



# Newsletter

## Shellharbour Public School

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**A Word From The Principal**  
Dear Parents/Carers

**24 May 2010**  
**Term 2, Week 6**

### ADDISON STREET CROSSING

The RTA recently contacted the school and confirmed that funding will be made available to enable a 'Crossing Supervisor' or 'Lollypop Lady' to patrol the Addison Street crossing before and after school. This is a wonderful result for **Allison O'Brien** and all the work that she put into raising awareness of the dangers being faced by students and parents whilst crossing. The RTA also deserve some praise for quick action, as sometimes it can be a long process to achieve this result.

### UNIFORM REMINDER

At Shellharbour Public School we are proud of the fact that most of our students come to school dressed in our school uniform. During winter months we start to see many variations of school uniform. Could parents try to ensure that winter uniforms are adhered to as often as possible. If this is done, then we miss out on students trying to outdo each other in 'fashion.' The correct winter uniform is :

**Girls:** Short or long sleeve school polo with school jumper or school jacket; matching school track pants OR School dress with dark blue stockings (Please note that black leggings are not part of our uniform).

**Boys:** Short or long sleeve school polo with school jumper or school jacket; matching school track pants OR long grey pants.

Boys and girls who do not feel the cold may wear summer uniform.

### STICKS & STONES VISIT

Two wonderful performers visited the school on Wednesday and Thursday and gave all students many ways to confront bullying issues and turn them into positive situations where they learn to interact with others and form friendships. I visited both shows and the children were enthralled with the shows. Teachers will use this as a basis for further class work on bullying issues.

### CYBER BULLYING

This is an increasingly worrying issue. Too often children who are cyber bullied in the home environment bring their issues to school, where troubles erupt with the cyber bully. Parents need to be vigilant with the ways that their children use the internet, and cut their usage if they detect cyber bullying. Shellharbour Public School will also cut internet usage of students engaging in this practice.

### GRANDPARENTS CONCERT AND 'REMINISCES AND READINGS'

Notes have already gone home to parents regarding the Grandparents Concert to be held **tomorrow, Tuesday, 25 May**. Apart from the concert, there are two other activities that grandparents and parents may participate in. Firstly is the 'Reminisces and Readings'. Grandparents and special friends of students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be conducting classroom sessions of 'Reminisces and Readings.' They are

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
9.15 – 10.15 am	Grandparents Concert 1
10.15 – 10.45 am	Visit Book Fair in Library
10.45 – 11.15	Recess with grandchildren
11.15 – 11.45am	<b>All Grandparents time to visit Years 3–6 classrooms for favourite book sharing</b>
11.45 – 12.45pm	Grandparents Concert 2
12.45 – 1.15 pm	Visit Book Fair in Library
1.15 – 1.45 pm	Lunch with grandchildren

invited to bring a favourite childhood book to read to their grandchild's class or a small group of children in the class between **11.15 am** and **11.45 am**. They are also invited to visit our school book fair with their grandchildren and purchase a book. The timetable is listed above, for your information.



### BOOK FAIR

Our theme for 2010 is 'Book Fair Blizzard!' The library is storming towards the best display ever with dioramas of snow scenes, freezing polar bears and penguins everywhere, and a 'hot' display of books. Mrs Cooper and the students have done an amazing job to create an exciting library atmosphere, so please come and support them!

### CLASS 2B ASSEMBLY ITEM

What a fabulous item by Mr Baker's class! They prepared a tasty dish of 'Stone Soup' which had all the ingredients that any Master Chef would envy! They all used very loud voices to try and project to the back of the hall and then finished off with a great song. *Well done 2B on a super Presentation Assembly item!*

### REGIONAL AFL

The Regional AFL Development Officer, Stu Hack, is running a 6 week, before and after AUSKICK program. It started last week with over 20 students enjoying some AFL skills under the COLA due to the rain. If your child is interested in participating, please see Mr Good.

### OLD MOGO TOWN CAMP



Luxurious accommodation!

What a fantastic trip we had to Old Mogo Town and Mogo Zoo! After an early departure and a pit stop in Ulladulla we arrived. Too much excitement was had exploring our accommodation, (luxurious—with ensuite!) Students were jealous of Mr Barr and Mr Good who claimed to have a large spa and enormous plasma screen...) beds were made in a flash and we were off to our first experiences. Experiences of how classes were conducted in the 1850s saw much waving of the cane and lots of curtsies (by girls) and bowing (by boys). Mr Barr learnt that any student late to school incurred three strokes of the cane and he calculated that he would have an extremely muscular right arm if this rule were still in force..... **Thomas W** was reported to the Principal by a prefect for 'having passed a note to a girl' and he was only saved from the mandatory 8 strokes of the cane by

the ringing of the end of school bell..... Apparently the Principal had to go 'courting', whatever that was.

