS NEWS

### SWIMMING SCHEME

Unfortunately not many students have returned notes for this great swimming scheme. If you know your child is not a great swimmer or wish to improve their skills before the summer season then please return your notes or ask at the office for a permission note. This swimming scheme is so important to help your child to swim confidently.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### SHOALHAVEN LITTLE ATHLETICS

Shoalhaven Little Athletics Tots-Under 17's rego days: Saturday 3rd September 9:30am to 12.30pm, Tuesday 30th August 5pm to 6:30pm of register on-line [www.laansw.com.au](http://www.laansw.com.au) must pay at Shoalhaven \$60 early bird or \$75 after 3rd September. Competition begins 6th September 5:30pm. Information phone: 0439 721 140.

### SHOALHAVEN HEADS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Formerly Coolangatta School is celebrating its 150th Anniversary. An invitation is extended to all past students, staff and community members to join us in celebrating this exciting occasion on the 24th and 26th November, 2011. To help mark the event the school is publishing a Sesquicentenary Magazine. We are searching for photos and stories from ex-students, particularly from the 1960's and 70's of the school's history. If you can help or would like more information please contact the school on: 4448 7174 or by e-mail on: [shoalhaven-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:shoalhaven-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

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### Canteen Meal Deal for Monday 5th September 2011

ORDERS MUST BE IN BY Friday 2nd September

I would like my child ..... in class .....  
To have a meal deal of

Hot Dog                      Please circle Tomato or BBQ Sauce ( No sauce will be provided if not circled.)

Popper

Chips

THIS WILL COST \$4.00