The tour of the town taught us many things about the old days. Barbers were able to cut hair, pull teeth, operate on people and, if this failed, bury them! **Brodie W** told me that the ability of the blacksmith to make metal equipment after turning them red hot was amazing. Mrs Prisk scared her group by slamming the goal door closed on them! We all

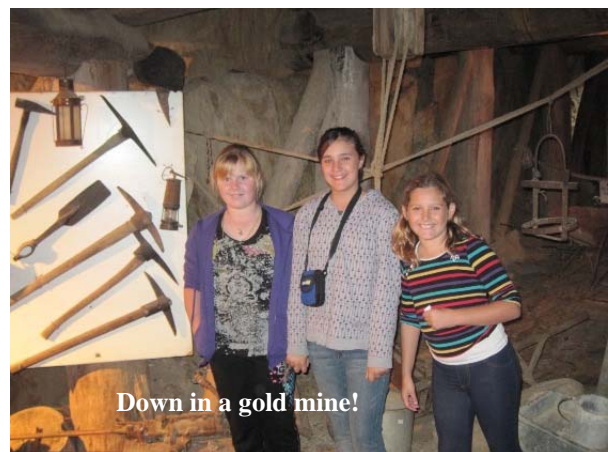


panned for gold and located huge nuggets, well maybe they were small specks of gold. **Zane S** got a bit too excited when scooping sand into his pan, and just about went head first into the tailing pond!

The bush dance was fantastic, with a live band and plenty of new dances to be learnt. We were a sweaty lot at the end.

Naturally all students were very tired after this and went straight to bed and immediately fell into a deep slumber until the teachers had to drag them out of bed at 7.00 am. (if this software had a truth checker then the last paragraph would be underlined in thick red lines.... )

After breakfast we had an amazing demonstration of



Down in a gold mine!

Aboriginal culture and aboriginal tools, and then we headed to Mogo Zoo. The animals were cute and cuddly (monkeys) or big and scary (lions and tigers).

*Thanks to the students for their excellent behaviour, thanks to Mrs MacDonald and Ms McIntosh for*

organising, and also to Mr Good, Mrs Prisk and Ms McIntosh for wearing themselves out!

*Brendan Barr, Relieving Principal*

**IMPORTANT: UPDATE OF STUDENT CONTACT INFORMATION**

The office staff have noticed that there are a lot of students whose contact information has not been updated. Could all parents/carers who have changed their home address, home telephone number and mobile numbers for Mum and Dad, please send in correct details ASAP. We also need updated information for emergency contact persons if circumstances have changed. It makes it very difficult for the office to contact parents, etc., when their children are ill, if contact numbers are not correct and updated. We thank you for your assistance in this regard—*Vicki Fretus, School Administrative Manager*

**IMPORTANT REQUEST FROM WARILLA HIGH SCHOOL TO YEAR 6 PARENTS**

Year 6 students attending Warilla High School in Year 7 next year would have recently received enrolment forms in the mail from Warilla High School—Upon returning those forms to the high school, **WOULD YOU PLEASE ENSURE YOU ALSO TAKE WITH YOU, PROOF OF WHERE YOU LIVE (EITHER A RATE NOTICE OR COPY OF YOUR RENT AGREEMENT) AND YOUR CHILD'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE**—*Thank you, school office*

**PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY AWARD WINNERS**

We congratulate the following students who received awards at our Presentation Assembly held today, **Thursday, 13 May 2010:**

**BANNERS**

Bridget M  
Charlie T

**PENNANTS**

Nicole P	Bridget
Jake We	Zac W
Chloe M	Jake F
Holly G	Eva H
Emily P	Cooper S
Rosie B	Charlie T
Lauren J	Kain B
Lachlan H	Cooper H
Maguire C	Jayden G

**KID'S CAFÉ ROSTER REMINDER**

**TUESDAY, 25 MAY**

Ricky, Karen Mathews, Kim Burrows & Belinda

**WEDNESDAY, 26 MAY**

Chris Natrass & Belinda—**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

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**THURSDAY, 27 MAY**

Ricky, Carol Bartlett & Kim

**FRIDAY, 28 MAY**

Ann Olsson & Kim—**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**MONDAY, 31 MAY**

Val Moon & Belinda—**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**TUESDAY, 1 JUNE**

Pilly, Ricky & Belinda

**WEDNESDAY, 2 JUNE**

Kim—**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED URGENTLY**

**THURSDAY, 3 JUNE**

Carol Bartlett, Ricky & Kim

**FRIDAY, 4 JUNE**

Peita White, Ann Olsson & Kim

**MONDAY, 7 JUNE**

Val Moon & Belinda—**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**TUESDAY, 8 JUNE**

Ricky, Shannon Martin & Belinda



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VILLAGE MARKETS**

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Mary Street, Shellharbour

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**2nd Sunday of Each Month**

